

SUNDAY, 14 APRIL, 2013

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

SCHEDULE OF THE WEEK

APRIL

13 SAT 4 PM People of the Parish

14 SUN 8 AM † Douglas Karsen

14 SUN 11 AM † Raymond Roehl

15 MON 9 AM † Velma Tio

16 TUES 9 AM Special Intention of
Emma Fischer

17 WED 9 AM † Rev. Frank Burger

18 THRS 9 AM † Gregor Heggen

19 FRI 9 AM † Matthew Nozicka

20 SAT 9 AM † Clarence Donarski

20 SAT 4 PM † Todd Jezisek

21 SUN 8 AM People of the Parish

21 SUN 11 AM Special Intention of
the Russell Family

Sanctuary Candle is illuminated at Our Lady Queen of Peace the week of Sun., April 14, through Sat., April 20, in memory of Velma Tio req. by Deb Nutt.

Psalm: "I will praise You Lord, for You have rescued me."

Offertory 04/07/13 Envelopes \$1,849.50
Loose \$ 465.01
Total \$2,314.51

Env. Req. 125 Env. Used 67

Please join us in congratulating our CCD students who will be confirmed by Bishop Paul Bradley this weekend:

Joseph Daniel Francis of Assisi, son of Daniel & Michelle Coberley

Leslie Valentine, daughter of Horlanda & Basilia Cortes

Kennedy Suzanne Francis Cabrini, daughter of Tony & Darcy Jones

Nathaniel Dennison Sebastian, son of Dennis & Karen Padla

Jonathan Christopher George, son of Sergio & Patricia Vazquez

Monica Jude, daughter of Javier & Maria Balderas

Rosalinda Guadalupe, daughter of Javier & Maria Balderas

Carlos Sebastian, son of Benancio & Martha Contreras

Francisco Paul, son of Francisco & Eusebia Cortez

Perla Guadalupe, daughter of J. Jesus & Modesta Lorenzo

Esmeralda Carmen, daughter of Oliverio & Gloria Martinez

Daniel Francis of Assisi, son of Daniel & Silvia Salazar

- Diocesan Rice Bowls may be returned on table in back of the Church. Call Vanessa @465-6252 with questions.

- CCD Schedule

April 14 9:30 a.m. Class

April 21 9:30 a.m. Class

April 28 9:30 a.m. Class

May 5 11 a.m. 1st Communion Mass

- Benton Harbor Soup Kitchen

We could not provide this important ministry without you. Volunteer sign up sheet is on the table in back of the church or call the office 465-6252. Next date is April 24.

- Parish Photo Directory Plans are being made to update our photo directory and volunteers are needed to help make this a success. To help, please call Vanessa @465-6252 or sign up on the sheet in the back of both St. Gabriel and Our Lady Queen of Peace.

- April 14: A Recital of Sacred Music for the Year of Faith, at

St. Joseph Church, Kalamazoo, 6 pm. Free admission, an offering will be received for Loaves and Fishes. Contact: St. Joseph Parish in Kalamazoo at 269-343-6259.

- Year of Faith Pilgrimage – Sunday, April 21, at St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph, 2 – 5 pm. Schedule: 2 pm tour of the parish facilities; 3 pm presentation on the local history*; 4 pm Q & A; refreshments; additional tour; 5 pm closing prayer and dismissal.

- Catholicism Series by Fr. Robert Barron, at St. Joseph Parish, Fr. Thelen Hall in Watervliet, 1-2:30 pm or 7 – 8:30 pm. on April 17 & 24. Call St. Joseph Parish @269- 463-5470 for details.

- Scouting Celebration of Faith:

Mission Impossible without

Christ on Saturday, April 27, at St. Monica School Gym in Kalamazoo from 11 am to 4:45 pm. For all catholic scouts in grades 1-8. Register by April 17. Cost: \$5 per scout, no cost for adults. Call Tim @269-903-0139 for details.

- Migrant Ministry Meeting

Thursday May 16, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at St. Thomas More Parish in Kalamazoo for all Migrant Ministry volunteers and those who wish to become volunteers. Call Veronica @269-903-0197 with questions.

- BREAD OF LIFE FOOD

PANTRY Need: everything *especially THURSDAY VOLUNTEERS.*

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Volunteer sign up sheet is on the table in back of the Church.

Week 172: 35 families, 67 adults, 39 children, 15 dogs, 11 cats

10 a.m. to Noon Tuesday, 04/16/13

Phil Pavlic, Ilse Klinkhammer

6 - 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 04/18/13

Lidia Kubic Chris & Jeanne Woerdehoff

- MINISTRIES

4:00 p.m., Saturday, April 20, 2013

Lector – Glenn Lane

Servers - TJ DeMeulenaere

Communion – Tom Woerdehoff, Clare

Hirmer, Carolyn Lane

Ushers - Michael Mendus & W.Wheeler

8 a.m., Sunday, April 21, 2013

Lector - Ted Schreiber

Servers- John Davis

Communion - Diane Nower, Kathy

Sanderson, Barbara Sobaski

Ushers - Jack & Marie Malsch

11 a.m., Sunday, April 21, 2013

Lector - Tom Adams

Servers - Benjamin Adams

Communion –Karin Chappell, Beth

Jones, Lisa Kiewel

Ushers - Bob Donarski & Dennis Kiewel

-- The Pastor's Corner --

My brothers and sisters in Christ, During Saturday's Mass perhaps for the very first time in a public assembly, 12 young people from our parish communities will stand on their own and claim the Catholic faith for themselves. They will each commit their lives to Jesus Christ and His teachings, as members of His Body, the Church. Bringing to life the student guide, from which the Confirmandi received their instruction, our young adults proclaim to the world, that their Catholic faith is what they stand for and that they will be forever proud of it.

In parishes around the world young people were confirmed into the faith. Statistics however show that even following such a momentous occasion in one's life, many youth cease practicing the faith shortly after the reception of the sacrament. Then, perhaps even more disturbing is the additional fact that many Catholic parents fall short in making certain the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is maintained. Fr. Steiner says: "Our sense of what is true is fading away from us. Instead, we carry a sense of "whatever".

"Somehow, in the last few decades, the word "religion" has become a bad word. Despite the serious nature of things, the

lack of belief is almost silly. Our relativism has allowed many to say it is OK to destroy human embryos in the name of seeking to cure illnesses.” The secular world has set out to completely redefine the term for the sacrament of marriage, while completely failing to understand the parameters for the nuptial bond was established by God and therefore cannot be amended. Fr. Steiner reports that our sense of right and wrong, our sense of what is good or evil, even our sense of what is true has faded. Fr. Steiner goes on to report: “The Sanhedrin gave strict orders to the Apostles to stop preaching about Jesus. Why? The Apostles were preaching truth, and the truth they were preaching was making it apparent that the Sanhedrin had done an evil thing by killing Jesus.”

“Initially no one cared. It was business as usual. But then the preaching of the Apostles led people to see truth, and the Sanhedrin realized that if the Apostles persisted, the blood of the innocent man would be on their hands.”

We offer congratulations to our young men and women who are being confirmed this weekend. Now empowered by the gift of the Holy Spirit, they are making the correct choice to follow God in accordance with the teaching and instructions of the Holy Roman Catholic Church. Obviously their decision confirms their knowledge and understanding of the faith as it is taught here at Queen of Peace and St. Gabriel. However, if we were to look at the recidivism rates of confirmation classes throughout the Universal Church, and the declining number of people who attend Mass weekly, we could legitimately ask, is our faith anchored in Jesus Christ or ‘whatever’.

Without negating the awesomeness and joy of the celebration of the sacrament of confirmation, administered by our own ordinary, His Excellency, Bishop Paul Joseph Bradley, the question for us to identify this weekend is “How often do we respond to life with the relativist’s ‘whatever’?”

I’ll bring the pastor’s corner to a close this weekend with more profound words and food for thought from Fr. Edward Steiner, from the magazine ‘The Priest’. Fr. Steiner writes: “Do we love our comfort more than we love Jesus? Do we love our pleasures more than Jesus? Do we love our cussing more than Jesus? Do we love our success more than Jesus?”

Do we love looking at internet porn more than Jesus? Do we love the safety of keeping our values silent instead of protesting the many injustices around us? Do we love fitting in more than admitting that we are Catholic Christians?

“Do we love not being ridiculed for our stance on the value of human life more than ‘letting one man die’? Do we love our sense of freedom more than having to stretch out our hands and having someone lead us where we do not want to go?”

“Perhaps we should note that, in the Gospels, the Apostles never catch any fish without Jesus’ help. Even in the gospel today they catch nothing until Jesus tells the fishermen to try something different. Perhaps, if we want something more than we now know, we should decide what or whom we love more than anything or anyone else. If we choose correctly, we will lose the word ‘whatever’.”

AMDG

Fr. Arthur

SAINT GABRIEL CHURCH MASS INTENTIONS

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

Sunday, April 14, 2013

9:30 a.m. † Nathanael Pelkey
req. Grandma Piggott

1:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Thursday, April 18, 2013

6 p.m. † Rev. Frank Burger

Sunday, April 21, 2013

9:30 a.m. † John Garland

1:00 p.m. People of the Parish

-MINISTRIES

9:30 a.m. Sunday, April 21, 2013

Lector - Linda Moody

Communion-Barb Sprung & Gene Smith

Ushers-Pat Furner & Tim Langlois

Altar Servers - Makenzie Moody &

Kathleen Hettlinger

1 p.m. Sunday, April 14, 2013

Lectore -

Comuni6n -

Acolitos -

Ujieres -

Last weekend’s Offertory

Ofertorio de la semana pasada

9:30 a.m. \$686.10

1:00 p.m. \$231.56

- Parish Photo Directory Plans are being made for a parish photograph directory. Each family will receive one 8x10 color photograph of their family at no cost. Volunteers are needed to help make this a success. Please sign up on the sheet in back of the Church

- Guía de la Parroquia

Fotografía - Se están haciendo planes para un directorio de fotos parroquia. Cada familia recibirá una fotografía en color 8x10 de su familia, sin costo para la familia. Se necesitan voluntarios para ayudar a que esto sea un éxito. Por favor inscribase en la hoja en la parte trasera de la Iglesia o por telefono Vanessa @ 465-6252 para más detalles.

- Food Pantry Collection is April 14. **NEED** cereal and macaroni & cheese. Thank you for your continued support.

- Despensa de alimentos

Collection es 14 de abril. NECESITA cereales y macarrones con queso.

Gracias por su continuo apoyo.

- Migrantes Ministerio sesión

Jueves 16 de mayo, de 6 a 7:30 pm en la Parroquia de Santo Tomás Moro en Kalamazoo para todos los voluntarios del Ministerio de migrantes y aquellos que desean ser voluntarios. Teléfono Veronica @ 269-903-0197 con cualquier pregunta.

- Preparación de Quinceañeras

Preparación Di6cesis de quinceañeras es bilingüe y esto no es un sustituto de la formación en cada parroquia para quinceañeras. Participantes: Quinceañera y sus padres (patrocinadores son bienvenidos, pero no es obligatorio). Por favor llame a la di6cesis (269) 903-0209 para fechas de reuniones.

- Encuentro Pre-Matrimonial

Diocesano Dios es amor y de una manera misteriosa los ha juntado a ustedes en el amor. Ustedes tienen a su alcance una felicidad en el matrimonio mejor de la que se han imaginado y mayor de la que experimentan ahora. Lo único que se necesita es que estén dispuestos a amar, a dar, a aceptar y a adaptarse. Fechas: (Escoja una de las siguientes fechas):

Sábado, Mayo 18, 2013 (10 a.m. – 3

p.m.) Lugar: Por Anunciarse

Sábado, Agosto 10, 2013 (10 a.m. – 3

p.m.) Lugar: Por Anunciarse

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