

MARCH 31, 2024 | EASTER SUNDAY



THE PARISHES OF

ST. MARY

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Farmersville, IL 62533

ST. RAYMOND

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Raymond, IL 62560

ST. MAURICE

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

EASTER VIGIL, SATURDAY, MARCH 30

- No evening mass at St. Mary -

7:30 pm St. Maurice: The People of Our Parishes

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

8:00 am St. Raymond: Joseph Mizera

9:45 am St. Mary: Joe Brockamp

10:00 am St. Maurice: Lester & Bernetta Curvey
and Kenneth Curvey II

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

8:00 am St. Mary: Kenny Rosenthal

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

8:00 am St. Raymond: All Souls

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

8:00 am St. Maurice: Jane O'Toole

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

5:00 pm St. Mary: Karl Jordan

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

8:00 am St. Raymond: William & Lucille Edmiston

10:00 am St. Maurice: Donnie Harris and Billy Harris

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS

3:00-3:30 pm St. Maurice

4:00-4:30 pm St. Mary

SUNDAYS

7:00-7:30 am St. Raymond

ADORATION

ST. RAYMOND

8:30 am Wednesday - 8:00 am Thursday

ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 10:00 pm Wednesday

FATHER'S COLUMN

There are details in today's resurrection Gospel that may seem a bit strange. The passage begins: "On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark." Likewise, the account of the disciples running to the tomb also has very specific elements: "They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first." The detail John provides in his resurrection account gives credibility and factual grounding to the story, as they were specific details observed by those first witnesses of the resurrection.

The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles also emphasizes this notion of witness. Peter proclaims: "We are witnesses of all that he did." The word "witness" comes from the Latin *testimonium*, or one who testifies. While we may not be called to spread the Gospel across the country or the world. Still, we must testify to the death and resurrection of Jesus by our daily actions.

Thus Easter calls us out of the darkness that shrouds our lives into the light of new life, of healing, of re-creation. In his rising from the dead, Christ enables us to bring into our own lives all that he taught and lived throughout his life: the love, compassion, generosity, humility, and selflessness that ultimately triumphs over hatred, bigotry, prejudice, despair, greed, and death.

We sometimes find ourselves stuck in a Good Friday world: our problems hit us, overwhelm us, strain our strength and ability to cope and make it all work. But in raising his Son from the dead, the Father vindicates the Gospel of his Christ: that good conquers evil, that love transforms hatred, that light shatters the darkness. Our lives are filled with experiences of resurrection, when the despair and desperation of our Good Fridays are transformed into Easter hope by the compassion and mercy of those who have embraced the good news of Easter morning.

He is Risen, Alleluia!

To add a name to the prayer list, please email Kateri at kmarten@stmrm.org and specify how many weeks you'd like that name to appear for (1 week up to a maximum of 12 weeks). You're always welcome to re-add the name at the end of this period if the need for prayer is still present, but this will help keep the list focused and fresh.

If you know of a parishioner that you'd like added to Father's visitation list, please let him or Kateri know.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Easter Sunday, March 31:
 Mary Jane Schmidt
 & Patty Clarke

Saturday, April 6:
 Glenn Rovey
 & Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, April 13:
 Mary Ann Rimini
 & Glenn Rovey

Saturday, April 20:
 Patty Clarke
 Mary Ann Rimini

LECTORS

Easter Sunday, March 31:
 Carol Hupp

Saturday, April 6:
 Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, April 13:
 Tony Krager

Saturday, April 20:
 Dan Martin

Saturday, April 27:
 Kathy Rovey

ST. RAYMOND

MARCH

LECTOR Jerry Wagahoff
 CANTOR Verne Pinkston
 HOSPITALITY Greg Beck

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Donna Wagahoff
 Carl Marten

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:
 March 31 - Dick Lyons

SERVERS:
 Easter Sunday, March 31 -
 Morgan Hampton

APRIL

LECTOR Christine Meisner
 CANTOR Tim Marten
 HOSPITALITY Joe Pope

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Dianne Hampton
 Larry Weitekamp

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:
 April 7 - Mary & Julie Krager
 April 14 - Dick Lyons
 April 21 - Carl Marten
 April 28 - Noller/Morehouse

SERVERS:
 Sun, April 7 - Dan Held
 Sun, April 14 - Denny Held
 Sun, April 21 - Avery & Luke Pope
 Sun, April 28 - Morgan Hampton

ST. MAURICE

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

LECTOR Ed Goebel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Catherine O'Connell
 Larry Goebel
 Dale Brockamp

USHERS Steve DeBrun
 Mellisa DeBrun
 Mark Langen

SERVERS
 Macie Ferrill and Gentry Dunkirk

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

LECTOR Rita Sloan

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Catherine O'Connell
 Marietta Dunkirk
 John Bergschneider

USHERS Dan Johnson
 Linda Johnson
 Bill O'Connell
 Mark Langen

SERVER
 Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

LECTOR Dale Brockamp

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Charlie Golitko
 Larry Goebel
 Ed Goebel

USHERS Dan Johnson
 Linda Johnson
 Bill O'Connell
 Mark Langen

SERVER
 Nathaniel and Nicholas DeBrun

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR MARCH 23/24

St. Mary: \$4,937

St. Raymond: \$1,762

St. Maurice: \$1,357

OUR PRAYER LIST

Trent Boston, Maddie Harris, Alra Mundhenke, Katie Stephenson, Maddie Le, Bernard Jenkins,
 Margaret Jenkins, Jim Renner, Wyatt Spurgeon, Rosanne Olinger, Drake Lucas, Debbie Lucas,
 Greg Weitekamp, Jim Weitekamp, Wayne Angle, Danny Fark, Tricia Fark, Jason Fark, Vickie Norris,
 Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Brant Weitekamp

Remember to pray for our seminarians and for the increase of vocations to priesthood and religious life.

St. Raymond Pro-Life Prayer Group

Friday mornings at 9:00 am

Morrisonville K of C Live Music Night

Saturday April 6 at the Fuller Street Building (old K of C Hall)

Doors open at 5 pm, Jonnie Concaroo Band will perform from 6 to 9 pm

This band was a hit last summer at the Morrisonville music in the park.

Tickets are \$10.00 each or \$15.00 a couple.

Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

See members for tickets. Or call 217-526-3613 and leave a message.

St. Raymond Ladies Spring Fling

April 17, 6:00 pm at the KC Hall

Includes a light meal and entertainment by the LHS Drama Club with music from Peter Pan.

Family of Faith

3rd Wednesday of the month

April 17, 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Fuller Street Building in Morrisonville

Other class dates: May 15

Farmersville K of C Monthly Breakfast

3rd Sunday of the month
April 21, 7:30 am to Noon
at the Farmersville K of C Hall

Email Bulletin

If you would like to receive our weekly email bulletin, please let Kateri know at kmarten@stmrm.org

St. Maurice Cemetery Announcement

Please remove all ground decorations from St. Maurice Cemetery by April 13 for the mowing season. Thank you.

Volunteers Needed at St. Mary

We are in need of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Fr. Florent or Mary Jane Schmidt.

When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God

Session 3: Trust and Surrender

Each Tuesday with 2 options for location/time:

- 10:00 am in Farmersville at the Rectory
- 6:30 pm in Raymond at the K of C hall

Anyone is welcome to join us any week, even if you did not register.

FATHER'S Q&A

Correct answer from the last issue:

D. Day when mass is not celebrated.

Explanation: On Good Friday we remember the day Jesus was crucified. In The Latin Rite, there is no celebration of Mass between the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening and the Easter Vigil unless a special exemption is granted for rare solemn or grave occasions by the Vatican or the local bishop. The only sacraments celebrated during this time are Baptism (for those in danger of death), Penance, and Anointing of the Sick. While there is no celebration of the Eucharist, Holy Communion is still distributed to the faithful only in the Service of the Passion of the Lord, but can also be taken at any hour to the sick who are unable to attend this service.

This week's question:

After the resurrection, the total number of witnesses who saw Jesus alive was about.....

- A. 500 +
- B. 100 +
- C. 25
- D. 12