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3rd Sunday of Easter ~ April 26, 2020

Online Donation Option Now Available

You can now financially support the work of your parish by making a donation online. Go to our parish website getshc.org and click on the donate box – chose Sacred Heart, Gettysburg from the drop-down list (all parishes of the Diocese are listed) – enter the amount, provide billing information, etc. and your donation will make it's way to your parish via the Sioux Falls Diocese. You can donate from your bank checking or savings account or by credit card.

Suspension of All Sunday and Daily Masses and All Public Gatherings of More Than 10 Due to the Coronavirus Outbreak.

Religious Education News

Religious Education classes are CANCELLED until further notice. With the public schools closed down due to the COVID-19 pandemic we will follow their lead.



Parents wanting to teach their Religious Education lessons to their children are asked to please call or text Roberta Dutenhoeffer at 769-1953. She will arrange a time and place for you to pick us your child's Religious Education materials.



Keep in Prayer

Sister M. Loretta Jack Smith Norm Kostboth Jack Axsom Gerald Lacher Shaelyn Schatz Linda Simon Taylor Nystrom Jerry Jacobson Vaughn Larson Wilbert Fenger Derald Hanson Tom Frost Cheryl Panchow John Knue Andy Wager Kathy Vetch Evon Koops Theresa Kirby Jo Bender Tammy Adams Megan Nystrom Darrell Griese Mary Hanson Karen Briscoe Mike Maskavitch Vicki Miller Amanda Lemler Eli Kortan Eugene Nagel Judy Brown Alan Hoven Leonard Schatz Jim Brown Denise Griese

Royce Simon Alison Simon Brenda Victor Carol Erikson Rachel Hamburger Mary Mardian Joyce Wickersham Rudy Castaneda Ronny Kaup Jim Nagel Amy Cordell

Update on RCIA Candidate Receptions



To a video meeting last Tuesday morning Bishop DeGrood met with the priests of the Sioux Falls Diocese. Many topics were covered including how we should handle postponed Confirmation ceremonies and the Receptions of RCIA candidates into the Church. Bishop DeGrood has authorized/delegated the pastors of parishes

to do the Receptions & Confirmations of their RCIA candidates that would have taken place prior to June 1, 2020 at a time following the lifting of the COVID-19 gathering restrictions.

CFSA - Sacred Heart Parish

The 2020 Catholic Family Sharing Appeal supports the many ministries of the Sioux Falls Diocese. Drop contributions into the lobby collection box or send to Sacred Heart Parish at PO Box 285, Gettysburg, SD. Sacred Heart's



assessment is \$31,800. Thus far we have received \$24,950 from 58 households. Please give generously.



Gerald Peters, 91, of Gettysburg passed away Saturday, April 18, 2020 at Avera Oahe Manor. Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, memorial services will be held later time. Please keep Gerald and his family and all the faithful departed in your prayers.

KC Homemade Sausage for Sale

The Knights of Columbus are selling their homemade, smoked sausage for \$10 per package. Contact any KC member.



Operation Rice Bowl – A Lenten Tradition

Please Return your Lenten Rice Bowls Drop them off in the Sacristy on the counter

Knights of Columbus State Raffle

\$25,000 in cash prizes awarded Grand Prize - \$10,000 Tickets \$20 each or 3 for \$50 Winners will be drawn at the annual KC State Convention Need not to be present to win Contact a Knight for ticket info.

Gettysburg Knights of Columbus Raffle

Grand Prize - 65" Ultra HD TV Cash Prizes =\$300, \$75, \$50, \$25 Tickets \$10 each Winners drawn at a later date yet to be determined. Need not to be present to win Contact a Knight for ticket info.



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have taken place prior to June 1, 2020. The same is true for RCIA candidates. *So, in terms*



of Confirmation – Onida will now begin to plan a Confirmation ceremony to be held at St. Pius X done by Fr. Kopel – at a time following the lifting

of the COVID-19 gathering restrictions. *In terms of RCIA candidates* we will determine a date and time for your entrance into the Church following the same guidelines.

Religious Education News



Religious Education classes are cancelled FOR ALL GRADES until further notice. With the public schools closed down due to the Covid-19 pandemic we will follow their lead.

Parents wanting to teach their Religious Education lessons to their children are asked to please call Stacie Weinheimer at Office: 258-2336, Cell: 280-9382. She will arrange a time and place for you to pick us your child's Religious Education materials.

First Sunday Lunch CANCELLED

The First Sunday Lunch scheduled for Sunday, May 3, is cancelled due to the suspension of Sunday Masses. Let's look forward to resuming the lunches next Fall.



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CFSA - St Pius X

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- up \$900 over last year! Thus far we have received \$7,945.54 given by 12 households. Please give generously.

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Please help us keep this list current. If someone has recovered or died please call the parish office at 765-2161 so we can remove them from the list.



"Resilience is accepting your new reality, even if it's less good than the one you had before. You can fight it, you can do nothing but scream about what you've lost, or you can accept that and try to put together something that's good."

Elizabeth Edwards

Sunday Scriptural Reflection 3rd Sunday of Easter ~ April 26, 2020

Acts 2:14, 22-33 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35

Redemption is one of those biblical words with a powerful, but largely forgotten image at its root. It comes from a Latin word meaning literally "buying back" – as in the liberation of a slave by ransom. So to be redeemed means to be freed from slavery. Unfortunately, some theologians, over the centuries, got distracted by the literal image of buying back and asked, in the case of Christian redemption, to whom the payment was made. This led to theories about Satan somehow getting paid off. The point of the word redemption, of course, is the essential metaphor of release from bondage, not the commercial transaction by which such release sometimes occurs in society.

On this Third Sunday of Easter, it is worth noting that each of the three readings speaks of the resurrection of Jesus and its consequences in terms of release from bondage.

First, we hear a section of Peter's speech at Pentecost (the first sentence, followed by the middle third of the speech). We hear Peter (or Luke the speech writer working with second-generation hindsight) applying Hebrew Scripture to the experience of the resurrection. Earlier, the speech interpreted the prophetic utterances of the Spirit-filled community as realizations of Joel's prophecy about end-time "wonders and signs" and the pouring out of God's spirit upon all flesh. Now, in this part, the speaker announces that the mighty works Jesus did were already end-time wonders and signs worked by God.



Then Peter proceeds to show how Scripture also helps us understand Jesus' resurrection. He observes that Psalm 16 (attributed to David, as all of the psalms were in those days) uses words that really make no sense as applied to David. For David says in the psalm, "Nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption." Well, says

undergo corruption." Well, says Peter, we have to acknowledge that David's body did indeed suffer corruption; it had been moldering in its Jerusalem grave for a good thousand years. The words of the psalm find their fitting application in Jesus. As the remainder of the speech spells out, "Since [David] was a prophet and knew that God had sworn an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that neither was he abandoned to the netherworld nor did his flesh see corruption" (First Reading [Acts 2:30-31]).

We are so accustomed to thinking of Jesus rising from death on his own power that we forget something: the usual New Testament language about the resurrection is that God raised Jesus from the dead. In other words, the resurrection is not simply an act of the Son; it is a Trinitarian affair, with the Father raising the Son in the power of the Spirit.

This way of speaking of the resurrection (and our participation in it) as a liberating act of the Trinity is also reflected in the Second Reading (1 Pet 1:17-21). The author reminds recently converted Gentiles scattered among the Roman provinces of Asia Minor that they have been delivered from the futile way of their ancestors by the Blood of the Lamb. Here the liberation image is linked to its roots in the redemption from slavery in Exodus. Christians are involved in a new Exodus.

Finally, freedom talk surfaces in an ironic way in today's Gospel. The forlorn disciples say to the risen, but still unrecognized, Jesus: "We were hoping that he was the one who would set Israel free." They thought that the recent death by crucifixion of their master had signaled the end of that hope. They were not impressed by the news of the empty tomb and the women's talk about a vision of angels declaring Jesus alive. Were these disciples wrong to hope for a political liberation of Israel? Not really. For Israel's hopes for "the Age to Come" entailed the restoration of the twelve tribes of Israel and the freedom from foreign empires that they had enjoyed under David. It will take a lot of post-Easter reflection and the grace of Pentecost for them to recognize that these hopes for restoration and freedom are fulfilled in the kingdom of God now guided by the spirit of the risen Lord, although he reigns in a very different way than they had expected.

Dennis Hamm, S.J.



The Pastor's Ponderings

Two years ago on my trip to the Holy Land the last stop of our 2 week pilgrimage — before heading to the airport to fly home — was to take the road to Emmaus and stop at the church there. As the Gospel of Luke tells us it is just seven miles from Jerusalem. For us it was much further since we were coming from the very north part of Israel (Galilee). While it is only 73 miles to Jerusalem it takes about 2½ to 3 hours to drive — depending on traffic. I any case, the drive from Jerusalem to Emmaus is only 10-15 minutes. The scenery along the way is pretty desolate — sand and rocks.

Thankfully, the 2 disciples had plenty to talk about as they walked along this boring route. They discussed the events of the last three days and all that had happened to Jesus – his Last Supper, his arrest and, tragically, his death. And now they were dealing with the confusing news that somehow he was alive!

It was in this context that Jesus, unknown to them at the moment, walks up to them, quizzes them about their chat and joins in the conversation. The rest as they say is 'history'.

It is interesting that as he speaks with them, explaining the Old Testament scriptures that speak of the Messiah, that they never catch on. It is only late in the story – when they arrive in Emmaus and sit down for supper – that the one who has been conversing/teaching them – is none-other than the Risen Jesus! It says, "They're eyes were opened and they recognized Him in the Breaking of the Bread".

Sadly, for most of you, it's been a while since you last had the opportunity to share in the gift of Jesus – the Eucharist. However, may the power of Christ present to each of us in Holy Communion and the other Sacraments; bless, guide and protect us always.

Coronavirus Policies and Procedures

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic all services will only be available via livestream—no congregation allowed. We will continue to webcast live the Saturday 6:30 pm Mass and post it for later viewing on our webpage www.GetSHC.org.

During this COVID-19 disruption – the parish continues to have expenses and bills have to be paid. Your generosity has and continues to be most appreciated. We have put an online donation option on our parish website getshc.org. This site allows you to make a donation to any parish in the Sioux Falls Diocese – so it works for both Sacred Heart and St. Pius X. Lastly, we added a donation drop box in the west lobby entrance at Sacred Heart.

Both parish churches will remain open for private prayer. Weekly parish bulletin will be printed as usual and available both on our parish webpages and on the church lobby tables. In Gettysburg the 'Our Sunday Visitor' Catholic newspaper will also be available in the lobby.

If anyone wants to visit – I am available. Give me a call at 765-2161. Confessions will still be offered at Noon and 6:00 pm on Saturdays. The Saturday 6:30 pm Parish Mass is closed to the public.



Things To Do While Sequestered by COVID-19

1. "Visit" Iconic Landmarks

You may have had to cancel a trip, but that doesn't mean you can't experience the world from your home. It can be as simple as using Google maps to "walk" around neighborhoods throughout the world. Trafalgar Square, anyone? Or maybe the Great Wall of China? Great Sphinx in Egypt? Yellowstone National Park and Colonial Williamsburg also offer virtual tours!

2. Virtually Tour a National Park

It's not nearly as rewarding as visiting in real life, but virtually touring a national park is a fun way to pass the time – and a great way to help you and the kids choose your next national park vacation. You can virtually tour Yellowstone National Park, Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, Dry Tortugas National Park in Florida, Bryce Canyon National Park in Utah, Carlsbad Caverns National Park in New Mexico, and Kenai Fjords National Park in Alaska.

3. Take a Virtual Museum Tour

Several museums offer online tours, including the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C.; The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum in Cooperstown, New York; The British Museum and The National History Museum in London; The Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam; and The Louvre in Paris.

4. Go on a Digital Safari

Explore.org has loads of wildlife webcams. (As I was researching, I was distracted for a solid 10 minutes staring at giraffes eating, a family of zebras drinking, and fish swimming in a coral reef at an aquarium.) The site also offers videos about various animals when the animals aren't in front of the cameras. Consider the Monterey Bay Aquarium, the San Diego Zoo and Memphis Zoo also have live webcams, and the Cincinnati Zoo is now offering a series of Home Safari Facebook Live sessions at 3 p.m. ET on weekdays.

5. Check Out Virtual Rides at Disney Parks

Go on a virtual ride at Disney World, Disneyland and beyond! Head to YouTube for "rides" on Space Mountain, Mickey and Minnie's Runaway Railway, and more.



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- 1 Spring back (6)
- 5 Work of creativity (3)
- 7 Noble gas (5)
- 8 Forgive (7)
- 9 Arms and legs (5)
- 10 Forms of payment (8)
- 12 Farmer (6)
- 14 Tall structures (6)
- 17 Moan (8)
- 18 Connective tissue (5)
- 20 Robbers at sea (7)
- 21 Unpleasant giants (5)
- 22 Male offspring (3)
- 23 Chooses (6)

Down

- 2 Space shuttle (7)
- 3 Educational institutions (8)
- 4 Hero (4)
- 5 Excite (7)
- 6 Thin papers (7)
- 7 Dares (anag) (5)
- 11 Bodily (8)
- 12 Chats (7)
- 13 Belief (7)
- 15 Clothing (7)
- 16 Great successes (5)
- 19 Thin cable (4)