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Something strange is happening – there is a great silence on earth today, a great silence and stillness. The whole earth keeps silence because the King is asleep. The earth trembled and is still because God has fallen asleep in the flesh and he has raised up all who have slept ever since the world began. God has died in the flesh and hell trembles with fear. He has gone to search for our first parent, as for a lost sheep. Greatly desiring to visit those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death, he has gone to free from sorrow the captives Adam and Eve, he who is both God and the son of Eve. The Lord approached them bearing the cross, the weapon that had won him the victory. At the sight of him Adam, the first man he had created, struck his breast in terror and cried out to everyone: “My Lord be with you all.” Christ answered him: “And with your spirit.” He took him by the hand and raised him up, saying: “Awake, O sleeper, and rise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.” I am your God, who for your sake have become your son. Out of love for you and for your descendants I now by my own authority command all who are held in bondage to come forth, all who are in darkness to be enlightened, all who are sleeping to arise. I order you, O sleeper, to awake. I did not create you to be held a prisoner in hell. Rise from the dead, for I am the life of the dead. Rise up, work of my hands, you who were created in my image. Rise, let us leave this place, for you are in me and I am in you; together we form only one person and we cannot be separated. For your sake I, your God, became your son; I, the Lord, took the form of a slave; I, whose home is above the heavens, descended to the earth and beneath the earth. For your sake, for the sake of man, I became like a man without help, free among the dead. For the sake of you, who left a garden, I was betrayed to the Jews in a garden, and I was crucified in a garden. Rise, let us leave this place. The enemy led you out of the earthly paradise. I will not restore you to that paradise, but I will enthrone you in heaven. I forbade you the tree that was only a symbol of life, but see, I who am life itself am now one with you. I appointed cherubim to guard you as slaves are guarded, but now I make them worship you as God. The throne formed by cherubim awaits you, its bearers swift and eager. The bridal chamber is adorned, the banquet is ready, the eternal dwelling places are prepared, the treasure houses of all good things lie open. The kingdom of heaven has been prepared for you from all eternity.

I will be gone Sunday afternoon through Wednesday this week and then again Friday afternoon (for my brother's Rite of Candidacy for Priesthood) to Saturday afternoon (for Luke Friess' Diaconate ordination).

Marilyn Johnson's funeral will be Friday at 10 am at St. Joseph's, followed by the burial in Grainfield.

ST. PAUL NEWS:

Divine Mercy Sunday is the Sunday after Easter! Mercy Sunday is our "get out of jail free card" if we have been to confession and Communion! All punishment for sin is remitted for those souls who have been to confession and communion on Mercy Sunday! (699 of Diary or see the Marians of the Immaculate Conception podcast)

If one is homebound, we can fulfill the requirements simply by making a spiritual Communion! Devotion to the Divine Mercy and the chaplet will follow Mass that day.

“Pray, Hope and Don’t Worry” Tune into Divine Mercy Radio’s Spring Care-a-thon April 29 – May 2, where we will learn how to Pray, Hope and Not Worry. Of particular interest for KGOH 89.1:

Tuesday, April 29
 8am - Judy Keane, 9am – Fr. Curtis Carlson, 1pm – Fr. Lawrence Carney, 4pm – Fr. Edmond Kline, 5pm – David Fortin

Wednesday, April 30
 7am – Donetta Robben, 8am – Dr. Abe Fisher, 10am – Fr. Brian Lager
 4pm – sister Mary Agnes & Sister Mary Monica

Thursday, May 1
 10am – Christian Lutz & Cory Munsch, 12pm – Fr. Rich Daise

Friday, May 2 8am – Deacon Don Prendergast, 9am – Mother Mary Josefa 12pm - Fr. Joshua Werth, 4pm – Father Fred Gatschet

The full schedule is at dvmercy.com. For trivia and pledges, call 785.621.4110. Listen on the radio, computer, phone app, or Alexa. Live on Rumble, Facebook, and YouTube.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS:

St. Joseph School is looking for a 4th Grade Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. Please contact Michelle Selzer at the school 785-671-4451 or email mselzer@sjoakley.

St. Joseph Spring Program: All are welcome to attend the Spring Program at the school on April 30, at 7:00 pm.

Our Tithes from Last Week

Oakley: \$3,586.00 Angelus: \$596.00

We welcome all our guests to our parishes. If you have moved here, we encourage you to register on our website.



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DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat 19 – 9pm Mass + Mildred Kuhlman
 Sun 20 – 8am Mass (Angelus) - Parishioners
 10:30am Mass + Billi Ostmeyer
 Mon 21 – No Mass
 Tues 22 – 8:30am Communion Service
 Wed 23 – No Mass
 7pm CCD at both parishes
 Thur 24 – 8:30am Mass + Ron Brenner
 Fri 25 – 7am Mass + Bill Schwarz
 10am Mass of Christian Burial for Marilyn Johnson
 Sat 26 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
 Sun 27 – First Communion at both parishes
 8am Mass (Angelus) + Hannah Lager
 9am Divine Mercy prayers at Angelus
 10:30am Mass + Martin & Antonia Weber Family

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

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Saturday Apr 26 th 9pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday Apr 27 th 10:30 am	Servers	Madeline K, Peyton K & Shayden S.
	Lector	Mike Kuhlman		Lector	Carrie Evins
	Gifts	Mike & Cassie Shirley		Gifts	Bob & Penny Ottley
	Hospitality	Curt & Lila Thompson		Hospitality	Ethan & Maureen Schwarz

Sunday, Apr 27 th 8 am	Servers	Johnathan Ostmeyer
	Lectors	Barney Dickman & Doug Robben
	Gifts	Jim & Kristy Fellhoelter
	Ushers	Jeff Ostmeyer, Joe Rehmer, Mark Rueschhoff & Ron Rietcheck