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Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024

Sunday, April 21, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 4:8-12; 1 John 3:1-2;
John 10:11-18

Monday April 22, 2024
Acts 11:1-8; John 10:1-10
1:00 PM - Al-Anon

Tuesday, April 23, 2024
St. George, St. Adalbert
Acts 11:19-26; John 10:23-30
1:00 PM – Jesus and the Eucharist – Parish Room

Wednesday, April 24, 2024
St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
Acts 12:24-13:5a; John 12:44-50
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Faith Formation K-6
Office Closed

Thursday, April 25, 2024
St. Mark
1 Peter 5:5b-14; Mark 16:15-20

Friday, April 26, 2024
Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6
9:00 AM – Daily Mass - Rectory

Saturday, April 27, 2024
Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14
4:00 – 4:30 PM Reconciliation – St. Philip Neri
5:00 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri
†Judy Ellison by Todd and Charmaine Rainke

Collection Report **April 13, 2024**

St. Philip Neri

Envelopes (30)	\$4,279.00
Loose	\$192.00
	\$4,471.00
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O/ (U) Budget	\$1,371.00
YTD Budget	\$130,200.00
YTD Collections	\$121,196.59
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Schedule of Ministers

St. Philip Neri

April 27, 2024, 5:00 PM

Eucharist:	Beth Dake
Eucharist:	Karah Hensel
Eucharist:	Kalee Kailing
Word:	Lynne Kreger
Hospitality:	Steve Leporowski
Hospitality:	Richard Karns
Hospitality:	Ed Suckow
Hospitality:	Kay Suckow

Memorial Roses

The St. Philip Neri / St. Anne Parish Life Committee are taking orders for “Memorial Roses” to be placed by the altar the weekend of Mother’s Day. Orders will be taken after Mass this weekend as well as April 27. Also, there are order forms with envelopes in the back of Church. The deadline to place these orders is April 29. The cost is \$2 each.

Roses for individuals to purchase and take with them will be available after Mass on the weekend of Mother’s Day, May 11.

Msgr. Victor Gallagher
Council 12668



Committed to living Catholic values while serving our parish community



CLERICAL COLLAR

The clerical collar is one of the most recognizable symbols associated with the Catholic clergy. It is a rich symbol laden with theological and spiritual significance. The clerical collar has its roots in Christian history. It evolved over time from broader liturgical garments to the more simplified collar we often see today. From the early times of the Church, there has been a distinction in attire to set aside those who are ordained to serve God and His people.

The clerical collar is much more than a mere piece of fabric. It is not meant for the priest alone; it is also meant for the people he serves. Seeing a priest in his collar can be a visible sign of the Church and her teachings. It can act as a public witness without words. In wearing the collar, a priest is not just putting on a piece of clothing but donning the yoke of Christ, embracing a life of humble service. As Jesus said in Matthew Chapter 11, Verse: 29, *“Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls”*

By donning the collar, a priest is not merely adhering to a dress code but is demonstrating a life of sacrifice, service, and witness, deeply rooted in the teachings and traditions of our Catholic Church.

Spring Cleaning at Mt. Olivet Cemetery

Help is needed with spring clean-up at Mt. Olivet Cemetery on Saturday, April 27th at 9:00 AM. Please bring rakes and gloves and come for a morning of work and fellowship.



Memorial Service

A memorial service for Stanley Stump will be held at St. Philip Neri Church on May 3rd at 11:00 am with a luncheon to follow.

Faith Formation News

This weekend the Church celebrated World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity, secular institutes), and to the missionary life

As I reflect on the vowed religious in my life my thoughts went to the Franciscan Sisters in Lowell. I have taken our young people there on retreat. It was a great blessing for our young people to get to meet vowed religious sisters. The Sisters were so warm and welcoming to our young people and parents. My Spiritual Director is a Franciscan Sister as is my councilor. They are warm and welcoming women of God. I can tell they spend time in prayer with our Lord and our Lady. They have had an influence on my spiritual life and the way I minister to others.

The Dominican Sisters in Grand Rapids have several Sisters who teach at Aquinas College, where I did my undergraduate work. I had several of them for professors. They are very intelligent women of God. I was taken by their relationship with God, the time spent in prayer and celebrating the Sacramental life of the Church.

I have truly been blessed to have both the Franciscan and Dominican Sisters as part of my life and faith journey. Let us continue to pray for women who are discerning a call to vowed religious life and consecrated virgins, as is our own Amy Shank. The Faith Magazine wrote about her and the other women in our diocese who are consecrated virgins several months ago. Let us also pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. The Church also needs men who are willing to discern the call of God in their lives. To discern the call to the priesthood. We, the Church cannot celebrate the sacramental life of the Church without priests!

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, let us reflect on the priests who baptized us, gave us the Eucharist, the very Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, for the first time and for the many years following at each Mass we attend. Remember the priest who married you and who anointed you or a loved one when they were ill or dying. The many times a priest has heard your confession and gave you the embrace of forgiveness from our Lord. The Church can not celebrate the sacraments without our priests. Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood.

In the Joy of Easter, Beth Dake Director of Faith Formation