

WELCOME TO PAX CHRISTI

WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR APRIL 14, 2019

NEW HERE?

MASS TIMES:

Saturday ~ 5:00pm

Sunday ~ 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm

Mondays ~ 8:30am

Tuesdays ~ 8:30am with Rosary to follow

Wednesdays ~ 6:00pm

Thursdays ~ 8:30am

Fridays ~ 8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Private) ~ Saturdays 4:00-4:30pm

Interpreter for hearing impaired at 11:00am Mass.

Nursery provided for infants through age 4 during Sunday Mass times.

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/baptism

Confirmation ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration

First Eucharist ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration

First Reconciliation ~ registration/info at www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration

Marriage and Wedding Prep ~ www.paxchristi.com/marriage

Questions? Contact Andrea in the parish office, 952-405-7207.

THIS IS NEW MEMBER SIGN UP WEEKEND:

If you would like to become a member of Pax Christi, shared ministers are here and ready to assist you in the registration process. You are also welcome to stop by the parish office anytime for a registration packet. Additional information at www.paxchristi.com/aboutus.

CATHOLIC SPIRIT NEWSPAPER:

If you are interested in receiving the official publication of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, *The Catholic Spirit*, please contact Maria Miller in the Pax Christi office at mmiller@paxchristi.com or by calling 952-405-4217. This monthly subscription is free to registered Pax Christi members.

PRAYER BASKET:

Before and after each weekend Mass, you may write a prayer intention and drop it into the Prayer Basket located near the baptismal font. All intentions in the Prayer Basket are collectively included in the Prayers of the Faithful at each weekend Mass.

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A NOTE FROM FR BILL MURTAUGH



Holy Week 2019

God on a cross? According to the gospel narrative, those who passed before Jesus crucified, jeered at him and mocked his helplessness saying to him: "If you are the Son of God, come down from that cross." Jesus did not react to the provocation. His answer is a silence charged with mystery. Because He is the Son of God, He remains on the cross until He dies. Of course, we have questions. How is it possible for God to be crucified by man? Do we realize what we are thinking? What is God doing on the cross? How can a religion based on such an absurd notion survive?

A crucified God forces us to revise our thinking of a God whom we supposedly know. A crucified God has neither the appearance nor the characteristics that all the world religious attribute to the Supreme Being.

A crucified God is not an all-powerful majestic being, unchangeable and happy, a stranger to our sufferings, or deaf to our cries, but a helpless and humiliated God who suffers pain, anguish, and even death with us. Faced with the cross, we either renounce our faith in God, or we open our minds to a new and amazing understanding of a God who became like us in our suffering, who loves us with a love we will never completely comprehend.

As we look upon the crucified Christ, we begin to sense that God, in God's mysterious depths, is someone who suffers with us. Our miseries move God. Our sufferings affect God. God is not one who is untouched by our sorrow, tears, and misfortune. God is present at every crucifixion in this world. This crucified God does not admit of a frivolous selfish faith in an all-powerful God who serves our whims and fancies. This God forces us to face the suffering, the neglect, and the abandonment of so many victims of injustice and misfortune. This is the God we will meet whenever we come close to anyone who is crucified.

We are faced with a crucified God. But what about those crucified before our eyes? To celebrate the Passion of the Lord Jesus in a true spirit as His followers, we must rekindle our compassion. Without this compassion our faith in the crucified God will run the risk of being false in so many ways. When we kiss the cross on Good Friday, let our eyes be focused on all those close to or far away from us who suffer.

Fr. Bill Murtaugh

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HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 18

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
followed by Adoration in chapel

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19

3:00pm Living Stations
7:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20

12:00noon Blessing of Easter Food
8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21

7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am Easter Mass

UPCOMING EVENTS

BOOMER'S AND BEYOND: FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 9:30-11:30am, CHANHASSEN LOCATION

SENIOR HIGH DINNER AND A MOVIE

4TH FRIDAY OF MONTH, 5:00-10:00pm: APRIL 26, MAY 24, JUNE 28, AUGUST 23

THE POWER OF OUR STORIES

Sponsored by the Interfaith Circle

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 1:30-3:00pm, EDEN PRAIRIE COMMUNITY CENTER

SOULCOLLAGE® – OPEN CARD-MAKING

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 6:00-8:00pm, Room 212 RSVP

WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GO™

A Funeral Pre-Planning Mini Workshop

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 6:30-8:00pm

MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP BREAKFAST

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 7:00-8:30am; Room 212 RSVP

TWELVE BASKETS BABY DRIVE

Weekend of May 11/12

BOOMERS AND BEYOND SPRING RETREAT

Adding More Joy to Your Life

TUESDAY, MAY 14, 8:30am, \$15.00 RSVP

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPEAKERS SERIES: ON JUSTICE FOR THE POOR

ABBE SHAIN, STEERING COMMITTEE, MN POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 12:30-2:00pm RSVP

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

3 YEARS THROUGH 5TH GRADE; JULY 29-AUGUST 2, 9:00am-12:00pm, \$60

MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE CAMP

6TH THROUGH 8TH GRADE YOUTH; JULY 29-AUGUST 2, 8:30am - 4:00pm, \$150

DRAMA CAMP

6TH GRADE YOUTH AND OLDER; JULY 29-AUGUST 2, 9:00am-3:00pm

PRAYER CORNER

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE LOVED ONES:

Steve, Gayle, Sandy, Mary Jane, Amy, Sidney, Greg, Bob, Jerry, Bill, Judy, Roni, David, Maret, Sherry, Rob, Nick, Connie, Lilly, Nedra, Joyce, the R Family, Ed, Joe, Bill, Trisha, Ken, and Jim.

Pax Christi offers, as a community, the gift of prayer. If you would like to have your name listed in this Prayer Corner during a time of need, contact Care and Support, 952-941-3150.

PAX CHRISTI COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUND

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Pax Christi Community Endowment Fund was established in May 2017 to perpetuate support of our core values. As we approach our second anniversary, the current balance in the Endowment Fund is now over \$400,000.
- The concept of endowment aligns closely with our Catholic beliefs. Endowments are charitable funds that are invested, grown, and yield grants to those most in need, in perpetuity. This means they will support good works eternally!
- As Catholics, we are called to use our gifts "as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms" (1 Peter 4:10) to build God's kingdom on earth. By leveraging the power of endowments, you can live and lead generously, ensuring your Catholic faith and its good works will continue to benefit countless generations to come.



Watch for more information about our second anniversary celebration to be held Saturday and Sunday, June 8 and 9, following all Masses. Please prayerfully consider how you can participate.

To learn more please go to www.paxchristi.com/endowment.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday, APRIL 15

8:30am MASS
6:30pm BeFriender Training
6:30pm Pack 348 Mtg
7:00pm Music Ministry Rehearsal

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 18

9:00am Boomers' Feed My Starving Children
12:00pm Environment Update
7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Passion
8:30pm Environment Update

Tuesday, APRIL 16

8:30am MASS
9:00am Rosary Group
6:00pm 50+ Basketball
7:00pm Alanon
7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous
7:00pm Handbell Rehearsal

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19

3:00pm Living Stations
7:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20

9:00am Environment Update
9:00am Women's AA Group
9:00am Overeater's Anonymous
12:00pm Blessing of Easter Food
3:30pm Private Reconciliation
8:00pm VIGIL - FR. BYRON & MURTAUGH

Wednesday, APRIL 17

11:00am Tai Chi
6:00pm MASS
6:30pm RCIA Practice Night

Sunday, APRIL 21

7:00am EASTER MASS - FR. BYRON
9:00am EASTER MASS - FR. MURTAUGH
11:00am EASTER MASS - FR. BYRON

ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND EVENT
REGISTRATION AT
WWW.PAXCHRISTI.COM

NOW OFFERING TEXT GIVING: Text to give at 952-234-6729 or online at www.paxchristi.com/donations.

	This Year Actual	This Year Budget	Variance from Budget	Last Year Actual	Variance from Last Year
Week #40 Contributions	30,819	29,000	1,819	99,506	(68,687)
YTD through Week #40	2,068,791	2,183,000	(114,209)	2,405,355	(336,564)
18-19 Contributions Goal - \$2,835,000					Last year week #40 was Easter week.