

79TH ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S SEMINARY TEA

Wednesday, April 30, 2014 – 3 to 7 p.m. The Madeleine Parish Hall 3123 NE 24th Avenue A benefit for the Seminary Education Fund Tickets \$30, can be purchased at the tea.



TODAY THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS.

This was not announced in last week's bulletin. Envelopes are in the pews. The collection will be repeated next weekend. Also, the Catholic Charities Collection will be taken in May.



OPERATION RICE BOWL – Thank you to all who have participated in Operation Rice Bowl this Lent. Please return your Rice Bowls to the basket in the back of the church.

SIMPLE SUPPER COLLECTION will be taken next Sunday for the support of our two monthly dinners at Transition Projects. Baskets for your free will offering are at the entrances to the church.

FOOD SUNDAY - Next Sunday is Food Sunday. Please bring some non-perishable food for the Immaculate Heart Parish Food Bank to help feed the hungry.

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS – The names of those remembered with Easter Memorial Flowers are posted on the bulletin board in the back of the church. Additional names are Harold Bailey, Elizabeth and Frank Kopping, and Frank Kopping, Jr.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

9:00 AM Mary and Dick Adkisson 11:00 AM: Denise and Doug White Please come early. If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you.

THE EASTER EDITION OF THE WORD AMONG US is available in the back of the church. It contains the Mass readings from Easter through Pentecost along with daily meditations.

"We have seen the Lord!" The risen Lord appeared to his disciples. Only Thomas was absent. Jesus showed them the wounds of his passion, shared with them his peace, and breathed on them the Spirit who would bring the work of salvation to fulfillment through them. But Thomas, who shared the experience only by hearsay, demanded physical proof.

We are surprised by his change of heart. Accepting the risk of faith is not easy. Thomas reminds us of ourselves with our need to touch. He mistrusts any claim upon his faith not rooted in daily experience. The Lord accepts this need. Eight days later he takes Thomas at his word and gives in to his demand, "Put your hand into my side. Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe!"

Shall we, the believers of the twentieth century, remain unmoved by the liturgical celebration of the Easter season? Are we content simply to repeat, "Blest are they who have not seen and have believed?" Thomas' experience must become ours. We must strive to make tangible the power of the resurrection in our lives. We must allow the power of the Lord to heal the wounds begotten by oppression. Our sense of wonder leaves us open to the surprise of faith. Thus we can believe in the seemingly impossible and do all we can to give flesh to our hope. May we so live that Jesus becomes for each of us, "my Lord and my God!"

LITURGICAL READINGS Today: Second Sunday of Easter, Acts 2:42-47/ Psalm 118/ 1 Peter 1:3-9/ John 20:19-31 Monday: Acts 4:23-31/ Psalm 2/ John 3:1-8 Saint Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor of the Church, Acts 4:32-37/ Tuesday: Psalm 93/ John 3:7b-15 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/ Psalm 34/ John 3:16-21 Saint Joseph the Worker. Acts 5:27-33/ Psalm 34/ John 3:31-36 Thursday: Acts 5:34-42/ Psalm 27/ John 6:1-15 Friday: Saints Philip and James, Apostles. 1 Corinthians 15:1-8/ Psalm 19/ Saturday: John 14:6-14 Next Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter. Acts 2:14, 22-23/ Psalm 16/ 1Peter 1:17-21/ Luke 24:13-35

COLLECTION FOR HOLY THURSDAY: \$878.00

GOOD FRIDAY: \$970.00

EASTER: \$18,095.79!

Thank you for your generosity!

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 8:30 a.m.

<u>Reconciliation:</u> Saturday at 3:00 p.m. <u>Baptism</u> and <u>Anointing of the Sick:</u> Please call the parish office. <u>Marriage:</u> Six months' notice required.

PARISH STAFF Rev. James M. Kolb, C.S.P., Pastor Joan Enright, Secretary - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

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The outpouring love of Jesus, our God in flesh, is unbelievable. Doubt is inevitable and many days we are like Thomas in need of proof and other days we are the voice of hope for another. Dig out the doubt in your life, the place you think cannot be touched and allow God's healing rays of mercy to flood into and touch you. As you are healed, be this instrument of healing to another. Stand in their presence and offer love through your being, not your words. Learn to quietly yet brilliantly shine as Jesus does through his divine mercy.