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24 APRIL, 2022

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

## FROM FATHER CHUCK

### A Very Blessed Week.

The celebration of Holy Week was one of the most grace filled moments in the entire year. When we began this week with Palm Sunday there was a special grace that was so present in all of the Palm Sunday masses. I have an expression that you can feel the presence of Jesus in the Palm Sunday masses. One of the greatest challenges to our faith is to know how to be in the quiet presence of Jesus. This is the one aspect to Holy Week that I cherish with our parish family that so many of you know the peace and joy that we can experience by being in the presence of Jesus. The materialistic distractions of our world make it more and more difficult to have the gift of faith to know how to live in the peace and joy of Jesus. The greatest gift that Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday give us to cherish these moments of Jesus' presence. The three services of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday give us the grace to experience Jesus' love for us. Holy Thursday is always a very grace filled Mass because all of the ministries are celebrated with the 10th grade confirmation students. One of the things that I say each year is that the grace of Jesus growing in the lives of these students is truly a gift that everyone should cherish. At the Good Friday service there was presence of the crucified Jesus like I have never experienced before. The singing at the services was one of the most precious moments in our entire liturgical year. My thought is that I hope that all of you who attended the Holy Week services cherish how deeply Jesus loves you for experiencing his presence in these masses.

### Diocesan Appeal.

We are still short about \$8,000.00 of reaching our Diocesan Appeal goal. If you have not made your pledge please do so.

### Cinco De Mayo

Don't forget that next Sunday after noon mass is the family party. The Amazing Lindy will provide the entertainment. The food will be provided.

### A Thousand Thank You.

There are not sufficient words and sufficient space to thank everyone who made Lent and Holy Week such grace filled week.

The music for Holy Week was out of this world and the one person who is responsible for much of the music is Steve Beck. Steve played Holy Thursday, two Good Friday services and three masses on Easter. I hope everyone understands what a great treasure he is for our parish. He volunteers his time as do all the music ministers in our parish. I wish to thank the adult choir and 10 o'clock choir for the beautiful music that we had for Holy week.

Second I wish to thank Maxine Marshall and all of her helpers who decorated the church. I am amazed each year how beautifully our church is decorated.

Finally, I wish to thank all of the ministers, ushers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers and Altar Servers for helping with all the Holy Week Services. This year I believe was the most enjoyable Holy Week that I have ever celebrated at Saint Peters.

### New Members of Our parish family.

Holy Saturday mass is always the most grace filled mass of all the masses we celebrate. I wish to welcome Sue Mize, Steve Mueller, Ben Rosenberger and Amber Sandoval to our parish. Thanks to all of you for working so hard to become a member.

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Readings for May 1, 2022
1st Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41
2nd Reading: Revelation 5:11-14
Gospel: John 21:1-19

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, will meet Monday, April 25, 2022 at St. Patrick's Church. 5:30 Communion Services followed by dinner and meeting. GIK for Wings of Hope Cancer Support Center. Please visit our website at www.cda330.org for items needed. Women 18 years and older from all Council Bluffs parishes are welcome to join.

MASS SCHEDULE

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, and Celebrant. Rows include: Tue 4/26 8:00 am Don Friedrichsen, Wed 4/27 8:00 am Cash Family, Thur 4/28 5:30 pm Jacquie Rallis, Fri 4/29 8:00 am Pat Hudek, Sat 4/30 4:00 pm Marilyn Jermain & Dennis Schieber, Sun 5/1 8:00 am James & Pauline Sweeney, Sun 10:00 am Kenneth Finnegan & Frank Holzer, Sun Noon Mary Jo Dressel

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LIFE ACCORDING TO JEAN.....

- My neighbor just banged on the wall at 4:20 am. Can you believe that? Luckily I was still awake playing music. He banged and shouted, "Can we have a little respect, please?" So I shouted back, "I'm not a big Aretha Franklin fan but okay this one's for you."
• The closest I get to a spa day is when steam from the dishwasher smacks me in the face.
• And yet again this morning no one was standing beside my bed saying "Your Royal Highness, here is your coffee." Hint, hint Mike.
• Chocolate. Admit it. For a second there all your problems just went away.
• Kids today want the iPhone 11. When I was a kid I just wanted the Crayola 64 pack with built-in sharpener.
• Will it rain? Will it snow? I live in Iowa, I don't know.
• Every time we try to eat healthy, along comes Christmas, Easter, summer, Friday or Tuesday and ruins it for us.
• I always wanted to sit in front of the fireplace on a rainy gray day in my rocking chair and read a book for hours. Evidently Cracker Barrel has a policy against this.
• Age 12: Fell off the bike at high velocity onto the gravel road, biked 5 miles home. Age 50: Used the wrong pillow, back was nonfunctional for two days.
• I just got a full tank of gas for \$22. Granted it was for my lawn mower, but I'm trying to stay positive.
• I went down to the paint store to get thinner. It didn't work.

HAVE A GREAT WEEK,STAY SAFE,BE NICE TO EACH OTHER

SATURDAY, 4PM, April 30, 2022
ALTAR SERVERS: Bianca Cihacek, Rowan Jackson, Noah Galus
LECTORS: Jim Svajgl, Amy Rallis
EUCH MINISTER: Owen Galus
USHERS: Jack Gross, Linda Bonham, Fred Schaben

SUNDAY, 8 AM, May 1, 2022
ALTAR SERVERS: George & Audrey Garst, Missy Evezic, Anthony Busch
LECTORS: Susan O'Neill, Jim Pidgeon
EUCH MINISTER: Gabe Evezic
USHERS: Steven Evezic, Russ Goeser, Andy Juranek, Gary Juranek

SUNDAY, 10 AM May 1, 2022
ALTAR SERVERS: Abby & Sarah Lighthipe, Nathaniel Biedermann, Carter Rossbund
LECTORS: Ed Fink, John Ross Biedermann
EUCH MINISTER: Mary Brockelsby
USHERS: Dave Bristol, Bryan Carolus, Paul Schmitz, Andrea Nelson

SUNDAY, NOON May 1, 2022
ALTAR SERVERS: Payton & Ben Johnson, Jennifer Goodin, Aubree Brandau
LECTORS: Mary Ramsdell, Anne Rohling
EUCH MINISTER: Mike Thomas
USHERS: Chris Olson, Rob Peters, Mike & Adam Thomas

FATHER'S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

There is one powerful thought for this week. It is very easy to forget all of the blessings that Holy Week bestowed upon us. I hope this week that you will be able to spend some quiet time reflecting on the graces that the dying and rising of Jesus has given to us.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sunday, May 1—Cinco De Mayo Party-Social Hall 1-3pm
VBS Volunteer Meeting 6PM Social Hall
Thursday, May 5-Altar Society 6:00 pm Social Hall
Sunday, May 15-Mother's Day Brunch (details to follow)
Sunday, June 12-Father's Day Brunch (details to follow)
Monday-Thursday, June 13-16-Vacation Bible School
Thursday & Friday, June 23 & 24-Rummage Sale (details to follow)

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