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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Second Sund	day of Easter o	or Divine Mercy Sunday		
Saturday	Apr. 18	6:00 P.M.	Frankie Kubicek	Moravia
Sunday	Apr. 19	9:30 A.M.	Steven Kusy	St. John
Third Sunda	ay of Easter			
Saturday	Apr. 25	6:00 P.M.	A. C. Ivy	St. John
Sunday	Apr. 26	9:30 A.M.	Thelma & Ann Spies	Moravia
First Friday				
Friday	May 1	8:00 A.M.	Hermina Rybak	St. John
Fourth Sund	day of Easter			
Saturday	May 2	6:00 P.M.	Henry & Julie Olsovsky & Rebecca	
			Patterson	Moravia
Sunday	May 3	9:30 A.M.	Ross, Diane & Devan Goldberg	St. John

THE WORD OF GOD

Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday

Readings: Acts 4:32-35 Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31

Thomas believed because he saw the risen Jesus. Although we have never seen him, we believe that Jesus is the Christ, begotten by God. We give thanks to the Lord that he has formed us into a community of believers, united in the Spirit.

Third Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 3:13-15,17-19 Psalm 4:2,4,7-9 1 John 2:1-5a Luke 24:35-48

Peter proclaims the wonders of the Lord: the suffering Messiah is raised from the dead and has been glorified. This Jesus is our intercessor, and our offering for sin, our peace.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 4:8-12 Psalm 118:1,8-9,21-23,26,28,29 1 John 3:1-2 John 10:11-18

Jesus is the "cornerstone rejected by the builders which has become the cornerstone". He is the good shepherd who laid down his life for us. Through his paschal mystery we have become children of God. Today has been designated as "World Day of Prayer for Vocations."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way with the Holy Week Masses and Services. This is always a very beautiful and moving time of the church year.

I want to give a special thanks to Don and Romayne Crawford for having volunteered for a long time to take care of the shrubs and flowers around Ascension of Our Lord Church. They have done an excellent job of keeping the area around the church in such beautiful condition.

They will no longer be able to do this, so we are looking for some volunteers to take over this project. If you are interested, please see me as soon as possible.

Our weight loss competition is now over. Fr. Michael lost 22 lbs. and I lost 34 lbs. Thank you all for your support and your encouragement. For those who pledged, be sure to drop your payment in the collection or send it to the rectory at Sacred Heart and indicate that it is for the youth of St. John & Moravia.

GENERATIONS OF FAITH

Our last gathering for Generations of Faith will take place on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 6</u>, at <u>Ascension of Our Lord Church for Confirmation</u>. The Mass will begin at 6 pm. All students and parents are to attend (attendance will be taken). This will be considered our closing Mass for the religious education program. There will be a reception in the Big Parish Dance Hall after the Confirmation Mass where the students and parents of the program will host the bishop and the confirmation students. Parents are asked to bring a snack tray of sandwiches or vegetables. ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

CONGRATULATIONS FIRST COMMUNICANTS

Congratulations to three of the St. Rose Catholic School Students from St. John who are receiving their First Holy Communion at St. John today, April 19th: DYLAN GOLDBERG, WELSEY LIERE & RYLIE LUX.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Julius & Dolores Krause on their 60th Wedding Anniversary on April 25th. Congratulations to Fr. John on his 35th Anniversary of Ordination on April 26th.

ST. JOHN KJT SOCIETY #32 MEETING

St. John KJT Society #32 meeting will be held on Sunday, April 19th at 11:00 A.M. at the Religious Education Center at St. John. The society will sponsor a parish donut and coffee social immediately after the 9:30 mass at St. John.

PRO LIFE CORNER

40 DAYS FOR LIFE is clearly having an effect on abortion facilities across the country. In <u>College Station</u>, <u>Texas</u>, the Planned Parenthood abortion facility was shocked to learn that they're getting a new neighbor: the COALITION FOR LIFE (the pro-life organization that started 40 Days for Life back in 2004.) The coalition just bought a building practically next door to the Planned Parenthood abortion center where a 40 Days for Life vigil is currently under way. The close proximity to the abortion facility will better enable the coalition to maintain its regular presence, deliver effective counseling, and offer women better alternatives than Planned Parenthood. Due to the consistent and focused efforts of the Coalition for Life since the first 40 Days for Life, the people of Bryan/College Station no longer think in terms of "IF" Planned Parenthood closes, but "WHEN" Planned Parenthood closes! <u>GIG UM AGGIES</u>. (from April 2009 Life and Family Advocates News)

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 18 - Moravia - Ashley & Joshua Becan & Caitlyn Deem Sunday, April 19 - St. John - Clayton & April Brossmann & James Lofland Saturday, April 25 - St. John - James Lofland, April & Clayton Brossmann Sunday, April 26 - Moravia - Ashley & Joshua Becan & Seth Eckhardt Saturday, May 2 - Moravia - Caitlyn Deem, James Lofland Sunday, May 3 - St. John - Blaine Besetzny, Hayden Besetzny, Logan Eckhardt

MORAVIA BINGO REPORT - APRIL

Cards - \$216.96 Pull Tabs - \$34.75 Kitchen - \$209.60 TOTAL \$461.31

PLEASE NOTE: THE ASCENSION CHURCH BINGO FOR MAY 2 WILL NOT BE HELD. BINGO WILL RESUME ON JUNE 6.

ST. JOHN ALTAR SOCIETY

Everyone is invited to the St. John's Altar Society Spring Brunch immediately after the May 3rd 9:30 AM Mass at the Religious Center. Members are requested to bring a brunch item. Coffee and juice will be provided. Members may pay their dues at the brunch. For questions or more information, please call Joyce Janda, 979-562-2682, or Dana Daughtry, 979-562-2381. We look forward to seeing everyone there for great fellowship and delicious food!

MORAVIA EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

In memory of John & Angelina Trlica, Joe & Larry Zatopek by Mildred Hajek; In memory of Charles & Emilie Halata, Bohumil & Lillie Bohuslay by Arnold & Gene Marie Bohuslay; In memory of George, Sylvia and Darrell Chudej by Royce & Jeanette Chudej; In memory of Daniel Spies by Mary Ann Spies; In memory of Dominic Loth, Arthur Sr. & Lillie Spies by Leroy & Lillie Harvey Loth; In memory of Joe and Julie Boehm by Evelyn Barcak; In memory of F.C. Sparks, Victor & Hermina Rybak by Eunice Sparks; In memory of Charles, Mary and Alex Hrncir by Dennis & Barbara Janak; In memory of Clarence Haas by Evelyn & Barbara Haas; In memory of Thelma & Ann Spies by Arthur Spies; & In memory of L.A. & Vera Wenglar by Phil Guenther family.

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In memory of Tom Farek by Elsie Farek; In memory of Henry & Martha Besetzny, Leo Schramek & Edward & Stephen Kusy by Evelyn Kusy & Alphonse Besetzny; In memory of Frank & Ludmilla Janik & Sons & Fred Hermis & Martha Hermis by Harvey & Evelyn Hermis, In memory of Ross, Diane & Devan Goldberg & Fred & Martha Hermis by Walter & Josie Hermis; In memory of Lebert & Leona Berger by Larry & Patricia Berger & family; and In memory of Herbert Berger & Joseph Janda Families by Leo & Joyce Janda.

Next Bulletin: May 3rd, 2009 Bulletin Deadline: 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, 2009