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APRIL 20, 2025



EASTER SUNDAY

"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay." - Mt 28:5b-6

"No teman. Ya sé que buscan a Jesús, el crucificado. No está aquí; ha resucitado, como lo había dicho. Vengan a ver el lugar donde lo habían puesto". - Mt 28, 5-6

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PASTORAL COLUMN

Happy Easter brothers and sisters in the Risen Lord!

Pope St. John Paul II said that "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!" Did you know that he said this not at Eastertime, but in November, almost 40 years ago? In his Sunday Angelus on Nov. 30, 1986, on his papal trip to Australia he expanded, "We do not pretend that life is all beauty. We are aware of darkness and sin, of poverty and pain. But we know Jesus has conquered sin and passed through his own pain to the glory of the Resurrection. And we live in the light of his Paschal mystery – the mystery of his Death and Resurrection. 'We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!' We are not looking for a shallow joy but rather a joy that comes from faith, that grows through unselfish love, that respects the 'fundamental duty of love of neighbor', without which it would be unbecoming to speak of Joy." May this Easter joy resonate deep in our hearts throughout this blessed season. Although I am quoting a beloved past pope, we do keep our present beloved Pope Francis and his health in our special prayers this Easter!

Fr. Lucho will be traveling home to Peru on Easter Monday! Please pray for his safe travels there and back and that he has a wonderful visit and vacation with his family. He will be gone the next two weekends, and Fr. Jeff Ethen will be helping us out. Thank you for celebrating and living well the faith of Holy Week and Easter!

Abundant Easter blessings for you and your families,

Father Alan

¡Feliz Pascua, hermanos y hermanas en el Señor Resucitado!

El Papa San Juan Pablo II dijo: «Somos un pueblo pascual y ¡Aleluya es nuestro canto!» ¿Sabían que lo dijo no en Pascua, sino en noviembre, hace casi 40 años? En su Ángelus dominical del 30 de noviembre de 1986, durante su viaje papal a Australia, añadió: «No pretendemos que la vida sea solo belleza. Somos conscientes de la oscuridad y el pecado, de la pobreza y el dolor. Pero sabemos que Jesús ha vencido el pecado y ha superado su propio dolor para alcanzar la gloria de la Resurrección. Y vivimos en la luz de su misterio pascual: el misterio de su Muerte y Resurrección. «¡Somos un pueblo pascual y ¡Aleluya es nuestro canto!». No buscamos una alegría superficial, sino una alegría que nace de la fe, que crece a través del amor desinteresado, que respeta el «deber fundamental del amor al prójimo», sin el cual sería inapropiado hablar de alegría. Que la alegría de esta Pascua resuene profundamente en nuestros corazones durante esta bendita época. Aunque cito a un querido papa del

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

EASTER SUNDAY—RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Holy Saturday, April 19

7:30 p.m. OLV Mass in Gym †Jadie Dahlen

7:30 p.m. SL Bilingual Mass All People of the ACC

Easter Sunday, April 20

8:30 a.m. SE Mass †Fr. Stan Wieser

8:30 a.m. OLV Mass in Gym †Mike Pettengill

10:30 a.m. OLV Mass in Gym †Vince Robertson

10:30 a.m. SL Bilingual Mass †Teresita Leon

Monday, April 21

No Mass or Communion Services

Tuesday, April 22

12:05 p.m. SE Word & Communion

Wednesday, April 23

10:00 a.m. Mill St Mass World Peace

6:30 p.m. SL Mass †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, April 24

9:00 a.m. SE Mass

†Holy Souls in Purgatory

Friday, April 25

9:00 a.m. OLV Mass in Gym †John Robertson

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Saturday, April 26

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass in Gym †Loretta Schmoltz

Sunday, April 27

8:30 a.m. SE Mass †Gary & Sharon Spies

8:30 a.m. OLV Mass in Gym †Mike Pettengill

10:30 a.m. OLV Mass in Gym †Fr. Stan Wieser

10:30 a.m. SL Mass All People of the ACC

12:00 p.m. SL Misa en Español †Teresita Leon

ADORATION

7:00–7:45 a.m. Monday through Friday at St. Elizabeth.

CONFESSION

3:30 p.m. Saturday at OLV in Fellowship Hall.

ROSARY

30 min. before every Mass at St. Elizabeth and OLV.

pasado, ¡mantenemos a nuestro amado papa Francisco y su salud en nuestras oraciones especiales esta Pascua!

El Padre Lucho viajará a su hogar en Perú el lunes de Pascua. Por favor, oren por su buen viaje de ida y vuelta, y por que tenga unas maravillosas vacaciones con su familia. Estará fuera los próximos dos fines de semana, y el Padre Jeff Ethen nos ayudará. ¡Gracias por celebrar y vivir la fe en Semana Santa y Pascua!

Abundantes bendiciones de Pascua para ustedes y sus familias,

Padre Alan

ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

PRAYER REQUESTS

Alyssa and baby Max, Fr. Jeff, Jack Quackenbush (grandson of Darrell and Sandy Hanneman), Jennifer Kolstad, Charlotte Schmitz (granddaughter of Mary Marquardt), Marlys Holubok, Hudson Hendrickx, Kay Henkes, Jerry Schauff, Pat Baker, Kayla Pask, Barbara Hall (Kris Nordick mom) and Joan Tyler Kurtz, Jean Lehn, and Deacon Pete and his family, Tony Schauff, those that suffer from effects of drugs and alcohol, and those with cancer.

PORK OUT RAFFLE

Sign up for the Pork Out Raffle Ticket Prizes in the back of Church or with Alli Neuleib. Senior Sunday will be May 18 at 8:30 a.m.

ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

PRAYER REQUESTS

Dennis & Barb Aguilera, Julian Urbano, Austin Lee, Claudia Cruz, Laura Saavedra, Rosalva Martínez, Judy Marko, Joyce Valley, Rudy Butenas, Jerry Stokka, Tom Johnson, Tony Vigen, Denice Smischny, Jack Geske, Marilyn Jentz, Marilyn Gilbertson, Marilyn Schwartz, LeAnn Ishaug, Jim Marty, David Fix.

HAPPY EASTER!

Thank you to everyone that donated for the beautiful Easter flowers that are around the church.

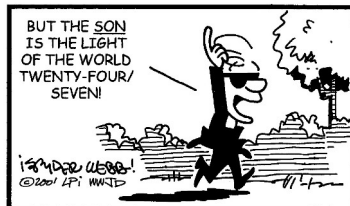
COFFEE AND ROLLS

Our next coffee and rolls social after Mass will be Sunday, May 4. Everyone welcome!

RICE BOWLS

If you haven't returned your rice bowls, please bring them in the next couple weeks and place by the altar. This money gets sent to Catholic relief services to help where there is

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OUR LADY OF VICTORY

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pope Francis, Fr. Jeff, Fr. Joe, Bob Forstner, Mary Earle, JoAnne Bellmore, those who died in Christ.

TEMPORARY OLV OFFICE

The parish offices will be downtown in the Lincoln Center until the church offices are rebuilt. Please visit us at: 125 W Lincoln Ave, Suite 3, Fergus Falls, MN, 56537

OLV SPRING GALA – MAY 3

Mark your calendars for Our Lady of Victory's annual Spring Gala on Saturday, May 3! Join us for an evening of great food, fellowship, and fundraising in support of our school. The gala will feature exciting live and silent auctions, a delicious meal, and plenty of fun with our OLV community. Tickets are \$50 per person or \$360 for a table of 8.

To purchase tickets, call the school office at (218) 736-6661. Scan the QR code for more information. We hope to see you there!



CONGRATULATIONS OCIA CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to our OCIA catechumens and candidates who received the following sacraments of initiation at Saturday's Easter Vigil Mass. May God continue to bless and inspire your faith journey!

- Derek Ambrosie - Confirmation
- Stevie Caputo - Eucharist, Confirmation
- Danielle Jensen - Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation
- Victoria Kavaklian - Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation
- Dan Lee - Eucharist, Confirmation
- Colleen Schroeder - Eucharist, Confirmation

OLV CLEANUP THANK YOU

Thank you to a great team of volunteers who helped sanitize the OLV kitchen. Dishcloths, towels, aprons, potholders were all washed. The storeroom is back together. It was a group effort of about 75 hours and very much appreciated.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

You're invited to join us after Mass on April 27th, around 9:45, in the OLV Gymnasium, for a talk by Wayne Dirkman. He will share his experience with the Holy Sites of Wisconsin, which we will be visiting during our upcoming Marian Pilgrimage. Registrations are due by May 1. Come and listen to his experience and knowledge, as well as a great story about a relative with a direct link to the apparition, and you will also see a stain glass replica he made from the Marian Shrine Chapel.

OLV BACCALAUREATE

The Baccalaureate Mass will be held May 18 at 10:30 a.m. with a light breakfast to follow. Seniors please have your framed photos turned into Emily Stawarski or Alli Neuleib by May 11.

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BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

The Lord is risen! Blessings to you and those you love on this most holy of days.

ROADMAP TO REALITY MOVIE

In a world losing itself to screens, teenage mystic Carlo Acutis saw beyond the social media-addicted society we live in and offered an answer... if we're willing to listen.

"Roadmap to Reality" will be showing from April 27 to 29 at West Acres Cinema in Fargo, ND. For more information, visit: carloacutisfilm.com

SPRING MISSION RALLY

Come and join us for the Spring Mission Rally on Wednesday, April 23 from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church in Alexandria. It's a day filled with a Liturgy with Bishop Patrick Neary, missionaries, fellowship and wonderful food, fair trade, mission group items, mission office connections. Registration is \$10 per person. Hope to see you there!

HUMANAE VITAE AWARD NOMINATION

This year will mark the 57th Anniversary of Humanae Vitae! In celebration, we'll host our annual diocesan Humanae Vitae Mass & Award Presentation on Thursday, July 24 at Saint Mary's Cathedral, Saint Cloud at 7:00 p.m. with Bishop Patrick Neary. We are blessed to have people in our diocese who have dedicated themselves to the promotion of Natural Family Planning and the principles of Humanae Vitae. Please nominate a person(s) who has demonstrated courage in promoting Natural Family Planning by submitting your nomination in writing (500 words or less). Please visit: <https://stcdio.org/event/2025-humanae-vitae-mass-award-reception/>

HOLY FAMILY MINI-FEST

Help bring Holiness Home this August 15-17th at the Holy Family Mini Fest in Little Falls, MN. A family weekend with programs for the whole family, Holy Mass, Confessions, Fun, Food, etc. For more information, visit www.havenofmercycatholic.org/mini-family-fest



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<https://www.facebook.com/parishofstelizabeth>
<https://www.facebook.com/Our Lady of Victory>

Stewardship as a Way of Life:

*"...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."
(Acts 10:38)*

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness."

Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

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Our Lady of Victory Church
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Our Lady of Victory



Our Lady of Victory

Needed monthly.....	\$57,500.00
Needed to date.....	\$517,500.00
Collected in March 2025.....	\$61,493.30
Received to date.....	\$554,439.03
Surplus/Deficit.....	\$36,939.03

St. Leonard

Through March 2025	
Year-to-date revenues.....	\$132,919.75
Year-to-date expenses.....	\$141,465.14
Year-to-date gain/loss.....	(\$8,545.39)

St. Elizabeth

Needed monthly.....	\$5,416.67
Needed to date.....	\$48,749.99
Collected in March 2025.....	\$4,185.00
Received to date.....	\$53,430.30
Surplus/Deficit.....	\$4,680.31

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