# Good News!

April 7, 2024 Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy) (B) Acts 4:32-35 / 1 John 5:1-6 / John 20:19-31

#### FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Will is a widower, now in his eighties. He calls every once in a while, partly to talk but really wanting to know how he can convince his grown children and grandchildren to come back to church. He tells me they're good people, but he would like them to have faith. It's been a mainstay in his life, he tells me, something that has gotten him through many difficulties. He loves his family but says their life would be so much richer if they had an active faith life. I try to tell Will he can't argue them into faith. At most he can share with them how faith has been a blessing in his life, hoping that it might then spark an interest in them.

The disciples in the Gospel story about "Doubting Thomas" experienced Will's dilemma. They were unable to convince Thomas that the Lord had risen. He insisted that he would only believe when he could put his fingers and hands into Jesus' wounds, which of course is just what happens the next time they are gathered. For Thomas, words were not enough; he needed the experience.

Sometimes that's true for us. We've heard the truth, but we haven't experienced the truth as real or relevant or something we cannot live without. The experience of grave need and then surrendering to God is what many need to remain faithful. Meanwhile, the faithful pray for those who do not believe, especially those we dearly love.

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Bishop Michael McGovern and the Diocese of Belleville invite you to

#### **Emmaus Days**

Come encounter Jesus, the Bread of Life, as the Diocese of Belleville celebrates the Eucharistic Revival.

**Sunday, July 7** – National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows **Monday, July 8** – Cathedral of St. Peter

Register Now for VBS 2024 to join us at Come to the Table VBS for Eucharistic Revival. The five Bible stories throughout the week of June 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> will convey that in the Eucharist all people are welcome at God's table. Come to the Table invites kids, ages 31/2 yrs. old to students entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade, to love God and follow in the way of Jesus, offers a vision of the world where everyone's needs are met, and encourages child to joyfully receive and share the good things that God provides. Registration forms were passed out at Faith Formation or are available on the radiators in church or the Parish Center. The registration deadline is MAY 1, 2024.

**Carlyle K of C Council 1382 meetings**—2nd Tuesday of the month 7:30pm; **Bingo:** Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm.

THANK YOU! Again this Lenten season, your prayers and generous support of our Giving Cross and CRS Rice Bowl program will have a lasting impact on the lives of our brothers and sisters in need. Your giving will give a boost to services provided by The Joseph Center, Matthew 25 and our parish as they reach out to many veterans and families in our area. Through your sacrifices, Catholic Relief Services will provide worldwide access of nutritious food to help families thrive and reach their God-given potential. School aged children will be given the opportunity to study in school, while farmers will be given funding to learn innovative ways to grow drought and disease resistant crops. Your gifts to CRS of \$2950 will go far to find longterm solutions for families - not quick fixes. A special thanks to all the Faith Formation Youth families for their donations of \$399, as they learn we have the power to make our world a better place for all. Locally, \$750.00 will be given to Caring for Carlyle backpack snack program, helping to provide food support our children in need. It is your continued support and loyalty to these organizations that give life to Christ's message to all. "Love one another as I have loved you." (John 13:34)

St. Mary's Social Outreach Clothing Drive will be April 13th –16th in the Gym at the Parish Center. If you have questions please give Skeets a call at 618-444-3339.

Call Now!!! Parents of Fall 2024 Kindergarteners! Every child turning age 5 on or before September 1, 2024 should be Pre-Registered to start Kindergarten in the Fall. Pre-Register your Child **NOW** at Carlyle Grade School. Stop by and pick up your Pre-Registration Packet in the Grade School Office.

Please Bring: Birth Certificate 2 Proofs of Residency

For more information call 594-3766 between 8:00a.m. & 4:00p.m.

Beckemeyer Sons of the Legion Breakfast – Drive thru or Dine In

April 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 until noon

Beckemeyer Legion

Breakfast includes

Sausage, Pancakes, Biscuit & Gravy, Eggs, Hash Browns & Fruit.

Volunteers from St. Mary's and St. Teresa's Marydale worked together to make 84 casseroles for Cosgrove's Kitchen. Thank you to everyone that donated money, volunteered to make or deliver the casseroles. Your act of kindness will undoubtedly go a long way.

**Vocation Corner:** Today's Gospel is the familiar story of Thomas' unbelief in the Resurrection "until I put my finger in His nail marks". These kinds of thoughts often plague the mind of those discerning a religious vocation. They are seeking a "definite" sign that the path they are pursuing is the right one. Let us pray for these discerners that they like Thomas take a leap in faith, listen to the call of God and respond to it.

## ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH Est. 1853

1171 Jefferson St., PO Box 179, Carlyle, IL 62231

Fr. George Mauck, Pastor

#### MASS TIMES:

Weekdays (MWF)—7:30am Saturday—4:00pm Sunday—8:00 & 10:00am Holy Days—as announced

Second Sunday of Easter
First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35(44B)
Second Reading: John 5:1-6
Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

Mass is on local TV, every Sunday at 8:30am on Channel 11

April 7th, 2024

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#### Faith Formation:

Every Wednesday 630pm-730pm Call 594-2225 for more information

#### To join the Choir or become a Cantor:

Contact the office at 594-2225

## Church Calendar on Google:

stmarycarlyle@gmail.com

#### Sacrament of Baptism:

Call Fr. George Mauck 594-2225 to register.

## Sacrament of Marriage:

Please make an appointment with Fr. George at least six months in advance, preferably a year.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):

Meets Monday evenings from 7pm to 8:30pm (September thru Easter) at the St. Dominic Annex in Breese. Please contact Fr. George for any questions.

#### Questions about Vocations:

Call Fr. Nick Junker 618-722-5035 or email njunker 08@hotmail.com

### Parish Registration:

We welcome all new residents and ask that you register with us by filling out the blue form located on the radiators or by stopping at the office in the Parish Center. Parish Registration forms are also online.

Library Hours: Wed. 6:30-7:30pm

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 12 Noon

#### **OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:**

Mater Dei High School 618-526-7216 materdeiknights.org All Saints Academy 618-526-4323 www.asasaints.com

## PARTNERED PARISH

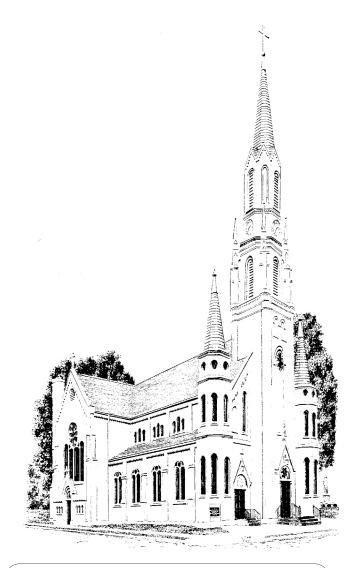
St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

18021 Marydale Rd., Carlyle, IL

618-594-3266 www.stteresamarydale.com MASS TIMES: Saturday 7:30pm, Sunday 8:00am

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## **Mission statement:**

Our mission is to involve ourselves in lay ministries, living and spreading the gospel message of justice and peace.

## BELLEVILLE DIOCESE CHILD PROTECTION

www.diobelle.org/faith-formation/child-protection SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE: Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline: 800-640-3044. Liturgy for the Week...

Sat	April 6	4:00am	Bob & Marge Christ Juan Guiab Bernie Hustedde David Uttendorfer
Sun	April 7	8:00am	John Peppenhorst George Litzenburg
		10:00am	Our Parish Family
Mon	April 8	7:30am	Martha Diekemper
Wed	April 10	7:30am	Alphonse Isaak Irene Schuetz
Fri	April 12	7:30am	Marvin Wiegman
Sat	April 13	4:00pm	Joan LaFerla Gene Kuhl Martha Diekemper
Sun	April 14	8:00am	Our Parish Family
		10:00am	Jackie Bergkoetter Alfred & Victoria Thole Anna Lily Carol Kellermann Robby Lemanski
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<b>Envelopes</b> : \$10692.00	Loose: \$1868.00			
Online Giving:\$115.00	<b>Cemetery</b> : \$400.00			
Capital Campaign: \$235.00	OSV Online Giving: \$35.00			
Easter Flowers:\$70.00	CRS:\$5.00			
Holy Land:\$405.00	Missions:\$275.00			



Scan here if you wish to access our online giving portal through Our Sunday Visitor. You can quickly set up a one time donation or a requiring donation. Please reach out to the office if you would like help or more information!

**Yoga & Chair Yoga** will be held here at the St. Mary Parish Center Hospitality Room with Michele Kern. Yoga will be on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings at 8am. Chair Yoga will be on Monday & Thursday mornings from 9:15—10am. Contact Michele Kern for more info 618-401-1894.

	Adult	April 18-12	John Rubsam	
Ser Scho	Serving Schedule	April 15-19	Kevin Frank	
	7:30am	April 22-26	Tom Frerker	

Please pray for all expectant mothers and the child they are carrying or have recently had their babies along with their families:

Laura, Michaela, Abby, Lauren, Jessica, Katie, Erika, Heather & Nicole.

Are you an expectant mother or do you know of someone that we can pray for throughout the pregnancy & post-term? Please contact the office. We will place a wooden rose on the altar by Mary with the parents name and the baby's expectant month of arrival on a card attached to the rose.

Once the baby is born, the family may take the rose to keep.

Schedule of Events...

Sun, April 7	Vietnam Vets Chapter 269 are having a BREAKFAST at the Germantown Legion on April 7th from 8:00-11:30am
Fri, April 12	St. Mary Carlyle-PORK STEAK DINNER April 12th 4-6:30p.m. Drive Thru Only \$13.00
Sun, April 14	Beckemeyer Son of the Legion dine in or drive thru Breakfast 7:30-12:00

Please remember in our prayers: Kirk Varel, Janet Compare, Scott Abernathy, Ruth Lange, Kristen Eagleson, Edna Woltering, Helen Vahlkamp, Joann Gray, Travis Knolhoff, Betty, Jim Loepker, Barb Henkle, Mel Thole, Jim Ranz, Joe Isaak, Parker Weathersby, Sandy Wehking, Sarah Schlau, Sherry, Jim Etter, Vince Rolves, Pat Lawler, Rayma Harris, Vernon Vahlkamp, Amie Evans, Fr. Ed Schaefer, Jenny Schneider, Ken Graham, Ali Schubel, Edna Erlinger, Soraya Louis, Myles Harris, Diane Duckworth, Evan Kessler, Ron Lager, Debbie Birks, Vic Jansen, Christie Dust, Peggy Loomis, Lisa Andrews, Jillian Raab, Janet Gammon, Levi Chisholm, Pauline Dierkes, Jennifer Lynn (Buehler) Wallace, Gloria Wheritt, Joe Bango, Mike Kueper, Charlene Erlinger, Diane Fewell, Maddi Reising, Murray Fauke, Jerome Huth, Karen Schulte, RaeAnne Toennies, Barb Hempen, Mark Hillyer & Ray Petermeyer.

#### **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Gracious God, You have called us through Baptism to discipleship, believing in your Son, Jesus Christ, who has sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to the world. We pray to you, asking that you grant us more priests and religious who will help us build up your Church in the Diocese of Belleville and the world. Stir up the grace of a religious vocation in the hearts of many of our youth. Grant to them the willingness and generosity to give of themselves in service to our Lord Jesus and his people. May a new generation of priests, deacons, sisters and brothers be a sign of your presence among us. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

#### **Prayer for Safety of All in Agriculture**

Blessed Mary, Mother of God, and great Saint Joseph, you protected and kept safe the Divine Child, Jesus. We ask your special intercession and protection of all who work in Agriculture, especially on the farm. Man, having been cast out of the Garden of Eden, must now work by the sweat of his brow to get food to eat as you foretold in Genesis. And he must also battle fatigue, danger, and accidents. Protect all in agriculture against these and all danger and evil, so that when they complete their work each day and each season, they return to your altar and their families whole and entire to love and honor You and the ones you have given them all the days of their lives. We ask through the holy name of Jesus. Amen.

April is Child Abuse Awareness Month. Did you know... Child abuse come in many forms. Most people identify child abuse as physically hitting a child. Neglect is also a form of abuse. Failing to provide a child with proper nutrition, housing, and supervision can cause irreparable harm. Expectations that a child be an active participant in the care of home and family, or even age-appropriate jobs is a part of healthy development. However excessive demands can cross into a form of servitude that is beyond the societal norms. Child pornography is a form of sexual abuse, with real victims in ever image. The viewing of these images is an offense against the human dignity

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Thanks one more time to all who helped with and participated in the Triduum, especially the Confirmation and First Communion classes and families.

Again please take some time to read the book, <u>Beautiful Eucharist</u>. It is an interesting and easy read for practically everyone. As we celebrate the "Years of the Eucharist," it is a great time for us to ponder the greatest gift we've been given, the Body and Blood of Christ.

Keep in your prayers the family of Diane Holtmann Fuehne, (Duane Grapperhaus's sister-in-law), who recently died. May she rest in God's peace!

## Second Sunday of Easter, Cycle B, 2024

(Sunday of Divine Mercy)

'Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God." - John20, 19-31

On this Second Sunday of Easter, the Liturgy of the Word begins with the most idealistic text from Acts. Of special significance is the description that the Jerusalem community "was of one heart and one mind," with "everything in common." How many of us struggle daily to live for the common good?

The reading from the First Letter of John, like our responsorial psalm, invites us to reflect on the incomprehensible love of God. God's commandments are not intended to be a burden for us; rather, they have been given to us as guides for living faithfilled lives.

In the gospel, while they are locked behind closed doors, Jesus appears to the disciples and offers them peace. Upon recognizing Jesus, the disciples rejoice. Jesus extends peace to them, a second time, and then bestows the Holy Spirit on them. A week later, in yet another encounter behind locked doors, Jesus appears again. Jesus invites Thomas to touch him and believe in him. This scene concludes with reference to other signs that Jesus performed so that we might have life in Jesus' name.

In one way, the doubting Thomas is all of us. Doubt and faith go hand in hand: true faith knows doubt well and wrestles with it throughout life's journey. Part of the Good News is that Christ still shows us his wounds, still invites us to touch the places where the world had broken him open: in the hungry, the poor, the vulnerable, the marginalized. Where can we see the wounded Christ among us today? - 2024 Sourcebook, the Almanac for Pastoral Liturgy

#### Happy Easter! He is Risen indeed! Peace and Good, Fr. George

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April 6/7	8am	Brigid Nallewajka	Jim Nalewajka Dave Rodden Joan Timmermann	Bug Kleber Jeannie Kleber David Caplinger Elyse Caplinger	Owen Clark Ava Albers		Joel & Lindsey Tucker Family
	10am	John Zieren	Dennis Hempen Edna Woltering Bev Schlau	Joan Voss Kelly Dempsey Stacy Holthaus Brenda Knolhoff	Cohen Edwards Milah Diekemper	Aubri Edwards	Chris & Jaclyn Gustafson Family
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	4pm	Barb Crouse	Chuck Rolfingsmeier Dick Christ Suzanne Christ	John Verstegen Jan Kauling Darlene Linton Paula Kampwerth	Benny Zurliene Adelaide Hughes	Julie VonHatten	Mike & Susan Howard Family
April 13/14	8am	Brigid Nalewajka	Jim Nalewajka Linda Peppenhorst Kimberly Holtgrave	Ron Zurliene Michele Foster Lisa Eversgerd Tiffany Wesselmann	Jackson Tucker Tyler Wesselman	Owen Clark n	Jerome & Gwen Diekemper Family
	10am	Alayna Brandmeyer	Dennis Hempen Theresa Wuebbels Bev Schlau	Linda McNurlen Bridget Winter Mary Hugo Missy Koopmann	Lauren Winter Tatym Diekempe	Elena Winter r	Volunteer Family Needed
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