

**Saturday, April 19:**

5:00 p.m. Service in Absence of Priest

Sunday, April 20:

9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

Monday, April 21: Easter Weekday, Anselm, Bishop, doctor

Acts 14: 5-18, Jn 14:21-26

No Mass today

Tuesday, April 22: Easter Weekday

Acts 14: 19-28, Jn 14: 27-31a

No Mass Today

Wednesday, April 23: Easter Weekday, George, martyr, Adalbert, bishop, martyr

Acts 15: 1-6, Jn 15: 1-8

8:30 a.m. Mass

Thursday, April 24: Easter Weekday, Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest, martyr

Acts 15 17-21, Jn 15: 9-11

8:30 a.m. Mass

Friday, April 25: Mark, Evangelist

1 Pt 5: 5b-14. Mk 16: 15-20

8:30 a.m. Mass

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17, 1 Pt 3: 15-18, Jn 14: 15-21

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

5:00 p.m. Mass

SUNDAY, APRIL 27:

9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

We ask your generosity in donating non-perishable items for our food pantry. There is a great need for food assistance in our area, and we count on your help as we "see Jesus in disguise" among the needy who come to us. The baskets will be at the entrances of the church this weekend to accept your donations. God bless you.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?

It is a special calling to bring the Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to attend Mass. If you would like to help out with this mission, either occasionally or otherwise, please contact Dorothy Faust @ 673-3340.

CARING FOR YOUR LOVED ONES

Human Development Commission invites you to attend an informative program on Caro Cares: A Guide to Caring for Your Loved Ones. Topics will include Aging and Memory Loss, Stress Management, Community Resources, Health Issues. It will be held this Wednesday, April 23rd @ 6:30 pm at Caro United Methodist Church. Handouts and Refreshments will be provided. More info: 673-4121.

LIGUORIAN MAGAZINE

Did you sign up for *Liguorian* yet? Last week you heard a special presentation about *Liguorian* magazine. Did you return your envelope? If not, please take a minute to fill it out and drop it in the collection basket.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, APRIL 26 & 27**LECTORS:**

5:00 p.m. Mary Knoll
 9:00 a.m. Joanne Richardson
 11:00 a.m. Youth Mass

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

5:00 p.m. Mary Ann Vandemark*
 JR Vandemark, Art Rollend
 Irv & Ginny DeRoche
 9:00 a.m. Ann Reinelt*
 Art & Carolyn Graff
 Bruce Mellendorf, Daniella Babcock
 11:00 a.m. Youth Mass*

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:00 p.m. Marissa Connell, Thomas Bodeis
 9:00 a.m. Daniella Babcock, Allison Learman
 11:00 a.m. Youth Mass

GREETERS:

5:00 p.m. Mandy Knox, Marilyn Gludovatz, Eva Rodriguez, Marge Biebel
 9:00 a.m. Joan Smith, Daniella Babcock, Karen Adams, Vince Albin
 11:00 a.m. Lee, Carol Starling Family, Al, Kim Wasik, Cindy Jackson, Linda Strasz

USHERS FOR APRIL:

5:00 p.m. Mark Petiprin*, Dave Luebert
 Dale Hasenleder, Dave Kolacz
 9:00 a.m. Jim LaPratt*, Jim Will
 Dale Romain, John Papp, Jr
 Vic Guzman*, Mark Ransford
 Paul Ellsworth, Jon Findlay

K/C SENIORS

The K/C Seniors will meet this Monday, April 21, for the regular potluck luncheon (meat provided) at noon at the K/C Hall. All seniors (over 55), K/C members, wives and widows are invited to attend. Also, we are extending an invitation to all seniors from Sacred Heart Church to join us. An interesting program by Lt. Harry Partridge of the Michigan State Police on terrorism/disasters will be provided.

♪REBUILDING TOGETHER♪

You're invited to attend the annual **Fundraising Concert** (Rebuilding Together with Christmas in July Tuscola County). It will be held this Sunday, April 20 @ 5:30 p.m. at Colwood United Brethren Church, 1840 Colwood Rd., Caro. The concert will feature some of the Thumb's favorite performers: Sacred Heart Men's Choir, Caro Jazz Band, Caro St. Paul Lutheran Choir, Lisa Bondarenko, Tom Krause, Barb Graff, DeeDee & Russ Tibbits, Wayne & Tracy LaPratt, Sara Overdier, Chris Maxwell. Free-will offering. This is an opportunity to support your community while enjoying a great concert!

FLOWER SALE

Sacred Heart Christian Service committee is sponsoring a Mother's Day Hanging Basket Flower sale. The Flower Sale will be a fundraiser for the High School Senior Scholarships. Christian Services Committee members will be taking orders for the hanging flower baskets after Masses this weekend, April 19-20, and next weekend, April 26-27. The flowers will be ready for pick-up at the Parish Center after Masses on May 3-4. Info: Mary Gettel @ 673-8281.



PARISH SUPPORT

Our Weekly Need.....\$5800.00
 Last Weekend.....\$5685.11
 476 Envelope Holders - 242 Envelopes Used Last Weekend

CINCO DE MAYO FIESTA FEAST



Caro Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus 5th annual Mexican Brunch will be held on Sunday, May 4. Serving from 10:00-1:00 pm at the Parish Center. Menu includes fresh tamales, chorizo, eggs, molê, beans, rice, fideo, sausage, tortillas/toast, and beverages. Adults

\$7.50, Children 6-13 years, \$5.00. Children five and under free. Everyone is welcome to our Fiesta. This will be the final breakfast served until fall.

BEFRIENDER MINISTRY

The Befriender Ministry is at work in our parish. This Christian ministry of listening and friendship is helping those who need someone to share with during a difficult time. Whether it be sickness, loss of a loved one, divorce, hard economic times...whatever the reason, the Befriender Ministry can provide confidential support by listening and offering a spiritual presence. If you, or someone you know can benefit from this ministry, please call the church office (989-673-2346) to make a referral or for more information.

JUST TO LET YOU KNOW

As part of our Christian Outreach, our parish of Sacred Heart helped serve the struggling of our community during the month of March by providing gas vouchers \$135.00, eight boxes of food, utility shut-offs \$225.00, miscellaneous needs \$140.00, Homeless Coalition \$100.00, VG's receipts were brought to (and turned into money for the Homeless Coalition), and a one-time gift to the Good Samaritan Fund of \$1000.00 (to support a matching challenge to help feed the hungry). One funeral meal also was served.

They will know we are Christians by our love...



CHEERFUL GIVING (From Living Faith)

Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
 (2 Corinthians 9:7)

A few years ago, I read the *Little House* series. In her books, Laura Ingalls Wilder described people from not so long ago who approached their obligations without question or complaint. They did what was theirs to do, did it matter-of-factly and sometimes remarked that "what must be done is best done cheerfully." Even hardship was met squarely and evenly.

Today, a phrase among young people captures this straightforward attitude: "Get over it." Meant to stop people from whining when they face an unpleasant task or circumstance, this phrase is somewhat rude on the surface, but it can also be seen as an invitation to gratitude: "Quit complaining, and look at all that you have to be thankful for!" It is easy to grumble as we perform our chores. It is harder to thank God that we have people who count on us and the ability to do something for them. St. Paul called this cheerful giving. St. Ignatius of Loyola called it giving without counting the cost. It is an awareness that even our responsibilities are a gift from God.



CIRCLE OF STRENGTH is meeting on Monday's from 6:15-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Join us as we read Sunday by Sunday and reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings and how they relate to our own lives. The cost is FREE-the learning and growth you will attain are priceless!

†FAITH FORMATION NEWS†

Apr. 19-Jesus Experience Day 10:00
 Apr. 20-First Eucharist 11:00 Mass
 Apr. 22-S.P.R.E.D. Friends & Leaders meet 7:00 p.m.
 Apr. 28-Faith Formation Picnic 3:30-5:00
Registration for Faith Formation 2008-2009 has begun. . Forms are available in the parish center office.

WYD Deadline May 1! Forms and \$135.00 must be in by then. Youth in grades 8-12-A World Youth Day in Sydney Ohio is planned for July 19-20. Terrific music, speakers and prayer will be a part of this awesome experience. The diocese has room for 110 youth, so sign up soon if you are interested. Call Ann @ 673-2276 or e-mail @ ann@carosacredheart.org for more information.

YOUTH ENCOUNTER SERVICE-YES is a diocesan outreach program in Saginaw. YES is open to all youth entering grades 9-12. Join other Catholic youth to learn about and fight poverty! This year's program will be held June 15-20 and the cost is \$130.00 which includes lodging and food. Scholarships are available. Registration must be Submitted by May 16.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: AN INVITATION HAS BEEN SENT TO ALL High School graduating seniors of the parish inviting them to participate in the Graduation Mass and breakfast on May 25th. Please promptly return the purple sheet and R.S.V.P. as soon as you know how many will be attending. If we have missed sending out an invitation to anyone, we apologize. Please call the Parish Center @ 673-2276 to request one.

ADOPTION INFORMATION MEETING

There are millions of orphans worldwide in need of families. How can you help? One child at a time. Learn more about adoption by attending a few information meetings at Adoption Associates, Inc. in Saginaw on Thursday, May 8 @ 7:00 pm. This meeting will offer information on building your family through domestic infant or international adoption programs in China, Ethiopia, Haiti, Kazakhstan, Nepal, Russia, and Ukraine. To RSVP, please call 989.497.KIDS (5437).

REMEMBERING FIRST COMMUNION

What I remember mostly about first Holy Communion was the whiteness of the costumes and my special satisfaction in finally being allowed to wear long pants, for it would be many years before I was again allowed to wear long pants. There was a sense of something important going on. The movie cameras were out, the girls in their white dresses, the gold medallion with your name engraved on it. It was life's first ritual. There would be many rituals to follow, but that inflected all rituals with, I suppose, a sub-conscious religious content.
 (Christopher Buckley, author)

THE SACRAMENTS

In the end, it's the sacraments that help Catholics discover their identity.
 (Richard Rohr, O.F.M., author)