

## Mass Intentions

#### \*\*SUNDAY, April 21st-4:30p.m.

- ~Kenny & Virginia Lafond by Tom & Sue Frye
- ~Mary Claire by the Morris Family
- ~John Paul Guttman by Angela Jones
- ~Hazen & Madeline Arseneau by Marilyn Champagne

### \*\*SUNDAY, April 28th - 4:30p.m.

~For Our First Communicants

#### MASS SONGS AND READINGS

- \*Processional—Christ the Lord is Risen Today #320
- \*Readings-#833 4th Sunday of Easter~Cycle B
- \*Offertory-I Know That My Redeemer Lives #318
- \*Communion-Lord of the Dance #322
- \*Recessional-The King of Glory #368

#### **PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT**

Weekly Parish Need for Operation: \$1,385.00

Offering for April 14th -\$2,070.00

Surplus for the week: +\$(685.00)

Times are tough, see what you can do

Restoration: \$365 from collection
Piggy Banks for the Pantry Total-\$188.05

~Sunday Offertory <u>Budget</u> Amount for Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024 is \$72,000.

~Sunday Offertory <u>Actual Money Donated</u> as of April 14th- **\$65,931.50.** 

## CO-MINISTERS FOR:

Sunday, April 28th @ 4:30p.m.

READER: Amanda E.M.: Weber's Ushers: Pat & Drew Servers: Gwaltney's Money Counters: Sue & Joe

#### Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel

Fifth Sunday of Easter "B"
"I am the vine, you are the branches!"
John 15:1-8

At the Last Supper Jesus told me that he was the vine and I am a branch, how do I prove myself a fruitful branch?

How can I "remain on the vine," which means, "how can I remain in Jesus?"

What "pruning" that is correcting, do I need from the Father?

Prayer: Risen Lord Jesus, you are the vine that your Father brings to growth. Help me stay connected to you as the true source of my life in this world and the next. Help me to appreciate and to cooperate with the "pruning" your Father provides for me to help me bear more fruit in you and for you.

Amen!

#### **Please Pray For:**

Intentions: Angie Clement, Archie Nagele, Alan Funk, Trace Patterson, Cody Gregory, Tim & Marie Santefort Family, Web Bohn, Regina Penny, Pete Arseneau, Nicholas, Sharon Hess, Adaline Royster, Cynthia Chadwick, Santiago Bay, Gary Cahoe, Paisley Jackson, Kathy Wagner, Jewel Legan, Cindy Jamnik, Tina Gooding, Beverly & Ben Maurer, Shirley Guttman, Jerry Shortsleeve, Ray Arseneau, Janet Lambert, Sylvia Eddy, Betty Lambert, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent, Shirley Arseneau, Shirley Stelmasiak, & Special Intentions

Our Departed: Dale Weber

#### Our Service Men & Women:

\*PV 2 Colby Arseneau, Army Reserves, Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Arseneau; \*Maj. Todd Fatka, USAR, son of Angela Jones

\*Please notify the Office at 815-644-6664 if a loved one is admitted to the hospital or would like to be on the prayer list or to have someone taken off the list if they are well.







# st. Mary's Messag



**ST. MARY'S DISCUSSION GROUP** will be meeting again on Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at the rectory from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00p.m. This year we are focusing on PRAYER. Remember—join us when you can, even if you can't make every gathering, we welcome you when you can.

Upcoming topics include: May 2nd-Art & Images in Prayer

May 16th-Talking about Prayer

If you are interested in joining us, contact Sr. Linda at 815-931-1425 or lhatton@sscm-usa.org.



### **Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast**

When: Saturday, April 27th

Where: Iroquois Community Center

Time: 7-11a.m.

Cost: Good Will Donation

Checks may be mailed to: Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

Please make checks payable to Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary.

For further information or to register, you can go to their website, www.sscm-usa.org, call Susan Amann at 708-790-8141, or Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary (sscm-usa.org) 

**Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions** 

That, like Barnabas, who welcomed Paul into the Church, God may bless his Church today with the gift of hospitality ~That all believers may be strengthened in their belief in the name of Jesus Christ, the only Son of the Father

~That we may always remain in Christ as he remains in us ~That the grace of announcing the Good News of Jesus may be given to those who, at Easter, were reborn of water and the Spirit

~That God may answer the prayers of the poor, the sick, the lost, and despairing through our deeds of love

~That prayers brought by our parishioners in faith to the Risen Lord may be answered

~That the faithful who have died may be rejoined to Jesus through all eternity

Let Us Pray to the Lord

..... Parish Garage Sale

\*\*Dropping off of items will be on Saturday, April 27th and Sunday, April 28th from 9am to 3pm. Please call Janet Loy at 815-867-7319 if you can't drop off on these two days. \*\* No TV's or electronics \*We need help setting up throughout the week. We also need help working on the days of the sale & Saturday afterwards to box everything up.

Our garage sale is on Thursday, May 2nd from 8am to 6pm, Friday, May 3rd from 8 am to 6pm, and Saturday, May 4th from 8am to 12pm. \*The hall will be in use Friday, April 26 to Sunday, May 5 for the garage sale. No one else can use it at that time.

#### **Eastern Illinois Food Bank Food Distribution**

They will be distributing food in the hardware parking lot next to the post office the 4th Wednesday of each month from 12:30-1pm. Visit eifoodbank.org for more information.

#### **Martinton Community Food Pantry**

The food pantry serves all of Iroquois County. They are in need of our help. Please continue to bring in food donations. They are also looking for monetary donations, volunteers to help unload the trucks, and working on distribution days. If you are able to help, please call Connie Stirling at 815-867-6480.

New Hours: Tuesday 9-11a.m., No PM hours

#### **Items Needed at the Pantry:**

Personal Hygiene Products-lotion, soap, wipes, Kleenex, shampoo, conditioner, combs, brushes

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Laundry Detergent Cleaning Supplies Paper Towels Toilet Paper