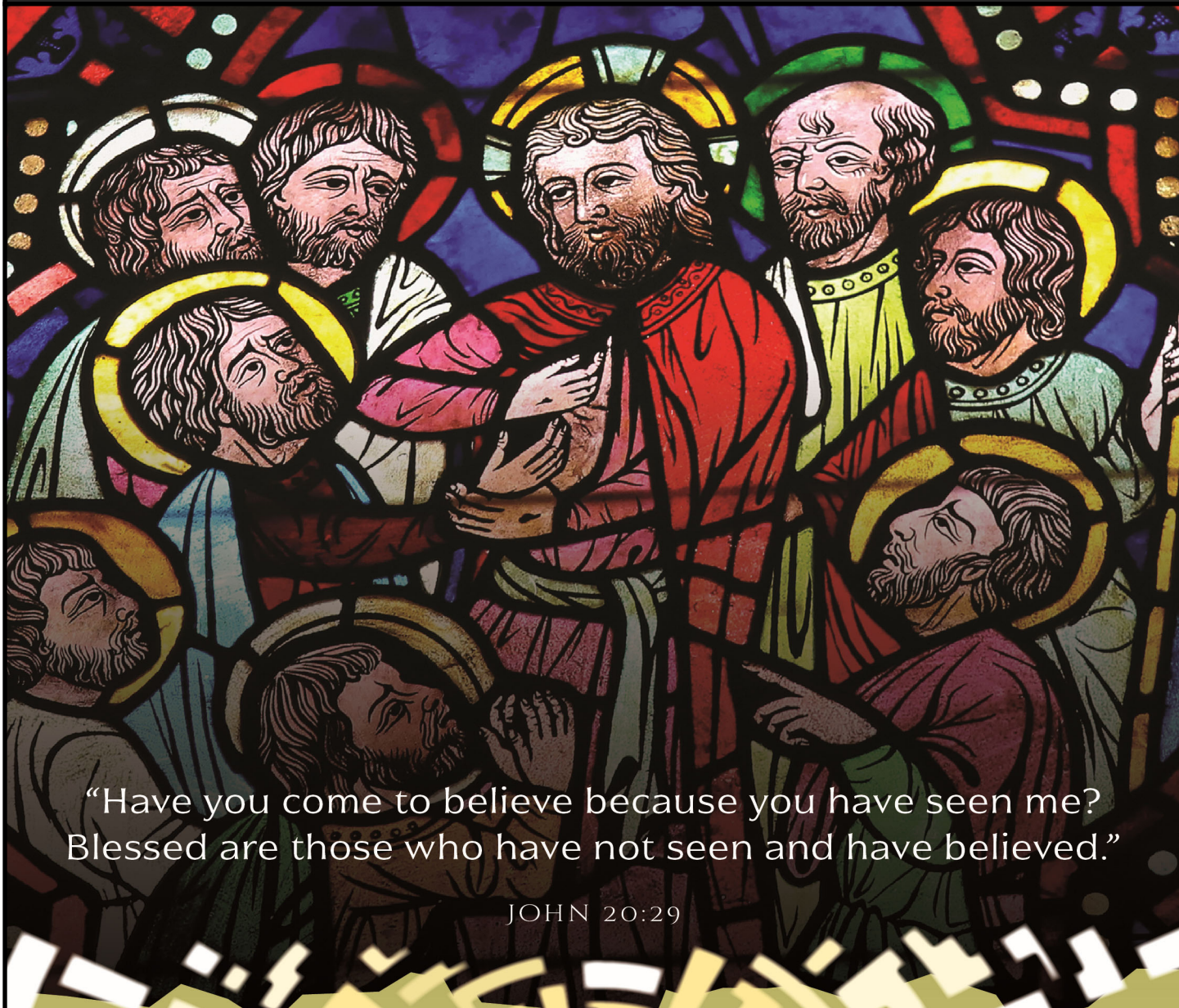


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“Have you come to believe because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

JOHN 20:29

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (OR OF DIVINE MERCY)

APRIL 11, 2021

Mass/Service Schedule and Intentions

| <u>Day/Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Intention</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Mon., April 12 | <u>No Mass</u> | Please Pray On Your Own |
| Tue., April 13 | <u>12:05 PM</u> | René Reinke † |
| Wed., April 14 | <u>5:30 PM</u> | Ed & Isabel Gruntorad † |
| Thu., April 15 | <u>No Mass</u> | Please Pray On Your Own |
| Fri., April 16 | <u>7:30 AM</u> | Morten Johnson † |
| Sat., April 17 | <u>5:00 PM</u> | Prince of Peace Parishioners |
| Sun., April 18 | <u>8:00 AM</u> <u>10:30 AM</u> | Bishop Hanefeldt & the Priests of the Grand Island Diocese Sluti Family Intention |



****The weekday Mass will be cancelled whenever there is a morning funeral. Please watch the TV stations & the app for possible cancellations. When the weather is bad Masses may be cancelled for safety purposes.**

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RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4-4:30 PM. Extra times are listed on the back page or contact the parish office: 236-9171.

MARRIAGE: See Fr. Paul or Deacon Thomas about marriage and allow at least 6-12 months for preparation.

BAPTISM: Baptism Preparation is offered at 10:00am on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Please call the church office to register.

PASTORAL VISITS: Contact the church office for pastoral visits at home or in the hospital. The hospital may not have called the church.

HELPING HANDS: Helping with our parishioners' needs. Contact Phyllis Stittle: 308-234-3606 or pm.stittle@gmail.com

PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

United in the sacraments as the Body of Christ, we the members of Prince of Peace Catholic Parish extend the welcoming arms of Jesus, opening the world to God's presence through works of love, hospitality, mercy and prayer.

Our Sacrificial Giving

Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Giving

| | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| March 2021 Budget | \$ 62,000.00 |
| March 7, 2021 Collections | \$ 22,034.44 |
| March 14, 2021 Collections | \$ 21,450.05 |
| March 21, 2021 Collections | |
| March 28, 2021 Collections | |
| March 2021 Income | \$ 76,074.34 |

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Our Spring Clean-up is scheduled on Saturday, April 17 from 8 to 11 AM. Come work for an hour or stay the whole time. Please bring any gardening tools you have: hand clippers, loppers, rakes, hedge trimmers, wheelbarrows, shovels, etc. Coach Lynn and the UNK football players will be here to work that morning too!

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Information for the April 18 bulletin is due in the parish office by 10AM on April 12. Please email information to: deann@kearneyprinceofpeace.org or drop off/mail to the church office. **Thank you!!**

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12-18, 2021

| | |
|------------|---|
| Monday: | Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-9; Jn 3:1-8 |
| Tuesday: | Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15 |
| Wednesday: | Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 |
| Thursday: | Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36 |
| Friday: | Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15 |
| Saturday: | Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21 |
| Sunday: | Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48 |



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SpringFest 2021

Saturday, May 15-16
Virtual

Hi, my name is Lisa Kennedy and along with my husband, Jim, and Mike and Cathy Labun, we are your co-chairs for this year's VIRTUAL SPRINGFEST Fundraising Event! I would like to KICK OFF the virtual event with a poem...

*Spring has sprung the time is here
For our virtual SpringFest have your computers near*

*It's only a few key strokes away
Do your online shopping with Prince of Peace today*

*Our website can be found at
princeofpeacekenney.com
Adding "SpringFest" at the end says Deacon Tom*

*There you will find our Auction compliments of
Adam Marshall's skills
The Bake Sale, God's Garden with all of the frills*

*We must not forget our famous pork
This year a pre-sale with buns – no need for a fork!*

*The Quilt Drawing will not disappoint – that's right
Checkmate is the pattern, it's a beautiful sight*

*The DRAWING is full of prizes and cash, cash,
cash
A dollar for a chance to win – get yours in a dash*

*The online shopping & bidding began March 3rd
May 15th Fr. Paul will draw for the Raffle prizes...
that's the word*

*Your SpringFest letters you will be receiving in the
mail*

Fill them out, bring items, that we can sell

*We want you to take part in our Prince of Peace
SpringFest
If you're uncertain, please ask & we'll be happy to
do our best*

*To show you the virtual way to have fun
Helping our parish is a win for everyone!*



SpringFest God's Garden



Spring is coming and we are planning for God's Garden which will be held online this year. Although there will NOT be live plants this year, we will be selling garden related items.

We are accepting donations of garden tools – clippers, trimmers, gloves, watering cans, etc., and garden art - statues, pots, windsocks, flags, bird baths and wind chimes.

For more suggestions on items to donate, check out the Prince of Peace SpringFest/God's Garden website. Please determine a price for your item. Bring your items to Prince of Peace no later than April 15th, so we can get them photographed and added to the webpage. Contact Sally Slama at 605-661-7633 if you have questions or need assistance delivering your donations.

Drawing Prizes

Cash prizes: \$750, \$600, \$400, \$400, \$300
Night Out: \$100 Cash, \$60 at Whiskey Creek,
2 and Cinema 8 tickets

Movie Night: \$50 cash and 6 tickets to Golden Ticket Cinema

Drawing will be held **May 15th** after the 5pm Mass and shared LIVE online. Suggested donation of \$1 or more per ticket is requested. No need to be present and no purchase necessary to win. Tickets are available on our website under "SpringFest" or from the Church Office. Tickets and donations can be dropped into the collection basket or mailed to the parish office.

SpringFest 2021 Bake Sale AND

Kitchen Accessories & Necessities



We have decided to keep with our tradition of having baked goods! Please contact Mike & Cathy Labun at email address: mike-cathy@hotmail.com if you would be interested in donating a baked item(s) for sale on the weekend of May 15-16 for our SpringFest fundraiser for Prince of Peace Church. We are also taking donations for items that pertain to the kitchen on our "ONLINE AUCTION" through Adam Marshall Auctions! Please consider donating NEW kitchen/baking related items to the church by April 15th, in order to have them added to our online auction for SpringFest! Thank you for your generosity!

Pastor's Notes

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Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,

He has Risen! He Has Risen indeed! This is the second Sunday after Easter. It is said that most churches have the lowest attendance this weekend. I have not found that to be the case in the Catholic churches that I have pastored! Praise God!

Anyone who participated in the Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil surely must have been spiritually moved! They were wonderful! Damien Montgomery was baptized Saturday night. Spencer Noble, Jennifer Carper, Riley Harris, and Cindi Foresman made a profession of faith. All of them were confirmed in the Catholic Church and Prince of Peace Parish. Please check out the Facebook pages to see some wonderful pictures that Carolyn Menke posted.

Fr. Francis Curran truly enjoyed his time! He found Prince of Peace Church to be a wonderful place to preside at liturgy and the people who attended to be welcoming, kind, and prayerful. I certainly enjoyed his help.

A big thank you to all who helped in the planning of the liturgies, the music ministry, the decorating, and all who served at the liturgies as MC's, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and servers. Your attention to detail made the liturgies incredible!

So let us be mindful that we are called to continue the journey to Pentecost. Starting on Pentecost Sunday week-end the Sunday day obligation to attend Mass will be returned. It will be wonderful to be able to have fuller Masses. We will continue to have Masses recorded or live-streamed for those who have compromised health conditions.

During the Easter Season I encourage you to read the Acts of the Apostles; perhaps the Gospel of Mark, Matthew and Luke. Or maybe check out some DVD's on Formed.org to watch movies about the early church. We are on a journey of faith.

Divine Mercy Sunday: The second Sunday of Easter is also Divine Mercy Sunday. The devotion was actively promoted by Pope John Paul II. On April 30, 2000, the Canonization of Faustina Kowalska took place and the Sunday after Easter was officially designated as the Sunday of the Divine Mercy in the General Roman Calendar.

On April 22, 2001, which was one year after establishing Divine Mercy Sunday, Pope John Paul II re-emphasized its message in the resurrection context of Easter: Jesus said to St. Faustina one day: "*Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy*". Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity.

The devotion to Divine Mercy Sunday grew rapidly after its designation by Pope John Paul II and is now widely celebrated by Catholics.

This Sunday April 11 at 2 pm we will be celebrating First Communion with 32 youth. Thank you to Amy Lowe, the catechists, and the helpers, and the staff. It is wonderful time to receive communion for the first time. It is not only Divine Mercy Sunday but also Good Shepherd Sunday.

For those who have a devotion to the Divine Mercy you may use the church after 4:30 pm for your prayers. It is a devotion like many other devotions the church offers, such as the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross, the Sacred Heart, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All these devotions are to lead us to Christ and should not take away from the Sanctity of the Mass.



Welcome!

The following people made their profession of faith during the Easter Vigil last weekend:

Jennifer Carper
Riley Harris
Damien Montgomery
Spencer Noble

We welcome them to the Catholic Faith and ask God's blessings for them as they continue their faith journey.



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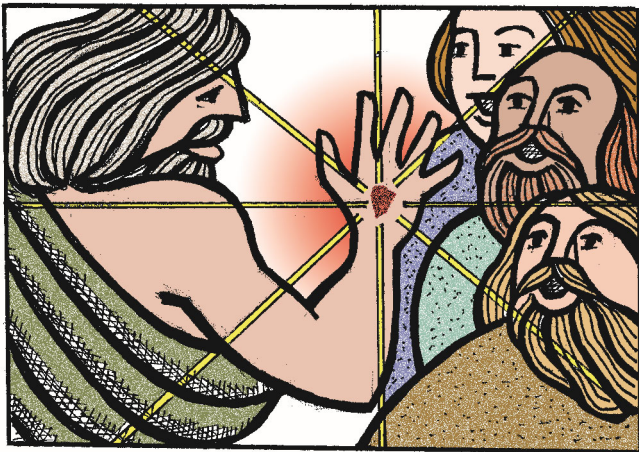
Parents of high school students, Higher Ground registration is open. This weeklong retreat is for sophomores, juniors, and seniors. The retreat begins Sunday afternoon and ends early the following Friday. HG camps are **the weeks of May 23-May 28, 2021 and May 30-June 4, 2021**. Please talk with your teens about this opportunity. Check your schedule and help them sign up for the week that best fits your schedule

Parents of middle school students, Higher Ground Extreme Faith Middle School camp registration is open. This weeklong retreat is for current 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. The retreat begins Sunday afternoon **July 11, 2021, and ends early afternoon Thursday, July 15, 2021**. We hope you will talk to your kids about this exciting opportunity to grow their love for Christ and have fun doing it. Check your schedule and sign up today.

[Register at highergroundretreats.org](http://highergroundretreats.org)

Employment Opportunities at KCHS

Kearney Catholic High School is hiring for the position of Food Service Manager. Duties include planning and preparation of school lunch and compliance with regulations regarding nutrition, safety, and record keeping (training provided). Start date negotiable. Benefits include health insurance, 403B retirement plan, and student tuition waiver. Contact the school at 308-234-2610 or email matt.rogers@kearneycatholic.org if you have any questions.



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Pastoral Visits

Please call the church office, 236-9171, to request a pastoral visit to the hospital, home or nursing home.

Because HIPPA regulations do not allow publication of the names of those hospitalized, we ask that family members call the church if a visit would be appreciated.

St. James Knights of Columbus Council 1728 is sponsoring two \$1,000 scholarships for the 2021-22 academic year. Applicants must be the son or daughter of an active or deceased third or fourth degree member of Council 1728. Students need to see their guidance counselor for application information. They may also contact Clint Witte, Scholarship Chairman at 234-9792. **Deadline is April 15, 2021.**

Meetings and Activities

- Sun. April 11 **No Faith Formation Classes**
First Communion Mass 2pm
Confirmation Class 5pm
LifeTeen 7pm
- Tues. April 13 No RCIA
Stewardship Committee 6:30pm
- Wed. April 14 Faith Formation 4pm 5:30pm
Edge 7pm
Building and Grounds Committee 7pm
- Thurs. April 15 Adoration 8am-12am
No 12:05pm Mass
- Fri. April 16 Adoration 8am-5pm
- Sat. April 17 Clean up Day 8am-11am
- Sun. April 18 Faith Formation 9:20am
No Confirmation
No Life Teen

CHRIST IS HERE

Christ departed from our sight that we might return to our heart, and there find him.

For he departed, and behold, he is here.

—St. Augustine

In an effort to make all parishioners feel comfortable and welcome in church, we are developing a plan to transition our Mass procedures back to normal. Please be compassionate and understanding of others' opinions as we are all brothers and sisters in Christ. Please treat each other with the grace He gives us.

Masks are required when:

- Walking to, from, or sitting in the north and south transepts.
- When possible please enter and exit using the east doors.
- Moving about the body of the church (entering, exiting, receiving communion).
- Attending Wednesday 5:30 pm Mass.

Masks are strongly encouraged when:

Seated in main body of the church during weekend Masses.

Other important reminders:

- Social distance when possible unless you are sitting with your family.
- The first two rows in the main body of the church will not be used until further notice.
- The Mass continues to be available on the parish website, the YouTube parish channel, Facebook.
www.princeofpeacekearney.com
- Please stay home if you are sick, have a fever, or are in a health risk category and have not received the COVID-19 vaccinations.
- If you are unable to attend Mass, but would like Fr. Paul to visit you, please call the church office. (308) 236-9171

(Procedures may be adjusted according to the Two Rivers Health Department Risk Dial.)

Please be patient with this transition and each other as we work towards returning to "normal" worship of our Lord.