Let us rejoice and be glad!

Alleluia!
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OUR MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses are celebrated at
7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.
(We have an ASL interpreter at our 12:15 p.m. Mass.)
(See the bulletin for details)
Monday - Friday Masses are celebrated at 6:00 & 8:30 a.m.
Saturday Morning Mass is celebrated at 8:30 a.m.
Confessions are at Saturday 2:30-3:30 p.m.,
or other times by appointment.
The church is open from 6:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. for prayer.

Last Week’s
Collection

April 14, 2019

607 Sunday Envelopes……………………………………………………………. $22,923.00
WeShare Online……………………………………………………………….. $3,968.33
Loose……………………………………………………………………………….. $19,751.66
Total Collection………………………………………………………………… $46,642.99
Less 6% Diocesan Tax…………………………………………………………… $2,798.58
Net Collection…………………………………………………………………… $43,844.41
28 Children’s Envelopes…………………………………………………………… $38.12
Almsgiving “Coffee Cup” Collection for the Haven………………………… $5,532.24
Next weekend there will be a second collection for St. Vincent DePaul.

We sincerely thank all our parishioners and visitors for so generously giving
of their Time, Talent and Treasure in the true Spirit of Stewards.
May God richly bless you and yours!
Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday in the Octave of Easter, April 22
Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps. 161:2-4, 5, 7-11; Mt. 28:8-15
No 6:40 a.m. Mass this morning.
8:30 a.m. Stephanie Long

Tuesday in the Octave of Easter, April 23
Acts 2:36-41; Ps. 35:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; Jn. 20:11-18
6:40 a.m. Anthony Rizzo
8:30 a.m. Chuck Wickert

Wednesday in the Octave of Easter, April 24
Acts 3:1-10; Ps. 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk. 24:13-35
6:40 a.m. Roger Wuebker
8:30 a.m. Intentions of J.K and P.K

Thursday in the Octave of Easter, April 25
Acts 3:11-26; Ps. 8:2ab, 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk. 24:35-48
6:40 a.m. Mark Lemeo
8:30 a.m. Ellen McManus

Friday in the Octave of Easter, April 26
6:40 a.m. Helen Mieczekowski
8:30 a.m. Jack Omlor

Saturday in the Octave of Easter, April 27
Acts 4:13-21; Ps. 118:11, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk. 16:9-15
8:30 a.m. Thurman Colyer
1:30 p.m. Marriage of Susan Kennedy and Sean Curran

Vigil Mass for the Second Sunday of Easter
4:00 p.m. James Pfister

The Second Sunday of Easter, April 28
Acts 5:12-16; Ps. 118:2-4, 13-14, 22-23; Rev. 1:9-11a, 12-15, 17-19; Jn. 20:19-31
7:30 a.m. People of St. Paul’s Parish
9:00 a.m. Joyce O’Reilly
10:30 a.m. Intentions of the Becker Family
12:15 p.m. Officer Anthony Morelli
5:00 p.m. Deborah Waggoner

Rosary & Litany: Daily following the 8:30 a.m. Mass
Holy Hour: Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. unless noted.

This Week in Our Parish
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, April 21

No Sunday Preschool.
No Children’s Liturgy of the Word
No nursery services today.
AA “Big Book” Recovery Mtg., Rm. 2 (Parish Office), 6:00 p.m.

Monday, April 22
St. Paul School closed today.
Nar-Anon, Room 1 (Parish Office), 7:00 p.m.
Charismatic Prayer Group, LL Room 4 (Church), 7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, April 23
St. Paul School back in session today.
PSR (Grades K-8), School, 4:45 p.m.
Rosary, Church, 7:00 p.m.
RCIA, LL Room 3 (Church), 7:00 p.m.
Employment Ministry, Room 1 (Parish Office), 7:00 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous, Room 3 (Parish Office), 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 24
PSR (Grades 1-8), School, 6:30 p.m.
Prayer Shawl Ministry, Room 3 (Parish Office), 1:30 p.m.
Youth Ministry HS Gathering, Youth Ministry Center, 6:30 p.m.
Overeaters Anonymous, Room 2 (Parish Office), 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 25
Holy Hour, Church, 6:00 p.m.
K of C First Degree Team, St. Peter Room, 7:00 p.m.
Al Anon, Room 1 (Parish Office), 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 26
Alcoholics Anonymous, Room 2 (Parish Office), 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 27
Men’s Prayer Group, LL Room 2 (Church), 7:15 a.m.

Sunday, April 28
Second Collection for St. Vincent DePaul
Children’s Liturgy of the Word during the 9:00 & 10:30 Masses
Nursery Services, Angel Rm., during the 9:00 & 10:30 Masses
Sunday Preschool during the 9:00 & 10:30 Masses
AA “Big Book” Recovery Mtg., Rm. 2 (Parish Office), 6:00 p.m.
Please call the Parish Office (614-882-2109) for more information about upcoming events and parish ministries.

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CONNECTING THE WORD OF GOD TO OUR LIVES

Adapted from Faith Sharing for Small Church Communities; (ed. Rev. Art Baranowski)

Reflecting on Today’s Gospel...

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of The Lord, April 21

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Second Reading: Col. 3:1-4 or 1 Cor. 5:6b-8
Gospel: Jn. 20:1-9

All the Gospels agree that women were the first to come to the tomb. Mary Magdalene is always mentioned among them. The scene symbolizes a new creation brought about by the Resurrection of the Light of the world. The darkness suggests the darkness that covered the abyss before light first appeared. When Mary Magdalene sees the stone removed from the entrance, she runs to the disciples with the news that “the Lord has been taken from the tomb!” She saw him die a few days ago and that prevents her from drawing any other conclusion. The two disciples run side by side to the tomb. Peter sees the burial cloth and the cloth that covered Jesus’ head, but he doesn’t know how to interpret what he sees. The other disciple, the one Jesus loved and the source of this account, is the first to understand the significance of the empty tomb: “The Lord has risen.” For John, all those who came to believe would be loved by Jesus and would love in return.

Have you seen a sign or even a hint of the Resurrection in your life? In your family? Your community? The world?

Relate a time when you had a stone (barrier) in your faith life removed.

Preparing for next Sunday...

The Second Sunday of Easter April 28 (Cycle C)

First Reading: Acts 5:12-16
Second Reading: Rev. 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19
Gospel: Jn. 20:19-31

Thomas is remembered in the Church as “doubting Thomas.” Yet, Jesus respected his doubts, and answered them in a beautiful way. Thomas did not keep his doubts to himself. He shared them with the community and with Jesus. Thomas’ response to Jesus is a beautiful prayer of faith and praise: “My Lord and my God!” Pray this prayer the next time you receive Holy Communion. Remember that your Lord and God is with you.

What are some other ways you can pray this prayer?

Thomas stands for all believers with reservations. Recall an experience that shows Thomas in you.

What can you do when you have a doubt or a question about something?
In Jesus, love has triumphed over hatred, mercy over sinfulness, goodness over evil, truth over falsehood, life over death.

That is why we tell everyone: “Come and see!” In every human situation, marked by frailty, sin and death, the Good News is no mere matter of words, but a testimony to unconditional and faithful love: it is about leaving ourselves behind and encountering others, being close to those crushed by life’s troubles, sharing with the needy, standing at the side of the sick, elderly and the outcast... “Come and see!” Love is more powerful, love gives life, love makes hope blossom in the wilderness.

How shall we find words for the resurrection? ... There are no words. Or, rather, there are only the wrong words—metaphors, chains of images, verbal icons—which invite us into the mystery which is beyond words.

The resurrection is
the new creation, the great feast,
the ark come through the flood,
a rich pasture, a lover’s garden,
the eternal palace, THE HEAVENLY TEMPLE,
and the city that has awaited our return for years.

It follows that to be baptized is
to be re-created, to come to the table,
to survive the flood,
to hear the voice of the shepherd,
to be beloved of God, to be heir to the throne,
AND PRIEST TO THE TEMPLE,
and citizen of the Spirit-formed city.

Remember that it is Easter. You stand before God in the risen Christ, among Christ’s people. You are baptized. Let the words become a doorway into the feast, which is filled with Christ.

—Gordon Lathrop

Pope Francis encourages us to “remain steadfast in the journey of faith.”

How will you grow your family’s faith during the busy days of spring and summer?

1. Attend Mass as a family. Making Mass a regular part of your family’s week helps to reinforce the message that God loves us through all seasons. On the drive home from Mass, consider discussing the readings or the message in the priest’s homily.

2. Pray together: Use traditional Catholic prayers and spontaneous prayer. Find a regular time for daily family prayer that fits everyone’s schedule, and then make it a priority. Trust that there’ll be a thousand distractions that will try to keep you from establishing this discipline in your home but persevere. No matter how often you pray alone, your family needs to pray together.

3. Make sacred space in your home. Placing signs of your faith throughout the house are reminders of what you believe and why. A crucifix, icon or statue of a favorite saint in each of the children’s bedrooms, for example, can help to reinforce your faith and create a feeling of safety and security.

4. Practice acts of charity. Every week there are volunteer opportunities noted in the bulletin. Find a project or charity in which everyone in your home can regularly participate.

5. Celebrate the family meal. At the very center of our Catholic faith is a family meal (the Eucharist.) Enjoy dinner together as a family as often as possible – especially on Sundays. Talk, tell stories, pray together and for others during meal time. This is what Jesus did and what we do when we celebrate Mass.

Take time to refer to http://www.foryourmarriage.org/family-life-parenting/ and be inspired by countless articles, prayers, and resources for families of all ages.
Parish Council Openings

St. Paul’s Parish Council is a prayerful and respectful advisory board to the pastor and pastoral staff that serves as a forum for sharing information vital to the many apostolic, missionary and spiritual needs of the parish.

The council meets just eight times per year on the third Wednesday of the month (there are no meetings in December or June through August). Members serve terms of three years; married couples may serve together as one voting member. This year we will have four openings for new members with terms beginning in September. If you are interested in serving in a leadership role in the parish or would like additional information before submitting your name, please contact Angel Fox, Parish Advisory Council Chair, at foxang444@gmail.com no later than this Thursday, April 25. Thank you!

Christus Vivit! (Christ is alive!)

Pope Francis’ Letter to Youth & Young Adults

This exhortation is a wonderful summons to the whole Church to more vigorously invest in youth and young adults, especially those on the peripheries and those who are perhaps disconnected from the Church. It is a message to youth and the entire people of God. Christus Vivit has been posted on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ website (www.usccb.org). Please take time to read Christus Vivit then pray, reflect, and act.

Planning a Graduation Party or a Family Reunion?

Our Knights of Columbus have a tent for rent (20’ x 40’) for $375 for a weekend – and they will set up the tent and take it down for you. Please contact Lou Borth at 614-306-6395 or colborth@gmail.com. The tent is available on a “first come-first serve” basis so be sure to secure your reservation.

Can We Pray For You?

There is no reason to weather the storms of life alone. Intercessory prayer is a vital parish ministry. It involves partnering with others in accordance with scripture and it can bring forth grace, hope, strength, healing and conversion. Prayer can also bring His perfect peace into a troubled world. Prayer requests can be sent to stpaulprayerline@stpacc.org. Rest assured that our prayer partners have true hearts of compassion – your prayer intentions are entrusted to our Lord God.
The St. Paul the Apostle Parish School of Religion is part of the educational arm of the parish community, responsible for providing religious instruction (known as catechesis), formation and sacramental preparation to children attending public or non-Catholic private schools. PSR serves between 750 and 1,000 children annually with the help of many well-trained adult and teen volunteers. Each grade level contains age-appropriate content for each theme presented as the student grows and develops. Teachers present our Catholic faith using methods and practices that follow the Graded Course of Study issued by the Diocese of Columbus. Students are encouraged to share their faith, connect their faith, and live their faith with each lesson. Through evangelization and catechesis our young people are called to faithful living with their heart, hands, and mind.

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is underway; registration materials were sent home with those currently in PSR classes and can also be downloaded from the parish website. PSR classes are held at St. Paul School and will close when enrollment capacity is reached.

Sunday Preschool Registration

Children who are age 3 by September 30, 2019, potty trained and not in kindergarten are encouraged to participate in our Sunday Preschool! To register for Sunday Preschool 2019-2020, please refer to the Sunday Preschool link on our parish website. While there is no fee for Sunday Preschool, we do ask you to commit to either the 9:00 a.m. or the 10:30 a.m. session for the year. Sunday Preschool will have its annual Open House in late September and classes will begin the following Sunday. An email will be sent beforehand with detailed information about our drop-off and pick-up procedures and classroom assignments.

Vacation Bible School

*Life is wild...God is good*

We hope you and your family are “roaring” to join us on June 10-14 for this summer’s wild expedition as we celebrate our ferocious faith!

In *Wild Bible Adventures*, the Bible comes to life with period costumes, scripted actors, props and special effects! The children don’t just hear a Bible story, they experience one! They may be transported to Pharaoh’s palace, onto Noah’s Ark or even to the foot of the cross. What better way for children to truly connect with scripture than by experiencing it?

To learn more and to register, please refer to the Upcoming Events link on the parish website.
Our St. Paul Prison Ministry is looking for volunteers to bake Kairos Cookies! Your gifts of homemade cookies are a tangible expression of Christian love to a group of people who seldom encounter concern or love in their daily lives. Following these guidelines will help ensure that your cookies will be most effectively used to do the work for which God inspired you to bake.

**Cookie Guidelines**

- **Plain chocolate chip cookies only please.** No powdered sugar, frosting, or raisin cookies please.
- **Please make your cookies sturdy.** They will need to be handled several times before they arrive in the prisoners’ hands. Delicate cookies will crumble; chewy cookies tend to end up as a single large lump.
- **Try to make the cookies 3 inches in diameter.** Consistent size is important.
- **The cookies are intended to represent God’s unconditional love to the prisoners.** No burned or blemished cookies please.
- **Cookie mixes and pre-mixed dough are fine.**
- **Please use zip-lock baggies to keep the cookies as fresh as possible.** Remember to let them cool please before placing them in the baggies.
- **Please count your cookies carefully to ensure there are only 1 dozen cookies per quart sized bag.**
- **Please don’t put anything except cookies in the bags.** No paper plates, notes, cardboard backing, or even plastic wrap—anything but cookies must be removed before the cookies go into the prison.
- **Pray! Pray! Pray! Pray** as you bake the cookies and pray for the inmates who will receive them. Your prayers are very important to the prisoners.

**No time to bake?** Tubs of chocolate chip cookie dough are also appreciated! Cookies and tubs of chocolate chip cookie dough are needed by this **Tuesday, April 23.** Collection boxes will be in the vestibule; cookies will be collected daily. If you have any questions, please call parishioner Bob Tavenner at 614-296-8432. Thank you!
Organ, Eye and Tissue Donation: The Ultimate Gift of Compassion

April is National Donate Life Month. Each year in Ohio, approximately 200 people die waiting for an organ transplant. Statistically, one person dies every other day.

This miraculous task of providing lifesaving organ, eye and tissue transplants to the men, women and children on the transplant waiting list wouldn’t be possible without the selfless decision of those who register to be a donor. One donor can save and heal the lives of more than 50 people – a life-changing gift to the recipients, their family members and the community. Not only does the Church accept organ, eye and tissue donation, it also recognizes donation as a great act of charity and a gesture of love. Pope Francis described the act of organ donation as "a testimony of love for our neighbor."

There are more than 3,200 people in Ohio – and more than 123,000 nationally, whose lives depend on the kindness of strangers for their second chance at life. Registering as a donor shows an individual’s compassion for others and can change lives forever. You, too, can save lives. Please consider registering as an organ, eye and tissue donor today at www.lifelineofohio.org. Thank you!

Ministry Spotlight

St. Paul’s Bereavement Support Group

The mission of our Bereavement Ministry is to acknowledge the loss of a loved one on behalf of the whole parish community. To accomplish this, the ministry establishes contact with the grieving family (via sympathy cards and phone calls) and sends information about community grief support services, reading material, and inspiration. They also sponsor various events throughout the year including biannual support meetings. Recognizing that grief has no timelines, the group is open to anyone who would like the mutual support of others, regardless of when their loved one passed. Their next support program** will take place on six consecutive Thursdays beginning May 2 through June 6. Participants will be given an opportunity, if they desire, to share their feelings and thoughts in an environment of understanding and empathy. Plan now to join with others in the lower level of the church in Room 2 (located across from the elevator) from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. Please call Jerry (614-638-6050) or Karen (614-209-7056) for more information, or to register.

**Meetings are sponsored & facilitated by the Bereavement Ministry of St. Paul Parish — not professional counselors.