

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

5:30PM † Fabian Jendrusch - *birthday*

*by M/M Jaskinia*

**SUNDAY, APRIL 14 – 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

7:30AM † Warzecha & Skloss Families

*by Parishioner*

9:00AM For Our Parish Family

*by Father Andrzej*

**MONDAY, APRIL 15**

6:30PM † Efrem Sprencel - *birthday*

*by Annie Niedenberger*

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 16**

6:30PM † Forrest & Mary Jo Balsler

*by Gordan & Trudy Jones*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17**

7:30AM † Dorothy Swierc - *anniversary*

*by Clem Swierc Jr.*

**THURSDAY, APRIL 18**

NO MASS

**FRIDAY, APRIL 19**

7:00AM † Harry Pawlik

*by Anthony & Kathy Zunker*

**SATURDAY, APRIL 20**

5:30PM Abby, Erica, Joshua, Kelly, Stephen, Oliver & Nicholas

*by Mary Anne Korzekwa*

**SUNDAY, APRIL 21 – 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

7:30AM For Our Parish Family

*by Father Andrzej*

9:00AM For Blessings Upon Our Confirmation Students

*by Father Andrzej*

**SERVING THE LORD – April 20 and 21**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of the HOLY COMMUNION:**

Saturday 5:30PM - Red Sturm

Sunday 7:30AM - Patsy Sekula



9:00AM - Jeannette Wiggins



**LECTORS:**

Saturday 5:30PM – Red Sturm

Sunday 7:30AM – Kaitlyn Hill



9:00AM - Confirmation class

**ALTAR SERVERS: April 20 and 21**

Saturday 5:30pm - volunteers

Sunday 7:30am – Seth L. Kenna L. Alberto G. Gabriel L.

9:00am – Ryland A. Avery S. Kenley W. Carson S.



**Money Counters for April**

April 14 – Mary Stulting and Pat and Karissa Jarzombek

April 21 – Wilfred and Dianne Dziuk

April 28 – James and Sophie Dziuk

Weekly Collection \$3422.00

**3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER - DAILY MEDITATION: LUKE 24:35-48**

**He opened their minds. (Luke 24:45)**

What a traumatic three days the disciples had just been through—from the Last Supper through Gethsemane, Judas’ betrayal, Jesus’ arrest, and Peter’s denial, all the way up to Jesus’ crucifixion! Everything they had staked their lives on had fallen to pieces—and they themselves had failed Jesus completely.

So it’s no wonder that Jesus’ first words when he appeared to the disciples were “Peace be with you” (Luke 24:36). How they needed that peace! Then, just as he had done for the disciples on the road to Emmaus, he “opened their minds” to help them make sense of all they had just been through (24:45). Walking them through the Scriptures, he showed them how his death had been part of God’s plan all along. He helped them see that it was not a tragedy but a triumph. It was not the end of all their hopes but the beginning of a glorious new future.

Have you ever felt the way the disciples did? Maybe you’re in the midst of a painful situation right now that has you feeling confused, betrayed, or lost. Maybe a traumatic experience in the past still haunts you. Or maybe the guilt of some past sin continues to weigh you down.

Whatever your situation, Jesus longs to do for you what he did for his disciples. He longs to open your mind to his mercy so that you can be set free from guilt or shame. He longs to reveal his love so that you can see your past—especially the painful parts—through his eyes of love and compassion. He longs to give you new insight into his wisdom so that you can look to your future with hope and trust.

Quiet your heart today so that you can hear Jesus speak to you. Let him “open your mind” and show you how he looks at you. Let him give you his peace.

**“Jesus, help me to see with your eyes, to hear with your ears, and to love with your heart.”**

**SECOND COLLECTIONS** – There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection next weekend, April 20 and 21 for Assumption Seminary.

On April 27 and 28 there will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection for Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

Thank you for your support.

The readings for the 3rd Sunday in Easter encourage us to truly believe in the resurrection of Jesus Christ and to accept his love. In the gospel the risen Jesus appears to his disciples and helps them understand his death and resurrection.

The readings for the 3rd Sunday of Easter Year B touch on several interconnected themes that are crucial to understanding the Easter season and its significance in Christian life. Here are the main themes:

**Repentance and Forgiveness:** A central theme, especially highlighted in the readings from Acts and the Gospel of Luke, is the call to repentance—turning back to God—and the promise of forgiveness. This theme underscores God’s mercy and willingness to forgive sins for those who turn to Him and acknowledge their wrongdoings.

**The Fulfillment of Prophecy:** The readings from Acts and Luke emphasize that Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection were all part of God’s plan, foretold in the scriptures. This theme connects the events of the New Testament with the prophecies of the Old Testament, showing the continuity and fulfillment of God’s salvation history.

**Witnessing to the Resurrection:** The Gospel and the first reading both highlight the importance of witnessing to the resurrection of Jesus. The disciples are called to share the news of Jesus’ resurrection and the forgiveness of sins with all nations, emphasizing the role of Christians to bear witness to the truth of Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection.

**Jesus as Advocate and Atonement:** The second reading from 1 John presents Jesus as the advocate for sinners and the atonement for our sins. This theme highlights the mediating role of Jesus between humanity and God, and the universal scope of Jesus’ sacrifice, which is not limited to a single group but is extended to the whole world.

## What is confirmation?

Confirmation is a Catholic rite of passage. At a baptism, parents welcome the child into the church and promise to raise them within Christian ideals. At a confirmation, the individual makes the vows themselves and they become a full-fledged member of the religious community.

**Confirmation** - Please join us next Sunday, April 21 with our Senior CCD class and Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller at the 9:00AM mass to worship, pray, and celebrate the sacrament of **Confirmation** strengthening their relationship with God"

The CDA "**Spring Fling**" Meeting will be SUNDAY, April 14, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in the Falls City Diner. All members are encouraged to attend.

Easter flowers may be picked up from the convent porch. Those not picked up by April 14th will be tossed. Hope the flowers will grow in your garden!

**Church Picnic, Nativity of the BVM Church**, Cestohowa, Sunday, May 5, BBQ beef & sausage with trimmings, \$12.00 plate, serving from 11am to 2pm, bingo, auction, raffle, country store, toy shop, cake stand, children's games, water games,

The **2024 Archbishop's Appeal** for Ministries is an annual campaign that supports more than 30 shared ministries that advance the mission of the Catholic Church in our area. Please consider a donation so that *Walking United in Christ*, we can consistently care for those who rely upon the Archdiocese and our programs for life and faith sustaining support. Please visit [archsa.org/archbishops-appeal](http://archsa.org/archbishops-appeal) to give today! Have questions? Please call (210) 734-1910. **Parish Goal is \$9,432.00**

### Falls City Community Hall Events

April 20 – Dance, The Tailgaters  
May 4 – Dance, Cactus Country  
April 27 – Market Days

**There will be CCD classes this Wednesday, April 17 at 6:00pm.**  
**Confirmation, Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00am.**  
**Senior Baccalaureate Mass, Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.**  
**First Holy Communion, Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.**

Calling all Texas Country Music fans! Sacred Heart Catholic School is holding their 2nd Annual Texas Country Music Festival on Saturday, April 20, 2024. Dust off your cowboy boots and dancing shoes, and come dance the night away to the music of Kevin Fowler, Ty Myers, and Kyle Gates. Tickets are on sale now! General admission and VIP tickets are available. Visit [shcsevent.org](http://shcsevent.org) for additional information.

### Bingo - Sunday – April 28th

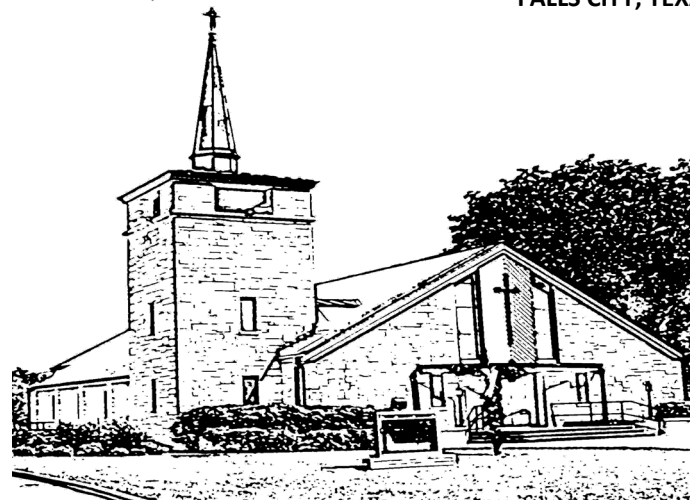
1-5 p.m. at Kosciusko Hall (doors open at 1 bingo at 2)  
Contact: Becky at 210-394-3009 or Penne at 830-391-0817  
Concessions & Baked Goods available

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### CEMETERY COMMITTEE

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Karen Swierc, Secretary

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday  
8AM-2PM  
CLOSED THURSDAY

### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:30PM  
Sunday 7:30AM & 9:00AM

### DAILY MASSES

As scheduled.

### DEVOTION TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Monday after Mass

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday 6:00PM.

### SACRED HEART DEVOTIONS

First Friday: Mass, Exposition, Benediction,  
Mass 6:30PM.

### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please make arrangements with the Pastor at least six months in advance.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Call Rectory to make arrangements at least two weeks in advance. A **birth certificate must be shown.**

### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Please call the priest when sick or before going to the hospital, if possible.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

30 MINUTES BEFORE EVERY MASS

### VISITING OF THE SICK & ELDERLY

First Fridays & upon request.

### RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

25 minutes before every Mass