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**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER "DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY"**

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**Mass Intentions for**  
April 5– April 10

	<u>Intention for</u>
Tuesday.....5:15 pm at Parkersburg	Shirley Halbach
Wednesday....8:00 am at Reinbeck	Sue Hayek
Thursday.....8:00 am at Reinbeck	Marge Buck
Friday.....7:30 am at Parkersburg	Virgil Neubauer
Saturday.....5:30 pm at Parkersburg	Tate Smith
Sunday.....9:30 am at Reinbeck	For the People

**SOMETHING MORE** – You and I need to welcome the divine physician into our lives to administer the peace of his care and healing to our souls. And we need to keep doing this. If we are at peace with ourselves, we can be at peace with others and with whatever life throws at us. That is the way it was with the disciples.

But Jesus' field hospital ministry is not going to send the healed and restored disciples home to do nothing. Immediately, he reminds them of what they heard before, but had forgotten: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." That two letter word, "as," set it up for the disciples and their followers all the way down to us. We are sent "as" or "just like" the Father has sent Jesus; the disciples are brought into the mission and ministry of the Savior. No wiggle room here. Get out of the field hospital and do Jesus' work of bringing others in and giving them the gifts of God's mercy and healing. Then they can repeat the process.

To seal all this, Jesus takes them back to the foundation of the world. God's Spirit breathed life, and creation lived with the life of God. Jesus repeats the scene and breathes new life into the disciples. They are then sent forth. We pick it up here today. The Jubilee of Mercy is Jesus alive and well in the church, bringing care and healing, and sending. The cycle of divine life goes on as it passes through us.

**Just Ahead**

- ❖ FF Wed April 13, 6:30 – 7:45 pm both sites, Mass @ P
- ❖ Holy Family Circle Mtg after Mass, April 10, @ R
- ❖ Liturgy Mtg, Thursday, April 14, 6:30 pm @ R

**St. Patrick, Parkersburg location**

Confession each Saturday beginning at 4:45 pm for 30 minutes  
FF, Wednesday April 6, 6:30 – 7:45 @ P

**Second Sunday of Easter "Divine Mercy Sunday"**

*Focus: We are to bear a faithful witness to the Gospel by the example of our lives.*

We have come to believe in the risen Lord through the witness and example of faithful Christians, the testimony of sacred Scripture, and through the graces of the sacraments. Blessed with such a great gift which imparts upon us an abundance of blessings, let us, through the example of our lives, bear a faithful witness to the Gospel.

**AND STILL MORE** – Today's Gospel takes us into the upper room, where we huddle in fear with the disciples of Jesus. Just a few days earlier, they were happily dreaming of their part in the new kingdom of Jesus. Now all those hopes are lost. Like criminals, they find themselves running for their lives.

Suddenly Jesus appears to them, and his first words are like a comforting balm: "Peace be with you." Our faith reassures us that on our last day when we are numbed with anxiety and fear and "running for our lives," Jesus will suddenly appear and take us into his care. We can breathe easy as he says to us, "Peace be with you."

**St. Patrick Parishoners** - We are in need of a new Parish Council Member from St. Patrick. Prayerfully consider being part of this important ministry. Please contact Fr. David as soon as possible.

**St. Patrick** - Volunteers are needed in Parkersburg to deliver Meals on Wheels on Wednesdays for the month of April. Please sign up on the schedule in the back of the church. Thank you!

**Office Closed** – The office will be closed on Tuesday, April 5 for a Pastoral Leadership Meeting.

**Our Deepest Sympathy** and Prayers are extended to the family of Marcella Irene High of Grundy Center, whose funeral was celebrated on Tuesday, March 22, at St. Gabriel in Reinbeck. May she know the fullness of God's peace and love in the heavenly kingdom.

**Income Weekend March 27, 2015**

**Adult Budget \$ 4,830.00 Needed \$ 5,154.00**  
Annual Adult Budget \$ 268,000.00

**St. Gabriel, Reinbeck location**

Confession each Sunday beginning at 8:45 am for 30 minutes  
Adoration, Wednesday, April 6, 7:30 am  
FF, Wednesday April 6, 6:30 – 7:45, Mass @ R

## Other Announcements

**Holy Family Parishioners,** My wife and I would like to extend our gratitude to the entire parish for their prayers, support, and love over the past weeks. We have only been part of this parish for a very short period of time, but felt your impact with every prayer, message, and letter of support that we received. It is without a doubt that we could not have made it through this difficult time without our Faith and the support of Fr. David and the Holy Family Parish. We are indebted forever. God Bless you all, Patrick, Jamie, Seeri, Jaelyn, Linden, and Myah Smith.

**Fair Trade Coffee** Reminder that Holy Family Parish is selling Fair Trade coffee for cost to help create opportunity for small-scale farmers of underprivileged countries make a living. As followers of Christ, we are called to demonstrate special concern for the most vulnerable members of our human family. By purchasing this coffee, we are providing a chance to help other humans make a living for themselves as well as creating a safe work environment for them. You can consider buying this coffee as a donation to charity!! Chocolate and tea are two other items that will be for sale in the future. Coffee is for sale the 1st Sunday of the month but you can contact any member of the Social Justice committee to buy it any time. This coffee is also used after Mass every 1st Sunday.

**Couples of Faith** Join us for our next date night, Happy Together: “The Blueprint of Love” on Sunday, April 10 from 5 – 7 pm. We will be enjoying a Fiesta Meal Bar as we reflect on 6 qualities for a loving marriage. All married & engaged couples of all ages and faiths are welcome to come enjoy food, fun, fellowship and a door prize!! Feel free to invite other couples to come with you! Even if you have never attended Couples of Faith before, we would love to have you come and help us continue our mission of being a marriage building parish. Meal, beverages and childcare all provided. Please RSVP to [cnorth3412@gmail.com](mailto:cnorth3412@gmail.com), or call, text or leave message to 319-215-6118.

**Sister Marie Hased** is coming to St. Gabriel on Sunday April 17. Sister will be speaking to us about her ministries, including her work with Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Mass this day will be at 10:00 am. Your family is invited for dinner and to hear Sister speak following Mass. There is no charge for this event, however we will need to have RSVP’s so we know how many people to prepare for. Please rsvp to the office as soon as possible at 319-345-2006 or [dbq169sec@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq169sec@dbqarch.org).

**Youth Jam** is the new Middle School Youth Rally for the Archdiocese of Dubuque. This is a special day set aside for those in 6-8th grade to come together and celebrate our Catholic faith. There will be tons of high energy, activities and inspirational presentations by DJ Bill Lage! DJ Bill is known for his high energy use of music to evangelize and has been a regular at NCYC. Youth Jam will be on April 9th at Columbus High School in Waterloo, from 3:30-8:30 pm. Registration forms are on the tables in the narthex at both churches. Cost is \$29. Registrations will close April 1<sup>st</sup> or when they reach 300 participants. So register soon! Contact Amy with any questions.

**Birthright Open House – April 9** All are invited to tour the new Birthright office on Saturday, April 9 from 1 to 3 p.m. at its new location at 4113 University Avenue, Cedar Falls. This permanent location has been remodeled and we are anxious to show it to the many people in the Cedar Valley who have supported this effort. Birthright’s goal is to provide any woman in the Cedar Valley who is distressed by an unplanned pregnancy a safe place to get the support and help she needs. Birthright is also seeking additional volunteers. Anyone interested in learning more should contact the director, Nancy Brannon, at [mnbrannon@msn.com](mailto:mnbrannon@msn.com) or call 319-231-0911.

**D.E.W. (Disciple Experience Weekend):** How does one become a more deliberate disciple? How does a disciple live out the Joy of the Gospel? How does Catholic Social Teaching inform discipleship? Come and explore these questions from April 8-10, 2016, Immaculate Conception School, Gilbertville. This spiritual growth opportunity is open to both men and women. Participants may stay overnight onsite or make arrangements elsewhere. The fee for DEW is \$ 50.00 to cover materials and meals. For more information and to register, please visit [www.dbqarch.org/dew](http://www.dbqarch.org/dew)

**Operation Threshold** is in need of cleaning supplies – dishwashing soap, laundry detergent, disinfectant wipes, paper towels, etc.

	April 9	April 10
Accompanist	Linda	Steve Halbach
Cantor		Steve Tschertter
Extraordinary	Greg Lievens*	Greg Lievens (D), Joe Davis*, Julie Grunklee
Ministers	Mary Schwennen	Wanda Christensen, Cheryl Osterhaus*, Amy Seitz*
Of Holy	Tamara Tingle	Georgia Bennett, Michelle Coulter, Michelle Cox
Communion		Steve Cox, Bryce Dall
Greet	Kathy Chapman	Agnes Biersner/Nellie Croci, Judy Kershaw/Robin Olson, Rod Brockett Family, Michelle Coulter Family
Gifts	Jeremiah & Tanya Hook	Rod Brockett Family
Reader 1	Marty Petersen	Wanda Christensen
Reader 2		Michelle Cox
Server	Clara Petersen	Sadie Brockett, Paul Brockett
Server	Cooper Hoff	Tyler Vandenberg
Usher	Dennis & Sherry Gaul	Todd Rickert, LeRoy Oetker
Usher		Justin Nicklaus, Dave Martens, Curt Juel
Video		Mike Rickert
Sacristan / MC /Announcements	Becky Lievens	Rose Kramer / Mary Linder / Joe Davis
Collection Counters	Kyle & Tamara Tingle	Greg & Brenda Snider, Helen O’Connor, Larry Krebsbach