

# MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 26

4:30 P.M. Lector: Kathleen Piatt  
Euch. Min: Cathy & Jim Manint, Lynn Simon  
Ushers: Dean Riley, John Schaefer  
Acolytes: Cody Galt, Rachel Houska

Sunday, April 27

9:00 A.M. Lector: Marilyn Feeney  
Euch. Min: Annette Huisinga, Al Manint, Dick & Kathleen Obermiller, Jean Rowe  
Ushers: Scott Docherty, Jack Lee, Rich Walsh  
Acolytes: Alec, Cale, & Claire Huisinga

Sunday, April 27

11:30 A.M. Lector: Monica Munds  
Euch. Min: Trish Patrick, Bridget Peters, JoAnn Pratt  
Ushers: Brian Finet, Ted Gill  
Acolytes: Kyle & Sean Patrick

## MASSES For The Week

Monday, April 21 Easter Weekday/Anselm, bishop, doctor  
No scheduled Mass  
Tuesday, April 22 Easter Weekday  
No scheduled Mass  
Wednesday, April 23 Easter Weekday/George, martyr  
7:30 A.M. Michael Hettinger req. Mike Hettinger  
Thursday, April 24 Easter Weekday/Fidelis of Sigmaringen  
7:30 A.M. Joe McCoppin req. family & friends  
Friday, April 25 Mark, evangelist  
7:30 A.M. Tom Young req. Gen Szalkowski  
Saturday, April 26 Sixth Sunday of Easter  
4:30 P.M. For the parishioners  
Sunday, April 27 Sixth Sunday of Easter  
9:00 A.M. Roberta Radtke  
11:30 A.M. St. Philomena & St. Michael Bulletin Memorial

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup>:

Monday Acts 14: 5-18; Jn 14: 21-26  
Tuesday Acts 14: 19-28; Jn 14: 27-31a  
Wednesday Acts 15: 1-6; Jn 15: 1-8  
Thursday Acts 15: 7-21; Jn 15: 9-11  
Friday 1 Pt 5: 5b-14; Mk 16: 15-20  
Saturday Acts 16: 1-10; Jn 15: 18-21  
Sunday Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17; 1 Pt 3: 15-18; Jn 14: 15-21

### COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>:

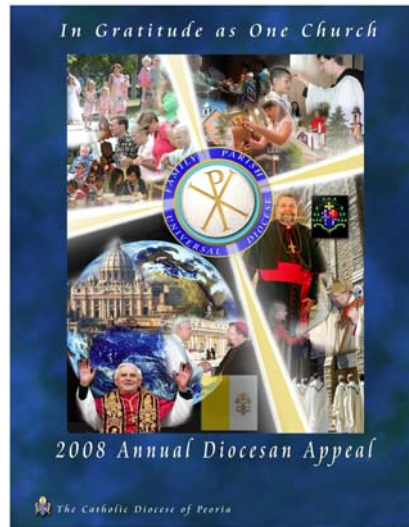
Sunday Offering ..... \$3,166.00  
Children's Offering ..... \$13.26  
Building Fund..... \$262.50  
Local Special Collection ..... \$402.00  
Tim Hogan Memorial..... \$15.00  
New Sanctuary Donation..... \$200.00

The new ministry of "Deacon" is mentioned in today's Scripture. Perhaps the Lord is calling you to assist with the charitable, educational or liturgical needs of the Lord's people today.

## Pray for Them

Please keep in your prayers our freshmen and 8<sup>th</sup> grade candidates who will be going to Peoria this Sunday to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Like the disciples at that first Pentecost almost 200 years ago, these youth will go out into the world continuing the name and the mission of Our Lord Jesus. As our way of supporting them I ask each of you to pray this prayer for our confirmation candidates.

*"Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth. Let us pray. O God, who has taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of the same Spirit we may be always truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. Amen"*



The Diocese of Peoria is made up of 183 parishes and missions, and more than 68,000 Catholic families. There are many ministries and apostolates that the Diocese can offer that we as a single parish cannot. Catechetical training for school and CCD teachers, recruitment and training of priests, medical care for retired priests, ministry to our students on college campuses, administration of many of the details of parish

finances...these are just a few of the many services we receive from the Diocese of Peoria. In the coming weeks our parishes will be participating in the Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA). The Church serves each of us, and our financial support is needed to continue God's work in the Diocese of Peoria. Please give generously as God has given to you. **The theme this year is "In Gratitude as One Church" (Family, Parish, Diocese, Universal).**

**St. Michael - \$8,104 Parish Goal St. Philomena - \$38,832**  
Each family will receive a letter in a few weeks with a pledge card and a self-addressed envelope, which can be returned either by mail, in the collection basket or dropped by the parish office.

### WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

Please keep in your prayers the following parishioners:  
Joan Higley, Norma Manint, Anne Mula, Frank Mula, & Nancy Schroeder

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY "Our Father's Plan"** is Tuesday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. This class will cover "The Acts", part 1. The final class is April 29-"The Acts", part 2.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR**

April 23 & April 27 Session #27

**CATHECHIST APPRECIATION DINNER** is Sunday, April 27 at 6:00 p.m. at The Main Street Pub, Monticello. Please **RSVP** with dinner selection to Anna Robinson by **Wednesday, April 23**.

(St. P) **ARTIST'S OPPORTUNITY:** As you have already seen, certain changes have been made to our Sanctuary at St. Philomena Church. Thank you for the many positive compliments. There are still a couple of things that have yet to be done. One of the elements that were put on hold involved the two side paintings on either side of the Sanctuary. Since then we have had a proposal made by one of our parishioners to paint these two side paintings. The parish council felt that we should open this work to any other parishioners with artistic talent who wish to offer a proposal of their own. The picture can be viewed in the parish office window. The deadline for the proposal will be April 24, 2008.

(St. P) **FIRST COMMUNION PICTURES** are Wednesday, April 23 at 6:15 p.m. at St. Philomena. **First Communion Practice** is Wednesday, April 30 at 6:15 p.m.

(St. P) **BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING** is Thursday, April 24 at 7:00 p.m.

(St. P) **DEFIBRILLATOR & CPR RE-CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING** will be held Saturday, April 26 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Conducted by Kirby Ambulance personnel.

(St. P) **HOLY HOUR** is cancelled on Saturday, April 26.

(St. P) **PRE-K (3 & 4 YR. OLDS) CCD CLASS CANCELLED** on Sunday, April 27. However, Kindergarten will still have class.

(St. P) **GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING** is Sunday, April 27 following the 9:00 Mass in the parish lounge. Please bring flower/plant list. **Grounds Clean-up and Planting Day** is Saturday, May 17 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.

(St. P) **MARK YOUR CALENDARS...SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY** at St. Philomena will be held on Saturday, May 10 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.



**Emerson Kay Snook** recently received the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Philomena Church on Saturday, April 12, 2008. She is the daughter of Sean Charles and Karen Sue Monteggia Snook. Congratulations and God's Blessings!

Sponsor of the Week:

PEG FOSTER, COLDWELL BANKER

**QUESTIONS ABOUT CHURCH TEACHING OR PRACTICE. ANSWERED BY FR. PAT:**

**Question:** Why do we have a Pope?

**Answer:** The reason we have a pope is because Jesus gave the Church a pope in the person of Peter, which is evidenced through the following scripture passage: "Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do men say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven'" (Matthew 16: 13-19).

Jesus changed Simon's name to Peter because his position changed. Jesus knew that soon he would go back to heaven to be with His Father and he put Peter in charge of the Church until his return. So, Peter and his successors all the way to Benedict XVI have and continue to have the duty to safeguard the Church until the return of Jesus. The bishops on the other hand are the successors of the other Apostles and work in union with the pope. The pope is one of the greatest signs of our unity throughout the world as Catholics.

**A CALL TO CATHOLIC MEN OF FAITH:** On Saturday, April 26, the fifth annual Diocesan Men's March & Mass will begin at 9:00 a.m. at Liberty Park on the Peoria riverfront. We will march with Bishop Jenky to the Cathedral where he will celebrate 10:30 Mass. Fellowship and luncheon follow the Mass. Additional info: Office of Family Life, 309-671-1550.

**THE CENTER OF THE UNIVERSE**, the annual steak dinner sponsored by Catholic Charities Advisory Board, is Sunday, April 27 at Philo Tavern. Cocktails and cash bar begin at 4:00 followed by dinner at 5:00 p.m. Tickets are \$30 each, please call Kay Lieb at 762-2573.



Tuesday, April 22

5:30 P.M. Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, April 27

7:30 A.M. Jim Albert req. Ann Foran & family



Tuesday, April 22

5:30 P.M. Lector: Lucina Hyde  
Euch. Min: Evelyn Dick

Sunday, April 27

7:30 A.M. Lector: Donna Walsh  
Euch. Min: Eva Bentley, Fran Einhorn  
Acolytes: Jenny Bentley, Patrick Hyde



