

April 28, 2019 Second Sunday of Easter or Sunday of Divine Mercy (C) Acts 5:12-16 / Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 / Jn 20:19-31

Saved by Christ's Merciful Love

X 7e're not defined by our weakness, but created for greatness! Look at David, Paul, and the sinful woman. David was an adulterer and murderer, yet he wrote Psalms and was Jesus' ancestor. Paul killed one of the first deacons, Stephen, yet became the greatest apostle to the Gentiles. The sinful woman's misdeeds were public, yet what is most remembered is her repentance and love.

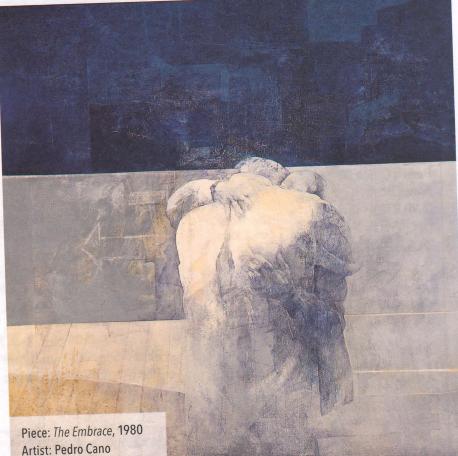
Sin is not the last word. God's recreating mercy is. God's mercy asks for a response so all that transformative power can be unleashed in us. The only thing that stands in the way of God's renewal rushing in and totally transforming us is our own lack of acceptance.

Sin wants to stand in the way of this good news. The evil one tries to convince us that we are too sinful; that salvation

and happiness might be for others, but certainly not for us.

But David, Paul, and the sinful woman didn't let that sinister message sink in. David was moved to repentance by Nathan's words. Paul accepted that he

wasn't saved by his religious fervor or condemned for his errors. He was saved by letting Christ's merciful love embrace him. The sinful woman refused to be defined by her poor choices. She tearfully made penance at Christ's feet, and this act



Artist: Pedro Cano Location: Vatican Museums

of her brokenness gave off a consoling aroma that filled the house.

Let the power of Christ's love be unleashed in you by forgiving yourself and others. Then your weakness will be the first step toward the greatness God has in store for you.

-Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Are there any past errors that I am letting define me? What stands in my way of a greater experience of Christ's mercy?

[Jesus said,] "Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." John 20:22-23



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Sunday Offerings

General Fund \$6,905.00 Tuition \$1,664.07 General Child \$4.00 Lunch Money \$92.50 Loose \$280.00 Votive Stand \$29.50 Landscaping \$1,200.00 Lunch Program \$5,000.00 In Memory of Pete Reitz \$150.00

Total Received

130 general offering envelopes collected, including children.
Rice Bowls.....\$239.12
Holy Land – Good Friday.....\$362.00
Retired Priests....\$745.00

Children Staying Home Alone Safely

April 29, 2019 at 6:30pm at

St. Ignatius Community Center



Parish Services

Weekend Masses Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. Weekday Masses 8:00 a.m. Monday, Wednesday & Friday Tuesday 7:30 p.m. and PH Devotions Thursday 6:00 a.m. Confessions Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment Adoration Tuesday 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. & 5:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday 7:00-9:00 p.m. Thursday 5:00 -7:00 a.m. 4:00-8:00 p.m. First Friday-8:45am-12pm **Baptisms and Marriages** By arrangement with Fr. Steve Robeson

Please remove all flowers in cemetery by Wednesday, May 1st for grass cutting. Thank you!

LOTS OF BABIES THANK YOU!!!

Congrats to all of you!! The recent Diaconate Diaper Drive netted 2,503 diapers from our parish alone. Lots of babies' bottoms (and their moms and dads) are very grateful!! Thanks again for your participation YOU always come thru!! ~ Deacon Paul

Free Paper Shredding Event sponsored by Knights of Columbus, Sat, May 11, 9 AM-12 PM (or until the trucks are full), St. Patrick School Parking Lot, 405 S. Church St, Wentzville. Come rain or shine. There is a limit of approximately 150 pounds or 8 paper boxes.

Women of St. Ignatius are invited to Immanuel's UCC Women's Fellowship on Wednesday, May 1st for a Salad Lunch at 11:30a.m.

Upcoming Events at St. Ignatius

04/28 Endowment Presentation in Cafeteria after 8am & 10am Masses 04/28 Baptism 04/29 Home Alone Talk at 6:30 pm in the **Community Center** 04/29 Choir Practice at 7pm 05/01 Mass at 6am 05/02 School Mass at 8am 05/02 Home Economics 8am-3pm in Community Center 05/04 Private Event in Cafeteria 05/05 First Communion at 10am Mass 05/06 Church Cleaning this week for Team 6 (Leader - Carleen Glosemeyer) 05/08 Rosary & Litany after Mass 05/08 Parish Council Meeting at 7pm in Rectory 05/09 Rectory Cleaning: MaryJo U, Jayne G, Sue S. 05/12 Mother's Day Breakfast 8-11am 05/15 8th Grade Graduation 05/15 Rosary & Litany after Mass 05/16 Home Economics 8am-3pm in **Community Center** 05/17 Last Day of School

Places to go around town.....

04/28 All you can eat breakfast at Immaculate Conception, Augusta 8am – Noon
05/05 St. Paul's UCC Defiance Chicken Dinner from 11am-5:30pm.
05/05 St. Vincent's in Dutzow, Sunday Breakfast serving from 8-11:30 am

The **Rosary March** will be held on Sunday, May 5th at 1:30 PM, starting at the City Park on Second St. and marching to St. Francis Borgia Church where Benediction will be given when marchers reach the Church. Come and join in honoring our Blessed Mother to pray for religious liberty, our country, and persecuted Christians throughout the world.

Various Religious Articles available for First Holy Eucharist & Special Occasions

Contact Vikki @ 636-932-4897 or Diane @ 636-433-2353

Choir Practice for First Holy Eucharist Monday, April 29 at 7 P.M. in Church. Voices of all ages welcome!!

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 27

5:00 p.m. † Theodore & Rosaly Meyer Eucharistic Ministers: Ralph Glosemeyer Jayne & Maurice Glosemeyer **Dianne & Tom Meyer** Lector: Jayne Glosemeyer Ushers: Diane & Tom Meyer Servers: Gabby Faust & Maddie Hellebusch Sunday, April 28 8:00 a.m. + Francis Liermann Eucharistic Ministers: Paul Hecktor or Alice Kluesner Jeanette Marquart | Debbie Engemann | Amanda Schwoeppe | Jackie Heggemann Lector: Kevin Nenninger Ushers: Randy & Sharon Pruessner Servers: Alex Huddleston & Kaylee Schwoeppe 10:00 a.m. + For the People of St. Ignatius Parish Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Freese Tricia Kemper | Teresa Volkerding | Becky Schoppenhorst | Audrey Hellebusch Lector: Daniel Leopold Ushers: Becky & Brianna Schoppenhorst Servers: Sam Marquart & Collin Parks Monday, April 29 8:00 a.m. + Jolene Molitor **Tuesday, April 30** 7:30 p.m. + Bob Vales Wednesday, May 1 6:00 a.m. † Tery Glosemeyer Thursday, May 2 8:00 a.m. + Wilbert Unnerstall Friday, May 3 8:00 a.m. + Theodore & Rosaly Meyer Saturday, May 4 5:00 p.m. † Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered -RG Eucharistic Ministers: Christy Engemann Mary Glosemeyer | Janet Glosemeyer | Bob & Patty Koch Lector: Leo Meyer Ushers: Nancy Schroeder & Donnie Glosemeyer Servers: Kali Glosemeyer & Cole Atkins Sunday, May 5 8:00 a.m. + For the People of St. Ignatius Eucharistic Ministers: Paul Hecktor Sheila Shortt | Bill Schuler | Chris Engemann | Joan Meyer Lector: Sheila Shortt Ushers: Dale & David Schwoeppe Servers: Colin & Araon Meyer 10:00 a.m. † Sylvester Engemann Eucharistic Ministers: Sandy Westhoff Peggy Nenninger | Judy Bieker | Lesa Leopold | **Danielle Gratza** Lector: Vincent Leopold Usher: Dustin & Danielle Gratza Servers: Kaylee Schwoeppe & Carter Glosemeyer

Dynamic Catholic, *Alive!* – Do we reflect Christ to others?

In the Gospel, Thomas says to the other Apostles, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." Later, when Jesus appears to the Apostles, Jesus rebukes Thomas, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." We all know people like Thomas who need evidence to believe something. This is one of the reasons it is essential for us to allow everyone we meet to see the evidence of God working in our lives. Have you ever met someone that exudes the love, joy, and peace of Jesus in everything they do? People like this are contagious, because everyone wants what they have. They reflect Christ to others. If we all could strive to allow Christ to shine through us we would be able to give all those like a Thomas a glimpse of what they are seeking. This week would be a good time to ask the Holy Spirit to transform our hearts and help us to allow Christ to shine through us.

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Please Pray for the Sick Ailing Recovering

Doug Grafrath Irene Buenemann Duck Brinker Karen Brinkmann Pillman Family Kim Smith Tabitha Kersey Judy Brouk Mary Ann Heggeman Tom Meyer Cindy Faust Kenneth Engemann Carl Jacquin

4/4/14 Francis Liermann 4/8/82 Benjamin Borges 4/9/19 Harold "Pete" Reitz 4/10/08 Enid Liermann 4/11/88 Francis Glastetter 4/11/92 Sharon Tillmann 4/12/83 Johanna Heggemann Betty Hellebusch Evelyn Tucker Shelbee Mauldin Jim Grafrath Andrew Hellebusch

Carol Jacquin Brad Segar Ralph Glosemeyer Fred Borges Richard Preiss Pete Reitz Frank Dowling Judi Liermann Ethel Thomas Fr. Finbarr Dowling Dawn Borgmann Natalie Ulett

Audrey Wagener Kay Wagner Betty Schulte Marc Wagener Laura Tellmann Tom Glosemeyer Olivia Jasper

Anniversaries of Our Dearly Departed

4/13/81 Ellen Volkerding
4/14/03 Verna Hellebusch
4/15/95 Mathilda Glosemeyer
4/20/86 Fred Trippe
4/21/96 Richard Hellebusch
4/21/97 Lorraine Hallemann

4/23/15 Melvin Glastetter 4/24/05 Leonard Volkerding 4/25/82 Kevin Gratza 4/29/92 Eugenia Hellebusch 4/30/01 Mamie Heggemann 4/29/14 Jim Klinkhardt 4/30/07 Marilyn Olds

Calendar

Monday **APRIL 29** St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Acts 4:23-31 Jn 3:1-8

> Tuesday **APRIL 30** Easter Weekday Acts 4:32-37 Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday MAY 1 Easter Weekday Acts 5:17-26 In 3:16-21

Thursday MAY 2 St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Acts 5:27-33 Jn 3:31-36

Friday MAY 3 Sts. Philip and James, Apostles 1 Cor 15:1-8 Jn 14:6-14

> Saturday MAY 4 Easter Weekday Acts 6:1-7 Jn 6:16-21

Sunday MAY 5 Third Sunday of Easter Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 Rev 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19 or In 21:1-14

Dear Padre,

What is spiritual communion?

Opiritual communion is a unique Roman Catholic devotional practice not **O** to be confused with *sacramental* Communion, which is the participation in the mystery of Christ by eating and drinking the Body and the Blood of the Lord.

The development of spiritual communion as a devotion can be traced to St. Alphonsus Liguori. It's a form of spiritual yearning to be in communion with Christ during those times when his sacramental gift can't be shared.



To share in sacramental Communion, one must be aware of no unconfessed serious sin against God's commands and be in good standing with the Roman Catholic Church. With exceptions for age and health, one must also have fasted from all food and all beverages except water for one hour before receiving sacramental Communion. Some Catholics are unable to share sacramental Communion because of sickness, geographic distance from a Roman Catholic community, or unavailability of priests.

Any Christian who wishes to have spiritual communion with the Lord can do so by taking a moment to consider God's love demonstrated

to us in the life, passion, and death of Christ. Give thanks to God for this wonderful gift, and say a prayer of spiritual communion.

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A Word from Pope Francis

The death penalty is contrary to the meaning of humanitas and to divine mercy, which must be models for human justice. It entails cruel, inhumane, and degrading treatment, as is the anguish before the moment of execution and the terrible

suspense between the issuing of the sentence and the execution of the penalty. -Letter to International Commission Against the Death Penalty, March 20, 2015



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