

Blessed Trinity Parish

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Mass Schedule/Intentions

This 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

Mon. 7:00 am Hardin— Jim Ringhausen

Tues. 6:00 pm Meppen— Dale, Mary & Marie Hare

Wed. 8:30 am Hardin— Memorial Association

Thu. 7:00 am Hardin— Bernard Baalman (Month's Mind)

9:30 am Nursing Home— No Mass

Fri. 8:30 am Brussels— Henry & Rose Behrens

Sat. 8:00 am Batchtown— John Siemer

4:00 pm Kampsville— Edna Roth

6:30 pm Brussels— Young Families in our parish

Next Sunday, April 14

8:00 am Meppen— Ed Hillen

9:30 am Hardin— Homer Gansz

5:00 pm Hardin— For the People

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.

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

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 (11)	Michelle Eberlin Quincy (6)
Raymond Sievers (11)	Lavonna Toppmeyer (5)
Elda Hayn (11)	Alice Winters (5)
Cathy Stelbrink (10)	Cindy Wieneke (5)
June Becker (9)	Stella Schultz (4)
Neal & Donna Funk (8)	Marietta Bick (4)
Terese Gerson (7)	Karen Friedel (4)
Cecilia Mueller (7)	Kristi Quick (4)
Jim Hughart (6)	Marissa Buchanan (3)
Anna Mae Griffin (6)	Joan Kiel (1)
Sandy Kulp (6)	

Parish Staff & Boards

Deacon - Mike Hagen, 618-971-2391, mikehagen73@yahoo.com

St. Vincent de Paul—3rd Thurs 6:30; Brad Vacca 314-608-9302

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Finance Council—2nd Tuesday @ 8 pm; JoAnn Kiel

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

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

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Pastoral Council—3rd Tues @ 7 pm; Dick Lieber, 217-320-8792

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

Looking Ahead

April 9— SNS Open House

April 9— BT pastoral & finance councils will meet at

St. Mary's Hall

April 12— SMS Grandparents Day

April 20— First Reconciliation

June 1— St. Anselm Game Night

Announcements

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.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Thank You: Together we raised \$52,497 for our parish at the recent dinner auction! Thank you all for making this event a success!

Thank You to the family of Barney “Doc” Baalman for the memorial donation to St. Norbert School. It is very much appreciated.

St. Norbert Altar Society will meet on Monday, April 8 at 1pm.

St. Anselm Altar Society will meet on Tuesday, April 9 at 6pm in the Hall.

St. Barbara's Altar Society will NOT meet in April.

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

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.

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 13-14 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



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 website: 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.

SANCTUARY LIGHTS



The votive intentions for the week of April 7
St. Mary (s)(a) - Mr. & Mrs. Tom Prize

Stewardship of Treasure March 24, 2024

Blessed Trinity Collections (Envelopes: 81 of 355)

	Actual	Budget	Diff
Regular	\$ 3,759.00	\$ 3,577.00	\$ 182.00
YTD	\$ 151,629.85	\$ 139,503.00	\$ 12,126.85
School	\$ 45.00		

St. Francis of Assisi Collections (Envelopes: 66 of 257)

	Actual	Budget	Diff
Regular	\$ 3,984.00	\$ 4,096.00	\$ (112.00)
YTD	\$ 159,529.60	\$ 159,744.00	\$ (214.40)
STF	\$ 1,855.00		

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

- Apr 12 - Grandparents Day 1:30pm @ Brussels Legion
- Apr 20 - 1st Reconciliation 9am @ St. Mary Church
- April 22—May 3 - BOGO Book Fair
- May 3 - May Crowning
- May 17 - Last Day of School & PreK Graduation

St. Norbert School

- 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.
- Thank You to the family of Barney "Doc" Baalman for the memorial donation to St. Norbert School. It is very much appreciated.

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Divine Mercy Sunday

"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..." – Acts 4:32

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts for the benefit of others.

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.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

	4:00 pm April 13 Kampsville	6:30pm April 13 Brussels	8:00am April 14 Meppen	9:30am April 14 Hardin	5:00pm April 14 Hardin
Servers:	Volunteers	Aubree Behrens, Bradley Bonner, Dayton Brundies	Kate & Eve Schleeper, Ryan Baalman	Volunteers	Volunteers
Lector:	Jeanie Clendenny	Mary Lee Rose	Lisa Fuhler	Patrick Simon	Volunteer
Ushers:	Bill Klunk, Ralph Becker	Don Moennig, Willie Rose	Mark Baalman, Mike Nelson	Joe Friedel, Caleb Goode	Volunteers
Offertory:		Willie Rose Family	Tim Sievers Family	Pat Hurley Family	Volunteers
Extra-Ordinary Ministers:	Mary Gilman	Rita Hagen	Kate Sievers	Dick Lieber	

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Sunday of Divine Mercy

2024 Memorial Association

Gale, Marilyn & Dick Aulabaugh
 Richard Aulabaugh
 Albert, Vernie & Ronald Baalman
 Harry, Margaret, & Alfred Baalman
 Joe & Helen Baalman Family
 Barney & Mark B. Baalman
 Paul Baalman
 Lowell & Mary Bailey
 John, Elsie & Karen Baltisberger &
 Roy Jacobs

Alvina & Barbara Beaty
 Ralph & Opal Becker
 Arch & Anita Beers
 Henry & Rose M. Behrens
 Raphael Behrens Family
 Kenny Bick
 Lawrence and Sally Bick Family
 Leslie & Mary Breden
 Marvin & Violet Breden
 Frank & Rosalie Brice
 Henry & Virginia Burch
 Ray & Gertie Cappel
 Charles, Sr & Berniece Carnes Family
 Wm. & Mary Droege Family
 Edna & Harold Eberlin
 Ray, Dorothy, & David Eberlin
 Ed & Emma Flanigan & Norbert Tepen
 Lawrence & Emma Flanigan
 Henry & Anna Fortschneider
 Joe, Norma & Barney Fortschneider
 Craig Franke
 Edmund & Florence Friedel
 Joseph P. Friedel
 Paul, Eileen, Delbert & Vera Friedel
 Wayne & Roseann Friedel

Aloys & Robert Fuhler
 Henry & Dorothy Fuhler Family
 Cletus & Esther German Family
 Bill & Irene Godar Family
 Norbert & Mary J. Godar Family
 Norbert Jr., Todd, Norbert Sr. &
 Johanna Gotway
 Paul & Theresa Godar Family
 Arthur (Bud) Gress
 LeRoy, Bret and Tim Hagen
 Auburn L. Hager
 Oscar F. Haug
 Melvin & Geneva Heffington
 Elmer & Miriam Held
 Pete, Dolores & Randy Hillen
 Paul, Helen, & Bobby Hoemmen
 Joe & Sue Hurley Family
 Tobias, Jr., Beatrice & Kenny Kamp
 Sandy Kiel
 James & Judy Kinder
 Don & Wilma Kirn
 Floyd, Leola & Bob Kirn
 Leonard & Bernice Klocke Family
 Raymond & Ellen Klocke
 Peter & Lillian Klunk Family
 Darren Kress
 Henry & Mary Kronable
 Wilma Krysl & Barb VanDoren
 Bill & Sue Lorschbach
 Paul, Lucille & Paula Lorschbach
 Tom Lorschbach
 William F. Lorschbach Family
 Jim Macauley
 Michael G. Margherio
 Ray and Marge Menke

Everette, Martin, Marie & Leland Meyer
 Elmer & Emma Moennig & Emily Kiel
 Francis, Valeria & Gary Moses
 Paul & Marie Mossman
 Orville Mueller
 August, Evie, Allen & Larry Nolte
 Joe & Maymie Petrowski
 Amy & Roger Pohlman
 Bob & Lorraine Pohlman Family
 Vince Pohlman and Paul & Angelina
 Siemer
 Albert & Dora Ringhausen Family
 James A. Ringhausen
 Curtis Sr. & Eleanor Robeen
 Doug, Mike & Baby Michael Robeen
 Louis & Eleanor Robeen
 Mary Carol Robeen
 Vince & Virginia Robeen
 Dale Roberts
 Deborah Roberts
 Maurice Roberts
 Richard & Margaret Roberts
 Charles, David & Dan Rose &
 Eileen Reeves
 Robert H. "Bob" Rose
 Bill & Edna Roth
 Raymond, Ruth & Tom Roth
 Jason, Louis & Laura Sagez
 Alfred & Izella Schleeper
 Charles Schleeper
 Leo, Estelle, Leo B., Toby & Carol
 Schleeper
 Edward & Laura Schmidt
 George & Mary Alice Schmidt
 Kathleen Schrier

Henry, Mildred, Bertha & John Schulte
 Megan Ann Sibley
 Edmond & Martha Sievers
 Ferdinand, Caroline & Bob Sievers
 Joe, Clara & Randy Sievers
 Stanley & Clara Sievers Family
 Connie, Bernie & Kevin Snyders
 Raphael & Phyllis Snyders
 Vince, Agnes & Otto Snyders
 Irene Wittmond Steiner
 Ed & Bernadette Wittmond Stelbrink
 Frank & Carol James & Edward F.
 Stephens III
 Albert & Leona Stumpf
 Jerome & Gene Stumpf
 Matt & Irene Telkamp Family
 Art & David Tepen
 Cletus & Jane Tepen
 Elmer and Rosalie Tepen
 Harry & Doris Tepen
 Steve & Herman Tepen
 Bill Titus
 Norman & Joyce Titus
 Elizabeth "Liz" Toppmeyer & Lydia
 Carnes
 Darleen Twichell
 Rodney & Gus Wallendorf
 Chasity Wickenhauser
 Ed, Janet & Bruce Williams Family
 Carl & Zelora Wittmond
 Charles & Caroline Wittmond
 Edward & Elsa Wittmond
 Leontine Wittmond Wolf
 Jim & Marie Wolfe Family
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