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MESSAGE FROM FATHER QUENTIN

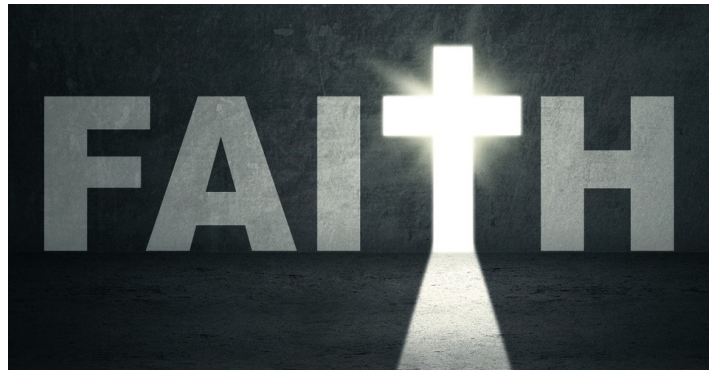
During the season of Easter we read from the Acts of the Apostles. This book of the New Testament focuses on the early church. It especially focuses in on the experience of the Apostles after Christ ascends to the heavens and sends the Holy Spirit upon them at Pentecost. The book looks very closely at two of the apostles in particular. We have detailed accounts of Saints Peter and Paul. Things happen very rapidly for the early church. The apostles are able to spread the faith very quickly. Amazingly they are able to spread the faith over a great distance.

If we think about the life of Christ, he spends most of his life in a rather small geographic area. The farthest place we know of that he traveled was to Egypt and that occurred when he was a child. The rest of his life was mostly spent in the space between the Sea of Galilee and Jerusalem, which is not a very large geographic area. Once he sends the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles they suddenly start covering a large area of ground as they spread the faith. We can think about how this fulfills the teaching of Christ that the Kingdom of God is like the small mustard seed that is planted and then becomes a large bush that the birds of the air can rest in its branches. Here are some of the places that the Apostles spread the faith and some of the places where the apostles gave witness with their very lives.

St. Peter went to Antioch and Corinth. He ended his earthly pilgrimage by witnessing with his life in Rome. Andrew (Peter's brother) was known as the Apostle to the Greeks. James the Greater was martyred in Jerusalem but was considered to witness as far as Spain, where his body was laid to rest. The location is still a place of pilgrimage for people to this day. John (James's brother) made it as far as the Greek island of Patmos and Ephesus. Philip went to minister to Greek speaking communities. Tradition holds that Bartholomew preached in many places: Mesopotamia, Persia, Egypt, Armenia, Laconia, Phrygia, and of the shores of the Black Sea. Thomas is the one who probably makes it the farthest. He goes as far as India. Matthew witnesses to communities around the Mediterranean and is martyred in Ethiopia. James the less remains in the area of Jerusalem where he is the Bishop and eventually is martyred there in 62 A.D. Judas Thaddeus went to the Armenians and was martyred in Lebanon. Simon the Zealot is thought to have preached in the same areas as Judas and was also martyred in Lebanon. Matthias witnessed to Cappadocia and to communities on the coast of the Caspian Sea. St. Paul had four major journeys that went all over modern day

Turkey, Greece, Sicily, and Rome. Like St. Peter he also witnessed with his life in Rome.

It is amazing that these apostles were able to spread the faith of Jesus Christ to all of these places. It is obvious that this was a work of the gift of the Holy Spirit in their lives and in the lives of the people who received their witness. Let us pray that we can follow the example of these apostles and be witnesses to the people we encounter. May we help them to experience the Resurrected Lord and the power of His Holy Spirit.



PARISH NEWS

College Care Packages

Altar Society is requesting addresses for previous St. Gregory parishioners that are current college students to send care packages to during finals week. Please email parishoffice@stgregorychurch.org or call the parish office at 562-3302 before **Monday, April 22nd**.

Seder Supper Thank You!

A big THANK YOU to all the men and women who helped in any way to make the Seder Supper a success. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. It was a fun evening for everyone who attended.

Kelly Youth Rally

The 26th Annual Kelly Youth Rally will be held on **Saturday, August 17th**. The event, for next years 7th-12th graders, begins at 4:00pm with a hayrack ride to the rally site, dinner and concludes with an outdoor Mass beginning at 8:30pm. Cost to attend is \$12 per student if registered **prior to May 31st** (\$18 after that date). Registration papers are available in the gathering space of the church or stop by the Parish Office anytime.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Tuesday, Apr. 16
8:15am † Katherine Pacha

Wednesday, Apr. 17
12:05pm † Don Marquardt

Thursday, Apr. 18
6:30am † Richard Hansel

Friday, Apr. 19
8:15am † Bob and Mark Fisher and
 † Carrie Fisher McElhinney

Saturday, Apr. 20
5:30pm † D.L. Schmitz & Alicia Keegan

Sunday, Apr. 21
7:00am ~ People of the Parishes of
 St. Gregory and St. Malachy

10:30am † Gary Petty

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, April 19
6:00am - 5:00pm Adoration

Saturday, April 20
4:30pm - 5:15pm Confessions

Sunday, April 21
10:30am First Communion

All mysteries of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet are prayed daily. Contact Rosemary at 713-1520 or Judy at 562-6738 for daily times.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK



WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Envelope & Plate for April 7th \$ 8,670.86
 (\$11,200 Expected Average Collection needed each week)

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

Loan Principal Balance (as of 04/01/24)\$269,610.20
 Donations (since 04/01/24)..... (\$ 1,085.00)
 Total Contributions to Date\$7,842,211.12
 (\$9,100 needed each month for loan payment)

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Arnold “Arnie” Rieth,
 father of Travis, Shana and Moriah.
 A rosary will be prayed Sunday at 6:00pm with the funeral on Monday, April 15th at 10:00am at St. Gregory’s.

PONY UP MARYSVILLE

Donate from 7:00am to 4:00pm
 Helvering Community Center
 111 South 8th Street
 or
 Online from 12:01am to 11:59pm on May 3rd
 at www.PonyUpMarysville.com

Help support
St. Gregory’s Building Fund or
St. Gregory’s School

Matching funds of up to \$3,000 per organization are available from Marysville Community Foundation

AREA NEWS

Sunday, April 14th — *Baked Potato Friendship Meal, Frankfort Community Care Home.* Serving baked potatoes with all the toppings and homemade desserts from 11am-1pm in the Activity Room. Free will donation. Proceeds will help purchase new flame retardant bedspreads for the residents.

Sunday, April 21st — *Historic Frankfort Grade School Benefit Breakfast, Annunciation Cigna Center, Frankfort.* Serving sausage, bacon, eggs, biscuits & gravy, hash browns, fruit and sweets from 8am-1pm. Free will donation. Everyone welcome!

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2024

Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration
June 2, 2024 at 2:00pm
 Church of the Nativity in Leawood

To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call the Parish Office at 562-3302 and give us your name, address, phone number and date of your wedding.



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Virtue of the Week – Industriousness

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.”

~ Galatians 6:9

Having the virtue of industriousness means that you are diligent and hard-working, especially in a way that will produce maturity. When we are young, being industrious can look like; completing homework on time, doing chores without being asked, taking care of pets, etc. As we grow older, showing your industriousness also grows and becomes more detailed and complex, each year building upon the previously shown work, thus producing maturity. This is the diligent work for Christ that we, as Christians, are all called to do in whatever and wherever God has placed us.

Let Us Pray: Heavenly Father, You have given me the gift of this day, the gift of this moment, Help me to use my time well. Give me the grace to do all for Your greater glory. Amen.

PRAYER LIST

The power of prayer is an amazing thing! Please keep the following people in your prayers.

Short Term Health Issues: Greg Boss, Jane Haug, Mary Stryker, Cami Friedrichs, Janel Weigel, Marilyn Hodgen, Scott Wetter, Jess Wetter, Richard Bruland, Deanna Schroller, KayeLynn Kroeger, Kaylie Kordyak, Preston Runnebaum, Jan Smith.

Long Term Health Issues: Hudson Gartner, Kristi Meyer, Carol Howell, Joan Pacha, Gary Musil, John Musil, Phil Studer, Doug Plegge, Kathy Jueneman, Mary Gausepohl, Donna Sedlacek, Rick Thompson, Alice Murray, Pat Clark, Dorothy Peschel, Killian Gray, Aaron Hendrickson, Killian Gray, Steve Sawin, Torey Butler, Don Wassenberg, Alan Wassenberg, Tony Evans, Mary Landoll, Debra Nietfeld Lambert, Joan Wacek and Sami Kirkland.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, call Margaret Huffman at 713-9653 or the Parish Office.

St. Gregory Spring Program

Save the Date for our Spring Program on April 24th with show times at 10:00am and 7:00pm.

St. Gregory Enrollment

If you would like to enroll at St. Gregory for the 2024-2025 school year, please reach out to the school office at 562-2831. Enrollment is open.

Science Fair and Art Show

Join us on Sat. April 27th for the Science Fair and Art Show in the school gym. On that day, the school will be open from 8:30-10:30 am for all who would like to come and view the projects. Science Fair awards will be presented at 10:00 am.

Welcome Back

Mrs. Farrell

We are glad to have Mrs. Farrell back at school. Congratulations on the new addition to your family, Shaylynn Catherine Farrell. She's perfect!



CELEBRATE

BIRTHDAYS

- Apr. 15** Sharon Staggenborg
- Apr. 16** Michael Lyhane
- Apr. 17** Don Landoll, Lyle Stohs
- Apr. 19** Auggie Nemec, Larry Pfeifer
- Apr. 20** Dan Faulkner, Brandi Pretre, Terrence Hula, Thalia Barry

ANNIVERSARIES

- Apr. 17** Tom and Becky Schoenberger
- Apr. 19** Sam and Patti Wilson (*55th Anniversary*)

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Cemetery: Frank Staggenborg at 562-8047

Parish Hall Reservations: Contact Parish Office

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Baptisms: See website for information

Weddings: Contact Father Quentin

If someone is in need of the Eucharist taken to them, please call the Parish Office.



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