

Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate

WEEKLY BULLETIN

APRIL 14, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Dear Friends in Christ,

The planting season is upon us and it brings us great hope. Seedtime is a reminder that our lives are supposed to "bear fruit." As the Lord said: "Remain in Me and I in you....He who remains in Me and I in him bears much fruit...I have chosen you from the world...and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last (John 15).

If we do not give up our prayer life (presuming we have started it in some way!) we will not have a fruitless life. We may not always see the fruit, the fruit may be hidden from us, but it is still real. In heaven we will receive the "hidden manna," of our faithfulness on Earth.

I enjoy using this prayer to bless the seeds before planting, feel free to use it for your own needs:

*Lord of the harvest,
you placed the gifts of creation in our hands
and called us to till the earth and make it
fruitful.
We ask your blessing
as we prepare to place these seeds in the earth.
May the care we show these seeds
remind us of your tender love for your people.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.*

If anyone would like Fr. Kumud or I to stop by and bless your seeds we would be available on Saturday May 4th after the first Saturday Mass in Mill Creek. Just send one of us an e-mail.

We would also be happy to give your house an Easter blessing! Please reach out to me or Father Kumud!!

God bless,

Fr. Luke

SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Sat: Trivia Night at St. John, April 13
~ Food served at 5:00 PM
~ Premiere Trivia starts at 6:00 PM
- Tues: Choir Rehearsal at St. John, 6:00 PM
- Wed: Men's Group Meet at St. John, 5:30 AM
Adoration at St. John, 7:00 AM
Prink the Word at St. John, 9:15 AM
MS/HS Faith Formation at St. Luke, 6:45 PM
- Thurs: Education Commission Meeting at St. John, 5:30 PM
Finance Council Meeting at St. John, 6:30 PM
- Sun: Confirmation Sponsor Retreat at St. Pat's, 8:30 AM

LOOKING AHEAD ...

- ✠ First Annual Summer Pilgrimage, June 21-23
- ✠ St. Luke Parish Festival/Raffle Drawing, June 22
- ✠ St. John's Funfest, August 9 & 10

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be heard 30 minutes before each Weekend Mass
St. John ~ 3:30 PM Saturday & 8:00 AM Sunday
St. Patrick ~ 7:00 AM Sunday
St. Boniface ~ 8:30 AM First Saturday of the Month

READINGS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 4:8-12 1 John 3:1-2
John: 10:11-18

THE LIGHTS THIS WEEK BURN FOR ...

St. Luke's Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Leon Hausner

St. John's Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
John Richardson

St. Pat's Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Kenneth Schutz



PRAY FOR THE SICK & SUFFERING

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**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR
SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE PASTORATE**

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Duane A. Meixelsperger †

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Duane A. Meixelsperger †

5:15 PM Mass at St. Luke for Kathleen Brey - Thomas †

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for "In Thanksgiving"

10:45 AM Mass at St. Luke for Caroline Ederer †

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Duane Kraemer †

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Dixie Schweiss †

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

4:00 PM Mass at St. John for the People of
Sts. Joachim & Anne Pastorate

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

7:30 AM Mass at St. Patrick for Dutch & Helen Rittenhouse †

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Ken Feiner & Siblings †

10:30 AM Mass at St. John for Ralph Patterman †

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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| SAT., APR 20 | 8:30 AM ST. JOHN |
| Sacristan | Jean Bindl |
| Lector | Karen Krey |
| EM | Donna Ochsner |
| Ushers | Donna Ochsner Rita Brey Pat Slaney Donna Slaney |
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| SUN., APR 21 | 7:30 AM ST. PATRICK | 8:30 AM ST. JOHN | 10:30 AM ST. JOHN |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Sacristan | Sheila Drea | Mary Lynn Johnson | N/A |
| Lector | Nick Klingaman | Dan Joyce | Dave Mack |
| EM | | Dan Joyce | Sara Shackleton |
| Ushers | Dan Amend Michelle Amend | Jeff Johnson Tom Bennett Tom Slaney Ron Bauer | Ken Bindl Sue Bindl OPEN OPEN |
| Greeter | | Douglas Schmitz | |
| Servers | Isaac Faber Jacob Faber | Will Hagmann Charles McCall | Vincent Limmex Eli Limmex |

Jesus and the EUCHARIST

Join us for a small group series
Starting April 10th
at St Luke | Wednesday evenings
6:30-8:30

JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST STUDY APRIL 10 ~ MAY 22

Draw closer to Jesus and His love and grace during the Easter season with this beautiful video study created by the National Eucharistic Revival. Take time to make new friendships with others in our pastorate as we seek to grow deeper in our faith! Contact Marie Lins at marielins@hotmail.com or 608-469-3982 with any questions.



There will be a Confirmation Sponsor Retreat on Sunday, April 21st, after the 7:30 AM Mass at St. Patrick Church.



Like in the gospel today, sometimes our minds need to be opened to know what God has done for us, and what he wants for us in our marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance, and renew your sacrament by attending an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on April 27-28, 2024 in Mundelein, IL, May 4-5 in Muskego, WI, or August 3-4 in Wisconsin. For more info go to: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.



"Parish Rosary Program"
(Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate)

Combined Weekly Total: 198
Running Grand Total: 11,591

We would like to ask parishioners of ALL five churches to put your rosary counts into the collection baskets at the weekend Masses!

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ST. JOHN SCHOOL NEWS

APRIL 17: Home & School Meeting, 6:30 PM
APRIL 19: No School ~ Teacher Professional Development
APRIL 28: First Communion Mass at 10:30 AM
MAY 10: Pastries for Parents



SECOND ANNUAL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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In an effort to foster a lifelong relationship between alumni and our school, we sent out over 1,000 letters to parishioners and alumni to share the great things happening at St. John's. If you receive a letter in the mail for your child from us, please make sure they receive it and contact the school or parish office with his/her correct mailing address. If you believe you should have received the newsletter and did not, please let us know so we can get you on the list for future mailings. A successful alumni drive will help ensure our amazing St. John's School is around for years to come.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THIS YEAR'S FUNFEST!

Funfest this year will be on Friday evening, August 9th and all day Saturday, August 10th. We have exciting events planned for both children and adults. Funfest is the school's major fundraiser so plan on coming out to support our school!

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ST. LUKE SCHOOL NEWS

APRIL 17: Weather Day Trip to Milwaukee for Grades 5-8
APRIL 19: No School; In-Service
APRIL 24: School Mass; Gala follow-up meeting
APRIL 25: Bridge Building at UW-P for Grades 5-8
MAY 13: Spring Program 1:30 PM & 6:30 PM



St. Luke School is looking for a kindergarten teacher and a second grade teacher for the 2024-2025 school year. If interested or know of anyone who may be interested, please contact the school office at 546-2963.

SCHOOL-AGE SUMMER PROGRAM ~ St. Luke School's school-age summer program will begin after Memorial Day and run through mid-August. If interested in enrolling your child(ren) in the summer program, please contact the school office at

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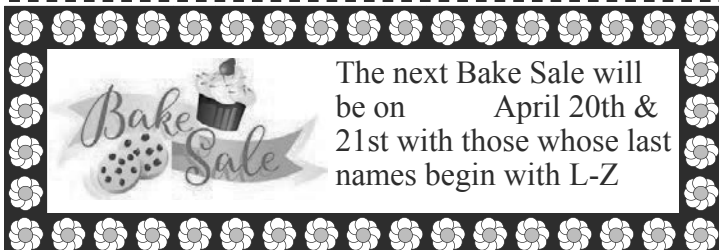
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The next Bake Sale will be on April 20th & 21st with those whose last names begin with L-Z



Deepen Your Faith with the *Catholic Herald* Issue for April 18, 2024

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~ Saint Vincent ~

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul-River Valley Conference will be having our annual "SPRING CLEANING" Donation Drive on **Saturday APRIL 27th**. The SVDP truck will be located at St. John's Evangelical church parking lot from 8:30a.m. to Noon and at St. Luke's church parking lot from 1:00 to 3:00p.m. Please consider donating gently used clean clothing, household goods, furniture, etc. Household items need to be sellable, usable and in good condition and odor free. All small items need to be bagged or boxed and labeled. Please note that we cannot accept air conditioners, appliances, microwaves, computers or parts, TV's, pianos, tires, paint or chemicals or items with pet hair, mold, or mildew.

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Contact Joan (651-324-3068) or Rick Zahalka (715-415-1593) with questions.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA???

Red Cross Blood Drive ~ Monday, April 15, from 1:00 to 6:00 PM at the American Legion in Plain, WI. The need for blood remains critical. Please consider giving!! Walk-ins are accepted, but appointments are preferred as it makes it easier and quicker to donate. Visit redcrossblood.org. Thank you.

Chicken BBQ Dinner ~ Drive thru only on April 21st, from 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM or until sold out, in Plain on Park View Ave. across from the tennis courts. Dinner includes half of a chicken, baked potato, beans, cookie, and roll. Cost is \$15 per dinner. You can also buy 50/50 Raffle tickets. All proceeds will go towards improvements for the Westbrook Hills Golf Course, Plain, WI.

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April 14
May 12

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The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will be traveling through Wisconsin this June on its way to the National Eucharistic Congress. Make plans to join the pilgrimage as it enters into the National Eucharistic Congress in the Diocese of LaCrosse on Friday, June 7. For \$55 you can ride a deluxe motorcoach with other pilgrims from the Diocese of Madison from Holy Name Heights in Madison to downtown LaCrosse. We plan to join the procession as it travels through downtown LaCrosse to The LaCrosse Center for The Answer Eucharistic Rally. The rally will begin with Mass and feature speakers Chris Stefanick, Immaculee Ilibagiza, Josh Rosa, and Father Justin Kizewski along with music, Eucharistic Adoration, confessions, and more. For more info and registration go to www.madisondiocese.org/answer.

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APR 27th 2024

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| Apr 6/7 Actual | \$ 3,275.00 | \$ 535.00 |
| ACH Weekly Average | \$ 2,496.00 | \$ 52.00 |
| Difference: | -\$ 2,154.00 | -\$ 10.00 |
| Envelope Goal YTD | \$ 324,925.00 | \$ 23,657.00 |
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To Charities.....1-4%

Would you prayerfully consider treating St. Luke/St. John Parish as one of your children in your will/estate planning?

Call Parish Office for details.

| <u>St. Luke's (Week 41)</u> | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Total Weekly Goal | \$ 7,405.00 |
| Apr 6/7 Actual | \$ 4,044.00 |
| ACH Weekly Average | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Difference: | -\$ 861.00 |
| Total Goal YTD | \$ 303,605.00 |
| YTD Actual to Apr 7 | \$ 263,144.00 |
| Difference | -\$ 40,461.00 |

*This now includes weekly envelopes and weekly offertory basket collection!!

Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate

Saint John the Evangelist Parish

253 N. Washington Street
P.O. Box 628
Spring Green, WI 53588

ST. JOHN MASS: Saturday 5:30pm & Sunday 8:30am

ST. JOHN OFFICES

Rectory/Parish Office..... 588-2028
Parish Fax 588-2648
Parish Email..... barb.ferguson@pastorate6.org
Website..... www.saintsja.org
Parish Center/Kitchen..... 588-2229
Pastoral Council President: Dave Mack 459-0680
St. Vincent de Paul River Valley Conference.... 546-2482

ST. JOHN SCHOOL

School Office 588-2021
School Website..... <http://stjohns-springgreen.org>
School Principal: Allison Stroud..... 588-2021

ST. JOHN CEMETERY

Cemetery Sexton: Roger Kolan..... 588-2103

Saint Luke Parish

1240 Nachreiner Avenue
Plain, WI 53577

ST. LUKE MASS: Saturday 4:00pm & Sunday 10:00am

ST. LUKE OFFICES

Rectory/Parish Office..... 546-2482
Parish Fax 546-2616
Parish Email..... heather.faber@pastorate6.org
Website..... www.saintsja.org
Church Kitchen 546-2800
Pastoral Council President: Bruce Culver..... 544-5813
St. Vincent de Paul River Valley Conference.... 546-2482
Little Luke Daycare..... 546-2963, ext. 316

ST. LUKE SCHOOL

School 546-2963
School Website..... <http://stlukes-plain.org>
School Principal: Diane Mueller..... 546-2963

ST. LUKE CEMETERY

Cemetery Sexton: Bob Schweiss..... Cell: 608-963-8163

Saint Boniface

105 Church Street
Lime Ridge, WI 53942

MASS: First Saturday Mass 9:00am

Saint Patrick Loreto

58280 County Road G
Plain, WI 53577

MASS: Sunday 7:30am

St. Patrick's and Our Lady of the Fields
Shrine Cemetery Sexton: Doug Faber

Saint John the Baptist Mill Creek

6494 County Highway H
Arena, WI 53503

MASS: First Saturday Mass 9:00am

(May-October)

JOINT STAFF & OFFICE INFORMATION

PASTOR: Fr. Luke Syse

546-2482 / 588-2028 / Cell: 636-4337
fr.luke.syse@pastorate6.org
1270 Nachreiner Avenue, Plain, WI 53577

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MUSIC DIRECTOR

Michael Davidson
588-2028 / 546-2482
michaeldavidson84@gmail.com

SCHEDULING EVENTS

All parish activities or meetings need to be scheduled on the parish calendar. Please call the parish office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Wednesday - Noon

MINISTERIO HISPANO / HISPANIC MINISTRY

Padre Luke Syse se habla espanol
Puedes llamarlo a 608-636-4337

HOMEBOUND VISITS

Deacon Tom Fogarty - 414-530-0868
tjohnf52480@gmail.com

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our parish family. Please stop by or call the parish office for information about registering as parish members.

SACRAMENTS

PENANCE/RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is offered 30 minutes before every scheduled mass.

MARRIAGE

To schedule a wedding date, call the parish office. The common policy of the Diocese of Madison requires a 6-month minimum notice. We strongly recommend at least one year in advance.

BAPTISM

Baptism dates are arranged through the parish offices. First time parents are required to attend a baptism preparation program before the baptism of their child. Please call the parish office for more information.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

We are happy to bring Holy Communion to those confined to their homes. Please notify the parish office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Individual celebrations can be arranged by calling the parish office.

OCIA (FORMERLY RCIA)

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

OCIA is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and for those seeking more information on the Catholic Church. Please contact Marie Lins at 608-469-3982 or marie.lins@madisondiocese.org.