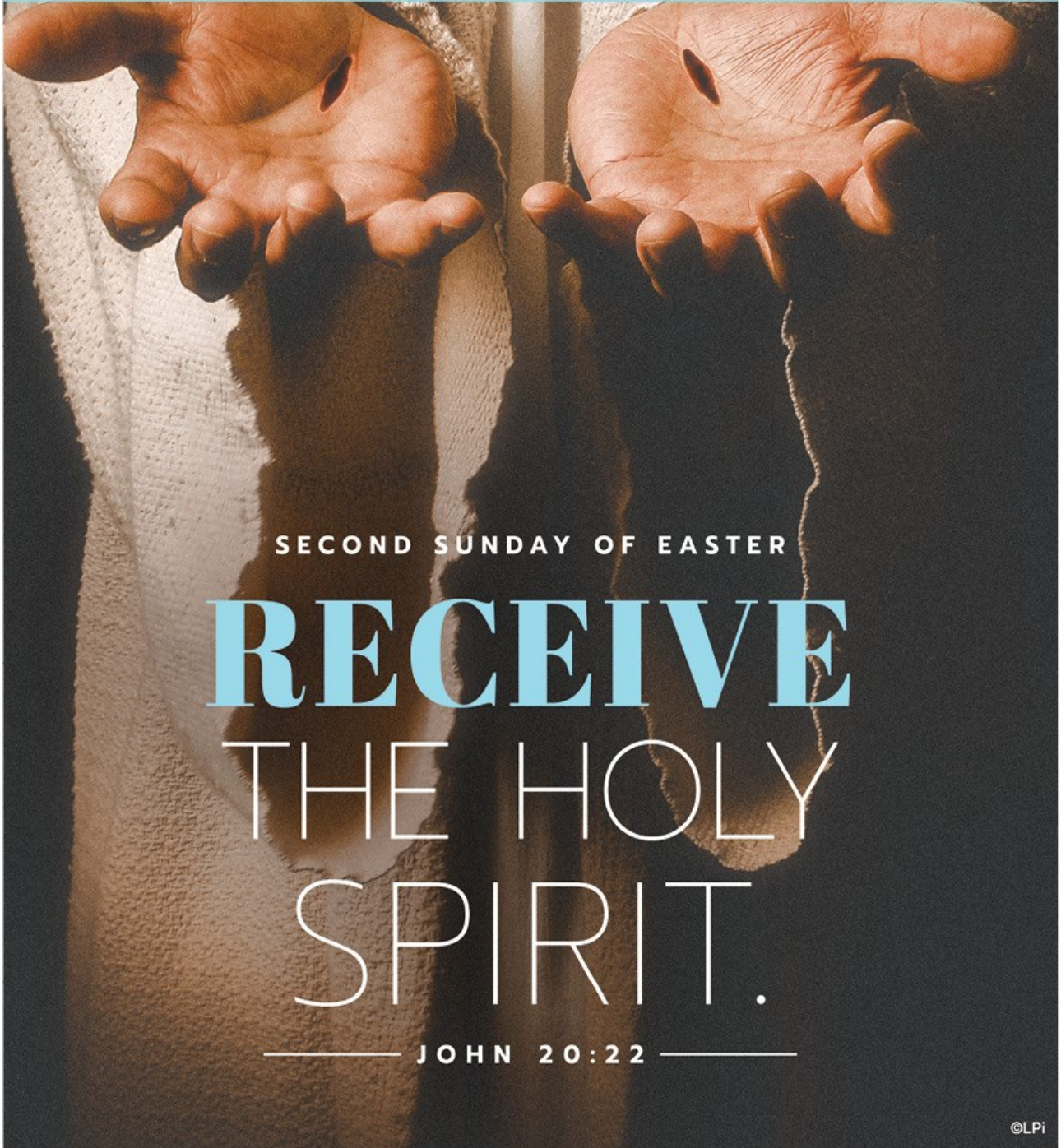


ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

RECEIVE
THE HOLY
SPIRIT.

— JOHN 20:22 —

Second Sunday of Easter—April 7th

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OFFICE HOURS / HORARIO DE OFICINA

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Friday: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Saturday 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MISAS

Saturday: 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM en Español

Weekdays: 7:45 AM except Thursday at 7:00 PM

Baptisms / Bautizos

Baptism Preparation / Preparación para el bautismo

Contact the parish office to register.

Contacte la oficina parroquial para registrarse.

Confessions / Confesiones

Mondays 5 - 6:00 PM—or by appointment / o con cita.

Weddings / Bodas / Quinceañeras

Contact the parish office to schedule.

Contacte la oficina parroquial para programar.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic Community of St. John the Apostle Parish commits to live out the teachings of Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist, guided by the Holy Spirit and rooted in prayer. Together we continue the mission of Christ through Evangelization, Discipleship and Charity.

La Comunidad Católica de la Parroquia San Juan Apóstol se compromete a vivir las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, alimentada por la Eucaristía, guiados por el Espíritu Santo y con raíces en la oración. Juntos continuamos la misión de Cristo a través de la evangelización, discipulado y Caridad.

MILITARY PRAYER LIST. As a parish family, we at St. John the Apostle pray for all the members of our parish. We especially pray for our parishioners and their relatives who are currently on active duty in the military:

- Staff Sgt, DeWitt
- Staff Sgt. Adam Griswold
- Pvt. Aren Menor
- Pvt. Joseph Aguayo-Ludvik
- USMC Joseph Ciesla
- 2nd Lt. Colleen Corcoran
- Spc. Thomas
- AIC Darren Menor
- A1C Ryan Pemberton
- Sgt. Andrew J. Peterson
- Sgt. Donald J. Peterson
- A1C Anthony Pieroni—USAF
- Pvt. Jeremy Schumacher
- Spc. MP Catherin R. Stover/Peterson
- Corp. Robert Stover
- Pfc. Stephen Winter.
- E3-Yesenia Vivero

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SICK:

If you would like your name added to or removed from this list for prayers, please call the parish office.

Again, A Blessed and Happy Easter to you and your families!!!



I continue to keep you in my prayers for your holiness and health and those of your loved ones. I just wanted to offer a quick thank-you to all those who have helped us prepare for and offer our sacred liturgies and the work in our parishes. From the volunteers, the music, the decorations, the outreach etc. Also, a thank you to those who gave me gifts at Easter.

We keep our prayers upon those who have received and are preparing to receive their Sacraments in these days. Special blessings this year as we received 14 people into the Church at the Easter Vigil. That is the largest number I have experienced since I have been a priest, and I have been in two of our three largest parishes in our diocese. I offer praise to God for each one of you who says 'yes' to His gifts and graces. Blessings upon those who continue to make themselves present for our Masses, whether physically here or from home. A final 'thank you' to those who have continued to offer their financial support for one another. I give thanks to God every day for placing me in such wonderful parishes with such wonderful and faithful people.

In the offerings of Christ,
Fr. Rosenbaum

What is spiritual communion, and do you need to be in a state of grace to receive it?

Answer:

The practice of making a "spiritual communion" dates back several centuries and St. Thomas Aquinas described it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him." Traditionally, a prayer of spiritual communion has been used by those who are unable to receive sacramental communion because of health, inability to attend Mass, or who cannot receive communion because of grave sin. This practice has been encouraged by many saints and spiritual writers and most recent Francis encouraged the practice when the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic prevented so many Catholics from taking part in the Mass or receiving sacramental communion.

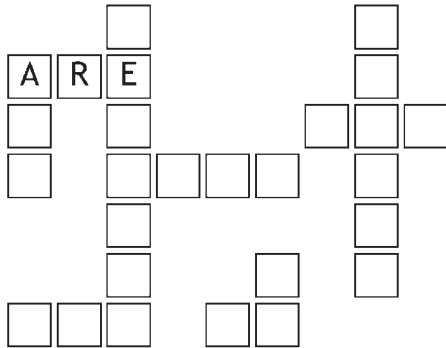
Although the graces offered in spiritual communion are not the same as those offered in the sacramental communion of the Mass, this practice is still a powerful opportunity to express our desire for union with the Lord and to be united with Christ and the Church, even in an imperfect way.



 **PUZZLE**

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

Thomas replied, "You are my Lord and my God!"



 **MISSION**

Talk to God about a friend who does not believe in Jesus. Ask God to give you the right words to say about Jesus. Then ask God to help you be patient.

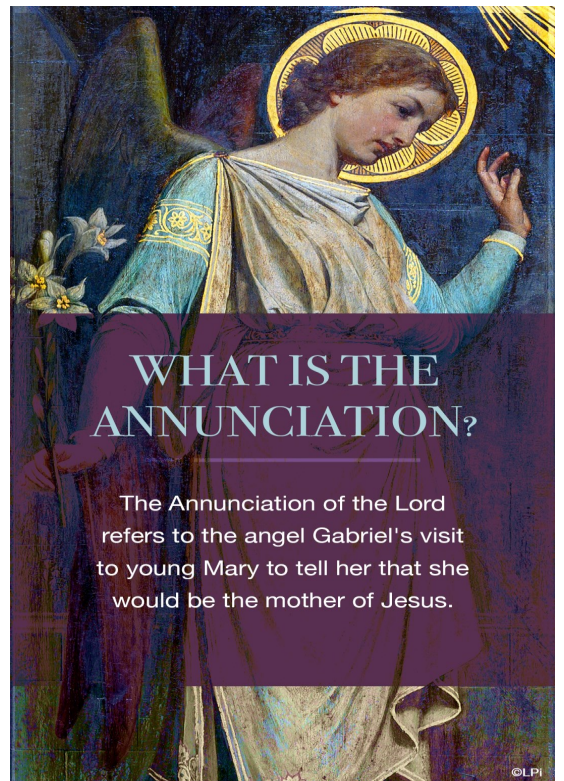
 **COLOR**

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



To fittingly observe Divine Mercy Sunday in a solemn way, we should:

- **Celebrate** the Feast on the Sunday after Easter;
- Sincerely **repent** of all our sins;
- Place our **complete trust** in Jesus;
- Go to **Confession**, preferably before that Sunday;
- Receive **Holy Communion** on the day of the Feast;
- **Venerate the Image** of The Divine Mercy (make some gesture of deep religious respect toward the image because of the person whom it represents);
- **Be merciful** to others, through our actions, words, and prayers on their behalf.



WHAT IS THE ANNUNCIATION?

The Annunciation of the Lord refers to the angel Gabriel's visit to young Mary to tell her that she would be the mother of Jesus.

Collections

Sunday, March 24th-\$3,894.00
By Mail-\$4,295.00
Easter Flowers-\$742.00

TOTAL: \$8,931.00

Thank you for supporting the good work
of St. John the Apostle Parish!

MARIAN REFLECTION



Christ...gave himself for our sins that he might deliver us from evil of this age according to the will of our God and Father.

-Gal 1:3-4

The whole world indebted to Jesus for His Passion. Similarly, all of us are indebted to our Lady for her compassion.

- St. Albert the Great

Alleluia
He Is Risen!

Join Us For Dinner

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024
5:30 pm Cocktails
6:30 pm to 10:00 pm Dinner
• Music

[THE CARLISLE](#)



**SETON
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CATHOLIC MONTESSORI

For more information: 630-279-4101

CCW SPRING BAKE SALE - APRIL 13/14

AFTER ALL MASSES IN THE PARISH
LIBRARY

Spring is in the air.
Flowers are blooming everywhere.
All the ladies are feverishly baking.
Come and enjoy what treats they're making.

Please stop by after Mass to purchase a sweet treat.

We will gladly accept any baked good* donations. Please deliver to the parish library before any of the Masses on April 13/14.

**Please note that we cannot accept any product which contains ingredients requiring refrigeration such as whipped cream or custard.*

Quality Healthcare In Your Home



**Elevated Care
At Home**

At Elevated Care At Home we provide professional in-home care services allowing our clients to remain safely and comfortably in their own homes.

We are a dedicated homecare services provider committed to delivering exceptional care to those in need. Our goal is to enhance the lives of our patients and their families by providing comfort, support, and dignity.

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Events For The Week

Monday, April 8th

Confessions-5:00-6:00 PM/Church
Parish Council Meeting-7:00 PM/Library

Tuesday, April 9th

CCW Game Night-7:00-9:00 PM/Library

Wednesday, April 10th

Legion of Mary (Span)-6:00-8:00 PM/Library

Thursday, April 11th

Spanish Bible Study-5:00-7:00 PM/Library

Friday, April 12th

Hora Santa-6:00-7:00 PM/Church

Saturday, April 13th

Nothing On Schedule

Sunday, April 14th

Nothing On Schedule

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings for the week of April 7, 2024

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

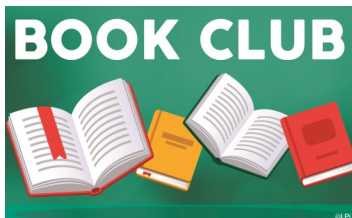
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

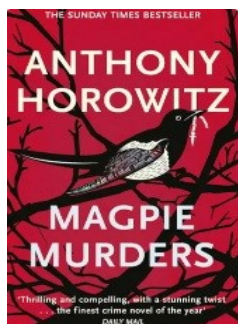
Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48



The CCW hopes everyone had a wonderful Easter.

All parishioners are invited to join us on Tue., April 30th at 7:00 PM in the library to discuss this book.

We will be reading "Magpie Murders" By Anthony Horowitz



75th Anniversary Apparel Webstore

Commemorate the 75th Jubilee in DOJ style! T-shirts and polos (men's and women's) are available to order through **April 15**. Wear yours to the regional Masses this summer and fall! See diojoliet.org/75th for details.



Scan the QR code or visit qrc0.de/75thMerch to order by April 15. Orders will be shipped April 26.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK – -April 7th--April 14th

Date	Intention	Requested by
Sunday, April 7th	9:00 AM 1. The Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	
	11:00 AM 1. Rey Borrromeo (+) & Holy Souls	The Borrromeo Family
	12:30 PM 1. Ernesto Andraje (+)	The Borrromeo Family
Monday, April 8th	7:45 AM 1. Ernesto Andraje (+)	The Borrromeo Family
Tuesday, April 9th	7:45 AM 1. Ernesto Andraje (+)	The Borrromeo Family
Wednesday, April 10th	7:45 AM 1. Rey Borrromeo (+)	The Borrromeo Family
Thursday, April 11th	7:00 PM 1. All the Holy Souls	The Borrromeo Family
Friday, April 12th	7:45 AM 1. The Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	
Saturday, April 13th	8:00 AM 5:00 PM 1. The Parishioners of St. John the Apostle 1. The Parishioners of St. John the Apostle	
Sunday, April 14th	9:00 AM 1. Conrad & Rose Cilella (+)	The Cilella Family
	11:00 AM 1. Vickie Ladd (+)	Lori Bhardwaj
	12:30 PM 1. Laura Rodriguez-Birthday Blessing	Candeloria Rodriguez

7 de abril de 2024
2º Domingo de Pascua (La Divina Misericordia)

¿Sabías qué? el segundo domingo del Tiempo Pascual fue designado “Domingo de la Divina Misericordia” por el Papa Juan Pablo II, en el año 2,000 durante la canonización de santa Faustina Kowalska. El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, en su número 1225, ilumina y catequiza lo que el Papa y santa Faustina nos transmitieron al experimentar la misericordia divina en sus vidas. *“En su Pascua, Cristo abrió a todos los hombres las fuentes del Bautismo. En efecto, había hablado ya de su pasión que iba a sufrir en Jerusalén como de un Bautismo con que debía ser bautizado. La sangre y el agua que brotaron del costado traspasado de Jesús crucificado son figuras del Bautismo y de la Eucaristía, sacramentos de la vida nueva: desde entonces, es posible nacer del agua y del Espíritu para entrar en el Reino de Dios”*. Santa Faustina al pintar el retrato del Señor de la Misericordia nos muestra esta imagen de la misericordia de Cristo Crucificado dada a nosotros por el Bautismo y la Eucaristía. El Papa Francisco, también, nos lo explica de la siguiente manera: *“La misericordia a la luz de la Pascua se deja percibir como una verdadera forma de conocimiento. Se conoce a través de los sentidos, se conoce a través de la intuición, a través de la razón y aún de otras formas. Bien, se puede conocer también a través de la experiencia de la misericordia, porque la misericordia abre la puerta de la mente para comprender mejor el misterio de Dios y de nuestra experiencia personal (16 de abril del 2023)*