Coming Up This Week:

Sunday, March 23rd Easter Sunday
9:00 AM...Mass..Sabina Jakowski *by Judy Tummitt*
11:00 AM...Mass..Tom Hoaglin
by Bill & Elizabeth Kearney

Monday, March 24th
No Mass

Tuesday, March 25th
No Mass

Wednesday, March 26th
Noon...Mass....Special Intention

Thursday, March 27th
9 AM...Mass...Special Intention

Friday, March 28th
9 AM...Mass....Special Intention

Saturday, March 29th
4:30 PM...Mass...Knights of Columbus Members
& their families *Corporate Sunday*

Sunday, March 30th Divine Mercy Sunday
8:00 AM...Mass..Celina Hoyt
by Theresa Harris
9:15 AM....Religious Ed Program
10:30 AM...Mass..Wanda Schick *by Fred*
1 - 3 PM....Adoration, confessions, Chaplet of
Divine Mercy.

The **Knights of Columbus** are selling Raffle Tickets...1st prize $300 for groceries, 2nd & 3rd prizes $100 for groceries; drawing will be held May 8th at the KC Hall; cost - $1 ea or 6 for $5.

Please Pray For: Marge Bommarito, June Carver, Sharon Bommarito, Cris Solis, Jr; Margaret Richardson, Pilar Rivera, Edna Sheldon, Virginia Karmalski, Irene Campbell, Kathy Matson, John Owdziej, Liz Wilson, Lee Worden, Marian Koledo, Eusebio Solis, Sr.

Liturgy Teams

Saturday, March 29th 4:30 PM
Commentor: Volunteer
Lector: Laura Zenoniani
EM: Loretta Lammers, Katie Konkle, Mary Topa
Altar Servers: Bernard Konkle, Susie Chojnowski
Ushers: Frank Kniburys, Hank Konkle

Sunday, March 30th 8:00 AM
Commentor: Liz Wilson
Lector: Joan Walsh
EM: Bill & Joan Walsh, Ophelia Garza,
Altar Server: Alex Harden
Ushers: Bob Koch, Steve Konkol

Sunday, March 30th 10:30 AM
Commentor: John Richardson
Lector: Martin Holmes
EM: Rodney & Jill Mestdagh, Greg Polnasek
Altar Servers: Aaron Lammers, Nick Lammers
Ushers: Carl Weiskittel, Bill Blight

Our Return to God Of His Gifts to Us
March 15 & 16

Adult & Loose	$4,381.80
Children	$22.25
Parish Development	$95.00

Very early in the morning after the Sabbath, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body with precious oils. The reward of t his good and conscientious steward was to be the first to know that Jesus had been raised from the dead! Alleluia!

Easter Sunday - Resurrection of the Lord **Acts 10: 34a, 37-43; Col 3: 1-4; Jn 20: 1-9**

Rejoice for He is Risen! Today we celebrate Easter and that glorious moment of His Resurrection. As we enter into this Easter Season, we continue our work that we began or renewed in the season of Lent - clearing out the clutter in our lives and making more room for our Lord. What we began does not end, it continues. In reality it's a life long process.

Next Sunday the second Sunday of Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday. Pope John Paul II declared that the Second Sunday of Easter shall be known in a formal way as Divine Mercy Sunday. Prior to this designation, it was observed in many places unofficially. Pope John Paul II attached to this devotion a Plenary Indulgence by attending Mass on that weekend, receiving Holy Communion and going to confession prior to or after Mass and offering the intentions of the Holy Father as part of ones prayer.

On Divine Mercy Sunday we will offer Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 1 to 3 PM at 3:00 PM we will recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. I will hear confessions from 1 - 3 PM during the time of Adoration. Come and spend an hour with the Lord.

Again Rejoice for He is Risen. Have a blessed week and a Blessed Easter Season!

Fr. Gordon

Annual Retreat

The women of St. John Parish are invited to attend a retreat at St. Francis Retreat Center on April 11-13. The theme for Retreat 2008 is "Jesus: Ever Ancient, Ever New." By looking at this Jesus belongs to all humanity, may see him more clearly, love him more deeply and live our faith more deeply. His life and mission is as much for us today as it was for his contemporaries. So come be with him on this retreat. Suggested donation for the weekend is $130.00. You may register by calling the retreat center at 517-669-8321 or toll free at 866-669-8321. You may also register by visiting their web site www.stfrancis.ws.

Lumen Christi - Financial Aid & Bus

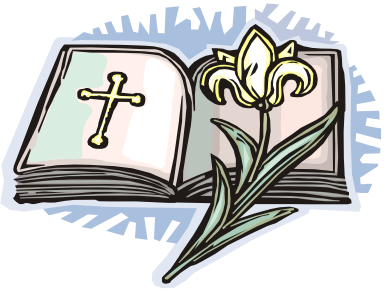
Applications are available for pick up in the business area of the Main Office. The application must be completed in its entirety with copies of the applicant's 2007 Federal Income Tax Form and w-2's attached. Incomplete forms will be returned. The deadline id Tuesday, April 15, 2008. If you have any questions, please call Mrs Jennifer Ball at 517-787-0630, ext 265.

Registration for **Bus Transportation** for the Jackson Area Catholic Schools is also taking place. Early registration or intent to ride can be made through June 30, 2008. The form & information is online at www.jcsjacksonareacatholicschools.org.

Lumen Christi - 38th Annual Rummage Sale

The Rummage sale will be Friday, April 4, from 1 pm to 8 pm and Saturday, April 5th, from 9 am to 12 pm. The drop off schedule is as follows: Saturday, March 29 from 9 am - Noon, Monday thru Wednesday, March 31st, April 1st, April 2nd - from 9 am to 3 pm. Volunteers are always welcome and needed. For more information, large item pick-up, or if you would like to help, please call Lumen Christi's Development Office at (517) 787-5080. **Note** Tires, paint products and/or non-working large appliances are not accepted.

Family Perspective

Today's gospel instructs us Jesus "**had** to rise from the dead." The dying we experience with unmet expectations in marriage and parenting is normal to family life. Families **must** rise above disappointments and be Easter people all year long.

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