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Baptism: Contact Fr. Kubista at least

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Register for 2nd grade Faith

grade Faith Formation classes.

Confirmation Wednesday evenings

First Confession & Holy Eucharist:

Confirmation: Register for 9th &10th

**Marriage:** Contact Fr. Kubista at least

member or becoming a Catholic,

contact Fr. Kubista.

class and set a date.

from Sept 20th-March

Formation classes.

### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

March 31st 2024

# St Mary of Czestochowa

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Growing together in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, leading others to Him; striving to become saints.

six months before the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you move to a nursing home or care facility and would like a priest to visit, or if unable to attend mass and would like communion at home, contact Fr. Kubista.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact Fr. Kubista when seriously ill or near death.

Funerals: Contact Fr. Kubista

Eucharistic Adoration - First Friday of every month 9-10am (including Confessions, Benediction) and Wednesdays 9am-6pm.

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First Saturday devotions start 35 minutes prior to 4pm Mass.

Mass Intention Requests may be placed in the collection plate. Please enclose them in an envelope along with instructions (i.e., desired dates, number of masses, etc). Or contact Sue Roskowiak at 612-414-4705.

Bulletin Items by Thurs noon: kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

**Hall Rental:** Contact Mary Kay Swartzer.

**Safe Environment Coordinator:** Kathleen Motzko kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

*Formed.org* sign in under St. Boniface.

MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions			
Sat 30th	8pm*	Walter Swartzer+	
Sun 31st	8:30am	St Mary's Living & Deceased	
Tues 2nd	6:30pm	Ray Roszkowiak+	
Wed 3rd	8:30am	NO MASS	
Thur 4th	8:30am	Dennis Haven+	
Fri 5th	8:30am	Zita Wally+	
Sat 6th	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased	
Sun 7th	8:30am	Joe Odenthal+	

Reconciliation Times: One-half hour before each Mass or by appointment

Rosary Times: starts 16 min before each weekday Mass and 20 min before Sat & Sun Masses

**Divine Mercy Chaplet** after each weekday Mass

Lector and Sacristan Schedule		
Mar 30th	Paul D & Tracy A (L), Depas (S), Jim & George (U)	
Mar 31st	Deb D (L/S), Joe M & Jim Otto (U)	
Apr 6th	George & Sue (L/S), Don G & volunteer (U)	
Apr 7th	Stephanie C (L), Heather D (S), Jim Otto & Joe M (U)	



### A Message from Fr. Kubista:

One of the cardinal virtues is justice. The Catholic Encyclopedia says justice "is a moral quality or habit which perfects the will and inclines it to render to each and to all what belongs to them." The Catechism of the Catholic Church says: "Justice is the moral virtue that consists in the constant and firm will to give their due to God and neighbor." (CCC1807) It is important to do what is right for another.

Further definitions of justice, are "the quality of being just; righteousness, equitableness, or moral rightness" or "the quality of being just or right, as a human or divine attribute; moral uprightness;", point to righteousness. If we read in the Bible, it acknowledges this. "Or if one loves righteousness, whose works are virtues, She teaches moderation [temperance] and prudence, righteousness and fortitude, and nothing in life is more useful than these." (Wisdom 8:7) These are the four cardinal virtues, one of them being righteousness or justice which would be the most important because the others come from it. If we do what is right, we will be prudent, temperate, and courageous in our approach to acting rightly. The very first line in the Book of Wisdom emphasizes that we are to "love righteousness, you who judge the earth; think of the LORD in goodness, and seek him in integrity of heart;" (Wisdom 1:1) So we are just when we love righteousness, to love what is right and good, and act accordingly.

Justice is from the Latin word justus and the noun jus means "that which is binding or obligatory." The Ten Commandments, received by Moses, are binding and obligatory laws which guide us to do that which is right and good and concern our actions towards God and others (including ourselves). We are to love God above all (with our entire being) in part because He created us and holds us in existence, His name is sacred, and He is to be the main focus of our Sabbath. "Justice toward God is called the "virtue of religion." (CCC 1807) Our parents cooperated with God in our creation and so we always are to honor them. We are not to kill, violate, steal from, or falsely witness against others and we are not to covet (inordinately desire) others or their things. "Justice toward men disposes one to respect the rights of each and to establish in human relationships the harmony that promotes equity with regard to persons and to the common good." (CCC 1807) The Ten Commandments guide us to act justly.

We hear about justice from the Prophet Isaiah: "Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased. Upon him I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry out, nor shout, nor make his voice heard in the street. [temperance] A bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench. [prudence] He will faithfully bring forth justice. [fortitude] He will not grow dim or be bruised until he establishes justice on the earth; the coastlands will wait for his teaching." (Isaiah 42:1-4) This prophecy is fulfilled in Jesus as cited in Matthew 12:15-18.

Jesus came to bring justice to the earth and he shows us how to live it through his teachings. If we look at all the Beatitudes (part of Jesus' first major teachings we hear about in the Gospels) they too speak of how we treat others and ourselves: poor in spirit (humility or acknowledging who one really is), meek, merciful, mourning, pure of heart (to see God in others), peacemakers, persecuted for righteousness, and hunger and thirst (pray) for righteousness for God will provide ("Many curry favor with a ruler, but it is from the LORD that one receives justice." (Proverbs 29:26)),

When we are just we are blessed: "Blessed those who do what is right, whose deeds are always just." (Psalm 106:3) We pray that God would help us grow in the virtue of justice so we can follow Jesus in bringing it to the world. God bless you.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour and Devotions next weekend on Sunday, April 7th, Mankind's need for the message of Divine Mercy took on dire urgency in the 20th Century, when civilization began to experience an "eclipse of the sense of God" and, therefore to lose the understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of human life. In the 1930s, Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations concerning Divine Mercy that were recorded in her Diary.

Join us on Sunday, April 7th for a Divine Mercy Holy Hour at 3pm, with Confessions starting at 2:30pm and continuing during the Holy Hour. The Chaplet will also be prayed after the weekend Masses for Divine Marcy Sunday.

A plenary indulgence, granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff) to the faithful who, on the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday, in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached

from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. "Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!")

Our Sacrificial Giving				
We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving. Thank you.				
Average weekly collection income need	\$3,150.00			
3/24/24 Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking	\$2,435.00			
Weekly Plate collection	\$937.00			
Easter env.	\$500.00			
Flowers	\$20.00			
Collection Total for 3/24/24:	\$3,892.00			
Masses*	\$124.00			
Budgeted Collection Income 7/1/23 – 6/30/24 **	\$163,882.00			
YTD Weekly Collection (as of 3/24/24)	\$144,814.94			

<sup>\*</sup> Not included in Collection Total

# Enrollment in the Brown Scapular April 13th/14th

Fr. Kubista will be offering enrollment in the brown scapular after Masses on the weekend of April 13th/14th.

The Church will provide scapulars although you are welcome to bring your own. Also,

there will be extra scapulars if you need a replacement. Just a reminder, that scapulars are sacramentals, and that when they are old, worn out or broken, they should be disposed of in a reverent manner (i.e., burned or buried).

# Funeral Mass and Schedule Changes on Wednesday, April 3rd.

There will be no 8:30am Mass on Apr. 3rd, due to the 11am funeral Mass for Aloysius Peters.

Eucharistic Adoration hours are changed to 1pm-6pm. Morning Adorers are welcome and encouraged

to attend in the afternoon.

#### Waffle Breakfast Update

Thank you to everyone who attended the breakfast on March 17th. We raised \$598 (after expenses) that will be donated to a local Seminarian. Also, thank you to all of the volunteers who helped with the event, especially our Confirmation student helpers Charlie K, Emily H, and Greta L!

<sup>\*\*</sup> Does not include other income sources such as festival or land rent

#### **Parish Events**

- Mar 30th at 8pm—Holy Saturday Mass
- Mar 31st at 8:30am—Easter Sunday Mass
- Apr 2nd at 7:10pm—Maintenance Team Mtg
- Apr 6th at 6:30pm—Kings Bible study
- Apr 5th—First Friday Mass, Adoration, Confessions, Benediction
- Apr 6th—First Saturday Devotions
- Apr 7th—Donut Sunday
- Apr 7th—First Holy Communions
- Apr 7th at 3pm—Divine Mercy Holy Hour, Confessions at 2:30pm
- Apr 9th—Festival Mtg at 7:10pm
- Apr 16th at 7:10pm—Parish Councils meet after Mass

Thank you to everyone who helped decorate for Lent, Holy Week, and Easter, to those who helped with Triduum, and to those who donated for Easter flowers.

First Communions are next Sunday (Apr 7th). We

have 12 first communicants this year! Please keep them in your prayers this week.

## Keep In Your Prayers

Lt. Col. Andy Swartzer
(Military)
Elizabeth Roszkowiak, Mary
Lynn Swartzer, Sandy
Hendrickson, Kolby Mills,
Heather O'Brien, Betty Judd,
Karen Otto, Julie Windsperger,
Jim Berneck, Tom & Pam
Bruzek, Mary Smith,
Carol McGuire, Kent Stassen,
Rosie Cappelleri

Ever-living and ever-loving, Lord God, You are the everlasting salvation of those who believe. Hear us on behalf of (name) who is sick. We ask You to have mercy on (her/him) that, bodily health may be restored. We thank You and praise You through Jesus the Christ. Amen.



### Radio Rosary 11:00 am Sundays

KRWC - 1360 AM Buffalo

*Mar 31st*—For bishops and priests— Jean Motzko

Apr 7th—for living and deceased members of St Francis Xavier Catholic Church, Buffalo, MN

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