

**April 3, 2016**

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY  
MASSES**

**SATURDAY 6:00 p.m.** Rosary

**6:30 P.M.** +Albin Macik; +Ted Kocian;  
+Raymond J. Hromadka, Sr.; +Shelia  
Brown; +Cecil Atkins; +Marsha Faye  
Grimm; +Edward Soukup, Anniv.; and In  
Thanksgiving for Josephine Kocian

**SUN. 7:30 A.M.** +Jerry Grones; and  
+Robert Kostecka, Sr., Anniv.

**Sun. 9:00 A.M.** +Joe Frank Divin; +Albert  
& Rosemarie Banik; +Anton Jack  
Willenborg; +Bernice Kutscherousky;  
+Anton & Annie Stacha; +Charlie & Hattie  
Kucera; +Eddie Klaus; Thanksgiving for  
the 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Charlie &  
Rose Kubacak; Thanksgiving NH; For the  
Health of B & C and Special Intention AH

**SUN. 10:30 A.M.** +Delayne Pustejovsky  
Massirer; +Lillian Smajstrla; +Patsy Picha;  
+Ray Kapczynski; +James Hall; +Fred  
Gerik; and +Freddie Gerik, Jr.

**Sun. Spanish Mass (Noon)** Parish Family

**Mon. 6:30 P.M.** +James Smetak

**Tues. 6:30 A.M.** For the Health of Hattie  
Kolar

**Wed. 6:30 P.M.** +Doris Bezdek Konvicka,  
Anniv.

**Thurs. 6:30 A.M.** +Charlie Ferguson;  
Thanksgiving for the 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Anna  
White; and For the Health of B & C

**Fri. 8:15 A.M.** For the Health of B & C.

**10.00 Rest Haven** For World Peace

**Next SATURDAY 6:00 p.m.** Rosary

**6:30 P.M.** +Eleanor Mynarcik; and For  
Health of Louis Mynarcik

**Next SUN. 7:30 A.M.** +Joe & Lillian  
Machovsky; +Robert J. Karlik, BD;  
+Edward Kolar; +Bernice Hornak;

**Next SUN. 9:00 A.M.** +Eddie Klaus;  
+Jeanie Cernosek; Living & Deceased  
FCSLA #14; +Anton & Annie Stacha; and  
+Charlie & Hattie Kucera

**Next SUN. 10:30 A.M.** +Raymond  
Snokhous

**Next SUN. Spanish (Noon)** Parish Family

**ALL PARISHIONERS – Please do not  
bring any drinks, foods, candy, or GUM  
in church. Please be respect full of the  
Lord's house**

**TODAY -** A Divine Mercy Holy Hour &  
Benediction will be held in our Church from  
3-4 p.m. Confessions will be available. A  
Plenary Indulgence can be obtained if the  
usual requirements of confession, worthy  
reception of the Eucharist & prayers for  
our Holy Father are met. Avail yourself of  
this GREAT GRACE.

**TODAY -** Our adult Sunday study group  
will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the parish  
cafeteria. All sessions will last one hour.

**TODAY -** KJT District V Annual Family Day  
registration begins at 11 a.m. Festivities  
and games begin at 12:00 and end at 3 p.m.  
There will be Fishing, Horseshoes, Washer  
pitching and crafts. Food and bait will  
provided. Please bring your fishing gear  
and lawn chairs. For additional information  
contact Mike Kraemer 254-826-5543 or  
Robert Nors 254-826-3451

**TODAY –** KJZT District X meeting (Hosted  
by the Ennis Society) will be held in Ennis  
today at the KJT Auditorium dining room,  
1216 S. Paris Street, Ennis. Registration  
will be at 11 a.m., luncheon at 12 noon  
and meeting at 1 p.m. We will plan to  
meet at St. Joseph's hall at 10 a.m. and  
leave at 10:15 a.m. for Ennis. For more  
information call Theresa Plsek 867-1973  
or Mary Kallus 826-3077.

**TODAY -** Marriage Enrichment Classes  
will be in the Parish Center from 4-6 p.m.  
Babysitting will be provided.

**TODAY –** 50/50 Club meets in the Parish  
Center after the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

**TUESDAY –** Adoration after the 6:30 a.m.

Mass. A time for personal prayer.

**TUESDAY** – CDA meeting at 7 p.m. Social begins at 6:30 p.m. in St. Joseph Hall.

**WEDNESDAY** - Family Rosary beginning at 5 p.m. with Eucharistic Adoration in church/Benediction/ Confession 5-6 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY** –CCE Classes will be held from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY** – St. Mary's Quarterback meeting will be held Gym at 6 p.m.

**THURSDAY - NOTE PERMANENT DAY OF WEEK AND TIME CHANGE:** West Conference St. Vincent de Paul Society meeting at 6:15 p.m. in the St. Mary's School Library. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

**THURSDAY** - Adoration after the 6:30 a.m. Mass. A time for personal prayer.

**FRIDAY** - Men's Fellowship meets at 6 a.m. in St. Joseph Hall. A time for fellowship to start your day.

**NEXT SUNDAY** -- Our adult Sunday study group will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the parish cafeteria. All sessions will last one hour.

**NEXT SUNDAY**— Marriage Enrichment Classes will be in the Parish Center from 4-6 p.m. Babysitting will be provided.

**KZT #31 SCHOLARSHIPS** - The KJT #31 of West, will award two \$500. Scholarships for Graduating Seniors. They must be a member of the KJT#31. Deadline is April 28. For information please call Sherry Pavlas at 254-829-0672 or 254-716-8762 and leave a message

**NEXT SUNDAY** - Baptism Classes will be held at 3 p.m. in the Parish Center and

4:30 p.m. in Spanish. You must attend the class in order to baptize your child.

**NEXT SUNDAY** - The children of the parish are asked to bring an item for the food pantry as their offering.

**NEXT SUNDAY** - The History of West Museum will hold its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Fundraiser at the West Knights of Columbus Hall on Sunday, April 10. Serving of fried chicken, sausage, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, slaw, dessert and tea begins at 11 a.m. Cost is \$10 and plates to go will be available. A live auction will begin at noon and there will be a silent auction and raffle.

**NEXT SUNDAY** – KJT & KJZT will attend Corporate Communion at the 7:30 a.m. Mass next Sunday. Meeting will follow at the Parish Center. Kolaches and coffee will be served prior to the meeting.

**NEXT SUNDAY** – KJZT Juniors will have a meeting next Sunday at 4 p.m. at the Parish Center. Following the meeting, juniors will finish making corsages and boutonnières for women and men who are in the West Rest Haven to be given to them for Mother's and Father's day.

**PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:** Levi Machac; Brooklyn & Cooper Downing; Marvin Gerik; Chela Gonzales, Georgie Nors, Kenneth Kubala; Felix Picha, Katherine Horton, Ronnie Janek, George Hubik, Jr., Adolph Zatopek, Robert Janek, Jackie Holecek Davis, Barbara Hykel, Mildred Bajer, Marcie Herring, Larry Mashek, Tim Jaska, Freddie Hutyra, Cressie & Henry Girard, Alex Perez; Bill Hannes; Ken Bernsen; Kelly Hooper, Jennifer Jares Ashley; Lillian Hromadka, Karcyn Kauffman, Larry Holecek, Wesley Mashek, Nilce Carman, Nathaniel Torres, Wendell Harrison, Billy Kelm, Paula Ledford, Martha Sulak Gerik, Eugene Roznos, Louis Mynarcik, Albin Poehl, Zander Williams,

Hattie Kolar, Chris Hutyra, Delbert Helms, Dawn Hand, Butch Manske, Charlotte Klaus, Dave Redwine, Linda Hill, Jeff Jares, Larry Podsednik, Jason Neill, Rose Sulak, Dianna Schroeder, Rachael Eckols and Estelle Marek.

**Basic Teachings of the Catholic Faith—**

The Basic Teachings of the Catholic Faith Program offers a general introduction to the theological principles found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

This program serves as the first step in basic adult formation for all ministry groups that seek evangelization and catechetical certification. The coursework includes: Introduction to Scripture; Creed; Liturgy and Sacraments; Christian Morality; Prayer and Spirituality. Each of the five segments offers 6 clock hours of instruction. If you have any questions or would like to register, please call Jason Janek at 254-644-8732 or email him at [jasonjanek2008@yahoo.com](mailto:jasonjanek2008@yahoo.com).

Registration forms will also be available at [assumptionwest.org/cce](http://assumptionwest.org/cce). This program is not just for catechists - Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to attend! Below are the dates for all sessions. All class times are from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. All classes will be held at St. Mary of the Assumption.

<u>Class Topic</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Sacred Scripture	June 4, 2016
Creed	June 18, 2016
Liturgy & Sacraments	July 16, 2016
Christian Morality	July 30, 2016
Prayer & Spirituality	August 6, 2016

**MARK YOUR CALENDERS-** Father Paul is in need for more Altar servers. He has made time on Saturday May 21 and Saturday June 4 for training. All students who have made their first Holy Communion are invited to come. If there are any questions please contact the church office.

**CEF PERPETUAL ENROLLMENT.....**

In loving memory of the **JAMES F. SMETAK FAMILY** by Cliff & Bonnie Archer, Lillian Bohannon, Mary Ann Cocek, Raymond & Joyce Dulock, Lori Eisma, Chuck & Bunny Felderhoff, Dianne Friend, Bill & Laurann Grimm, Dorothy Hajek, Gene & Martha Hosek, Harry Lee & Mary Ann Hykel, Agnes M. Johnson, Anna Louise Kaska, John & Wilma Kostecka, Charles & Rose Kubacak, Ervin & Geraldine Laubert, Milada Mazanec, George Meurer, Dan & Jeanette Pokluda, Joe & Carolyn Pustejovsky, Thomas & Margaret Sinkule, Clarice Snokhous, Steve & Ann Vanek and Katy Campbell, Margaret Webre, and Virginia Zatopek.

**MARIAN SHRINE LIGHT** is in memory of Marie Mynarcik by family.

**SANCTURARY LIGHT** in in memory of Raymond J. Hromadka, Sr.

**VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX** will be in the home of Delores Divin this week.

**WOMEN'S SPRING ACTS RETREAT –** All ladies are invited to spend a weekend away growing closer to God! The Women's Spring ACTS Retreat will be held at Three Mountain Retreat Center on April 14-17. It's a wonderful opportunity to step away from the day to day stresses and concentrate on your faith journey. Applications are available at the back of church and on the Church website. If you have any questions, please call Susan Stone at 254-723-6100.

**EASTER FLOWERS ARE IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF THE FOLLOWING:** Connie Drews; James Prama; Estelle Foitek; and Frank Foitek.

**APRIL 9-10**  
**SATURDAY 6:30 P.M.**  
**LECTOR-** Laurann Grimm

**GIFTS** – Jason Sullins Family  
**ALTAR SERVERS** – Dayla Woodard,  
 Anthony Williams, Johnathon Nors  
**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS** – Gary &  
 Nancy Polasek, Evelyn Stuckly  
**SUN 7:30 A.M.**

**LECTOR**- Margaret Sinkule  
**GIFTS** – Bob & Theresa Plsek  
**ALTAR SERVERS** – Colton Meurer,  
 Ryson & Rynda Maddox  
**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS** –George  
 Meurer, Nikki Russell, Jana Polansky  
**9:00 A.M.**

**LECTOR** – Joe Pustejovsky  
**GIFTS**- Jeff Divin Family  
**SERVERS** – Patrick & Caroline Janek,  
 Lucas Bryant  
**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS** – Kris  
 Copper, Mark & Amy Hutyra  
**10:30 A.M.**

**LECTOR** –Adrienne Janek  
**GIFTS** – Mike Lednicki Family  
**SERVERS** – Shayne & Kinslee Adams,  
 Hannah Hlavenka  
**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS** –Dennis  
 Gloeckner, Darrin & Torie Banik

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Offertory Collection.....	\$ 12,590.00
School.....	\$ 60.00
Lenten Offering.....	\$ 75.00
CCE.....	\$ 50.00
Good Friday Collection...	\$ 685.00

**Background on the Gospel Reading**  
 Today's reading, from the Gospel of John, is proclaimed on the second Sunday of Easter in each of the three Sunday Lectionary cycles. This should alert us to the significance of the encounters with the resurrected Jesus described in this reading. This Gospel combines two scenes: Jesus' appearance to His disciples after His Resurrection and Jesus' dialogue with Thomas, the disciple who doubted. Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that He appeared to His disciples not as a spirit but in bodily form. We do not know exactly what this form was like.

Earlier in John's Gospel, when Mary of Magdala first encountered the risen Jesus, she did not recognize the figure standing before her until Jesus spoke her. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples walking on the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until He broke bread with them. We know from readings such as today that in His resurrected body, Jesus was no longer bound by space; he appeared to the disciples in spite of the locked door. And yet, on this resurrected body, the disciples could still observe the marks of His Crucifixion. In today's Gospel, Jesus greets His disciples with the gift of peace and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus also commissions His disciples to continue the work that he has begun. As Jesus was sent by God, so too does Jesus send His disciples. This continuity with Jesus' own mission is an essential element of the Church. Jesus grants the means to accomplish this mission when He gives His disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit binds us together as a community of faith and strengthens us to bear witness to Jesus' Resurrection. Jesus' words to His disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Forgiveness and reconciliation are gifts to us from Jesus. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share these with others. This is another essential aspect of what it means to be Christ's Church. The Church continues Jesus' ministry of forgiveness and reconciliation. Thomas, the disciple who doubts, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of disciples. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to His disciples. It is part of our human nature to seek hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to the disciples after His death is, indeed, the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative who obtains this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who had died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed for we have not seen and yet have believed.

## Family Connection

Our family life would no doubt be enhanced if we were able to transform Jesus' greeting into a central feature in our family's interactions. After his Resurrection, "Peace be with you" is the first thing that Jesus says to His disciples. This could be our daily family prayer for one another. In today's Gospel, we also hear that Jesus next breathed on His disciples and gave them the gift of the Holy Spirit. In Baptism, each of us has received the gift of the Holy Spirit as well as the forgiveness of sins. Peace is a [fruit of the Holy Spirit](#). Our Baptism, then, invites us to share in the peace that Christ gave to His disciples and commissions us to share that peace of Christ by generously forgiving others as Jesus taught.

As you gather as a family, think about gifts that you might receive together such as a coloring book and crayons, a book and bookmark, or an electronic item and batteries. Observe that Jesus also paired two gifts together in today's Gospel. Read aloud this Sunday's Gospel, John 20:19-31. Discuss the two gifts Jesus gave to His disciples: peace and the Holy Spirit. Ask: ***What were the disciples to do with these gifts?*** (They were sent as Jesus was sent by the Father to forgive sins.) Recall that we have each received Jesus' gift of the Holy Spirit at our Baptism and that peace is a fruit of the Holy Spirit. Observe that since we also have received these gifts from Christ, we are also sent to be people who forgive others as Jesus taught. Determine an action that your family can do to share peace and forgiveness with one another. Pray