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The month of April is dedicated to **The Holy Spirit**. The first nine days of the month fall during the season of **Lent** which is represented by the liturgical color **purple** — a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart. The remainder of April falls during the **Easter** season which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored).

#### <u>Articles on:</u>

Divine Mercy Message and Devotion from the Deacon's Desk — St. Mark St. William Women's Club Knights of Columbus

RCIA — Easter Season: From the Resurrection to Pentecost





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### from the desk of Deacon Tony...

#### Saint Mark

#### April 25

Through the centuries there has been controversy about who Mark was.

There was John Mark mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles, some scripture scholars have said that there was a Mark who was a cousin of Barnabas, others said that there was a Mark who was a friend of Peter, still others said that there was another Mark who was one of the original seventy disciples.

The church in her wisdom has settled the question by saying that they are all one and the same person, and he was the one who most likely wrote the Gospel of Saint Mark.

When we see "Saint" in front of someone's name, many people think that person got that way all by themselves. But St. Mark tells a different story. He might never have become the saint we revere today if someone else had not believed in him.

Mark accompanied his cousin Barnabas and Paul on their first missionary journey, but for an unknown reason left them. When it came time for Paul's next trip, he did not want to take Mark along – thinking that Mark had given up the cause of the gospel. However, Barnabas did not give up on him, and took him on a missionary journey to Cyprus. Tradition tells us that Mark then went on to Rome, became Peter's interpreter, and later wrote his gospel based on Peter's preaching. Mark's gospel is one of the most lively and readable accounts with more emphasis on the actions of Jesus, where Jesus teaches more by what He does than what He says. Mark, through his gospel, has spelt out the challenge for us to imitate Jesus in the living out of our discipleship and fulfilling the missionary command to establish the Kingdom where God's will be done on earth.

Mark was credited with founding Christianity in Africa and founded the Church of Alexandria which was an important diocese of early Christianity. He was martyred there April 25 in the year 68.

Barnabas gave Mark a second chance, and Paul eventually forgave him for leaving them on



their first missionary trip. Like Barnabas, we need to give people a second chance. Like Paul we need to forgive people who hurt us. No one is perfect. Everyone needs the gift of a new beginning from our sins, desertions, weaknesses, failures, and our individual quirks. Our willingness to forgive or ask forgiveness and mend relationships can be effective not only in our lives, but in the lives of those around us.



## For Everyone From: Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

#### Easter Season: From the Resurrection to Pentecost

We have just celebrated the Passion, Death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

During the Lenten season, we spend time in prayer, looking inside ourselves to repent of our sins and asking for God's forgiveness and preparing ourselves to walk with Jesus. We are with Jesus upon his arrival in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. We celebrate his Last Supper on Holy Thursday, and we were with Jesus as he was arrested, tried, scourged, carries his cross. We are with him as he was crucified and dies on Good Friday. We celebrate his conquering of death and his resurrection on Easter.

Beginning with Easter Sunday, we celebrate the Resurrection throughout the Easter Season. We will spend time with Jesus as he prepares his apostles and disciples for their mission to continue what He began - the mission of sharing the Good News of Jesus to the world and bringing all to Christ.

The Easter Season is the fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost. Included in this season are Divine Mercy Sunday, (the second Sunday of Easter), the Ascension of Jesus to Heaven (40 days after Easter) and Pentecost Sunday.

During the Easter Season, the first reading at the Sunday liturgy will be from the Acts of the Apostles instead of the Old Testament. There are several reasons for this:

• Jesus has fulfilled the Old Testament prophecies - his passion, death and resurrection have saved us all from death. Jesus has conquered death. He became the sacrificial lamb for us. The Most perfect sacrifice.

In the Acts of the Apostles, we hear the continued story of the Gospels. In this book of the Bible, Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit and he ascends back to his Father in Heaven. On the feast of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descends upon his apostles, and they begin their ministry.

It is during this season that we can now take our Lenten sacrifices, prayer and almsgiving, and celebrate our new life in Christ – this new life made by baptism and renewal of our bap-

tismal promises. We now can go forth, as Jesus commissioned his apostles, to share the love of God and Jesus in our world.







St. William's Women's Club would like to announce its 2nd annual scholarship! This \$1000 scholarship is possible if you are attending any full-time trade school, 2 year or 4 year accredited establishment for the 22/23 school year. Applicants must be registered active parishioners. A 550 word essay and application will need to

be submitted to the office no later than April 15, 2022. You may pick up an application in FLC (at Women's Club bulletin board), in the church office, or call Lisa and she can email it to you. Essay topic and information about how the winner is chosen is on the application.





We are having a yard sale on Saturday, April 2nd. If you would like to donate items to the yard sale please contact Mary Heburn (215-266-5244) for pick up or leave them at the church office.



We are excited to announce the return of the Spaghetti dinner with Chinese Auction, on April 23rd. The auction has always been a fun filled evening! We are taking donations of NEW items with a minimum value of \$10 for the auction. Please contact Shirley Maes (901-647-6111) or any Women's Club member to donate or purchase tickets. Tickets are \$12 for 20 auction tickets and a spaghetti dinner. Tickets will also be sold at the door







Mark your calendars for our Mother/Daughter tea on May 15th. This event is an opportunity for you and your mother or daughter to put on your fanciest hat and join us for an afternoon of finger foods, tea, prizes, and fun.



Our next meeting will be held on April 13th at 7 PM in the FLC. We would like to invite and encourage all women of St. William parish to join us. We look forward to seeing you there.



St. William, Council 6321 Lent is in full swing, I hope it is spiritually fruitful for everyone.

Your Knights are still hard at it, doing what we can to support our core values of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

In that spirit, I invite you to attend our **Fraternal Benefits Seminar**, to be held after the 4:30 Mass on Saturday, April 9th, in the Knights Room/School Cafeteria. ALL are invited: Knight/ Non Knight, male or female, single or married. This information is too important not to share so ALL seminars we do are open to ALL. It will be a Pot Luck Supper, with the seminar to follow the meal. Before the pandemic we regularly held Pot Luck Suppers after the 4:30 Mass and it was/is an excellent opportunity to spend time with fellow parishioners in a social setting; a setting we have missed and thirst for. After Supper, our Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent, Lance Jolly, will present the Fraternal Benefits Seminar. The seminar covers a variety of subjects, not just insurance, including preparation for retirement, tax strategies, long term care, and yes; insurance. My term as Grand Knight is drawing to a close this summer and I can tell you, I have seen first hand what good preparation and taking care of your family looks like and.....not so much... This seminar is the place to start where you can realistically assess where you are and where you want to be in a no pressure environment. I've worked with Lance Jolly enough now that I consider him a personal friend and I know from my own experience he is one of the best in the business. Bring a dish to feed y'all plus 1. I look forward to seeing you there!





On Sunday March 13th your Knights served a lunch for the Homeless at Saint Patrick's on 4th Street in Memphis. We try to do this once a month in partnership with Catholic Charities of West Tennessee. Our next meal is not scheduled yet but will be soon. You do not need to be a Knight to support this worthwhile ministry. Judy Harper gets the credit for suppling this meal recently served. She prepared poppy seed chicken casserole, enough for 50, and every morsel was served and consumed by the least of our brothers and sisters. You can be the cook for the next meal if you'd like. Contact me and I'll walk you through it and help every step. You won't regret it and as a super bonus, it has proven to be an excellent method to demonstrate service and stewardship to our youth, not by words, but by example.

Vivat Jesus!

#### FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER CENACLE

"We are blessed to be meeting in person again. ALSO, we have a virtual meeting over Zoom. The <u>in-person</u> Prayer Cenacle will meet in the FLC classrooms on the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 9:45 to 10:45am (between Masses). We will be reading between 5—7 pages from the diary (blue diary) of Elizabeth Kindelman and praying the Flame of Love Rosary. We will be maintaining social distancing and wearing a mask. The <u>virtual</u> Prayer Cenacle will be over the internet on Zoom, at 2pm on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays. We will be praying the Flame of Love Rosary. Contact Teresa Elliott at 901-604-7225. Newcomers are welcome! Please join us on any one of the weekends!

"My Adorable Jesus,

May our feet journey together.

May our hands gather in unity.

May our hearts beat in unison.

May our souls be in harmony.

May our thoughts be as one.

May our ears listen to the silence together.

May our glances profoundly penetrate each other.

May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father. Amen."



Our Lady's Promises
"With this Flame you will light all
hearts in the world. This Flame will
become a fire, and with its shining
Light, this fire will blind Satan."





Our Lord's Promises
"The Renewal of the Earth will take
place through the power and
imploring force of the Blessed Virgin
Mary."

Come deepen your faith and prayer life! Learn about and pray the devotion <u>"Flame of Love"</u> given by Jesus <u>and</u> Mary to Elizabeth Kindelmann of Hungary between 1961 and 1983 as written in her diary. The Flame of Love Movement has the Apostolic Blessing of Pope Francis, was encouraged by Pope John Paul II, and received the Imprimatur number 494-4/2009 from Cardinal Peter Erdo, Archbishop of Estergom-Budapest and Primate of Hungary. Since then, the diary has received the Imprimatur by numerous bishops in various jurisdictions, including Archbishop Charles Chaput in Philadelphia, the Fountainhead of this Movement in the United States. The Diary will be provided to participants. <u>PLEASE JOIN US!</u> Call Teresa Elliott for any questions at 901-604-7225





## The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of April 2022



#### **Health Care Workers**

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



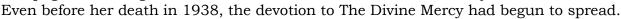
#### The Divine Mercy Message and Devotion

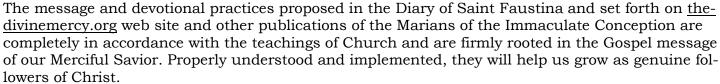
The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

- **A** Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.
- **B** Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.
- **C** Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that all the graces of His mercy can only be received by our trust. The more we open the door of our hearts and lives to Him with trust, the more we can receive.

This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy.





Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.

For a full understanding of Divine Mercy, we recommend Divine Mercy Message and Devotion, by Fr. Seraphim Michalenko, MIC.

And <u>not</u> lastly, pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm every day. Also the Divine Mercy Novena. We begin the novena on Good Friday so that the novena ends on Divine Mercy Sunday. You can find the chaplet and novena on the Divine Mercy website "thedivinemercy.org" under the tab "Basics". The Lord has mercy he wants you to have... just ask Him for it! Jesus, I trust in You



After our solemn commemoration of the last days and death of Our Lord, we will spend the month of April celebrating. As Spring breaks forth, even nature will join us. As buds and blooms begin to surface, we spend this month basking in the joy of the Resurrection. We continue throughout the rest of the month our cry, "Christ is risen, Christ is truly risen." The Feast of Divine Mercy offers us the opportunity to begin again as though we were newly baptized. The unfathomable mercy of God is made manifest today if we but accept His most gracious offer. Easter is the feast of feasts, the unalloyed joy and gladness of all Christians. This truly is "the day that the Lord has made." From Sunday to Sunday, from year to year, the Easters of this earth will lead us to that blessed day on which Christ has promised that He will come again with glory to take us with Him into the kingdom of His Father.



**The Great Adventure Bible Timeline,** is a ground-breaking approach to understanding salvation history developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher Jeff Cavins.

The Great Adventure Bible Timeline Philosophy:

- Identifies the 14 narrative books that tell the story of Scripture from beginning to end. The remaining "supplemental books" of the Bible are then contextualized within the storyline of the 14 narrative books.
- Divides the Bible into 12 time periods, identified by different colors, which serve as "chapters" in Salvation History.

#### How to Use the Reading Plan:

This reading plan covers the entire Catholic Bible in 365 days. Readings in bold refer to the 14 narrative books of the Bible.

The Psalms and Proverbs are spread out throughout the year to provide additional opportunity for prayer, reflection, and practical wisdom. The Psalms in italics have a particular connection to that day's other readings.

Bible in a Year			
	1st Reading	2nd Reading	Psalm/Proverb
l	Judges 6-8	Ruth 3	Psalm 135
2	Judges 9-11	Ruth 4	Psalm 137
Conque	st and Judges		
3	Judges 12-15		Psalm 146
ŀ	Judges 16-18		Psalm 147
5	Judges 19-21		Psalm 148
)	1 Samuel 1-2		Psalm 149
7	1 Samuel 3-5		Psalm 150
}	1 Samuel 6-8		Psalm 86
	nic Checkpoint		
)	John 1-3		Proverbs 5:1-6
10	John 4-6		Proverbs 5:7-14
11	John 7-9		Proverbs 5:15-23
12	John 10-12		Proverbs 6:1-11
13	John 13-15		Proverbs 6:12-19
14	John 16-18		Proverbs 6:20-24
15	John 19-21		Proverbs 6:25-35
Royal K	Kingdom		
16	1 Samuel 9-10		Psalm 50
17	1 Samuel 11-12		Psalm 55
.8	1 Samuel 13-14		Psalm 58
9	1 Samuel 15-16		Psalm 61
20	1 Samuel 17		Psalm 12
21	1 Samuel 20		Psalm 142
22	1 Samuel 21-22		Psalm 52
23	1 Samuel 23		Psalm 54
24	1 Samuel 24		Psalm 57
25	1 Samuel 25		Psalm 63
26	1 Samuel 26		Psalm 56
27	1 Samuel 27-28		Psalm 34
28	1 Samuel 29-31		Psalm 18
29	2 Samuel 1	1 Chronicles 1	Psalm 13
30	2 Samuel 2	1 Chronicles 2	Psalm 24

#### FORMED: Monthly

#### Liturgical Calendar

#### 2 ST FRANCIS OF PAOLA

Listen: Audiobook: Holiness is Always in Season

**3 ST RICHARD OF CHICHESTER** Read: Book of Saints and Heroes **4 ST ISIDORE OF SEVILLE** 

(Patron Saint of Technology)

Read: Young People's Book of Saints

Listen: Audiobook: Holiness is Always in Season

7 ST JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE

(Patron Saint of Teachers)

Watch: Saint John Baptist de la Salle: Patron

Saint of Teachers

Ver: San Juan Bautista de la Salle: Santo patrono

de los profesores

12 ST TERESA OF THE ANDES

Watch: St. Teresa of the Andes: The Story of the

First Chilean Saint
13 ST HERMENEGILD

Book: Young People's Book of Saints

14 ST ARDALION

Book: Audiobook: God is Love

**16 ST BERNADETTE** 

Watch: CCC Bernadette: The Princess of Lourdes

Ver: Bernadette: La Princesa de Lourdes Watch: The Passion of St. Bernadette

Watch: Lourdes: Story of Faith, Science, & Mira-

cles

Watch: Bernadette Ver: Santa Bernadita

Read: Golden Legend of Young Saints Book: Young People's Book of Saints Book: Christmas with Bernadette

Book: I'm Bernadette

Listen: A Holy Life: The Writings of St. Bernadette

by Patricia A. Mceachern Ph.D. Listen: St. Bernadette of Lourdes 16 ST BENEDICT JOSEPH LABRE

Read: The Young People's Book of Saints

16 ST ANSELM

Listen: Audiobook: Church Fathers and Teachers

by Pope Benedict XVI



#### 24 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Study: Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley

Study: Forgiven Estudiar: Perdonado Watch: Divine Mercy 101

Watch: Divine Mercy Chaplet in Song

Watch: Divine Mercy Chaplet | Franciscan Friars

of the Renewal

Watch: Ocean of Mercy

Listen: The Appalling Strangeness of the Mercy of

God

Read: The Appalling Strangeness of the Mercy of

God

Listen: Freedom Through Forgiveness Listen: The Healing Power of Confession

Escuchar: Enciende la Llaman

Listen: The Second Greatest Story Ever Told: Understanding Mary's Role in Your Life by Fr. Mi-

chael Gaitley

Listen: Can You Trust God?

Listen: The Necessity of Divine Mercy Listen: Vatican II, Mercy and You

Listen: Hijo Prodigo: Dios Misercordioso Listen: Divine Mercy Chaplet in Song

Listen: 7 Secrets of Confession

Listen: Set All Afire

Listen: Audiobook: God is Love

25 ST MARK

Study: Lectio: Mark with Dr. Tim Gray

Study: Symbolon Knowing the Faith Session 3:

The Bible

Watch: Lost Gospels or False Gospels? Read: You Can Understand the Bible

Read: The Gospel of Mark

Read: New Testament Catholic Study Bible

Listen: Lectio Divina

Listen: The Gospel According to Mark

Listen: The Case for Jesus Listen: Fan or Follower? 28 ST GIANNA MOLLA

Read: Married Saints and Blesseds

Read: Saint Gianna Molla: Wife, Mother, Doctor

by James Monti and Pietro Molla

28 ST LOUIS MARIE DE MONTFORT

Study: Divine Mercy Episode 9: Mary's Knight

Study Consoling the Heart of Jesus

Watch: War of Vendee

#### 29 ST CATHERINE OF SIENA

Read: Young People's Book of Saints Read: Deep Conversion Deep Prayer

Listen: Audiobook: Deep Conversion Deep Prayer

Read: Prayer for Beginners

Listen: Audiobook: Prayer for Beginners

Listen: Catherine of Siena

Listen: The 3 Stages of the Interior Life





# St. William Movie Night On:

The 3rd Thursday of every month at 6 pm

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Meeting ID\* 810 8722 2930 Passcode\*\* 677166
The Meeting ID\* and Passcode\*\* stay the same each month. Only the movie title changes.

Just sign in a little before 6:00pm and sit back in your comfy chair, have snacks and drinks, and ENJOY the movie!!

Call 901.487.6390 or Email debi.yetman@gmail.com Debi Yetman and she'll put you on the list. You will receive an email the morning of the movie with the title of the movie and the link that brings you into the movie.

## The movie for the month of <u>April</u>: The Passion of Bernadette

Following up the acclaimed best-selling movie, Bernadette, the story of the apparitions of Our Lady in Lourdes to Bernadette Soubirous, this beautiful Jean Delannoy film tells the rest of the story of her life after the Marian visions--the life that made Bernadette a saint. The grotto at Lourdes is flourishing with many pilgrims, and Bernadette leaves to enter the convent of the sisters of Nevers to dedicate her life to God. Under the harsh rule



of the Novice Mistress who "doesn't believe in apparitions," Bernadette, now Sister Marie Bernard, begins her life of achieving sanctity through prayer, faith, suffering, and deep charity toward all. With another moving performance by actress Sydney Penny, this film reveals incessant illness and suffering that St. Bernadette patiently, even cheerfully, endured throughout her life in the convent, often repeating her prayer to "suffer and offer it to God." She went to her eternal reward in 1879, at the age of 35. When her body was exhumed many years later, it was found to be incorrupt. Today she lays in rest in a glass case in the chapel of the Sisters of Nevers, where millions have come to see "the little saint of Lourdes."

## WORD SEARCH

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