

**April 18, 2021  
Third Sunday of Easter**



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**WEEKEND MASSES:**

**Holy Rosary:** Saturday 5:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m.

**St. Stephen:** Sunday 8:00 a.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES:**

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday – 7:30 a.m.

Friday – 8:20 a.m.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Holy Rosary:** Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**St. Stephen:** Sunday 7:15 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

or anytime by appointment

**Mass Intentions**

<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>April 17</b> Dede Yager Kenny Fulton
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>April 18</b> Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Nick Hays
<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 19</b> No Scripture Service
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>April 20</b> Jay Williams
<b>Wednesday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>April 21</b> Gerry Spalding
<b>Thursday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>April 22</b> Seth Hays
<b>Friday</b> 8:20 a.m.	<b>April 23</b> Lorenson and Hunter Families Living
<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>April 24</b> Denny & Dorothy Moss
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>April 25</b> Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Phil & Donna Thompson

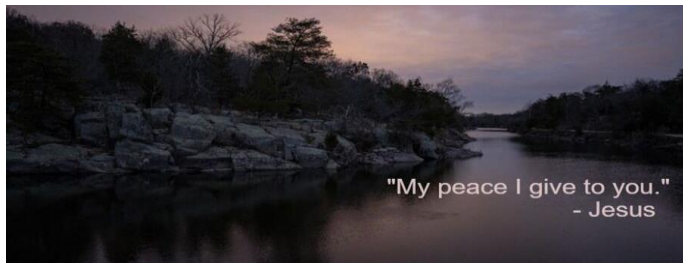
**Your Gifts to God and Parish**

March 21	\$ 7,345.50
March 28	\$ 4,322.25
April 4	\$ 8,073.55
April 11	\$ 6,318.25

**Prayer Intentions for the month of April**

**Intention of Pope Francis:** We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

**Intention of Bishop McKnight:** Let us pray for a renewed understanding of our baptismal dignity as sons and daughters of God the Father, and a commitment to living in peace with our sisters and brothers in Christ



Dear Parishioners,

Several of you know that I enjoy Turkey Hunting in the Spring. This Monday begins the Spring Turkey Season. Second only to the adrenaline rush of hearing the sound of a Tom Turkey as he double and triple gobbles while walking through the woods or grassy field -while honing in on the object of his attraction- is the beauty of experiencing the woods “wake up” to the rising sun as I sit quietly on the forest floor under a tree.

Eerie darkness slowly gives way to the hooting of a barred owl, the repetitive cry of the whippoorwill, the chirp of birds and the squawking of a squirrel. It is awesome and inspiring to experience the cool, dark, stillness of night gradually give way to the endless life and brilliant colors of a new day.

What seemed dark and shapeless comes alive. Then from the shadows of trees come the distinct shapes of bushes, trunks and leaves. What was asleep has awakened and is fluttering and jumping and hopefully gobbling and “drumming” with vitality.

When the Apostles first saw Jesus and he said, “Peace be with you,” they were in the darkness of fear and grief. They were “startled and terrified and thought they were seeing a ghost.” [Luke 24:37]. They were troubled and doubted. Jesus brought them enlightenment and peace. Jesus opened their minds to understand the Old Testament scriptures and to be able to witness the love of God and of His Son Jesus Christ to the world.

During the beauty of Spring, the Easter Season can be a time, if we let it, when Christ brings us out of the darkness of complacency and monotony to “wake up” to the light of Christ. To show us the vitality of Faith and the joy that belief in Christ can bring to us. Christ can sustain us through dark times, fearful times, and anxious times and so we follow His light to find joy and the courage to share the vitality of our Catholic Faith with others. The Holy Spirit will inspire us to witness the love and mercy of Christ to the people we encounter every day.

I do not always “bag” a turkey when I hunt, but I am always edified by the beauty of God’s creation and the peace Christ brings to me when I experience the dawn of a new day. May the Peace of Christ be with you this Easter Season. Prayers and Blessings.

*F. Greg Oligschlaeger*

**Father Mike Quinn’s Golden Jubilee celebration** will be held on June 6, 2021 with Mass at Holy Family at 3:00 p.m. followed by a meal at the armory in downtown Hannibal, MO. Everyone is welcome, please R.S.V.P. your reservation to Melody at the Holy Rosary Rectory before June 1, 2021 for food preparation count. Bring your own lawn chair, blanket, etc. Social distancing will follow CDC guidelines at that time. Masks will be provided if anyone needs one. Any questions contact Kathy Kroeger @573-795-1950 or Mary Pipkin @573-221-6841.

**Sunday Ministerial Alliance Scripture Service**  
**at Monroe City Manor**

May 4, 2021 – Howard and Linda Willard

May 18, 2021 – Jim & Sheryl Underhill

**Readings for April 25, 2021**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Acts of the Apostles 4:8–12 (50B)**

Peter explained to the people that every good deed and all restoration to health are accomplished in the name of Christ Jesus the Nazorean, through whom all are saved.

**Responsorial Psalm—Psalm 118:1, 8–9, 21–23, 26, 28, 29** The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 1 John 3:1–2** Believers are the dearly beloved children of God who do not yet know what shall come to light. When it does come to light, believers will be like God.

**Gospel – John 10:11–18** Jesus is the good shepherd who knows the sheep. The Good Shepherd not only loves and protects the sheep but is willing to lay down his life for the sheep.

**Liturgical Ministries**

**April 24 - 5:30 p.m. Mass**

**Rosary:** Audrey Fuemmeler  
**Servers:** Jaxyn Helm, Zach Smith  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Bob Kendrick, Regina Miskell, Mary David  
**Lector:** Wayne & Gina Carroll  
**Ushers:** Ruth Ann Lorensen, Kevin Bichsel, John Ritter  
**Cross Bearer:** Audrey Fuemmeler  
**Greeters:** Jina McClintic, Greg & Sue Drebes

**April 25 - 9:30 a.m. Mass**

**Rosary:** Mike Bichsel  
**Servers:** Kyndal Benson, Mackenzie Crowe  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Steve DeLaporte, Dennis Long, Dorothy Shively  
**Lector:** Jerry Copenhaver  
**Ushers:** Jim Jarman, Cliff Seward, Jerry Copenhaver  
**Cross Bearer:** Everett Pangborn  
**Greeters:** Bill & Charlotte Schneider

Heavenly Father we place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

Please pray for:

Richard Elliott Rusty Adam Regina Hays Tim Quinn  
 John Kendrick Bonnie Werner Deacon Mike Long  
 Trent Zeiger Hazel Smith Sue Gilbert Natalee Amos  
 Rosemary Evans Deanna Buckman Jackie Ryan  
 Logan Maher Mark Leake Daniel Patrick Mudd  
 Kenneth Ryan Bonnie Ess Barbara Kendrick  
 Connie Kendrick Nick Mudd William P. Smith  
 Teresa Ritter Toland

On the Calendar...

April 19 - Rosary at St. Stephen 12:00 noon  
 April 25 – Mass at Brush Creek 1:00 p.m.  
 April 30 – Holy Rosary School talent show  
 June 6 – Father Mike Quinn Golden Jubilee celebration

***“The Eucharist is the secret of my day. It gives strength and meaning to all my activities of service to the church and the whole world.” John Paul II***

**Adoration Chapel open hours:**

Sunday – 2-3 p.m.  
 Monday–Midnight-1 a.m., 1-2 a.m., 2-3 a.m., 3-4 a.m., 6-7 a.m.  
 Tuesday – Midnight-1 a.m., 1-2 a.m., 2-3 a.m., 11-Noon, 10-11 p.m., 11p.m.-Midnight  
 Wednesday – 12-1 a.m., 1-2 a.m., 2-3 a.m., 3-4 a.m.  
 Thursday – 3-4 a.m., 11 p.m.-Midnight  
 Friday – 4-5 p.m., 6-7 p.m., 10-11 p.m.  
 Saturday – 12-1 a.m., 1-2 a.m., 2-3 a.m., 7-8 a.m., 8-9 a.m., 9-10 a.m., 10–11 a.m.

**St. Peter’s Church at Brush Creek**

Mass will be celebrated at St. Peter’s Church, Brush Creek, on April 25, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Venerable Fr. Tolton’s priesthood anniversary is April 24. We will celebrate 135 years this year.

**Easter Memorial** donations in memory of:



Madilynn St. Clair  
 Allen Long  
 Greg, Joyce, Floyd and Jim Buckman  
 John Hays

**American Red Cross Blood drive** – Monday, April 26 from 12:45 p.m. – 6 p.m. at the Holy Rosary Knights of Columbus Hall, sponsored by the Monroe City United Methodist Church. Visit [redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) or call 1-800-RED CROSS for an appointment.

**School News**

- Track Meet on Wednesday, April 21, at Macon beginning at 4:00.
- Holy Rosary Talent Show will be shown virtually, only, on Friday afternoon, April 30.
- Mass at 8:20 on Friday, April 23, will be led by the fifth-grade students.
- Applications are being accepted for the First-Grade teaching position at Holy Rosary School. Please contact Sr. Sue Walker for additional information. 573-735-2422



**Following God’s Lead along with Donna**

**First Communion** – The following students will be receiving their First Communion on May 2, 2021 at Holy Rosary Church and St. Stephen Church. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Jackie Albright	Angel Berry	Sydney DeGrave
Taylor Harrison	Ellie Hays	Liam Hunter
Natalie Miller	Addilyn Mudd	Charlee Mudd
	Owen Mudd	

**FORMED.org** – *A Mind at Peace: Reclaiming a Ordered Soul in the Age of Distraction* – is a 5-part book discussion on FORMED <https://watch.formed.org/a-mind-at-peace-book-discussion>. “Are you increasingly frustrated and perplexed in this digital age? Do you yearn for a mind that is more focused and a soul able to put down that phone and simply rejoice in the present?” Author, Dr. Christopher O. Blum and Taylor Kemp of the Augustine Institute sit down to discuss the virtues needed to attain a more peaceful soul. You can purchase the book for \$14.95 online from Catholic Market, Amazon, Barnes & Noble, or contact Donna.

To see FORMED Pick of the Week visit Holy Rosary and St. Stephen’s Websites, look under Parish Life tab for Faith Formation. <https://holyroary.diojeffcity.org/> or <https://ststephenic.diojeffcity.org/>

**Prayer Groups** – If you have a prayer group please let Donna know who your group’s contact person is, who is in your group, when, and where you meet. As we begin to gather in our groups again, I have several resources for prayer group studies that are available to you.

To inquire about faith formation/religious education contact Donna Long anytime at [donnalong.hrss@gmail.com](mailto:donnalong.hrss@gmail.com) or call me at the rectory, 735-4718, my office hours are 8:00 am to Noon, Monday through Friday.

*To fall in love with God is the greatest romance: to seek him the greatest adventure: to find him, the greatest human achievement. ~Saint Augustine*