

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Reddick, IL

Divine Mercy Sunday — April 3, 2016

### Parish Staff:

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### Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm

### Reconciliation:

Before Mass or by Appointment

**Sacrament of Baptism** – Baptisms are celebrated during the Saturday 5:30p.m. Mass. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

**Marriages** – Diocesan Policy require at least a six month preparation process. Couples who are planning to marry should speak directly with the Pastor before setting a date. No Weddings are scheduled on Sundays.

**Hospitalized Parishioners** – Due to a change in the privacy law, Father cannot go to the hospital and ask for a list of parishioners for him to visit. As a patient, you must ask the hospital to notify the Rectory that you are requesting a visit. For our homebound parishioners, if you would like Father to visit, please call the Rectory and Father will be more than happy to come and visit you. Thank you!

### Mass Intentions:

4/02/16 Sat. 5:30pm +Brian Buckley (Rosemary Brooks)  
 4/07/16 Thurs. 8:30am +William Brooks (Family)  
 4/09/16 Sat. 5:30pm +Parishioners

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Rectory. Suggested Donation is \$10.

**Remember in Prayer** our deceased relatives and friends, the ill of our parish and community, nursing home residents, the homeless, hungry and unemployed, those living alone and our own special intentions we hold deep in our hearts. Keep in prayer all men and women serving our country, the injured and those being held prisoners. Let us not forget all men and women who gave up their lives so that we may live in freedom and peace!

### Liturgical Schedule for Lectors/Servers

4/02/16 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Jane/Servers-Mike & Matt  
 4/09/16 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Bridget/Servers-Miles, Jackson & Elsie

### Holy Father's Intention for the month of April:

*General Intention:* That small farmers may receive a just reward for their precious labor.

### Weekly Income:

Easter Collection	\$ 885.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 100.00
Good Friday	\$ 175.00
Thank you for your generosity!	

### Prayers for Sick

Sue Eich and Heidi Ehrhardt.

The Rectory Office will be closed on Tuesday, April 5th and Friday, April 8th.

Divine Mercy Sunday (April 3rd) —celebrate at St. Patrick Parish, 245 S Indiana Avenue, Kankakee. Join us for a holy hour consisting of Confession, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, Veneration of Relic of St. Faustina, Rosary and Chaplet. 3-5pm, Mass at 4pm.

**Lions Breakfast**—The Gardner Lions Club will serve breakfast on Sunday, April 10, from 7 am to noon at the Gardner American Legion Hall. \$7 Adults, \$3 Ages 5-10, Children under 5 eat free.

We are called to be a resurrection people and reflect God's love and mercy in our own lives and relationships with others. Let your marriage sacrament truly reflect God's love and mercy; sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on April 8-10, 2016 or June 10-12, 2016 or August 12-14, 2016, all at Elk Grove Village, IL. Early registration is highly recommended. For reservations/information, call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through <http://wwme-chicagoland.org>.

You're invited: The video journey, Doors of Mercy, will begin on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at the St. Lawrence parish hall 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. The first part of this journey is Adam & Eve: The Promise followed by Noah: The Restoration. The time between our first parents and Noah was marked by sin and wickedness yet God would still love and remain faithful to His people through His perfect love and mercy. We invite all parishioners to embark on this journey with us each Sunday morning through May 1<sup>st</sup>

### Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

**April 2/3, 2016** -In today's first reading from the Acts of the Apostles we hear it proclaimed that many "signs and wonders" were performed in public by Christ's followers, a demonstration that produced two results. First, the people of Jerusalem outside the Christian community were awed by what the disciples were performing. And in the midst of all this amazement, many were being converted. Good stewards know of the evangelizing power emanating from their daily acts of love, compassion, mercy and generosity. They believe that if they stay focused on Christ each day, every act has the power to transform a broken world. What "signs and wonders" will we perform today?

### 2016 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL PLEDGE REPORT

**Monthly pledge payments for the CMAA pledges should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached goal in paid pledges, 65% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.**

<b>PARISH GOAL:</b>	<b>\$ 2,071.00</b>
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$ 1,615.00
AMOUNT PAID:	\$ 1,615.00
REMAINING BALANCE:	\$ 0.00
REBATE AMOUNT:	\$ 0.00



### Second Sunday in Easter Time – 03 April

**We cannot hide.** No out-of-the-way room, no locked door keeps the Risen Christ away from us. He finds the way to us day after day. We recognize him, both in his repeated Easter greeting ("Peace be with you.") and in his badges beyond death (resurrected wounds in hands and side). We recognize him in bread and wine transformed. We recognize him in those who gather with us – those near, those across the room, those in between. Jesus is seen on Sunday. And we are seen by him, with him, in him. Like Doubting-to-Believing Thomas, we put our fingers and hands on him. And like the disciples, he breathes on us mercy and forgiveness.

- Who needs mercy and forgiveness this week?
- Who needs **my** merciful forgiveness? Perhaps it is someone I love. Perhaps it is someone I don't.

