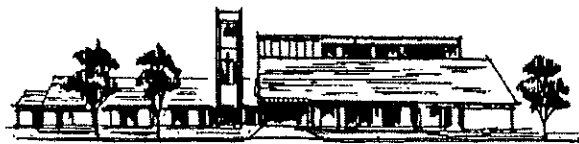


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WORSHIP

Weekday Masses

Tues 5:30 pm
Wed., & Thurs 9 am
Friday 9:00 AM
At Bethany Meadows

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00, 10:30AM &
7:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday

8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Offices closed on Sat. & Sun.
Offices are closed in observance
of major national holidays

Moving? Please notify the parish
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

21 MARCH 2010

Today's Scripture Readings

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14; John 8:1-11

The story of the woman caught in adultery resonates in the headlines today. How often have we heard of someone shamed in public, whether it is the application of the Shariah law in a distant country, or the exposure of spousal betrayal in the political or sports world? While sin is sin, at the same time an honest assessment leads us to recognize that none of us is completely pure. The corruption of sin is part of each one of us. The blessing is that God offers us mercy and forgiveness. This gift from God is something that we all want for ourselves. But almost like selfish children, we are sometimes less inclined to share God's mercy and forgiveness with others. The hardest part of sinfulness may not be the confession and turning back to God. After all, God is always merciful. The most difficult part of sin may be turning toward others and forgiving them.

An old Rabbi once asked his pupils how they could tell when night had ended and the day had begun. "Could it be," asked one of the students, "When you can see an animal in the distance and tell whether it's a sheep or a dog?" "No," answered the Rabbi. Another asked, "Is it when you can look at a tree in the distance and tell whether it's a fig tree or a peach tree?" "No," answered the Rabbi. "Then what is it?" the pupils demanded. "It is when you can look on the face of any man or woman and see that it is your sister or brother. Because if you cannot see this, it is still night." (Hasidic Tale quoted in *Peacemaking Day by Day*)

CATHOLIC FAMILY SHARING APPEAL (CFSA)

You are responding—almost \$28,000 pledged—thank you so very much.
Tell your neighbor why you do it. If you have not done so as yet, send
your pledge card to the parish office. It would be nice to wrap up by July.

RCIA CLASS MEETS THURSDAY, MARCH 25th AT 7 PM
IN MULTI PURPOSE ROOM A.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:00 – 4:45 PM or other time by appointment.

Baptism: A pre-Baptismal class is required for first-time parents. The class is held the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM and parents must make reservations. Class is best done prior to your child's birth.

Marriage: Diocesan policy requires six (6) months preparation for all couples planning marriage. A wedding date can NOT be set until this preparation is underway. Prior marriage by either party usually requires an annulment taking an additional year. Contact Fr. Wagner well in advance of a desired wedding date.



EASTER FLOWERS:

If you would like to honor the memory of a loved one or commemorate a special occasion by contributing to the flowers that will decorate the Church for Easter, please pick up an envelope in the foyer and put it in to the collection basket or turn in to the parish office. A donation of \$5.00 per memorial is suggested.

The Week Ahead:

Monday, March 22 - Rosary 6:30 PM

Tuesday, March 23 - Mass 5:30 PM / Baptism Class 7:00 pm / Mission Trip Meeting 6:00 pm

Wednesday, March 24 - Mass 9:00 AM / RE grades 7 - 12 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 25 - Mass 9:00 AM / RCIA 7:00 PM

Friday, March 26 - Mass 9:00 AM at Bethany Meadows / Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM / Soup Supper for Mission Trip 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday, March 27 - Mass 5:00 PM / Parish Planning Workshop 8:30 am

Sunday, March 28 - Mass 8:00, 10:30AM & 7:00PM / Confirmation 2011 3:30 - 5:00 pm / Confirmation 2010 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

LITURGY MINISTERS: Eucharist Ministers, Lectors, Ushers—Special Meeting after all masses this weekend, 20-21 March. Please be there!



LENTEN DEVOTIONS:

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Fridays during Lent—at 6:30 pm.



Coffee and Roll Host after the 8:00 AM Mass for Sunday, March 28 is Jane and Dave Mutschelknaus with Kim and Pat Gacke. Thank you!

PARISH PLANNING WORKSHOP: Saturday, 27 March, from 8:30 to 12:30. This is a time set aside for visioning the direction and life of Risen Savior Parish. From this workshop a Vision Statement will be written. Based on that Vision Statement goals will be set for the parish. Deacon Roger Heidt, director of the Diocese's Planning Process, will be here to guide us through our process. All members of the Parish Council, Finance Council, RE Committee, Parish Life Committee, Liturgy Committee, Building and Grounds Committee are expected to participate. We also invite any members of the parish who would like to become more involved in the parish to come and contribute. Please pray for the success of this most important meeting.

We extend a big thank you to our Young at Heart Luncheon committee for preparing a fabulous St. Patrick's Day meal on Tuesday, March 16. We filled our hall with sixty five guests and eleven workers who enjoyed a delicious meal. We appreciate your hard work!

We would like to say **thank you** to all of the Risen Savior Preschool Families, the Knights of Columbus, Father Joe & the Risen Savior Parish Staff, parish members of Risen Savior, and other "anonymous angels," who have been so generous and caring to our family since Val's having been diagnosed with Breast Cancer, throughout the subsequent surgeries, and now as follow-up treatment has begun. From donations of meals & treats, to offers of running errands, sending cards, gifts, hugs, smiles, and kind words, your love and concern have been overwhelming! You truly demonstrate, as the song says, "We are one Body, the Body of Christ and we do not Stand Alone!" Your prayers have held us up through many challenges in the past and we believe they continue to hold us up today.

Thank you and God bless you! Val, Tim, Shannon, Marty and Ellie Minihan

Anniversary Mass:

If you are celebrating 25, 50, 60, 65 or more years of marriage and would like to participate in the Anniversary Mass on June 6th in Sioux Falls with Bishop Swain, please call the parish office.

Ladies - Are you ready to take a day and enjoy some time away? Join us for a trip to **The Old Log Theater** in Excelsior, MN. On Sunday, May 23, join us for a bus trip for lunch and a performance of **The Dixie Swim Club**, a hilarious, touching comedy about relationships that last forever. The cost of this trip which includes the lunch, show and transportation is \$65.00. Please call Sara Stone @ 582-2132, Cindy Dellman @ 757-6174, Peg Raley @ 582-6175 or Tammy Heinrichs @ 582-7095 to register or for more information.

St. Mary Catholic Schools in Dell Rapids is having their annual school carnival and auction on Sunday, March 28th starting at 11:00 am. The carnival will have food, games, and prizes. There are over 150 items on the Live Auction and something for everyone on the Silent Auction. Raffle items include a 42" LG LCD HDTV and an Arctic Cat 4x4 Four Wheeler. There will be fun for the entire family.

Lutheran Social Services Refugee and Immigration Center is hosting their annual Taste of Cultures Appetizer Buffet and Silent Auction on Saturday, April 17, 2010 at Faith Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls. The event begins at 5:30 pm. Tickets can be purchased for \$20.00. Call Amy at 605-731-2009 or Pat at 605-526-6225 for more information.

Gene Dickey would like to thank all who volunteered to work, brought baked goods, and donated items for the Auction and all who came to show support for him on February 20 at the V.F.W. The benefit went very well; your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated.

Religious Ed News



Thank You, Teachers!

Thank you for all you have done for our Religious Education programs so far this year! Seeds are being planted! Keep it up!

Upcoming RE Classes:

Confirmation 2010:

Sunday, March 21 5:30-7:00 pm

Sunday, March 28 5:30-7:00 pm

RE Grades 7-12:

Wednesday, March 24 7:00-8:15 pm

Confirmation 2011:

Sunday, March 28 3:30-5:00 pm

Be watching for 2010-2011 RE registrations coming up in April!

Confirmation 2010 interviews are this upcoming week! Double check your scheduled day and time. Please arrive to the office 5-10 minutes prior to your scheduled time. Thank you!

What's Happening at Risen Savior Preschool R-Rabbits & Rainbows

♦**Circle Time:** Children did a **remarkable** job spelling their names after we chanted them in circle, as well as using fun, new Dot-Art Marker Art to work fine motor muscles & games with Miss Val to check knowledge of classifying & opposites. ♦**Faith Study: Stories of God's Love- All:** Listened to stories & sang songs about St. Patrick & did shamrock crafts. **3-4s: I am a Friend of Jesus.** I like going to church. Children glued tissue paper squares to make cross stained glass windows to represent the Church. **4-5s: St. Patrick was a special friend of God.** We can learn to love God more when we learn about the lives of the Saints. We sang the following song to The Muffin Man: *Do you know what a shamrock is? A shamrock is, a shamrock is? Do you know what a shamrock is? A shamrock is a plant. Do you know where a shamrock grows? (*pattern as above)...grows in the ground. Do you know what color a shamrock is?... * is green.* **Additional verses created by Miss Val to go with our study of St. Patrick:** *St. Patrick told the shamrock story... (** repeat whole phrase) to teach us about God. A shamrock has 3 leaves on 1 stem... ** just like the Trinity. The Father, the Son & the Holy Spirit... ** three persons in one God!* ♦**Music & Movement:** It was wonderful to get outside this week in the sunshine for some of our classes! **4-5s:** Rocked & Rolled & ran races for R. ♦**Art/Fine Motor/Learning Activities:** (3-4s) Children had lots of fun tracing shamrock shapes with glue & adding LOTS of SPARKLING green & gold glitter. We read the bible stories, Noah Builds a Boat, The Animals Came, & Noah's Promise from God, from the children's Bible, 100 Bible Stories & Songs. Children glued Tootie Frooties in rainbow shapes. We celebrated Good Behavior with ice cream & **RAINBOW** sprinkles! (4-5s) Students glued red ribbons & stamped roses, rabbits & rainbows to R & r. We listened to Max's ABC, by Rosemary Wells, We're All in the same Boat, by Zachary R. Shapiro & Jack E. Davis. Rice cakes, spread with cream cheese & topped with M&Ms made **Radical rainbows!**



Coming Attractions: Angel of the Week: Haley Freking

Theme: **ANTS & APPLES** (Letter A)

To register for current classes or **Fall 2010**, call the office, 582-6902, or Val Minihan, 582-2802.

Senior High Lock-In!

Friday, March 26 - Saturday, March 27

9:00 pm - 8:00 am

Join us for a sleepless night of movies, games, food, laughs, and Lenten activities!

Pick up a registration form in the RE office today!

Get the Youth Scoop



Soup Supper!

Come enjoy a variety of meatless soups, bread, salad, and dessert on March 26 from 6-8 pm!

All proceeds will benefit the Mission Trip team.

We are still looking for donations of meatless soups! Please contact Amber if you are able to donate some soup for us! We appreciate it!

Mission Trip Team Meeting:

Tuesday, March 23 @ 6:00 pm

***Please bring your completed forms!**

Spring



Thank you to those who helped with the VBS decorations on Saturday! Your work is much appreciated!

If you are interested in or able to help out with this summer's Vacation Bible School, please contact Irene.

Masses for the Week of March 22-28

Weekday Masses/Services		Lord's Day Masses	
Monday	Rosary 6:30 pm	Saturday 5:00 pm	Special Intention
Tuesday 5:30 pm	Special Intention		
Wednesday 9:00 am	Pat Lambertz(d)	Sunday 8:00 am	Special Intention
Thursday 9:00 am	Special Intention	Sunday 10:30 am	Risen Savior Parishioners
Friday 9:00 am	Special Intention @ Bethany Meadows	Sunday 7:00 pm	Special Intention

Ministers for March 27-28

6th Sunday of Lent – Sunday of the Lord's Passion

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 8:00 am	Sunday 10:30 am	Sunday 7:00 pm
Greeters	Steve Hyronimus Karen Hyronimus	Rich Entwisle Mary Jane Entwisle	Jim Volk Nancy Volk	Jon Gruhot Diane Gruhot
Ushers	Tammy Geraets *Please Volunteer	Bruce Pollard Earl DeCosse	Austin Vielmette Dan Gary	Dale Berkner *Please Volunteer
Eucharistic Ministers	Jodi Arneson Neal Arneson David Halter	Dave Mutschelknaus Jane Mutschelknaus Kathy DeCosse	Eileen Vielmette Jane Zins Dean Pierson Nancy Pierson *Please Volunteer	Gary Pekas Sue Pekas *Please Volunteer
Lector	Bob Wright	Merlin Sawyer	Paul Choudek	Don Rahn
Acolytes	Spencer Grage Spencer Brandsrud	Marissa Herli Courtney Herli	Collin Vielmette Payton Livingston	Carly Rahn Shelby Rahn
Musician	Mary	Mary	Mary	Shiloh
Cantor	Paul	Choir	Choir	Connie
Homebound Minister	Edie Sadler			

Stewardship Report

*Weekly financial report of Risen Savior Parish
Needed each week to meet regular expenses - \$6,600.00
INCOME – March 14, 2010*

Envelopes.....	\$4552.04
Auto-Contributions.....	\$960.00
Plate.....	\$181.50
Other.....	\$17.00
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Total for this week's income.....	\$5710.50



As we enter into the fifth week of Lent, now is the time to increase our efforts of prayer, fasting, and giving so that we may fully enter into the mysteries of Holy Week. Let us this week make an extra prayerful sacrifice through Operation Rice Bowl as we live in solidarity with our brothers and sisters.

**SUNDAY MASS IS BROADCAST ON THE ALLIANCE CHANNEL 18 or 21
MONDAY EVENINGS AT 8PM**