

St. Paulinus, Syracuse & Holy Trinity, Avoca

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Fifth Sunday of Easter: April 28th, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS -:

Mon (29) 7:00 am.....*Special Intention*
Tues (30) **No Mass**.....+Ron & Marlene Wagner
Wed (1) 7:00 am *Special Intention*
Thur (2) 7:00 am.....+Bill Royal
Fri (3) 7:00 am*Special Intention*
Sat (4) 5:00 pm+Roger Haacke
Sun (5) 7:00 am*People of the Parish*
9:00 am..... *Pastor's Intention*
10:30 am (HT) Joan Meyer

CHURCH CLEANERS May 4

Area 1 –Tim & Barb Isaacs

Barry & Jenny Janssen

Area 2 – Ray & Patty Janssen

Bub & Joan Johnson

Area 3-Barb & Clayton Johnson

Area 4-Karen & John Johnson

Substitute cleaner:

Stephanie Bryant 402-657-3704

Confession Times

Daily: 20 minutes before Mass
Saturday: 4:15 – 4:50 pm
Sunday: 6:40 – 6:55 am
8:30 – 8:50 am
10:15 – 10:25 am at Holy Trinity
Anytime by appointment

HOLY TRINITY – May 5: Reader: David Morton Rosary: Nadine Meyer Offertory: Richard Meyer

Servers: Coen & Norman Church Cleaners May: Debbie Meyer & Judy Meyer

HOLY TRINITY - Collection: April 21 -Adults: \$845 / Loose: \$50

ST. PAULINUS - Collection: April 21– Adults: \$2040 / Plate: \$87.74 / Children: \$55.05 / Build: \$340

Fr. Salisbury Steak Bites

During my years as a seminarian, we would always look for ways to save money. One universal way guys did this was having other seminarians cut their hair. There was always one or two seminarians who possessed this skill; and there was always one guy who thought he did. Unfortunately, one time I went to a guy who thought he knew how to cut hair. He asked how I wanted it cut and my only request was to trim the sides, and make sure that I still have bangs following the haircut. He seemed confident he could do that...he was wrong. He had the trimmers and was taking some hair off the top of my head, then next thing I know my bangs were cut and were wafting away in the wind. All he said was "whoops." The following days I literally noticed myself missing the hair that I lost. I would touch the top of my head and feel sad they weren't there, my head even felt extra sensitive to where they used to be. Fortunately, Jesus woke me up one day when I was sitting at work simply saying, "Ryan they are bangs, they will grow back. Can you offer them to me?"

Ridiculous story, but true story. I share that to illustrate the point that sometimes when things get cut or trimmed away from our life, it can be painful. So when Jesus tells us today that the Father prunes away every branch that does not bear fruit, that can be a painful process. Even knowing the purpose for the end result will be good, there can be a sadness of 'losing' something that we once were accustomed to having as part of our life. That natural sadness at 'losing' something can be a beautiful opportunity to meet Our Lord. The reason for this is, was because Our Lord himself experienced sadness and loss during His life. There would have been a sadness when Joseph died and He left Mary's home to begin His public ministry, a sadness in seeing His apostles abandon Him at the cross. But in this sadness, the Lord remained faithful to the Father's work, and it produced abundant fruit. Beginning His public ministry led to the gospel being spread and changing people's lives. The cross led to the Resurrection and eternal life.

As we face any pruning in our lives, know that Jesus is already there ready to meet you in any sadness, so He can walk every step with you to new life. He can understand and comprehend the sadness you are experiencing, He will stay with you and show you how to trust the Father, and He will rejoice with you as you walk into and experience the new life that comes from any pruning.

ACOLYTES – May 4/5

Saturday.....5:00 pm.....Adam Holz
Sunday.....7:00 amAndy Burr
Sunday.....9:00 amJosh Medeiros

READERS –May 4/5

Saturday 5:00 pm.....Tony Slupe
Sunday7:00 amTeresa Burr
Sunday9:00 am.....Jim Clark

SERVERS – May 4/5

Saturday.....5:00 pm.....Kyle Holz
Carson Holz

Sunday7:00 am Jackson Miller
Please volunteer

Sunday9:00 am..... Jake Janssen
Drew Janssen

PRAYER REQUESTS:

B. Richardson (269-7384) nana_bonnie13@yahoo.com or
J. Meyer (540-2606) jtbn2373@yahoo.com

Bulletin Submissions – need to be submitted by Thursday evenings to stpaulinuschurch@gmail.com. Please submit exactly how you would like it to read in the bulletin.

Please Pray for the Sick: Gary Royal, Mick Kobza, Irv & Mary Klingsick, Jackie Wooster, Christi and Paula Jasa, Justin Miller, Lyra Mais, Eric Fass, Daniel Whitney, Jason Jeffrey, Bridget McPhillips, Becky Knake, Larry Richardson, Marlene Lowery, and Meghan Jennings (If anyone needs added or removed from this list please send an email to stpaulinuschurch@gmail.com)

Pray for our Seminarians. Please pray for the seminarians of our diocese, especially for the men who will be ordained deacons, and the deacons who will be ordained priest on Memorial Day weekend!

Pray for the Religious in Our Diocese: Please Pray for Vocations to all diocesan religious communities.

Summer CCD Camp(Cor Rex Jesu) – The School Sisters of the Christ the King will be hosting their annual summer camp at St. Paulinus, the week of June 10th – 14th. Registration forms are available in the gathering area of both Churches, as well as emailed out this weekend. This is always an amazing and joy filled week!

Join the 2024 Fireworks Committee - The fireworks committee is already making plans for 2024 season and they are reaching out to invite individuals that would be interested in being on the committee. For more information or if you are interested please contact Amy Wemhoff, Sally Miller, Barb Johnson, Mary Nordhues, or Marsha Sand.

Congratulations to Jakob Bennett and Ivy Meyer – Their son Bo Nathan Bennett was baptized Sunday April 28th at St. Paulinus. May the Lord bless them and their in this beautiful gift of baptism given to their son!

The Solemnity of the Ascension, May 9th 2024 – This year the Ascension falls on Thursday May 9th, and it is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the Holy Day will be Wednesday May 8th at 5:30 pm at Holy Trinity. Thursday May 9th at 6:45 am and 6:30 pm at St. Paulinus.

Easter Lilies Can Be Taken Home - Thank you to everyone who donated Easter lilies to decorate the church. Please take your lilies home this weekend!

Fr. Salisbury summer schedule – While still a few weeks away from summer officially kicking off, I wanted to place before you some dates during the summer months that I will be away. From May 27th – 30th all priests in the Diocese of Lincoln will be heading to Kearney for our first ever Diocese of Lincoln Priest convocation. From June 16th – June 24th I will be on an 8-day silent directed retreat in South Dakota. From July 28th – August 5th I will be on vacation with a number of other priests. I will offer the Mass intentions for those days while I am away, and for the weekends in June and August that I am away, there will be a visiting priest coming in for coverage.

CK Sisters Outdoor Spring Workday - Saturday May 4, 1:30-4:30 p.m. We will be planting our vegetable garden, cleaning up flower beds, mulching and cutting trees. Helpful items to bring include wheelbarrows, shovels, gloves, pruning/lopping shears, hoes, pickups and chainsaws. Children are also welcome! Mark your calendars now and contact Sister Mary Angela at sr.mary-angela@cdolinc.net if you would like to come and help. Please also print and complete a liability [form](#) (one per adult; children added to adult form.) Villa Regina Motherhouse, 4100 SW 56th St., about 2 miles west and south of Pioneers Park. (Walk-ins also welcome.)

Meals on Wheels Help - Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to deliver Meals on Wheels on April 30, May 1st, and May 2nd. **We are still in need of two volunteers for Friday May 3rd.** As mentioned previously you need to be at the Senior Center at 10:45 am and it takes about an hour to deliver. If you are available to deliver May 3rd, please contact Janene Heyen at 402-269-5449 or email grandmagigi4120@gmail.com.

Podcast Episode: Why Isn't My Prayer Working – The Catholic Man Show recently did a podcast episode regarding a tension in prayer we probably all have run in to many times, ‘why does my prayer not seem to be working.’ If you have wondered or experienced that, follow the link and give it a listen, there are some very good insights.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WobE2t7aWTg>