April 22, 2018

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**Offertory Hymn:** My Shepherd Will Supply My Need #108

**Communio:** *The Good Shepherd has risen...*(pg. 930 #91)

**Communion Hymn:** The Lamb’s High Banquet #72

**Marian Antiphon:** Regina Caeli #61 / **Recessional Hymn:** I Know That My Redeemer Lives #63
Saturday April 21st  Saint Anslem, Bishop & Doctor  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass (St. Mary & St. Cyril Parishioners)  

Sunday April 22nd  Fourth Sunday of Easter  
7:30am - Confessions  
8:00am - Mass (Living & Deceased members of the Brice & Courtier Families)  
9:00am - PSR classes  
10:30am - Confessions  
11:00am - Mass ~ (Celia Martinez+)  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass (Elaine Spence+)  

Monday April 23rd  St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr  
4:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass (Holy Souls in Purgatory)  

Tuesday April 24th  St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass (Shirley Fraher+)  
5:30 pm - Vespers (C)  
6:30 pm - Choir practice (C)  
6:30pm - Scouts  

Wednesday April 25th  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass - Ex. Form (Intentions of Sister Joanna Marie)  
5:30 pm - Vespers (C)  
6:30pm - A & R Circle 6 meeting (MC)  
Adoration After Noon Mass today until 6:00pm  

Thursday April 26th  
10:00am - Secular Franciscans (MC)  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass (Dorothy Hanaway+)  
5:30 pm - Vespers (C)  
8:00pm - Venture Scouts (FH)  

Friday April 27th  
11:30am - Confessions  
12:00pm - Mass - Ex. Form (In honor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel)  

Saturday April 28th  St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass (For the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary)  
6:00pm - A & R Bunco night (FH)  

Sunday April 29th  Fifth Sunday of Easter  
7:30am - Confessions  
8:00am - Mass (David & Martha Bullimore)  
9:00am - Last Sunday for PSR classes for school year  
10:30am - Confessions  
11:00am - Mass ~ (Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus+)  
4:30pm - Confessions  
5:00pm - Mass (St. Mary & St. Cyril Parishioners)  

St. Mary's Outreach Agency:  
Food, Clothing and Prescription  
Medication Assistance  
Hours of Operation:  
Wednesday & Thursday  
9:00am - 3:00pm (816)252-8649  
(Please call for an appointment)  
*Donations of food & clothing may be brought to the Ministry Center  
(Monday - Thursday)  

Keep up with St. Mary's happenings by liking our Facebook page:  
www.facebook.com/stmarycatholicchurch
Collection: 4/15/2018: 5,360
Year to date total: 71,297

Readings for the Week of April 22, 2018

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18
Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7
[117:1a]/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17
[2]/Mk 16:15-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab
[7bc]/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
[3cd]/Jn 14:7-14

- Congratulations to Jessica Holder and Ben Hoog who were married here on April 14th. Jessica is the daughter of Eric Holder.
- Congratulations to Daniela Raelene (Catherine) Howard. Daniela was baptized on April 15th and is the daughter of Natasha Howard and granddaughter of Patty Vasquez.

As Pentecost approaches, learn Natural Family Planning and remove contraception’s hindrance to the Holy Spirit’s outpouring of grace into your marriage. A course in the Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP begins Sat., May 19, 10am, at St. Mark Parish, 3736 S. Lee’s Summit Rd., Independence, MO. Reasonable course fee. Call Mary Kathleen or Tom Morgan at (816) 795-9790 for more info. Registration for these in-person or online classes required at: www.live-the-love.org.
Of Smoke and Smells…

During Sundays of Eastertide, and also every Tuesday and Thursday evening at 6:00 P.M., we see and smell incense at Saint Mary’s. Why do we use incense?

The word incense comes from the Latin word “incendere” which means to burn. The incense is kept in a sacred vessel which is called an incense boat. The incense is transferred by means of a spoon to the thurible (also called a censer), which is a sacred vessel for burning incense. A burning coal is placed in the thurible or censer, so that the incense will burn. The thurible is swung on a chain to disperse the aromatic smoke.

The burning of incense is ancient. The Lord instructed Moses to build a golden altar for the burning of incense (cf. Ex 30:1-10), which was placed in front of the veil to the entrance of the meeting tent where the ark of the covenant was kept. In the Temple in Jerusalem, incense was burned daily.

There are many reasons for the use of incense, and I will mention but a few. Since it is so ancient, the rite is rich in symbolic meaning. Frankincense was and is expensive and, for that reason, it was a gift that symbolized kingship (which is the reason it was presented to the Infant Jesus on Epiphany). Burning of incense is a sign of homage given to Christ as our King.

The burning of incense is a symbol of our prayer. The rising smoke symbolizes our prayers rising up to heaven. The Psalmist prays: “Let my prayer be directed as incense in Your sight” (Ps. 140). In the Book of Revelation, we read of the burning of incense in the context of the heavenly Liturgy: “And another angel came, and stood before the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given to him much incense, that he should offer up the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar, which is before the throne of God. And the smoke of the incense of the prayers of the saints ascended up before God from the hand of the angel” (Rev. 8:3-4).

When incense is used at Holy Mass, it is used around the altar (at the beginning of Holy Mass, for example), it is used for the crucifix and the Paschal candle, it is used for the Gospel book (which is incensed before the Gospel is proclaimed), it is used for gifts of bread and wine, and for the ministers and the faithful (at the time of the offertory). It is used also at the time of the consecration. Incense is used at Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and during processions. On the Feast of Corpus Christi, there will be a Eucharistic Procession at Saint Mary’s, and incense will be used. Incense is also used at Funeral Masses, at the absolutions of the dead.

In the Extraordinary Form, the priest offers the following prayers while incensing the altar at the time of the offertory. He first blesses the incense, with the following prayer: “Through the intercession of blessed Michael the Archangel standing at the right hand of the altar of incense, and of all His elect, may the Lord vouchsafe to bless this incense, and to receive it in the odor of sweetness. Through Christ our Lord.” As he incenses the bread and wine he prays: “May this incense, which You have blessed, O Lord, ascend to You, and Your mercy descend upon us.” He incenses the altar, praying: “Let my prayer, O Lord, be directed as incense in Your sight: the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and a door round about my lips. Incline not my heart to evil words: to make excuses in sins.” The priest then hands the thurible to the deacon, saying: “May the Lord enkindle within us the fire of His love, and the flame of everlasting charity. Amen.”

May all of our life be like incense, like a pleasing offering to God, like a sweet-smelling offering made to Christ our King. As Saint Paul writes to the Corinthians, we “For we are the good odor of Christ unto God” (2 Cor 2:15).

- The Father John A. Hardon, S.J., Basic Catholic Catechism study group will meet on Monday, 23 April and on Monday, 7 May, at 10:30 A.M., in the Board Room of the Ministry Center.
- By way of reminder, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd has concluded for the present academic year. There will soon be opportunity to register for next year.
- In the summer, the Labor Mariae Sisters will again host "At the School of Mary" summer catechesis for children. More details about dates and ages will be forthcoming in the bulletin.
**April is Volunteer Appreciation Month.** The Board of Directors of the Outreach Center wish to recognize the volunteers who keep our ministry going. On the chart to the left are the volunteers for the Tuesday morning shift.

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**Tuesday Morning Shift Extra Help Once a Month for Delivery of Harvester’s Food**

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Like to dance??? We could use some volunteers to help lead the dances for the Pentecost Picnic!

We’ll meet on Saturday, May 5th & 12th in Fitzgerald Hall after the 5:00pm Mass to learn the dances before hand so that things run a little smoother the day of the picnic. We’ll be learning simple line dances and reels, perfect for beginners and experts alike! Join us, it’ll be fun!

For more information contact Zach Gard at 816-252-0121 ext107 or send an email to zach@saintmarysparish.org

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**Bunco Ladies Night**
**Reminder:** Next Saturday, April 28th, 6:00 p.m. Fitz Hall. This is a great time for fellowship and to learn about the Altar & Rosary organization. You do not need to be a member to participate. All ladies are welcome. Cost is $5.00 per person. Cash prizes. Please bring a treat to share, sandwiches will be served.

**ST. MICHAEL the ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CAMPS**
This summer, St. Michael the Archangel will be hosting summer athletic camps for student grades K-8. The camps will be run by coaches from SMA. Available sports and registration info can be found at smacatholic.org/camps.

For more information, please contact Rich Weitz @ 913-302-8564 or rweitz@smacatholic.org.

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**WEDDINGS ~ FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ~ CONFIRMATIONS ~ MOTHER’S DAY ~ FATHER’S DAY**
You pick the holiday, and we’ve got that ‘something special’ gift just for you.

Stop by the Book Shop located in the South Vestibule to find books, rosaries, bracelets, medals and many other wonderful Catholic gift ideas for this busy season!

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** Mother (Lisa) and two daughters
*** Husband (Steve) to Patty Willis on Thursday afternoon shift
**** Rita was one of the original founders of the Outreach Center with the Sisters of Mercy in 1979.