

The Catholic Community will celebrate the Eucharist as follows:

- (SJ) identifies St. Joseph Church
- (SL) identifies St. Lawrence Church
- (SM) identifies St. Mary Church
- (SLAC) identifies St. Lawrence Activity Center

Monday, April 23

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Fred Anson (Family)
- (SJ) Martin Lang (Linda Baumgard)

Tuesday, April 24

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Living & Deceased of Herman Falke Family (Connie Heighton)
- (SJ) Zangara Family (Jeanne Rice)

Wednesday, April 25

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Health of David McGoron
- (SJ) For the terminally ill, the healing and strengthening of cancer patients and families

10:45 a.m. (SL) Reid Kitchen (Family)

6:00 p.m. (SJ) Gary Runyan (Pat)

Thursday, April 26

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Intentions of Lisa & Jeremy Krink (Theresa Phillips)
- (SJ) Special Intention (Donor)

Friday, April 27

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Betty Jordan (Cathy Paulus)
- (SJ) Gerry Holtzapfel (Frank & Mary Anne Laber)

Saturday, April 28

- 9:00 a.m. (SJ)
- 5:15 p.m. (SJ) Ernest & Ann Hartwig (Ed & Eileen Payton)

Sunday, April 29

- 9:00 a.m. (SJ) Tine & Gary Runyan (Mark & Debra Bamer)
- NOON** (SL) Shawn Miller (Birthday) (Mom & Dad)
- 7:00 p.m. (SM) Members of the Community (Pastor)

CHURCH COLLECTIONS

	St. Joseph	St. Lawrence	St. Mary
Adults.....	\$2,406.00	\$2,128.00	\$298.00
Loose.....	144.00	194.00	148.00
Votive Lights.....	100.00		
Rice Bowl.....	202.25	24.37	
Easter.....	25.00	5.00	
Catholic Home Mission ...	20.00	30.00	
Total.....	\$2,897.25	\$2,381.37	\$446.00
Restoration Fund...		\$40.00	

NOTE: Please consider remembering our three churches, our two schools and our three cemeteries in your will.

MINISTERS FOR APRIL 28 & 29, 2018

- ST. JOSEPH: 5:15 p.m.**
Holy Communion: Susan Morgan, Paul Webb, Laura Jones, Molly Blackstock, Katie Barron, Mack Anderson, George Gagai, Larry & Pat Holtzapfel
Lector: G. Dillon, H. Dutey, M. Mahlmeister
Gifts: I., B. & I. Whaley, B. Medinger, B. Williams
Servers: I., B. & I. Whaley, B. Medinger, B. Williams
Greeters: Jane Laber Volunteer

- ST. LAWRENCE: Noon**
Holy Communion: Charles McClellan, Larry Anderson, Susan Brown, Jim Colegrove, Joyce Lewis, Vicky Mathis
Lector: James Beaumont
Gifts: Volunteers
Servers: C., K., A. & R. Beaumont, G. Simpson

THOUGHT TO DISCUSS ON THE WAY HOME

Sunday, April 22 (Fourth Sunday of Easter)

- Jesus knows our uniqueness in a way like a shepard knows his sheep. How does it change me to know that Jesus loves me the way I am, and that He can help me be the person God wants me to be?

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, April 29, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Easter, Lectionary Number: 53B

Readings: Acts 9:26-31; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

PRAY FOR THE PRIESTS OF OUR DIOCESE (Without the priest, there is no Eucharist; without the Eucharist, there is no Church!)

04/22 Bishop Jeffrey Monforton; 04/23 Fr. Bob Gallagher; 04/24 Fr. David Huffman; 04/25 Msgr. Mark Froehlich; 04/26 Msgr. George Coyne; 04/27 Msgr. Kurt Kermo; 04/28 Fr. Jonas Shell; 04/29 Fr. Charles Moran.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, April 21

- 9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ)
- 4:15 p.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation (SJ)
- 5:15 p.m. – Mass (SJ)

Sunday, April 22

- 9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ)
- 10:15-11:45 a.m. – Parish School of Religion (PSR) (SLES)
- 12 Noon – Mass (SL)
- 4:30 p.m. – **Baptism:** Clarity Marie Smith (SJ)
- 5:30 p.m. – “We Are” Presentation by 7th & 8th grade students (SJ gym)

7:00 p.m. – Mass (SM)

Tuesday, April 24

10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. – Kindergarten registration begins (SLES)

Wednesday, April 25 (Kindergarten registration continues)

- 10:45 a.m. – Mass with SLES, all are welcome (SL)
- 2:00-5:00 p.m. – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (SJ)

6:00 p.m. – Mass (SJ)

7:00 p.m. – **NO** RCIA, classes have been completed for this year

Thursday, April 26 (Kindergarten registration completed)

- 6:30 p.m. – **Wedding Rehearsal:** John Pemberton & Emily Richmond (SJ)

Friday, April 27

- 5:30 p.m. – **Wedding:** John Pemberton & Emily Richmond (SJ)

7:00 p.m. – Variety Show (SJ gym)

Saturday, April 28

- 9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ)
- 4:15 p.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation (SJ)
- 5:15 p.m. – Mass (SJ)
- 6:00 p.m. – Dinner (SJ Undercroft); Variety Show follows (SJ gym)

Sunday, April 29

- 9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ)
- 10:15-11:45 a.m. – Parish School of Religion (PSR) (SLES)
- 12 Noon – Mass (SL)
- 2:00-4:00 p.m. – Last class in preparation for Sacrament of Confirmation (SJ)
- 7:00 p.m. – Mass (SM)

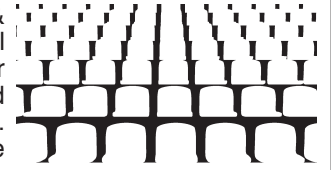
OUR SICK: Richard Barron, Kristy Brown, Mike Burcham, Ruth (Kline) Bush, John Edwards, Rob Elgeti, Larry Holston, Vicki Johnson, Davina Kidd, Pat Laber, Steve Massey, Carolyn Melvin, Tommy Mountain, Rodney Mullins, Joanne Rambacher, Katie Schwab, Jeff Vanderhoof, Kortne Waginger and all recovering from illness/surgery.

“WE ARE”: The **Junior High students** will present their research and reflection project at St. Joseph gymnasium on **Sunday, April 22 at 5:30 p.m.** All are welcome!



HOLD MY SEAT... SPONSOR ONE TODAY!

First of all, please note that **ALL NINE of the larger faceted glass windows** for our school & church **Parish Life Center have been sponsored at \$5,000 each**. So now, I am informing all those with a specific interest that there will be **550 seats in this new facility** which are "looking for sponsors!" Some parishioners, relatives and friends have already heard that we are helping fund the purchase of these seats (a cost of about \$75,000) by **asking for sponsors at \$100 per seat**. **More than one hundred seats have already been sponsored at \$100 each**. Each seat will have a number on the front portion of the seat; however, since most of the present sponsors live at a distance away from here, only a few people have asked for a specific number!



Note: Requesting a **specific** seat number is not necessary! Almost all 550 numbers are still available for anyone having a desire to help in this project to provide seating for our basketball/volleyball games, children's programs, plays, etc. that will soon be held there. (All names, with or without seat numbers, will be listed in a special way to identify those remembered, our beloved living or deceased. Some are requesting a seat for an individual, some are requesting a seat in honor/memory of the whole family, etc.)

Note: At the beginning of each fall or winter sport's season, "**RESERVED seats**" (a totally different item) will be sold by a **specific seat number** to help pay for sport's officials and the building upkeep. (The seats near the middle of the gymnasium will be somewhat larger and have a more desirable view.)

In my forty-six years of priesthood, I have "celebrated" **more than 1,000 baptisms, 1,000 weddings, and 1,000 funerals**. So these "Gymnasium Memorial Seats" are my way of enjoying the special feeling of being in the "Communion of Saints," those who have blessed my priesthood over the years, each time I enter the Parish Life Center for its many future events.

Honoring those we love and remembering those we miss in death can give lasting tribute to them. A \$100 donation to remember them will be a great assistance in the purchase of these 550 seats and will be a lasting investment in our youth... and all the families of our Catholic Community and many others who will use this new facility.

In all three of our churches you will find a **slip of paper marked "Ironton Catholic Community Gymnasium Memorial" and an addressed envelope for this purpose**. Please mark checks payable to: **Ironton Catholic Schools**. Thank you for considering this matter as we move toward the completion, here in Ironton, of the first building project for our two Catholic schools and three Catholic churches in the last seventy (70) years.

SCHOOL NEWS: KINDERGARTEN registration for St. Lawrence School for the 2018-2019 school year will be held April 24, 25, 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the school office, 315 S. 6th St.

Parents must bring the child's birth certificate, immunization records, baptismal record, social security number and any custody papers.

Students entering kindergarten must be five years old by August 1.

One month tuition is due at the time of registration. If you have any questions, please call the school office, 740-532-5052.

Registration for **PRE K** at St. Lawrence School will be held on Tuesday, May 1 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the school. Children entering PRE K must be three years old by September 1 and potty trained.

One month tuition is due at the time of registration. If you have any questions, please call the school office, 740-532-5052.

EDDY TEST WINNERS

The **Ironton Child Welfare Club** has recently announced the winners of this year's Eddy Test, which was given to the highest 25 percent of 6th graders from Ironton Middle School and St. Lawrence Catholic School.

I can't help but boast that **many of them are "OURS"...** **ERIC DUTEY, BRADY MEDINGER, THOMAS SHERIDAN, MELEAH JANKOWSKI** and **AVA WEBER**.

Eddy Test winners are based upon state or national testing and included reading vocabulary, reading comprehension, math problem solving, math computation, language, spelling, social studies and science.

The Eddy Test Awards Banquet is Thursday, May 10, at Ohio University Southern Campus, Mains Rotunda.

ELECTION RESULTS

Our Pastoral Council now consists of the following members: **JULIE FUGITT, JENNIFER HOWARD, RANDY LILLY**, Jackie Murnahan, Bobbi Shelton and Alyce Waldo representing parishioners from **St. Joseph Church**.

RHONDA COLEGROVE, Dianne McFann, Dan Hartwig, **EILEEN PAYTON, JUDY SIERER** and Scott Woods... representing **St. Lawrence** parishioners.

Those **names underlined** received the most votes in the recent Pastoral Council elections.

Alternates are: Jim Parker (SJ), Francy Barron (SJ), Kay McClellan (SL) and Beth Laber (SL).

My special thanks to all of you who serve our churches in so many helpful ways.

Ironton Catholic Schools Building Fund
(as of April 19, 2018)

Goal: \$2,200,000

Pledged: \$1,580,974

Paid: \$1,296,676

Note: \$69.00 for Parish Life Center from Feed Your Faith Bake Sale at the K of C