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MASSES

Sunday, April 12, Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Fritz Dunderman
For Our Parish Community

Monday, April 13, Monday within the Octave of Easter

Rolland & Sally Patterson

† Deceased of the Hatfield & Vodde Families

Tuesday, April 14, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

† Marvin Trabel

† Living & Deceased of the Angelo Marcenzo Family

Wednesday, April 15, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

† Agnes Schnelker

Peter Johnston

Thursday, April 16, Thursday within the Octave of Easter

† Raymond & Catherine Heck

† Jerry Gill

Friday, April 17, Friday within the Octave of Easter

† Vernon & Frances Abbott

† Poor Souls

Saturday, April 18, Saturday within the Octave of Easter

† Barbara Garrett

Saturday, April 18, Vigil

† Joshua Welsh

Sunday, April 19, Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday

For Our Parish Community

Emmett & Marie Krouse

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12

Sun., April 12:Acts 10:34a,37-43/Col 3.1-4/Jn 20:1-9 Mon., April 13:Acts 2.14,22-33/Mt 28.8-15 Tues., April 14:Acts 2.36-41/Jn 20.11-18 Wed., April 15:Acts 3.1-10/Lk 24.13-35 Thurs., April 16:Acts 3.11-26/Lk 24.35-48 Fri., April 17:Acts 4.1-12/Jn 21.1-14 Sat., April 18:Acts 4.13-21/Mk 16.9-15

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus sponsored blood drive scheduled for the April 19, is still **ON!** We are working very closely with the local Red Cross on details. Thank You to all the wonderfully generous St Charles donors during this challenging time.

Tom Ryan DO, Grand Knight K of C Council 451

Go to American Red Cross website to schedule an appointment...left side of the homepage... fill in zip code "46815", scroll down to the date, April 19

Look for St. Charles Catholic Church

HASA 300 CLUB 2019-2020 \$150.00 - April 6 - Tom & Norma Yaggy

\$ 500.00 Easter Winner

Frank Koehl



A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

We wish everyone a blessed and Holy Easter this year. This is not our typical Easter and I hope that it is for everyone a day of prayer, celebration and joy. Even with the sad reality of missing Mass, not being in church, not celebrating with our parish family, we have to be a people of joy. Jesus gave himself, dying and rising for us, in order to save us



from sin and death. Jesus triumphs and He is our hope. Please be assured that Fr. James and I are offering daily Masses in the rectory on behalf of the parish. Even though you are not physically on the property, the prayers of our parish are being raised to the Father through Jesus Christ.

We have received many questions about livestreaming the Mass from St. Charles, as most of our neighboring parishes are doing. However, I think that this is a great time for us to gather around our Bishop. He is livestreaming a Mass at 10:00 a.m. every Sunday morning, as well as all of the Triduum liturgies. His homilies have been inspiring, the music has been beautiful, and the broadcasts have been professionally done. I would encourage everyone to tune in to these liturgies.

Instead, we have come up with a different idea to keep the communications open in the parish. In the 1930s, during the Great Depression, FDR offered his famous "Fireside Chats." He filled people in on what was happening in the nation and what he planned with his new policies. More important, he encouraged the people and reminded them not to lose hope: Things will get better. Fr. James and I are going to try to do the same in a series of weekly St. Charles Fireside Chat videos. We plan each week to fill you in on what is happening in the parish and to provide encouragement as we try to live our faith in isolation. We will have a guest each week to talk about some aspect of our parish life, and we are thinking of filming from a different location around the parish each week. Our seminarian, Jake Schneider, now living in the rectory, was our first guest. The first has been posted on our parish website, stcharlesfortwayne.org. (From the Menu, go to Parish Information, and then Pastor's Column and you will find it. It is available on Youtube.com; type in St. Charles Fireside Chat. It is also showing up in Facebook and My Parish App, and other electronic places that are totally foreign to me.

As you can see on the door of the Charity Room, the St. Vincent de Paul Store is not taking donations at this time. Please don't leave clothing or furnishings there for now. However, St. Patrick's Food Bank is still much in need of food, and would welcome all help. Especially during hard economic times, many people are struggling. You may leave non-perishable groceries in the hampers at the church doors or in the charity room. Of course, you are also very welcome to mail parish envelopes to the office or slide them under the sacristy door if you make a visit to the church.

We pray: "Lord, deliver us from the fear and the suffering caused by this virus. Inspire our researchers and scientists. Give strength to our health care workers. Heal those who are sick. Comfort those who are grieving. And give patience and courage to all who are lonely and isolated. Lord, let us live in Easter joy."

We Wish Everyone A Blessed Easter.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.