



FROM THE PASTOR ...

As I've visited the farms of parishioners and have had tours of their barns, I always notice how the cows don't really like me all that much. They tend to get a bit agitated if I speak too much or try to touch them. But as soon as they hear a voice they recognize or feel a touch that they're familiar with, they simmer down. Does this happen in our own spiritual lives? When we begin to stray and to listen to voices that we know have nothing to do with God, do we become agitated and uneasy, or do we simply "go with the flow" and allow those unwelcome voices to direct our lives? We must always listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd, because in His voice, He gives us the strength to resist the temptations of evil.

Next weekend, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 10:30am Mass in Hollandale. We are very proud of our young adults and all that they have accomplished in this past year. Msgr. Daniel Ganshert, Vicar General of the Diocese, will be here to confer the Sacrament. A reception is planned after the Mass - please plan on staying and congratulating our Confirmandi.

As you know, this is the weekend in which we will conduct the in-pew portion of the diocesan annual appeal. The diocese is asking that pledges be made this weekend. Please be generous in supporting the appeal. The monies will fund many important outreach programs that are provided to us by the diocese.

The Iowa Deanery of the Council of Catholic Women will be meeting at St. Patrick on Tuesday evening of this week. Please pray for the women who so generously give of their time and talent not only at St. Patrick, but at Immaculate Conception and Holy Redeemer as well. They have been a great support to me this past year. I hope that council members from St. Patrick will make every effort to attend the festivities.

May God bless you with a beautiful week coming!

Love & prayers,  
*Fr. Michael*



FINANCIAL REPORT ...

### Immaculate Conception

<u>April 26th Collection</u>	
Envelopes.....	\$ 391.00
Loose.....	\$ 60.00
Votive Lights.....	\$ 6.00
Annual appeal.....	\$ 50.00
Sanctuary Renovations.....	\$ 500.00
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITED.....</b>	<b>\$ 1,007.00</b>
<u>April Envelope Report</u>	
Needed, weeks 1,2,3,4.....	\$ 1,977.52
Collected.....	\$ 2,449.00
Surplus (Shortfall).....	\$ 471.48
<u>Fiscal Year Envelope Report</u>	
Needed, weeks 1-43.....	\$21,258.34
Collected, weeks 1-43.....	\$19,856.00
Surplus (Shortfall).....	\$(1,402.34)

### Holy Redeemer

<u>April 26th Collection</u>	
Envelopes.....	\$ 220.00
Loose.....	\$ 70.50
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITED.....</b>	<b>\$ 290.50</b>
<u>April Envelope Report</u>	
Needed, weeks 1,2,3,4.....	\$ 2,536.32
Collected.....	\$ 2,160.00
Surplus (Shortfall).....	\$(376.32)
<u>Fiscal Year Envelope Report</u>	
Needed, weeks 1-43.....	\$27,265.44
Collected, weeks 1-43.....	\$23,379.00
Surplus (Shortfall).....	\$(3,886.44)

### St. Patrick

<u>April 26th Collection</u>	
Envelopes.....	\$ 346.00
Loose.....	\$ 145.10
Bell restoration.....	\$ 1,400.00
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITED.....</b>	<b>\$ 1,891.10</b>
<u>April Envelope Report</u>	
Needed, weeks 1,2,3,4.....	\$ 2,581.76
Collected.....	\$ 3,405.30
Surplus (Shortfall).....	\$ 823.54
<u>Fiscal Year Envelope Report</u>	
Needed, weeks 1-43.....	\$27,753.92
Collected, weeks 1-43.....	\$32,923.45
Surplus (Shortfall).....	\$ 5,169.53



FOR ALL PARISHES IN THE TRI-COUNTY CLUSTER ...

+Looking for a fun summer activity? Consider a trip to the Rudolph Grotto Gardens at St. Philip Catholic Church in Rudolph. The gardens have many shrines constructed of native rock, colored glass and marble. Beautiful outdoor stations of the cross are also available. For more information on the gardens, please visit [www.rudolphgrotto.org](http://www.rudolphgrotto.org) or call (715) 435-3120 for more information.

+**Confirmation Students:** A reminder to complete your paperwork and schedule a meeting with Fr. Michael. Fr. Michael will be available after Mass today and before the rehearsal on Sunday evening. The rehearsal is scheduled for **6:30pm** Sunday evening.

+The monks of New Mellory Abbey invite interested candidates to a vocational retreat, to be held the weekend of **May 22nd**. Vocational talks will be held, as well as ample time to talk, work and pray with the monks. For more information, please call (800) 221-1807.

+There are still openings available at Camp Gray for the summer months. For more information about our diocesan youth camp or to schedule a week for camp, please call (800) 711-4729.

+The Office of Worship reminds all parishioners that if you are ill, to refrain from receiving the Precious Blood and exchanging hands at the Sign of Peace. A good alternative is to grab the forearm or elbow instead of touching directly on the hand. A bow and a smile are also appropriate means of exchanging peace. It is good to be reminded of these items as we continue to deal with the flu outbreak.



FOR PARISHIONERS OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ...

+Mark your calendars! **Saturday, June 13th**, plan to attend the 33rd annual Lafayette County Dairy Breakfast! Serving times are from 6:30am - 10:30am, rain or shine. The breakfast will be served at the Lafayette County Highway Department, 120126 Hill Street, in Darlington. Music, children's corner, petting zoo, craft fair, antique tractors and more will be available.

+Many thanks to our Confirmandi who attended to some weed pulling outside of church this past week - we appreciate your hard work and efforts very much.

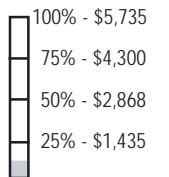


FOR PARISHIONERS OF ST. PATRICK ...

+I would like to acknowledge our parishioners and Confirmandi who worked very hard last week to rake the grass around the church and rectory - your efforts are very much appreciated.

### St. Patrick Project Status

As of April 19th, we have collected \$700, or 12% of our goal to restore one window in the main body of the church.



As of May 3rd, we have met our goal for the restoration of the church bell! My heartfelt thanks to all who have contributed.



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

<b>Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, at Blanchardville</b>	
Monday of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter   Acts 11:1-18   Jn 10:1-10	
8:00am	Kenneth Ramus †
<b>Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, at Hollandale</b>	
Tuesday of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter   Acts 11:19-26   Jn 10:22-30	
8:00am	Donald Marohl †
<b>Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, at Blanchardville</b>	
Wednesday of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter   Acts 12:24-13:5a   Jn 12:44-50	
6:30pm	Anselmo Bueno, Jr. †
<b>Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, at Hollandale</b>	
Thursday of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter   Acts 13:13-25   Jn 13:16-20	
8:00am	Harold McCaulley †
<b>Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, at Blanchardville</b>	
Friday of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter   Acts 13:26-33   Jn 14:1-6	
8:00am	For our Famers
<b>Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, at Hollandale</b>	
BVM   Acts 13:44-52   Jn 14:7-14	
8:00am	Gregory Wiesbrook †
8:30am	Rosary
<b>The Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>	
Acts 9:26-31   Jn 3:18-24   Jn 15:1-8	
4:00pm	Mary Hollfelder † (at Immaculate Conception)
8:30am	Frances Garfoot † (at Holy Redeemer)
10:30am	Pro populo (at St. Patrick)



FOR PARISHIONERS OF HOLY REDEEMER

**Church cleaning after Mass.  
Blood pressure checks after Mass.**

+Items for the Community Clothes Closet and the food pantry can be brought in and dropped off at the entrance to the church anytime.

+Holy Redeemer will have its annual spring potluck brunch after Mass on **May 17<sup>th</sup>**. Please plan to bring a dish to pass and join us!

+We will honor our graduates at Mass on **May 24<sup>th</sup>**. Please congratulate our graduates after Mass at a reception in their honor.

+Show mom how much you love her! Plan to purchase a rose after Mass on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will benefit the local chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life.

+The Young Wyldlife Club will meet on **April 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-8:45pm** in the Gonstead Building.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS - WEEK OF MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>

<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>Holy Redeemer</b>	<b>St. Patrick</b>
<b>Lector</b>	<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Lector</b>
P. Powers	J. Reynolds	J. Sigg
<b>Gifts</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Servers</b>
R&V McGowan	J. Oimoen	Sigg Family
<b>EM-Body</b>	<b>Commentator</b>	<b>Gifts</b>
P&S Meier	S. Droster	Confirmandi
<b>EM-Blood</b>	<b>Server</b>	<b>EM-Body</b>
P. Meier	J. Judd	T. Murphy
P. Powers	<b>Gifts</b>	<b>EM-Blood</b>
	J. Reynolds Fam.	D&D Wenger
	<b>EM's</b>	
	G&J Keller	
	G. Droster	

# The Fourth Sunday of Easter - May 3, 2009



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### Weekend Mass Schedule

Immaculate Conception	Holy Redeemer	Saint Patrick
<b>4:00pm</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>

We welcome you. If you are traveling, or visiting one of our parishes from out of town, we welcome you to our parish and our community. If you have moved into the area from out of town, please consider becoming a registered member of one of our parish communities.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available before and/or after each weekday and weekend Mass.

Congratulations on your upcoming marriage! Please inform Fr. Michael of your wishes to be married six months before your requested date in order for preparations to be made.

May God bless our new parents! Please call Fr. Michael to schedule the baptism of your child, and to attend a baptismal preparation session.

Please pray for the sick of our parishes. If you are sick and would like to be included in the Mass prayers, please call or email Fr. Michael and let him know.

Do you have advanced health directives? Making important health decisions now and informing your loved ones of your wishes will give them comfort and peace of mind when an unexpected illness occurs.

In case of serious illness or imminent death, please call Fr. Michael, regardless of the hour.

When death occurs, you may select the funeral home of your choice. Please call Fr. Michael, and he will meet with you as soon as possible to help you schedule arrangements. All three of our parishes have cemeteries that are well-maintained.

Please remember your parish family in your will. Remembering the parish in your will is a beautiful gesture of thanksgiving which acknowledges the community that has journeyed with you in faith for many generations.



*"I am the good shepherd.  
A good shepherd lays down  
His life for the sheep."*