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4th Sunday of Lent

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12 The people of God entered the promised land and there kept the Passover.

Reading 2: Corinthians 5:17-21 God reconciled us to himself through Christ.

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 Your brother was dead and has come to life again.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	26	5:00 p.m.	ML	Jeanine Ricke	✠	4 th Sunday of Lent
Sunday	27	8:30 a.m.	SH	Roberta Lampe	✠	4 th Sunday of Lent
Sunday	27	10:30 a.m.	KW	Charles & Josephine Inslee	✠	4 th Sunday of Lent
Tuesday	29	8:30 a.m.	ML	Evan Withrow	✠	4 th Tuesday of Lent
Wednesday	30	6:00 p.m.	ML	Dennis Larkin	✠	4 th Wednesday of Lent
Thursday	31	8:30 a.m.	KW	Jerry Blevins	✠	4 th Thursday of Lent
Friday	1	8:30 a.m.	SH	Roman Blick, Jr.	✠	4 th Friday of Lent
Saturday	2	5:00 p.m.	ML	John Harding	✠	5 th Sunday of Lent
Sunday	3	8:30 a.m.	SH	Parishioners	✠	5 th Sunday of Lent
Sunday	3	10:30 a.m.	KW	Randy Shinliver	✠	5 th Sunday of Lent

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 Minutes before Each Mass

Fourth Sunday of Lent 2022

The Need to Collaborate with God to Enhance Our Welfare

Our scripture readings today show clearly that our welfare depends on how best we collaborate with God, utilizing the gifts he gives to us effectively to sustain and enhance our welfare.

Life and good health are the basic and greatest gifts and resources given to us by God. In addition to these, material resources can be acquired through hard work and good inter-personal relationships.

To be able to work and sustain ourselves does not give us the opportunity to pride ourselves in whatever we get from our labors, thinking that it is by our own power and skills that we have acquired whatever material possessions we have. We need the grace of God in whatever we do, no matter our profession and skills, in order to make it in life.

The Parable of the Prodigal Son has taught us that no matter the material wealth we have, without the Wisdom of God, we may not be able to utilize it effectively and productively to our advantage. The younger son had everything that he asked for but lacked the wisdom that should have been given to him by the father if he had humbled himself in order to use the wealth to his advantage. There was lack of collaboration between him and his father.

However, coming to his senses, he had to return to the source of wisdom, the father. Having taken that decision, he has become a new person, a new creation; leaving his old self of ignorance and pride to be filled with the grace of God.

We are called today to become new creation in Christ, to leave our old self of sin and be reconciled with GOD. Everybody deserves this newness of self despite our history of waywardness. God's gift is for all his children, he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. (Mt. 5:45)

This is our time of decision making. Why don't we try like the Prodigal Son and return into the love of God through Christ. Let us taste and see that the Lord is good. --Father Emmanuel

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Father Mark Brantley, Kathy & John Dohm. Lennes Rankin, Adalynn Amerin, Myra Dick, The Ringer Family, Ella Rundle, Eileen Schmidt, Jerome Ricke, John Eck, Herb Landwehr, Jaunita Ricke, Hugh Rankin, Mary Eck, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick

For the Faithful Departed:

John Harding, Kevin Lee Austin, Pete Eck, Betty Schmidt, Jerry Blevins, Mary Contrell, Phillip Simpson, Mike Lynch, Dennis Larkin, Joyce Ditgen, KaSondra Mantey, Mabel Boor, Amari Allen, William “Bud” Becker and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

For the Military:

Triston Boor, Austin Stull, Jackson Petit, Christopher Coggins, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis, Luke Fisher

CHURCH NEWS

Stations of the Cross

St. Boniface – Fridays at 5:00 pm.

Holy Rosary – Following Wednesday evening mass at 6:00 pm

St. John – Thursdays at 6:00 pm

KOC Fish Fry – Sharon

Sharon KOC are hosting their annual fish fries again this year!

5:30-7:30 at the Knights’ Hall in Sharon and continuing for the next 3 Fridays.

Holy Rosary Parish First Communion

Holy Rosary will be hosting the Sacrament of First Communion on March 26th at 5:00 pm Mass. The families of the young children making their First Communion would like to invite you to stay for supper following Mass to help celebrate this milestone in their young children’s spiritual lives!

St. Boniface Parish Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at St. Boniface on April 6th.

Ministry Schedule April 2nd – 3rd

Week 1	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Briana Stephenson	John Miller	Kay Koger
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Volunteer
Lector 2	Steve Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Kay Koger
General Intercessions	Jacob Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Linda Sheldon
Eucharistic Ministers	Dean Eck Lawrence Smith Shelia Ricke	Delores Moreno Glenna Reif Melvin Reif	Myra Dick Kayla Honas Nathan Honas Volunteers
Servers	Jack Schreiner Mindy Wells Drake Schmidt	Volunteers	Volunteers
Musician	Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Kathy Dohm
Greeters			Miles and Linda Sheldon
Sacristan	Sheila Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Brenda Wright
Rosary	Lawrence Smith		Brenda Wright