

GREETINGS FROM FR. SCOTT April 20, 2014 Easter Sunday

EASTER LILLY: White is the color of "purity." The white lily represents the clean, pure life that comes to us through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

LAMB: The lamb sacrificed on the first Passover has been interpreted by Christians as Jesus, the Lamb of God, who was crucified on the cross as a sacrifice for us. The blood of the Lamb is an antidote for snake bites. Venom is poisonous to the body like sin is poisonous to the spirit. The Lamb of God—Jesus—shed his blood as an antidote for our sin.

EGG: The ordinary hard boiled egg represents Jesus' emergence from the tomb and resurrection. The first Easter eggs were red paschal eggs.

CHICK: The chick, hatching out of the egg, symbolizes new life or re-birth.

PRETZEL: Around the year 500 A.D., during Lent, a monk was making his special bread and when he had some scraps left over: he rolled them and wrapped them around each other, forming the first pretzel. The twisted shape symbolizes arms crossed in prayer. The three holes remind us of the Trinity. The monks used the pretzel with the other monks to remind them that prayer was a major part of Lent.

BASKET: The invention of the pretzel led to the first Easter Basket. Easter eggs were later rested on each loop of the large pretzel and were then hidden in barns for children to find. Because the eggs were hidden in barns, the monks gave the children baskets with hay in them to carry the newly found eggs.

BUNNY: As we all know, rabbits are prolific/high-volume procreators, and they are an ancient symbol of fertility and new life. New Life is a symbol of Easter because Jesus gave us new life when he sacrificed himself on the cross for us. The Rabbit's helplessness may also represent the helplessness of man whose only defense is Christ.

BUTTERFLY: The three stages of a Butterfly's life-cycle symbolizes the life of Jesus Christ. The first stage is the Caterpillar, which represents His life on Earth. The second phase begins from the cocoon stage or tomb, portraying the crucifixion and burial of Jesus. In the third stage the beautiful butterfly, with the power of flight, emerges from the apparently lifeless cocoon, representing His raising from the dead in a glorified body: what could be a more perfect symbol of the Resurrection than that? Happy Easter!

STEWARDSHIP

April 13, 2014 \$6,950.35 Online \$1,350.00
Last Year \$7,274.42 Online \$1,125.00
Rice Bowl Confirmation \$83.00
Outreach \$ 1,098.00

Daily Mass Readings

Monday April 21

Acts 2:14,22-23 Ps 16:1-2a, 5,7-11 Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday April 22

Acts 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5,18-20 Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday April 23

Acts 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-4,6-9 Lk 24:13-35

Thursday April 24

Acts 3:11-26 Ps 118:1-2,422-27a JN 21:1-14

Friday April 25

Acts 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2,4 Jn 21:1-14

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday

April 19

8:00pm

+ Michael & Margaret Lajscak

Sunday

April 20

9:00am

For the People

11:30am

+ Vern Adkins

Monday

April 21

9:00am

Tuesday

April 22

9:00am

Intentions of Clete Redding

Wednesday

April 23

9:00am

Thursday

April 24

9:00am

Friday

April 25

9:00am



FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation classes will begin in September.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Both 1st and 2nd year classes should check with their coordinators for the April & May activities. Confirmation Celebration will be May 8th at 7pm.

1ST EUCHARIST

The 1st Eucharist Celebration is on April 26th at 5pm. Welcome to the Table of the Lord!!

ACYC

Alaska Catholic Youth Conference will be June 2-5. Early registration ends May 1—\$75. After May 1—\$90. ACYC is sponsored by Alaska Conference of Bishops. Registration forms are on our website: sacredheartwasilla.org.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

GOOGLE QUESTION

What is the Easter Octave?

COMING EVENTS

APRIL

- 21 Easter Monday—Office & OLV closed
Centering Prayer 6:30pm
- 24 Rosary 7:00pm
- 26 Dillingham Mission Yard Sale 9am-3pm
1st Eucharist Mass 5pm
- 27 Divine Mercy Chaplet—10:30am

MAY

- 3 Fiesta de Mayo 6pm
- 8 Confirmation Mass 7pm
- 11 Mother's Day
Dillingham Car Wash
Knights Breakfast for Moms
- 18 Baccalaureate Mass 11:30am

CRS RICE BOWL

During the past six weeks, our parish community has prayed, fasted and given alms with a special focus on the poorest members of our global community. Our lives were touched by stories from Kenya, Guatemala, the Philippines, Malawi, Haiti, and the United States. Through our Lenten prayers and donations, we have touched the lives of millions of people served by Catholic Relief Services, our representative to the poorest communities in the world. Please return your Rice Bowl during the next 2 weeks. Thank you for your participation this Lent.

ANNUAL OUTREACH CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Thank you for your support of \$1098 to these worthy agencies.

OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Estimated totals are in: We grossed a little over \$81,000 for our auction this year! That is fantastic!!! It was our largest crowd yet with almost 340 in attendance.

Our Lady of the Valley enrollment is now open to all parish families in the archdiocese until April 14th. Enrollment is now open to all the community. Please call or stop by today 376-0883

TEEN CHOIR

Calling all Teens: Youth Mass is on April 26th, and Confirmation is on May 8th. We are inviting teens who wish to sing at both services. Please contact Rick Ackley for more information. Share your gift of music with our assembly and the Lord!!

Our God is Here!!

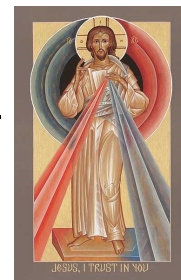
DILLINGHAM MISSION TRIP

Teens are having a garage sale April 26, 2014 9am-3pm. Donated items that don't sell will go to Bishop's Attic. Spring cleaning is a great time to help the youth on their Mission Trip.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY—APRIL 27

The Chaplet will be recited at 10:30am in the Church.



FOOD BANK NEEDS

Peanut Butter, Jelly,
Rice, Pasta, Sugar,
Flour, Tomato
Sauce, Oats,
Powdered/Can Milk

357-3769

FIESTA DE MAYO

This is an ACTS fundraiser on May 3rd in the social hall. Tickets will be on sale after each Mass in the atrium. Join us for fantastic Mexican food, games, music, and fun! Family discounts for 4 children or more. Proceeds will also help the Dillingham youth mission trip.



KITCHEN DISHES

Please claim dishes from funerals and soup suppers. A crock pot lid is missing from the Knights evening. This is a round glass lid with a silver knob. Please return to the office.