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MASS SCHEDULE . . .  
Celebrating Our Faith This Week

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My dear friends in Christ,

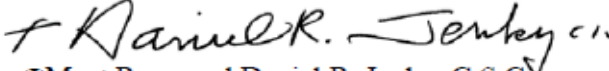
Holy Week and Easter rank as the most important moments we celebrate as believers of Jesus Christ. As important as these great celebrations are for the proclaiming and strengthening of our faith, it is with great sadness that I must announce that the suspension of public worship will continue through Easter Sunday.

The first words of the Risen Christ to his disciples were, "Peace be with you!" During this difficult and painful moment, we pray for the peace that only God can give. It is the peace that comes from having our sins forgiven and being united with God.

Beginning with Palm Sunday and continuing through Easter Sunday, these events will be streamed live through the diocesan website: [www.cdop.org](http://www.cdop.org). A specific schedule will be announced in the days ahead. If your own parish will not be broadcasting these Masses, I invite you to join in the ones we will be making available through the Internet. It won't be the same as being together, in person; but it enables us to be united in ways that the current times make possible.

In these difficult times when we each have to carry our own personal crosses, we do so in the hope of Easter glory. I ask your prayers for me and for your priests. Please know that I am holding you close to my heart and I am praying for you daily.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

  
Most Reverend Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C.  
Bishop of Peoria

We would like to thank our Parishioners who have sent in contributions to St. Anthony's, Sacred Heart, and St. Mary's. This is helping us in this time when there are no regular Sunday collections. Each parish can send their Sunday contribution to:  
PO Box 210, Atkinson IL 61235.

Thank you for your generosity.

Please remember these parishioners who ask for your prayers.

Connie Altman, Mary Frank, Dean Lewis, Katelyn DeRycke, Evelyn DeSplinter, Christine Sand Dunahee, Mary Ellen Hoogerwerf, Dan Longeville, Barry Miller, Vera Minnaert, Loretta Minnaert, Gia Samuels, Nick Schebler, Alice Van Kerrebroeck, Mary Lou Moens, Dick Martens, Barb DeRew, Millie Loncka, Carol Taets Bogner, Berniece Cathelyn, Elsie Van Vooren, Ashley Egan, Bill Rambo, Phyllis DeMay, Denise Haverback, Rosella Vandersnick.

Rice Bowls will be collected when the parish office opens. Please hold on to your rice bowl at this time. If you did not receive a rice bowl, but would like to donate, the office will notify parishioners on when we will be able to collect the donations and you can put a donation in an envelope marked Rice Bowl. All donations go towards helping Catholic Relief Services to continue to provide life-saving assistance in nearly 100 countries. CRS works on our behalf to care for the poorest in our world and to end global poverty. Thank you for your generosity.



St. Anthony's Annual Spring Raffle 2020

Only 500 Tickets Will Be Sold The odds of winning are an incredible 1 in 39

Main Event Drawing - **Rescheduled to June 7** (date subject to change), 12:30 p.m.

Grand Prize \$10,000

Seller of Grand Prize Ticket Wins \$1,000

2nd Prize \$2,000

3rd - 5th Prizes \$1,000 Each

6th - 8th Prizes \$500 Each

9th - 13th Prizes \$250

Ticket Price \$100.00

Two brunch tickets are included. Brunch will be served Sunday, May 3rd from 9:30 am until Noon. Additional brunch tickets are available for \$20.00 each. For tickets please contact the parish office at 309-936-7900 and leave a message. Please mail your tickets to St. Anthony's Church  
P.O. Box 210  
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St. Anthony's Prayer Shawl Ministry is accepting requests for those suffering critical or serious health issues. Need not be a member of our parish, but one suffering and needing our prayers for comfort. We now have several completed and available. Please contact Verna May at 309-269-3772.

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter or should I say Christ is Risen! - Truly He is Risen! Have we ever needed more the message of Easter Hope than right now?! I'm not speaking of the Easter Hop of bunnies and chocolate eggs. But rather cosmos changing, life altering Truth that God the Father sent His only begotten Son to be born, to live, to suffer through his passion, die on the Cross for us and the Third Day be Raised from the Dead. It is not my intention to minimize the tremendous suffering, loss of livelihood and life of so many within our country and world.

As the Resurrection of our Lord is celebrated within the Eastern Rite of the Church it is chanted over and over again "Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing Life!" Christ's victory over sin and death is our victory. I am heartened to hear how parishioners are "keeping the faith" in these times when public Masses are not possible. Parishioners are praying the rosary (the Irish call it "rattling your beads"), watching Masses, spiritual communions, reading the daily scriptures from Mass, getting groceries for neighbors and any number of corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

Progressing through Lent and now reaching Easter of our Lord's Resurrection has caused me to reflect on Sundays. Each Sunday is a Little Easter. Saturday is the Sabbath for the Jews—the day God rested from His work of creation. It is also the day God rested in the person of Jesus Christ, who "slept" in His Tomb on Holy Saturday. Our Lord has seen fit to rise on that first Easter morn. God created the world and all that is in it in six days, the seventh day He rested. The following day is the Day of Resurrection—the Eighth Day, a day of New Creation through Christ's Paschal Mystery! So while it is difficult to be away from Mass during this time, let us live the Good News that Jesus is Resurrected and He brings us Hope during difficult times! Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!

- Father Engelbrecht.

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

**Acts of the Apostles.** All during Easter Time, we read and hear the Acts of the Apostles. Those many acts are not mere history. They launch us into Church life today. This Risen Lord, present among us, is so astounding, we cannot remain our old selves. We, too, are new – because of Baptism, because of this new Easter Day, because Christ is within and around us. We, too, act in new ways.

- How will I shine new life into another's life today?
- How will I bear witness to Christ among us by some word or deed?
- How will I rejoice?

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (OR OF DIVINE MERCY)

**Unrestrained by Locked Doors.** Locked doors are not good enough for keeping the Risen Jesus from us. They are not good enough for preventing Jesus from breathing the Holy Spirit into us. How must we respond? With the devotion noted in the Acts of the Apostles: to the teaching, to Sunday Mass, to attending to those in need.

- What is Jesus, through Scripture and Tradition, teaching me today?
- With what does this Sunday Mass, with prayer and fellowship and Communion, fill me?
- What needs do I notice in others – and what will I do?

## Prayers of 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 spiritual-ly 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.—St. Alphonsus Ligouri.

At Your feet, O my Jesus, I prostrate myself and I offer You repentance of my contrite heart, which is humbled in its nothingness and in Your holy presence. I adore You in the Sacrament of Your love, the ineffable Eucharist. I desire to receive You into the poor dwelling that my heart offers You. While waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion, I wish to possess You in spirit. Come to me, O my Jesus, since I, for my part, am coming to You! May Your love embrace my whole being in life and in death. I believe in You, I hope in You, I love You. Amen.—Raphael Cardinal Merry del Val

May Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament be praised, adored, and loved at every moment in all the Tabernacles of the world even to the end of time. Amen—Anonymous.

**Prayer to send your Guardian Angel to Mass** Go, my Angel Guardian dear, To church for me, the Mass to hear. Go, kneel devoutly at my place and treasure for me every grace. At the offertory time please offer me to God Divine. All I have and all I am, present it with the Precious Lamb. Adore for me the great Oblation. Pray for all I hold most dear be they far or be they near. Remember too, my own dear dead for whom Christ's Precious Blood was shed. And at communion bring to me Christ's Flesh and Blood, my food to be. To give me strength and holy grace a pledge to see Him face to face. And when the Holy Mass is done then with His blessing, come back home. Amen

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Pope Francis Prayer to Mother Mary During The Pandemic

With the Shelter-in-Place Order for the State of Illinois having been extended, we have been instructed to close and lock our churches through Thurs. April 30th. This is subject to change. I say that with a heavy heart knowing that it saddens me and our Bishop as well. He does this hoping to stem the tide of the virus, especially for the most vulnerable, and I pray it does. We are also instructed to close our parish office for the duration of this time and postpone baptisms. Bonnie & Valerie, our parish secretary and bookkeeper, will be checking email and will help from home. I will still be available for those who need immediate attention and those who are near death.

I invite all parishioners to join in prayer with the Mass, which will continue to be offered privately. This is the most important event in our parishes and the world each and every day—Jesus' eternal prayer to the Father is an outpouring of God's grace, mercy, and healing power. It is the source of life and strength for each of us as Christians, and although one may not be able to be present at Mass and/or receive Holy Communion, a person can unite himself to Jesus and the Mass and offer a Spiritual Communion.

I urge all parishioners to keep Lord's Day holy with prayer, especially with the readings for the Mass of the day and the rosary. Watching televised Masses is also possible. Please know you are remembered in my daily prayers and private Masses.

Father Engelbrecht

## Diocese of Peoria Online Resources

Please visit [cdop.org/coronavirus/](http://cdop.org/coronavirus/) for online resources, Mass online, Our Sunday Visitor, Magnificat links and all Diocesan Communications.

## Online Resources Available


Holy Week Masses: [www.CDOP.org](http://www.CDOP.org) (schedule to be announced)  
Area Churches Streaming: St. Pius X Parish (Rock Island)  
Christ The King Parish (Moline)  
Sacred Heart (Rock Island)  
St. Mary's (Spanish Mass), Moline  
Facebook live: Peter Zorjan  
(Father Peter from St. Patricks, Colona)  
T.V.: EWTN  
Radio: Relevant Radio (KTJT 95.3)

## GET FORMED

Go to [stjohnstmaryqc.formed.org](http://stjohnstmaryqc.formed.org)  
Set up a login & password and check out the catholic platform for movies and study!

“On that day are opened all the di-  
vine floodgates through which grac-  
es flow. Let no soul fear to draw  
near me, even though it’s sins be as  
scarlet.”  
Our Lord to St. Faustina - Diary 699

The Sunday after  
Easter is  
Divine Mercy Sunday!



“I want to grant complete pardon to the  
souls that will go to  
Confession and receive Holy Communion  
on the Feast of My Mercy.”  
Our Lord to St. Faustina  
- Diary 1109

- How to Recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- The Chaplet of Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Faustina and followed by a closing prayer.
1. Make the Sign of the Cross
  2. Opening Prayers You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You! (Repeat three times)
  3. The Our Father
  4. The Hail Mary
  5. The Apostles’ Creed
  6. On the “Our Father” bead before each decade: Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
  7. On the 10 “Hail Mary” beads of Each Decade: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
  8. Repeat “Eternal Father” and “For the Sake of His sorrowful Passion”: (Number 6 & 7) prayers for four more decades.
  9. After 5 decades, conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times) Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
  10. Optional Closing Prayer Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen

*Prayer to St. Corona in a Time of Epidemic*

*Lord Jesus Christ, You came into this world for our salvation. Look kindly on us now, we pray, that we, and all those who serve You, might be kept safe from this epidemic.*

*Heal those who are sick, comfort the suffering, bring back those who have gone astray, and above all, increase our faith,*

*O Lord. Give us the grace to follow You and, like the martyr St. Corona, who gave her life for love of You, to take up our crosses daily without fear or hesitation.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*

*St. Corona, patroness of epidemic victims, pray for us.*

Novena Prayer to St. Rocco

O Great St. Rocco, deliver us, we beseech thee, from the scourges of God; through thy intercession, preserve our bodies from contagious diseases, and our souls from the contagion of sin. Obtain for us salubrious air; but, above all, purity of heart. Assist us to make good use of health, to bear suffering with patience; and, after thy example, to live in the practice of penance and charity, that we may one day enjoy the happiness which thou has merited by thy virtues.

St. Rocco, pray for us (say three times).

Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry—The Food pantry will only be open on Tuesday mornings from 9 am to 11:30 am. During this time we will offer curbside food pick up to our clients. If you need immediate assistance please leave a message at 944-3165 or email [geneseopantry@gmail.com](mailto:geneseopantry@gmail.com). Our free shopping area will remain closed. We will not be taking clothing or household donations until further notice. We thank you for your continued prayers for our clients, volunteers and staff.

The retirement party for Mary Saylor has been postponed until further notice. We will have an update in the bulletin and on Facebook when we are able to reschedule. Thank you!

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday: 3:00 to 3:30 pm at St. Anthony  
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. at Sacred Heart or by appointment with priest.

**Area Parishes**

**St. Malachy (Geneseo)**  
Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 am

**St. John Paul II (Kewanee)**  
Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday: 7:00, 9:00 am; 11:30pm Spanish

**St. John Vianney (Cambridge)**  
Sunday at 8:00 am and 4:00 pm

**Baptism for Infants**  
Please call for an appointment to schedule Baptism preparation for your family.

**Holy Matrimony**  
Please arrange an appointment with a priest at least eight months before the proposed wedding date to allow time for all necessary marriage preparation.

**Anointing of the Sick**  
Call the church anytime someone is dying. If you are unable to attend Mass (hospitalized or at home) please call so Holy Communion and pastoral care can be administered.

**EMMAUS DAYS** We are now accepting online registration for Emmaus Days 2020. The link, as well as more information and downloadable flyers, can be found at [www.comeandfollowme.org/emmausdays](http://www.comeandfollowme.org/emmausdays). Participants deepen their faith and focus on discerning God’s will through prayer and the sacraments. By listening to and spending time with priests and seminarians, participants get a glimpse into their lives.

**Session 1 June 5-8, 2020**  
College Age & Young Adult  
St. John's Catholic Newman Center, Champaign

**Session 2 June 12-15, 2020**  
High School Juniors & Seniors  
St. John's Catholic Newman Center, Champaign

**Session 3 July 5-8, 2020**  
High School Freshmen & Sophomores  
Peoria Notre Dame High School

**Session 4 July 8-10, 2020**  
Seventh & Eighth Graders  
Peoria Notre Dame High School

Emmaus Days are Led by seminarians. Participants hear God’s call to become real Christian men. The experience includes prayer, talks and activities like basketball, swimming, soccer, ultimate Frisbee and card games.

**New Parishioners**

Welcome to our parishes! Please call the church office to register or if you have questions about our community.

**Parish Cemeteries**  
St. Anthony Cemetery: Contact Bill Carmichael, Jr., (309)936-7651. Sacred Heart Cemetery: Contact Adam DeRycke at (309) 935-6080

**Parish Halls Rental**  
The halls of both parishes are available for receptions and other gatherings. Please contact the office for further details.

**Bulletin Deadline**  
Copy must be submitted by Wednesday at 4:00 pm to: [office@stanthonysatkinson.org](mailto:office@stanthonysatkinson.org) or mailing to PO Box 210, Atkinson, IL 61235

**St. Anthony and Sacred Heart Catholic Churches + Sunday April 12, 2020**