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From the Pastor

An excerpt from the writings of St. Andrew of Crete - In his humility Christ entered the dark regions of our fallen world and he is glad that he became so humble for our sake, glad that he came and lived among us and shared in our nature in order to raise us up again to himself. And even though we are told that he is ascended above the highest heavens – the proof, surely, of his power and godhead – his love for man will never rest until he has raised our earthbound nature from glory to glory, and made it one with his own in heaven. So let us spread before his feet, not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither, but ourselves, clothed in his grace, or rather, clothed completely in him. We who have baptized into Christ must ourselves be the garments that we spread before him. Now that the crimson stain of our sins have been washed away in the saving waters of baptism and we have become white as pure wool, let us present the conqueror of death, not with mere branches of palms but with the real rewards of his victory. Let our souls take the place of the welcoming branches as we join today in the children’s holy song: “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the king of Israel.

St. Joseph Bible Study: Epic: The Early Church on Thursday mornings at 9:20 (after the St. Joseph School Mass) in the church basement. Come learn more about the fascinating history of our Church. This is our story. This is our family.

CARNIVAL INFO: Ticket books are available at the school and the entrances of the church. Please call Vicky Joseph (785-672-7864) by Monday, April 18 if you would like to donate hamburger for the Turkey Shoot. We still need 25 more one-pound packages. We could also use donations of cakes for the Cake Walk, Bingo Prizes (\$5 -\$10 value), and pop (2-liter bottles) for the Pop Bottle Ring Toss. Thank you for your continued support of St. Joseph School!

2022-23 Preschool - St. Joseph Preschool is now taking applications for the 2022-23 school year. Applications are available on the bulletin board at the back of the church or you can call 785-671-4451 to pre-enroll or for more information.

Kindergarten Visitation for those entering Kindergarten 2022-2023, Thursday, April 14, from 1:00-3:30 at St. Joseph School. We will spend the afternoon doing fun Kindergarten activities. Please call the school to RSVP. 785-671-4451.

Oakley D of I monthly meeting will be on Thursday, April 14, at 1:00 p.m. in the annex. The hostesses are Kay Hughes and Linda Schwarz.

ST. PAUL NEWS:

April 24th is Divine Mercy Sunday

St. Faustina writes in her diary (699) “My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. (138) I desire that the Fear of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of my mercy. The soul that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment, On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened.” Mercy Sunday Devotions at Angelus will be immediately after Mass. The Novena to the Divine Mercy begins on Good Friday. Remember that fulfilling the requests of the Divine Mercy takes away all the time we have accumulated in Purgatory!

Our Tithes from last week:

Oakley: \$3884.00 Angelus: \$416.00

DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat	09 – 5pm Mass + Parishioners
Sun	10 - 8am Mass (Angelus) + Ruby Bixenman 10:30am Mass + Todd Kuhlman 1:30pm Lenten Study in Angelus
Mon	11 – NO MASS
Tues	12 – 8:30am Mass + Lila Jones
Wed	13 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Bob Losey
Thur	14 – 1-3:30pm Kindergarten Visitation 1pm D of I Meeting 6pm Mass + William & Georgina Aschenbrenner 8pm Mass (Angelus) + Kathleen Zerr
Fri	15 – 1pm service + Lawrence & Mary Zerr 3pm service (Angelus) + Jerry Gormley
Sat	16 – 9pm Mass + parishioners
Sun	17 - 8am Mass (Angelus) + Special Intention for Murray Baalman 10:30am Mass + Mary Ann Porter



Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses, by appointment, or if indicated on the schedule.

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Saturday, April 16th 5 pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday April 17 th 10:30am	Servers	Volunteers
	Lectors	Volunteers		Lectors	Volunteers
	EMHC's	Volunteers		EMHC's	Volunteers
	Gifts	Volunteers		Gifts	Volunteers
	Hospitality	Volunteers		Hospitality	Volunteers

Sunday, April 17 th 8 am	Servers	LaRynn Rumback
	Lectors	Barney Dickman & Doug Robben
	EMHC's	Elsie Rietcheck
	Gifts/Hosp.	Jeff & Amanda Ostmeyer
	Ushers	Jay Rietcheck, Doug Robben, Ray Schroeder & Bob Schwarz