

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, APRIL 29, 2018

Sat.	4-28	5:30 p.m.	<i>5th Sunday of Easter</i> (St. Francis) + Stacie Beachner
Sun.	4-29	8:00 a.m.	<i>5th Sunday of Easter</i> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parish
Sun.	4-29	10:00 a.m.	<i>5th Sunday of Easter</i> (St. Francis) + Henry M. Smith
Mon.	4-30	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) + Clarita Bryant
Tue.	5-1	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) + Joan Schoenhofer
Wed.	5-2	7:00 p.m.	(St. Francis) + Barbara Seiwert
Thur.	5-3	8:30 a.m.	<i>Saints Philip and James, Apostles</i> (St. Ambrose) + Fr. Jim Spexarth
Fri.	5-4	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) + Charlie VanLeeuwen
Sat.	5-5	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) For loved one's return to the faith
Sat.	5-5	5:30 p.m.	<i>6th Sunday of Easter</i> (St. Francis) + Bill & Lou Spielbusch
Sun.	5-6	8:00 a.m.	<i>6th Sunday of Easter</i> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parish
Sun.	5-6	10:00 a.m.	<i>6th Sunday of Easter</i> (St. Francis) + Bill Hofer

CONFESSIONS: *Sat. 4:30 p.m.—5:20 p.m. at St. Francis & 30 minutes before daily & Sunday Masses*

St. Ambrose Church

Extr. Minister of Holy Communion: Brian Schoenhofer

Lector: Barb Lero

Server: Paul Irelan

Gifts: Paul & Virginia Westerman

Ushers for May: David Holland & Jack McGowen

Donuts & Coffee for May 6th: Nancy & Laura

MAY CROWNING

May Crowning is May 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at St. Francis Church. All students will have a part in the Living Rosary. We encourage all parishioners to attend and support our young people as they crown our Blessed Mother Queen of Heaven!

St. Francis Church

Lector & Song Leaders:

Sat. Marcia Gard & Jennifer

Sun. Seth Born & Mary Smith

Extr. Minister of Holy Communion:

Sat. Jill Coomes

Sun. Kenny Crager

Altar Servers:

Sat. Anna, Katelin, Emily

Sun. Trey, Anthony, Grant

Gifts:

Sat. Keith Smith Family

Sun. Dan Vitt Family

Rosary Leaders:

Sat. Jane Anne Beachner

Sun. Joe Schoenhofer

Ushers for May:

Sat. Don Vitt, Jay O'Brien, Steve Spielbusch

Sun. Ross Albertini, Danny O'Brien, Don Smith

THURSDAY, MAY 3RD is the Feast Day of Saints Philip and James, Apostles.

IMPROVEMENTS TO ST. FRANCIS CHURCH GROUNDS In order to make our church garden and grounds even more beautiful and safe, a lighting project is under way! Approximately 14 lamp posts will line the sidewalks of the garden including the sidewalk to Prairie Mission Retirement Village. Additional lighting will also be added between the church and the church rectory to ensure the safety of our PSR children on Wednesday evenings. Please consider a donation to help complete this project. The estimated cost is \$15,000. Donations may be mailed to the church rectory or left in the weekend collections. Be sure to earmark your donation for the "lighting project". Envelopes for the project may be found in the back of the church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

TOTUS TUUS SUMMER RELIGION PROGRAM will be held from July 22nd—July 27th in St. Francis Parish Hall. This is for all students entering 1st grade—6th grade in the daytime. Students in 7th through 12th meet in the evenings. More information to follow.

STEWARDSHIP OUR GIFTS: WHO ARE YOU FOLLOWING?

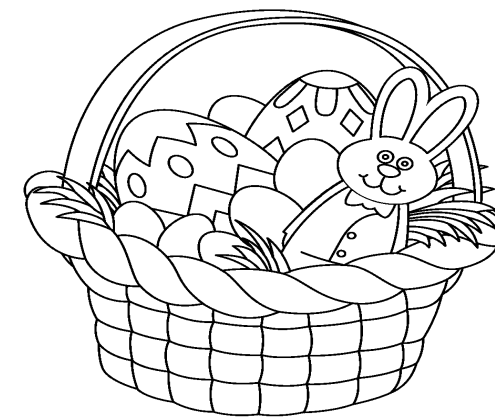
"He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." It would seem that we can be one of two types of "stewards." The first is really not a steward at all, in that he is not bearing fruit -- he is not using the gifts God has given him. The second steward is the kind who experiences the abundance of God's bounty. The more he gives, the more he is capable of giving. This branch thrives because it is serving its purpose -- it is living its mission! Today decide what kind of branch we will be: fruitful or barren.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BENEFIT BREAKFAST will be held today, Sunday, April 29th at the St. Francis Parish Hall. They will be serving from 8:00 a.m. until after the Easter Egg Hunt. All proceeds will go to the Brice and Tacey Little Family.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA meeting for Tuesday, May 8, 2018 will be the celebration of the Circle's 95th anniversary. The meeting will be held at Prairie Mission Retirement Village beginning at 6:30 p.m. with our auditors reviewing the books. The Circle will be honoring all our members for their years of service with special honor going to our two oldest members, Lorene VanLeeuwen 69 years, and Rose Mary O'Toole for 66 years. Last month we welcomed Mary Gilpin, as a new member. We will gather in the Chapel. Cake and punch will be served. Come join us for a fun evening.

THANK YOU to everyone for your prayers, cards, flowers & phone calls. I'm not out of the woods yet so I ask your continued prayers. I will continue to pray for you. I know He listens!
Lu Reeves

THE CYM WILL HAVE THE EASTER EGG HUNT TODAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 29TH AFTER THE 10:00 A.M. MASS AT ST. FRANCIS CHURCH FOR ALL CHILDREN 12 YEARS OLD AND UNDER. (IF WEATHER PERMITS)



Prayers are asked for the following:

Kathy Westhoff, Justin Venneman, Sue Shively, Pat Moore, Vence Segraves, Sheri Bell, Adrienne Smith, Bailey Shaw, Billy Brown, Adam Westhoff, Stephanie Thompson, Lisa Edwards, Janey Beachner, Bryan Whelan, Ron Lallemand, Donna Little, Gary Brown, Sue Baldwin, Pat Diskin, Mary Ann Dougherty, Janice (Ward) Norris, Jane Anne Beachner, Dalton Noakes, W.W. Holland, Kenny Owens, Jerry Beachner, Chuck Westhoff, Lu Reeves, Lou Severt, Janice O'Brien, Josie Oplotnik

If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please call the parish office at 449-2224.

Stewardship of Treasure

St. Francis \$4,619.30

St. Ambrose \$778.00

Please remember your parish in your will.