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Mass Schedule/Intentions

This Sunday, March 31

6:30 am Brussels— For the People 8:00 am Meppen— Darleen Twichell 9:30 am Hardin— Louis & Jason Sagez

11:00 am Michael — Rosanna & Carl Roth & Jon Brackett

5:00 pm Hardin— No Mass

Mon. 7:00 am Hardin— Cindy Klunk (Month's Mind) Tues. **6:00 pm Meppen**— Darren Kress (1 Yr Anniv) 8:30 am Hardin— Jon Davis (1 Yr Ànniv) Wed. Thu. 7:00 am Hardin— Jim Bailey (Month's Mind)

9:30 am Nursing Home — No Mass

Fri. **8:30** am Brussels— Men & Women in Service/

Youth of the Community

Pastor: Rev. Don J. Roberts

Rectory: 883-2309

Sat.

8:00 am Batchtown— Sandy Kiel 4:00 pm Kampsville— Norman Titus

6:30 pm Brussels— Charles Droege

Next Sunday, April 7

8:00 am Meppen— Deceased Priests of the Diocese

9:30 am Hardin— Barbara Powers **5:00 pm Hardin**— For the People

Confessions

Sunday	7:30-7:45 AM	Meppen
Monday	6:30-6:45 AM	Hardin
Tuesday	5:30-5:45 PM	Meppen
Wednesday	8:00-8:15 AM	Hardin
Thursday	6:30-6:45 AM	Hardin
Friday	8:00-8:15 AM	Brussels
Saturday	3:15-3:30 PM	Kampsville
	5:45-6:00 PM	Brussels

^{*} see additional times during Lent on page 2 of bulletin

Parish Staff & Boards

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Pastoral Council—2nd Tuesday @ 7 pm; Robin Hillen

St. Mary Advisory Board—4th Tuesday @ 7 pm

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St. Norbert Advisory Board—1st Tuesday @ 7 pm

The Sacraments and Our Parish Life

Parish Membership—Call or stop by either parish office. For St. Francis of Assisi, you may visit www.sfacalhoun.com and click on Join Our Parish.

Matrimony—Please contact the office at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date. One person in the couple must be a registered parishioner and a practicing Catholic.

Baptisms—Baptisms may be celebrated after Mass any Sunday of the year and should occur within a month of birth. Prior to your child's birth, both parents must register for our Baptism Program, and attend before the baptism. These are held at the Hardin office quarterly, with the next one on Friday, June 7, at 6:30pm.

Anointing of the Sick/Home Visits—If you or a loved one is in need of this sacrament or would like a visit and Holy Communion, please contact the church office or Fr. Roberts. Eucharistic Adoration—Eucharistic Adoration is held in St. Barbara's Church in Batchtown on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please contact Lisa Vogel at 618-883-2200.

PSR—We meet on Wednesday evenings, 6-7:15pm. If you are new, we welcome you to call or stop by either office.

Please Pray for the Sick

Names will remain on the Pray for the Sick list for 12 weeks then are automatically deleted. To be included on this list, contact either parish office by phone or email.

Lorraine Hillen (10) Raymond Sievers (10) Elda Hayn (10) Cathy Stelbrink (9) June Becker (8) Neal & Donna Funk (7) Terese Gerson (6) Cecilia Mueller (6) Jim Hughart (5) Anna Mae Griffin (5)

Sandy Kulp (5) Michelle Eberlin Quincy (5) Lavonna Toppmeyer (4) Alice Winters (4) Cindy Wieneke (4) Stella Schultz (3) Marietta Bick (3) Karen Friedel (3) Kristi Quick (3)

Marissa Buchanan (2)

Looking Ahead

April 9— SNS Open House

April 12 — SMS Grandparents Day

April 20— First Reconciliation



March 31, 2024 **Easter Sunday**

Announcements

Special Collections: There will be a special second collection for the Seminarians on Easter, March 30-31.

SVDP and CRS Rice Bowl: Remember to turn in your Rice Bowl donations. Please give generously to the Rice Bowl campaign as St. Vincent de Paul, Calhoun County, receives money each year from this collection! Checks may be placed in the collection, payable to SFA or BT with Rice Bowl in the memo section.

Mowing of the cemeteries will be starting, so please remove any floral decorations you want to keep or need to be discarded. If arrangements are in the way of the mower or weed eater, damage could occur. Please keep in mind that our cemeteries are special places, and it is important to help make the mowing job a little easier.

<u>St. Norbert Altar Society</u> will meet on Monday, April 8 at 1pm.

<u>St. Barbara's Altar Society</u> will NOT meet in April.

<u>St. Mary's Picnic Committee</u> would like to meet with the heads of stands on Friday, April 19 at 6:30 at the church hall.

St. Mary's Adoration Angels and Sanctuary candles are available for several weekends in 2024. St. Barbara's and St. Joseph's also have many open weekends. The cost is \$5 for each candle payable to the Altar Society of the church and the name(s) in memory or honor of will be posted in the bulletin for the intended week. Call the office if interested, 883-2400.

St. Francis of Assisi will have a second collection next weekend, April 6-7 for the parish Capital Campaign. We will continue to do so weekly, unless there is another diocesan special collection. We have collected \$68,866 (77%) of our \$90,000 goal. We urge your generosity as we strive to meet our goal.

Divine Mercy Sunday Devotion

April 7 at 3:00pm

St. Mary Church, Brussels

St. Norbert Church, Hardin

Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction



SANCTUARY LIGHTS

The votive intentions for the week of March 31
St. Barbara - Ambrose & Delores Hillen Family
St. Joseph - Mark & Ida Tepen Family
St. Mary (s) - Floyd & Leola Kirn
St. Mary (a) - Henry & Anna (Kamp) Fortschneider
St. Norbert - Louis & Jason Sagez

Illinois March for Life and Mass – Wednesday, April 17, 2024. Mass, 10 a.m., Sangamon Auditorium, on the UIS Campus, 1 University Plaza, Springfield. Noon, rally in front of the State Capitol, followed by a march around the State Capitol complex. The Mass, rally and march are intended for 7th-12th graders, college students, and adults. Individuals, families, and groups can register for the Illinois March for Life Mass by going to the diocesan wesite: www.dio.org and clicking on the image for the March.

Attend the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage coming to cities in our diocese – You are invited to a once-in-a-lifetime experience being called "our national Emmaus moment," after the biblical passage in which Jesus walked with two of his disciples along the road to Emmaus. The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage is an unprecedented pilgrimage in which Catholics will pray and publicly follow Jesus in their cities through Eucharistic processions. The Diocese of Springfield in Illinois is excited to be included in one of the national routes July 8-12. Cities include Collinsville, Alton, Quincy, Girard, Springfield, Effingham, and Teutopolis. Go to dio.org/procession to learn more and register!

Attend the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis July 17-21 – This summer, join tens of thousands of passionate Catholics will travel from every corner of the U.S. to experience the healing power of Jesus Christ, present in the holy Eucharist at the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. Soak in the Presence of Jesus alongside people of all walks of life – a vivid image of the universal Church. You will participate in beautiful liturgies, lifting your voice in prayer alongside world-class musicians, hear from the most influential Catholic speakers of our day, and make history as part of the first National Eucharistic Congress in nearly 100 years. This is the beginning of a new chapter of faith in America. Will you be there? Register at eucharisticcongress.org.

Welcome to our Faith

Isaac Roland Caselton son of Riley & Molly Caselton



Stewardship of Treasure March 17, 2024

Blessed Trinity Collections (Envelopes: 54 of 355)								
		Actual		Budget	Diff			
Regular	\$	2,725.00	\$	3,577.00	\$	(852.00)		
YTD	\$	147,870.85	\$	135,926.00	\$	11,944.85		
School	\$	120.00						
St. Francis of Assisi Collections (Envelopes: 57 of 257)								
	Actual		Budget		Diff			
Regular	\$	2,788.00	\$	4,096.00	\$	(1,308.00)		
YTD	\$	155,545.60	\$	155,648.00	\$	(102.40)		

280.00

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Mercy—The Message of Easter

Happy Easter!

Did you know that, as Catholics, we celebrate the Solemnity of Easter not only on Easter Sunday, but for eight days? We call these days the Octave of Easter, and the last day of this Octave is Divine Mercy Sunday. And did you know that Jesus offers extraordinary graces to souls specifically on this last day of the Octave? He told St. Faustina:



On that day, [Divine Mercy Sunday] the very depths of My tender mercy are opened. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, though its sins be as scarlet. (Diary, 699)

This truly is a triumph of God's mercy and love! Why? Because when we normally go to Confession, our sins are forgiven and the eternal punishment due to sin (i.e., hell) is removed, but the temporal punishment due to sin (Purgatory) may still remain. However, Our Lord offers us the remission of sins and of all punishment due to sin on the Octave of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday.

How do we obtain this grace?

- By making a valid Confession before or on the day of the Feast.
- By receiving Holy Communion on the day of the Feast in a state
 of grace (no mortal sin)** and with the intention of obtaining
 the promised grace.

The Feast of Divine Mercy is celebrated in every Catholic Church throughout the world on the first Sunday after Easter Sunday. This year Divine Mercy Sunday is April 7^h.

Let us not hesitate to receive the grace Our Lord wants to offer us on this Octave Day of Easter—for the glory of His name and our own eternal happiness!

If you would like to learn more about Divine Mercy Sunday, St. Faustina, or the message of Divine Mercy, please go to www.thedivinemercy.org.

**The extraordinary blessing of Divine Mercy Sunday requires you to receive Communion on the day of the Feast in a state of grace—hence the requirement to have gone to Confession sometime before or on the Feast. If you are in the state of very serious or mortal sin, you must always confess it before receiving Jesus in Holy Communion, or you will commit a sacrilege, which is also a very serious sin. If you haven't been going to Sunday Mass without any good reason, you may be in a state of serious sin, and you must confess before receiving Jesus in the Holy Communion.

SCHOOL NEWS

St. Mary School

www.stmarysbrussels.org

- Mar 28 Apr 1 Easter Break
- Apr 12 Grandparents Day 1:30pm @ Brussels Legion
- Apr 20 1st Reconciliation 9am @ St. Mary Church

St. Norbert School

- Mar. 28—Apr. 1— No School (Easter Break)
- Apr. 9— Kindergarten Open House, 6pm
- April 20— First Reconciliation, 11am at St. Norbert Church
- We are currently seeking an elementary teacher for our upcoming 2024-2025 school year.



March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday

"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth."—COLOSSIANS 3:2 On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died, rose and opened the gates of heaven for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how God is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

Catholic Renewal Weekend (Cursillo)

Upcoming dates in Quincy, IL: Women's weekend April 11-14

Please contact Tim or Maria Carmody at 618-444-6337 if you'd like to take part in either of these weekends.



Banns of Marriage

Tom Prize and Maria Wieneke

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

	4:00 pm April 6 Kampsville	6:30pm April 6 Brussels	8:00am April 7 Meppen	9:30am April 7 Hardin	5:00pm April 7 Hardin
Servers:	Volunteers	Charlotte Rose, Kate & Eve Schleeper	Conley Klocke, Allie Franke, Dayton Brundies	Volunteers	Volunteers
Lector:	John Baltisberger	Yvonne Nolte	Taylor Sievers	Julie Godar	Volunteer
Ushers:	Delbert & Luke Fraley	Darren Kulp, Cliff Nolte	Carl & Aaron Kiel	Brett & Drake Pohlman	Volunteers
Offertory:		Darren Kulp Family	Aaron Kiel Family	Mike Hagen Jr. Family	Volunteers
Extra-Ordinary Ministers:	Tom Droste	Kim Vogel	JoAnn Kiel	Patrick Simon	

March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday

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