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April 14, 2019
 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
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Office hours: M, T, TH 9-11AM; Wed 9-5pm; Fri 9-1pm (subject to change)

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ST TERESA PARISH WELCOMES NEW FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS MOVING INTO THE AREA. Please register by calling the rectory office. Any parishioners who are leaving the area or changing an address or phone number should notify the office.

BAPTISMS: Baptism will be held on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Call the office in advance to schedule. Parents are obligated to attend preparation sessions before a child's baptism if they have not attended one in the past five years. This can be done before the birth of the child. Call the office to register for class.

COUNSELING SERVICES: 1-937-299-9005 Offered by Bob Skipper at Spiritual Center of Maria Stein

BULLETIN ARTICLES: due in writing by 9:00am on Thursday. You may email article to: stteresachurch@bright.net.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, April 17th
NO MASS DUE TO EASTER TRIDIUM
 Thursday, April 18th (**Mass of the Lord's Supper**)

7:00pm Mass-John Laux
 Adoration until 9:00pm
 Friday, April 19th (**Good Friday of the Lord's Passion**)
 12:15pm Stations of the Cross
 1:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death
 Saturday, April 20th (**Easter Vigil**)
 8:00pm Mass-Randy Sovine, Royce & Regis Spindler
 Sunday, April 21st (**Easter Sunday, Resurrection of the Lord**)
 10:30am Mass-Maurice & Irma Schroer

NO CONFESSION EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 20TH

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MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday, April 21st No CCD classes due to Easter break
 Wednesday, April 17th at 6:00pm Choir Practice in church

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Vocation Cross

4/14-20 Dick Courtney Family
 4/21-27 Rick Davis Family

Church Cleaning

4/14-20 Anita Dicke Family
 4/21-27 Rick Davis Family

Vocation View: Surrender your life to God. You are promised eternal life. (Luke 22:14-23:1-49)

SUNDAY COLLECTION	4-7-19				
Envelopes (35)	\$1006.00	Weekly Offering	\$1,233.00	YTD total Collection	\$56,491.83
Loose envelopes	\$ 227.00	Week Budgeted	\$1,400.00	YTD total Budgeted	\$57,400.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$1233.00	Over/Short	\$ -167.00	Over/Short to date	\$ -908.17

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Today, **Palm Sunday**, marks the beginning of Holy Week, the most sacred time of our liturgical year. It is a time that calls us to immerse ourselves ever more deeply in the life, death and resurrection of Christ and to experience again the life-saving power of Christ that brings Easter joy! The services of Holy Week are unparalleled in the Church year – rich in symbols, ritual and drama. We pray that all of you will take the opportunity to experience the richness of this time that leads to shouts of Easter joy!

Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday – celebrates Christ's triumphal entrance into Jerusalem.

Chrism Mass – On Tuesday of Holy Week, the priests of the Archdiocese gather together with Archbishop Schnurr for the Chrism Mass. Here the sacred Chrism Oil, the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens are blessed. It is also a time for priests to recommit themselves as servants of the Church.

The Easter Triduum – begins with **Holy Thursday – April 18th**. Here we celebrate the gift of the Eucharist and our call to service and ministry in the Church. The washing of feet is a reminder of our call to service. The Holy Oils blessed at the Chrism Mass are presented to the parish.

On **Good Friday – April 19th**, we celebrate the Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ. A barren church with a wooden cross becomes our focus. The path to Easter joy must go through Good Friday. The **Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday – April 20th** begins in darkness. The old lights have been put out and a new fire has been ignited. The Easter candle, a symbol of Christ, is blessed in water that will be used to baptize the newest members of our Parish family. Sojourners in the rite of Christian Initiation, will join us through the waters of Baptism and as fully initiated members in our Catholic faith. Truly the joy of Easter will resound as Alleluias ring out.

On **Easter Sunday – April 21st**, we continue to celebrate that Christ the Lord has risen and that one day we shall join in the glory and majesty of His Resurrection. May the richness of Holy Week and the joy of Easter fill your hearts.
 Fr. Ken & Fr. Vince

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday 7:00 PM followed by adoration until 9 PM
 Good Friday 12:15 Stations of the Cross; 1 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death
 No Confession Easter Saturday, April 20th. The Church does not permit confession and other sacraments prior to the Easter vigil on Holy Saturday.
 Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 PM
 Easter Sunday 10:30 AM

Parish Council elections. Thank you Sammy Norris and Steve Deitsch for your time and dedication to Council. Congratulations to Kristen Norris and Jerry Schmidt who will be on Council beginning the May meeting.

Washing of the feet for Holy Thursday—12 volunteers are needed for washing of the feet for Holy Thursday celebration at 7:00pm. There is a sign up sheet in the lobby.

Easter Candy is ready for pickup after mass in the church basement. Thank you to all who helped sell, buy, sack and deliver the candy.

The Women's group will hold the **Annual Mother's Day celebration** on Sunday, May 5th at the Rockford Belle. Invites were sent out this past week. Please RSVP.

Donations for **Easter Flowers** are still being accepted. If you didn't receive an envelope there are extra in the lobby.