

APRIL 12, 2015

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sat. 6:00 P.M. Rosary

6:30 P.M. Thanksgiving for the 56th Wedding Anniversary of Jerry & Dorothy Kucera; +Buck Uptmor; +Truman Middleton; +Henry Nors, Sr.; +Amos E. Cocek, BD; +George Soukup; and +Christine Grellhesl

Sun. 7:30 A.M. +Rosalie Walla; +Edward Kolar, Jr.; and + Agnes Zatopek

Sun. 9:00 A.M. +Buck Uptmor; +Truman Middleton; +Harvey & Martha Prnka; Living & Deceased FCSLA; and Special Intention KH & MH

Sun. 10:30 A.M +Estelle Stanislav; and +Georgia Macik

Sun. Spanish Mass (Noon) Parish Family

Mon 6:30 P.M. Communion Service

Tues. 6:30 A.M. +Rosalie Walla

Wed. Rosary 5:00 P.M.

6:30 P.M. +Lydia Dobecka

Thurs. 6:30 A.M +Jody Smith

Fri. 8:15 A.M.; First the Frist Responder who gave their lives in explosion; Healing for the Citizens of West; and +Estelle Stanislav

Next Sat. 6:30 P.M. +Billie Navratil; +George Gus Kocian; +Royce Zatopek; +Ervin Pustejovsky; and +Edward Archer

Next Sun. 7:30 A.M. +Agnes Zatopek; +Joey Pustejovsky; and +Feryn Schulte

Next Sun. 9:00 A.M. +Evelyn Gerik

Next Sun. 10:30 A.M. +A.J. Muska, Jr., WA; +Cecil Atkins; +Stasie Soukup; +Joe Lednicki; and +Rudolf Matus

Next Sun. Spanish (Noon) Parish Family; and World Peace

EASTER FLOWERS ARE IN HONOR OR MEMORY of Eugene Sulak; Rudy Janek; Aaron Janek; Annie Kutach; Frank Kutach; Ben Matus; Ida Drozd Matus; and Gail Matus.

THANK YOU CCE We would like to say a BIG Thank You to everyone who helped with the Drive through Stations of the Cross this past Sunday, especially the CCE students who participated. Everyone did an awesome job! We had 328 people drive/walk through.

Parish Directory Pictures Sign up for Parish Directory Pictures will be conducted after each Mass for the next 4 weekends. Portrait sessions will begin on Tuesday May 5 and conclude on Saturday June 20th. Everyone participating will receive a free 8 X 10 photo from Lifetouch and a \$10 coupon towards purchase of additional photo packages. **No purchases are required.** If you bring two canned food items on your scheduled portrait day, you will receive an additional \$5 coupon and Lifetouch will donate the value of 4 meals to our Parish Food Bank. Appointment times are being scheduled from 2:00 pm to 8:40 pm on Tuesdays through Fridays and 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on Saturdays. You may also register on-line by going to the Church website <http://www.assumptionwest.org> and look for the Directory link.

TODAY -- Our adult Sunday study group will be at 9:00 a.m. in the parish cafeteria. All sessions will last one hour.

TODAY – 50/50 Club meets in the Parish Center after the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

TODAY---- Roz Gutierrez from the Austin Diocesan Council of the Society of St. Vincent dePaul is speaking at all of the Masses to encourage our parishioners to consider joining the Society. Our parish is needing more members to serve the needy in our community and hope that you will consider this ministry. If you are interested in joining or would like to find out more about the Society, please come to the St. Mary's School Library for a meeting at 7:15 PM on Wednesday, April 15th. If you have any questions, please call Cheryl Hoelscher at 254-826-3481. The West Conference would also like to THANK YOU for your donations to the needy through our monthly Black Bag Collection.

TODAY - A Eucharistic Holy Hour & Benediction will be held in our church from 3-4 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. A plenary indulgence can be obtained 8 days before or 8 days after this feast day if the usual requirements are met.

TODAY -- KJT & KJZT will attend corporate Communion at the 7:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 12th. Meeting will follow at the Parish Center. Kolaches and coffee will be served prior to the meeting.

TODAY -- KJZT Juniors will have a meeting at 4 p.m. at the Parish Center. Following the meeting, juniors will make corsages and boutonnieres for women and men who are in the nursing homes. Refreshments will also be served.

TUESDAY – Adoration after the 6:30 a.m. Mass. Personal time to spend with Jesus.

WEDNESDAY– PTC meeting at 6 p.m. in the Teacher's Lounge.

WEDNESDAY – K-8th Grades met at 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. for CCE Classes.

WEDNESDAY – St. Vincent DePaul meeting at 7:15 p.m. in the school library.

THURSDAY - Adoration after the 6:30 a.m. Mass. Personal time to spend with Jesus.

FRIDAY – The Men's Group meets at 6 a.m. at St. Joseph's for Bible Study.

FRIDAY - Over 40's Dance will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Tours hall. Music will be provided by Spur City Rounders' and admission \$5. Please bring finger foods.

FRIDAY –Candle Light Service will be held at our Church on Friday beginning at 7:30 p.m. This will include Prayers, Music, Scriptures and a moment of silence at 7:51

p.m. (exact time of the explosion). This is an important opportunity for us to remember the people who died that night, and to express our gratitude to God for how He has led us and blessed us through this recovery.

NEXT SUNDAY - 50/50 Club meets in the Parish Center after the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

NEXT SUNDAY -- CCE 9th grade class today from 9-10:15 a.m.

NEXT SUNDAY -- Our adult Sunday study group will be at 9:00 a.m. in the parish cafeteria. All sessions will last one hour.

NEXT SUNDAY -- The K.J.T. District V Family Day will be held on April 19 at the Dulock-Snapka Farm at Tokio, just west of West. Registration 11 a.m. and contests begin at noon and continue to 3 p.m. Fishing, Horseshoes, and Washer Tournaments. Also youth may turn in Arts & Crafts for judging. Food will be served throughout the day. Soft drinks and water will be available. Awards and a District meeting will be held immediately after the contests. Come out and enjoy this fun day, no charge. All K.J.T. members and guests are invited. For more information call Mike Kraemer 826-5543 or Robert Nors 826-3451. Bait will be furnished, just bring your fishing equipment.

NEXT SUNDAY –On Sunday, April 19th, the History of West Museum is having a fried chicken and sausage dinner with all the trimmings, auction, and raffle at the West Knights of Columbus hall. Serving begins at 11 a.m. and drive through will be available. Plates are \$10. Funds will be used for completion of gallery exhibits and daily operating costs. The museum is scheduled to open to the public in May.

NEXT SATURDAY 6:30 P.M.

LECTOR –Adrienne Janek

GIFTS – Chris Janek Family

ALTAR SERVERS –Grant Sykora, Christian Barton, Matthew Mendiola

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS- Kenny & Carla Sykora & Joe Edd Grimm

SUNDAY – 7:30 A.M.

LECTOR –Don Urbanovsky

GIFTS – Larry Mynarcik Family

ALTAR SERVERS –Madison Gerik, Clay Nors, Andrew Watson

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS –George Meurer, Pat Filer, Brenda Campbell

9:00 A.M.

LECTOR –Karen McKenzie

GIFTS – Paul Sulak Family

SERVERS –Gavin, Kense, Payton Donnell

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS –Bernice Dulock, Rufus & Agnes Lamere

10:30 A.M.

LECTOR –Pat Herring

GIFTS – Kendall Stone Family

SERVERS –Ashyn & Ryan Williams, Kaylin Gerik

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS –Harry & Debby Marak, Dianne Friend.

SANCTUARY LAMP is in memory of Joey Pustejovsky by the Joe Pustejovsky Family.

MARIAN SHRINE LIGHT is in memory of all the First Responders.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Offertory Collection..... \$ 19,253.00

Building Fund..... \$ 741.00

Good Friday..... \$ 618.00

Please use your offertory envelopes for your donation. Donation without envelopes cannot be recorded.

CEF PERPETUAL ENROLLMENTS.....

In loving memory of the **JAMES R. NORS FAMILY** by Cliff & Bonnie Archer; Ernest & Evelyn Bezdek; Doug & Clara Carter; Raymond & Joyce Dulock; Lori Eisma; Chuck & Bunny Felderhoff; Dianne Friend; Martha Gerik; Bill & Laurann Grimm; Dorothy Hajek; Ernest Holecek; Gene & Martha Hosek; Harry Lee & Mary Ann Hykel; Ronald & Jeanette Janek; Agnes M.

Johnson; Anna Louise Kaska; Helen Klish; Elaine Kolar, Kara and Kailey; John & Wilma Kosticka; Charles & Rose Kubacak; Josie Kubala; Kenneth & Margaret Kubala; Ervin & Geraldine Laubert; Joe & Joyce Lenart; Dennis & Hattie Macha; Milada Mazanec; George Meurer; Robert & Georgie Nors; Mark & Lisa Pavelka, Amber & Crystal; Evelyn Petter; Larry & Kathy Podsednik; Dan & Jeanette Pokluda; Louise (Lou) Pokluda; Joe & Carolyn Pustejovsky; Eugene & Jeanne Roznos; James & Marcella Sinkule; Thomas & Margaret Sinkule; Tony & Wanda Stacha; Dolores Sykora; Helen Trlica; Don & Pam Urbanovsky; Lillian Urbanovsky; Steve & Ann Vanek and Katy Campbell; William & Libbie Veselka; Margaret Webre; Jerry & Dee Willenborg; Floyd & Irene Wolf; Robert & Marcella Wolf; Tommy & Jo Ann Wolf; and Virginia Zatopek.

In loving memory **JOHN SIMCIK, JR.** by Gary & Beth Culverhouse.

In loving memory of the **EDWARD J. SOUKUP FAMILY** by Ellouise Anderson; Ernest & Evelyn Bezdek; Doug & Clara Carter; Raymond & Joyce Dulock; Chuck & Bunny Felderhoff; Dianne Friend; Bill & Laurann Grimm; Dorothy Hajek; Gene & Martha Hosek; Harry Lee & Mary Ann Hykel; Agnes M. Johnson; K.J.T. St. Joseph's Society #31; Anna Louise Kaska; Elaine Kolar, Kara and Kailey; John & Wilma Kosticka; Charles & Rose Kubacak; Kenneth & Margaret Kubala; Rufus & Agnes Lamere; Ervin & Geraldine Laubert; Milada Mazanec; George Meurer; Louise Mynarcik, Sr.; Charles & Marsha Nemecek; Robert & Georgie Nors; Evelyn Petter; Larry & Kathy Podsednik; Dan & Jeanette Pokluda; Louise (Lou) Pokluda; Joe & Carolyn Pustejovsky; James & Marcella Sinkule; Thomas & Margaret Sinkule; Steve & Frances Soukup; Rose Sulak; Don & Pam Urbanovsky; Steve &

Ann Vanek and Katy Campbell; Margaret Webre; and Virginia Zatopek.

In loving memory of the **EDWARD M. KLAUS FAMILY** by Ellouise Anderson; Cliff & Bonnie Archer; Ernest & Evelyn Bezdek; Lillian Bohannan; Doug & Clara Carter; Raymond & Joyce Dulock; Lori Eisma; Chuck & Bunny Felderhoff; Dianne Fiend; Nita Gerik; Henry & Cressie Girard; Bill & Laurann Grimm; Dorothy Hajek; Gene & Martha Hosek; Harry Lee & Mary Ann Hykel; Agnes M. Johnson; K.J.T. St. Joseph's Society #31; Anna Louise Kaska; Helen Klish; Elaine Kolar, Kara and Kailey; John & Wilma Kostecka; Charles & Rose Kubacak; Rufus & Agnes Lamere; Ervin & Geraldine Laubert; Jim & Jeanie Maguire; Milada Mazanec; George Meurer; Louise Mynarcik, Sr.; Charles & Marsha Nemecek; Robert & Georgie Nors; Mark & Lisa Pavelka, Amber & Crystal; Evelyn Petter; Larry & Kathy Podsednik; Dan & Jeanette Pokluda; Louise (Lou) Pokluda; Joe & Carolyn Pustejovsky; Eugene & Jeanne Roznos; James & Marcella Sinkule; Thomas & Margaret Sinkule; John & Doris Slay; Tony & Wanda Stacha; Lucille Sulak; Rose Sulak; Toby & Doris Tobola; Helen Trlica; Don & Pam Urbanovsky; Lillian Urbanovsky; Steve & Ann Vanek and Katy Campbell; William & Libbie Veselka; Margaret Webre; Robert & Marcella Wolf; Tommy & Jo Ann Wolf; and Virginia Zatopek.

ST. MARY'S ENDOWMENT FUND.....

In loving memory of **ESTELLE STANISLAV** by Mr. & Mrs. Vic Benys.
In loving memory of **ROYCE ZATOPEK** by Freddie & Josie Hutyra; Robert & Carol Mynarcik; Estelle Marek; Jay & Julie Teinert; Sonny & Deborah Marak; Richard & Margie Vrbas; Ed & Bernie Klish; Marti Dirnberger; Jerome & Lucille Lednicky; Frances Lednicky; Terry & Jana Marak; Vanette Vonasek; and Bob & Theresa Plsek.

In loving memory of **DOVIE JARES** by Gene Lednicky.

INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE GARDEN.

In loving memory of **FERYN LOUISE SCHULTE** by Mark & Jeanette Ogden; Mrs. Emma Raska, Laddie & Evelyn Berkovsky; Fred & Bernice Ohnheiser; Mrs. Suzanne Sestak; Altar Society; Mr. & Mrs. Joe E. Vrana; and Thomas & Maureen Holy.

PRAY FOR THE HEALTH OF THE

FOLLOWING: Dianne Schroeder, Bill Hannes; Ken Bernsen; Bruce Huffines, Brayden Ballard, Mitzi Urbanovsky, Kelly Hooper, Jennifer Jares Ashley; Lillian Hromadka, Lillie Mynar; Karcyn Kauffman, Larry Holecek, Wesley Mashek, Nilce Carman, Nathaniel Torres, Wendell Harrison, Billy Kelm, Paula Ledford, Martha Sulak Gerik, Cathy Heltenberg, Eugene Roznos, Louis Mynarcik, Larry Payne, Jason Neill, Albin Poehls, Zander Williams, William Buchanan, Hattie Kolar, Evelyn Bezdek, Chris Hutyra, Delbert Helms, Dawn Hand, Stephanie Schriener, Jeff Jares, and Jerry Girard.

PRAYERFUL SYMPATHIES TO THE

FOLLOWING: to Cathy Nors, on the loss of her husband; to Katie Alexander, Aaron & Joshua Nors on the loss of their father; to Richard, David, Matthew, Kevin Nors and Carolyn Waters on the loss of their brother; Robert & Marie Nors, on the loss of their son, James Nors; to Charlotte Klaus on the loss of her husband; to Kyle Klaus and Kim Foitek on the loss of their dad; and to Dorothy Sulak on the loss of her brother, Eddie Klaus; to Janie Beheler on the loss of her father; and to Ann Berger on the loss of her brother, Edward Soukup.

KJT #31 SCHOLARSHIPS – The KJT #31 of West will award two \$500 Scholarships for Graduating Seniors. They must be a member of the KJT #31. Deadline is April 30, 2015. For information please call Sherry Pavlas at 254-829-0672.

K.J.T. STATE FAMILY DAY – K.J.T. State Family Day will be held April 25th at KJT Activity & Fraternal Center at LaGrange. All members and families are invited to come enjoy a BBQ meal and a day of fun, including laser tag & video games for the children and attendance prizes throughout the day. There will also be fishing, horseshoe and washer toss games. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m., meal from 12:30 to 2 P.M. RSVP by April 17th at 1-800-245-8182 or info@kjt.net.org.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's reading from the Gospel of John is proclaimed on the Second Sunday of Easter in each of the lectionary cycles. This fact alone should alert us to the significance of the encounters with the resurrected Jesus that are described in this reading. This Gospel combines two scenes: Jesus' appearance to his disciples after his Resurrection and Jesus' dialogue with Thomas, the disciple who doubted. Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit, but in bodily form. We do not know, however, exactly what this form looked like. Earlier in John's Gospel, when Mary of Magdala first encountered the risen Jesus, she did not recognize him until he spoke to her. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples walking along the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until he broke bread with them. We know from readings such as today's that in his resurrected form, Jesus was not bound by matter; he appeared to the disciples inside a home even though the door was locked. Yet the disciples could still touch the marks of his Crucifixion. In today's Gospel, Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun; as Jesus was sent by God, so Jesus sends his disciples. He gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit so that they will be able to accomplish this task. Jesus' words to

his disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share forgiveness and reconciliation with others. Thomas, the doubting disciple in today's reading, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of witnesses to Jesus. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. Our human nature seeks hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to his disciples after his death is indeed the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative in obtaining this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed, for we have not seen and yet believe.