**ST. LOUISE DE MARILLAC CHURCH**

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**\*APRIL 25, 2021 \*FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER\***

***MASS INTENTIONS***

 **Saturday, 04/24 5:30pm Ray & Gloria Galindez, SI**

 **Sunday, 04/25 8:00am Ron Florence, SI**

 **10:30am (Streaming on youtube) People of the Parish**

 **12:30pm Joanne Seeley, RIP**

 **Monday, 04/26, 8:00am O’Leary Family, SI**

 **Tuesday, 04/27, 8:00am Joseph, ErnaBelle, & Joe Chlad, RIP**

 **Wednesday, 04/28, 8:00am Luis & Avazyn Pablo, SI oeveH**

 **Thursday, 04/29, 8:00am Caroline Hendrickkson, SI**

 **Friday, 04/30, 8:00am Erika L. Pable, SI**

 **Saturday, 05/01, 8:00am Herrera Family, SI**

***Scripture readings for the week of April 25, 2021***

**Sunday………….......Acts 4:8-12 / 1 John 3:1-2 / John 10:11-18**

**Monday…………......Acts 11:1-18 / John 10:1-10**

**Tuesday …………….Acts 11:19-26 / John 10:22-30**

**Wednesday……......*Acts 12:24-13:5a* / John 12:44-50**

**Thursday……...……Acts 13:13-25 / John 13:16-20**

**Friday…………..…... Acts 13:26-33 / John 14:1-6**

**Saturday……..……...Acts 13:44-52 / John 14:7-14**

 ***PRAYER LIST***

**Please pray for all the ill members of our parish, our families and friends. We want to especially remember: Sr. Mary Clark, SSJ, Caroline Hendrickson, Gene Chubb, Danica Mummert, Anne Slagill, Joe Slagill, Loretta & Irene Castillo, Mary Musante, Jeanne Messmer, Jackie Connelly, John Fonteyn, Madonna Drilling, Edna Edwards, Becky Franchino, Robbie Franchino, Emma Romanchik, Thomas Weaver, Pat Bunsold, Mary Robinson, Judy Platt, Tina Christiansen, Jerry Goldstein, Howard Dittrich, Chris Sauer, and Mario & Yvonne Cadena. (If you have friends or family in need of prayers and you would like them added to this list, please contact Fr. Scott or call the parish office**

**Holiness, Wholeness, and Depression**

 **One of the struggles we perennially face with religious discernment is that it’s easy to mistake depression for sanctity, sentimentality for piety, rigidity for orthodoxy, narrow sectarianism for loyalty, repressed sexuality for wholeness, and denial of one’s complexity for stability.**

 **Depression can look like sanctity because the person within its grip will appear to be free from the normal urges that come from our more-earthy passions. Sentimentality invariably gravitates towards piety and dresses itself as devotion. Rigidity invariably cloaks itself as an overzealous concern for truth and orthodoxy, just as narrow sectarianism forever presents itself as fierce loyalty, and repressed sexuality and denial of one’s complexity, especially one’s sexual complexity, take on the guise of wholeness and stability. Depression, sentimentality, fearfulness, rigidity, sectarianism, repression, and denial like to hide behind nobler things.**

 **None of us are free from these struggles. But, with that being confessed, we shouldn’t be fooled by false sanctity. Depression, sentimentality, fearfulness, narrowness, rigidity, and repression drain the energy from a room.**

 **Real sanctity, piety, orthodoxy, loyalty, wholeness, and stability bring energy into a room and don’t make you swallow hard and feel guilty because your own blood is filled with a more robust energy. The presence of real sanctity sets you free and gives you permission to feel good about your humanity, no matter how red your blood. Real sanctity attracts and radiates life.**

 **We saw this, for example, in Mother Teresa. As we now know from her diaries, she spent the last sixty years of her life in a deep, painful dark night of the soul. During the last sixty years of her life, she was struggling interiorly for consolation, yet everything about her radiated the opposite. She filled a room with energy. She lit up a room like a powerful light bulb. She wasn’t just doing all the right things; she was radiating a life-giving energy.**

 **As this pertains to our own lives, we must be more honest and courageous in facing our own chaos and recognize our perpetual propensity to disguise our weaknesses as virtues.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_RON ROLHEISER, OMI\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**LIVE STREAMING**

**During the virus shutdown, Father Scott will “Stream on YouTube” the Sunday 10:30 Masses.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Church Flowers**

**Special prayers and thank you to Kim Perry and Bob Adams for providing the beautiful flowers for the church during Easter celebration. Your generosity to our parish is greatly appreciated. God Bless.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Mass Schedule Change**

**April 25th will be the last Sunday for the 12:30pm Mass.**

**Week Ending April 18, 2021**

**Plate $ 228 Sunday Envelopes 2,070**

**First Envelope 75**

**Funeral 100**

**Maintenance \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 103**

**Total Contributions $ 2,576**

 **(Please note: Our monthly expenses average about $12,000 per month, which excludes any special projects selected by the Maintenance or Finance Committees.)**

**Missing Envelopes!**

**We would like to apologize to those families who have not received their envelope package in this or the previous cycle. It is occurring to different families in each cycle. We are working with “Our Sunday Visitor” to correct the problem but have not yet had complete success. If you are one of the families who is missing envelopes, please use the Visitor ones, put your name and/or envelope number on it, and let us know that you are “Missing!”. *Thank you for your patience and understanding!\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***\_*New Parishioners**

**For anyone considering joining our Parish, please call the church office @ 619-749-7908 so that our staff of volunteers can expedite your registration. As we are a small congregation and the office is not staffed full-time, please be prepared to leave a message, including your contact number. Thank you!**

**St. Louise de Marillac Theology and Bible Class Schedule**

**Hello everyone! St. Louise de Marillac will be offering a weekly theology and Bible class beginning Thursday, May 13th through May 26th, at 6:30pm in the Maryann Wright Hall. The class is designed to be a pleasant stroll in the study of God rather than a rigid academic examination. St. Augustine said, “None can love what he does not know.”. Accordingly, this class will increase**

**your knowledge of God and will help you develop a more intimate relationship with Him. It will also answer many questions about the Catholic faith, and Deacon Kevin Helfers will teach us how to apply these truths to our daily lives. If you do not feel comfortable meeting in person due to Covid, please email Nate Guyear at** **guyear@gmail.com** **to set up a virtual classroom connection.**

**Mother’s Day**

**Mother’s Day is May 9th. Nine Mother’s Day Novena Masses with be said for both the living and the deceased. Novena envelopes are on the table in the back of church. Due to the Covid-19 virus shutdown there will be no Mother’s Day breakfast this year.**

**Apologetics/Theology Website**

**This Website explains church teachings and the author, Nate Guyear, answers questions submitted through the site. Catholicismexplained.com**