

May 3, 2009

# Fourth Sunday of Easter



*I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.*

## Father Mark's Remarks....

When I was a kid I was an altar boy. Back then girls were not allowed to be servers. As I remember there were about eight boys who served Mass in our small parish of St. Mary's in Marble. Since we always served in pairs I was on the schedule every-other weekend. I served Mass until I was old enough to be a scripture reader and moved into that ministry. If God has given you the ability, it is very good to use that talent in ministry. It is even possible for boys and girls who have received First Communion to serve the church. On Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, after Mass in Walker, we will have a class for those who are able and willing to be altar servers. If there is anyone who wants to be a server, but is not able to attend this class, please let me know and I will find another opportunity to teach you how to serve Mass.

**Saint Agnes Pastoral Council Election** — Last weekend we elected three new members to our pastoral council. Congratulations to Toni Morrison, Sandy Munson and Jamie Richter who are beginning a their three year term. The other member of the pastoral council, elected in previous years are: Sandy Randall, Lori Duchesneau, Mike Bergmann, Rosemary Ellis, Katie Lowe, and Guy LaFontaine.

**Sacred Heart Pastoral Council Election** — During the month of May, nominations are being accepted for those who will be on the ballot at the end of June. The term of office is three years. The council meets about six times a year and the meetings are usually on Tuesday evenings. You may nominate yourself or you may suggest another parishioner by calling the parish office.

**United Catholic Appeal** — Today is UCA Sunday. It is the beginning of our annual fund drive to support our Diocese of Duluth. The total amount needed from all of the 93 parishes in the diocese is \$2,000,000 — yes, two million dollars! Clergy Related Expenses: educating seminarians, deacon candidates, caring for retired priests, etc. amounts to more than one million dollars this year. The assessment given to our parishes is this: Saint Agnes \$26,470 and Sacred Heart \$21,361. Please give a generous donation to the UCA fund drive. We have until the end of December to raise this much money. If we are unable, then it will come from our parish savings account, and this will be an especially difficult circumstance for Saint Agnes parish as we pay nearly six thousand each month on our building loan.

**Grounds Clean-Up Day at Sacred Heart in Hackensack** — Please come and

join in the spring grounds cleanup on Monday morning, May 4<sup>th</sup>. We will begin bright and early at 8:00 a.m. to rake leaves, trim trees and bushes, etc. Al & Duane Remer of Northwoods Lawn Service will be here with power equipment to help us get the job completed quickly. Then we can enjoy some coffee and donuts. Last year we had plenty of helpers and everything was completed in just a couple of hours. If it is a rainy morning please check with the parish office as we will set up a new time if the grounds are wet.



***This Week's Schedule of Events***

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>SAINT ATHANASIUS</b>	<b>5/2</b>
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Roman &amp; Lillian Meuwissen</i>	
Walker	5:30 p.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>5/3</b>
Hackensack	8:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Ed Mergens</i>	
Walker	10:00 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Lester &amp; Louise Bagley</i>	
Walker	11:00 a.m. <b>Youth Pancake Breakfast</b> — <i>All are welcome!</i>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>EASTER WEEKDAY</b>	<b>5/4</b>
Hackensack	8:00 a.m. <b>Grounds Clean Up Day</b>	
Hackensack	2:00 p.m. <b>Sacred Heart Rosary Prayer Group</b>	
Walker	6:30 p.m. <b>Women's Lamb of God Prayer Group</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>EASTER WEEKDAY</b>	<b>5/5</b>
Walker	8:00 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Newell Ellis Family</i>	
Walker	8:30 a.m. <b>Eucharistic Adoration until 3 p.m. Wed.</b>	
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. <b>Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Benediction</b>	
Hackensack	5:00 p.m. <b>Pot-Luck Supper &amp; Catholic Faith Discussion</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>EASTER WEEKDAY</b>	<b>5/6</b>
Walker	8:00 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Ole Rich</i>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>EASTER WEEKDAY</b>	<b>5/7</b>
Walker	7:30 a.m. <b>Men's Cursillo Meeting</b>	
Walker	8:00 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Roman &amp; Lillian Meuwissen</i>	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>EASTER WEEKDAY</b>	<b>5/8</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>EASTER WEEKDAY</b>	<b>5/9</b>
Walker	11:00 a.m. <b>Sacrament of Penance</b>	
Hackensack	3:30 p.m. <b>Sacrament of Penance</b>	
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for John Hatheway</i>	
Walker	5:30 p.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Jerry Minar</i>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>5/10</b>
Hackensack	8:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Patricia Sievers</i>	
Walker	10:00 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i>	
Walker	11:00 a.m. <b>Coffee in Social Hall</b> — <i>All are welcome!</i>	

**Attention! There will be a CCW meeting on Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart.**

**BENEFIT CONCERT FOR NINA BURKE**  
**Sunday, May 31, 2009 at 7 p.m.**  
**Hope Lutheran Church ~ Walker**

This fund-raiser is being organized to help with Nina's loss of income and other expenses. Refreshments will be provided. A Free Will Offering will be taken. If you can donate some bars or cookies call Linda Arts at 547-4216.

***Upcoming Events***

**Key: S.A. = St. Agnes & S.H. = Sacred Heart**

**May**

- 11 Angels of St. Agnes at 9:30 a.m.
- 11 S.H. Rosary Prayer Group at 2 p.m.
- 11 St. Agnes Parish Council at 5:30 p.m.
- 13 CCW Meeting at 10 a.m. at S.H.
- 13 All Ages Youth Picnic at S.A.
- 13 55+ Driver's Class Part 1 at 5 p.m. at S.H.
- 14 55+ Driver's Class Part 2 at 5 p.m. at S.H.
- 16 Blood Pressure Clinic at 5 p.m. at S.H.
- 17 Blood Pressure Clinic at 9:30 a.m. at S.H.
- 17 Graduating Seniors Mass 10 a.m. at S.A.
- 17 Altar Boy & Girl Server Training after Mass at S.A.

**Keep in your prayers....**

- ✚ Mary Tiedeman continuing breast cancer chemotherapy.
- ✚ Ed Mergens receiving cancer medication.
- ✚ Jack Audette suffering from lung cancer.
- ✚ Jean Bellamy in nursing care in Twin Cities.
- ✚ Nina Burke is undergoing cancer treatments.

**Beginning this Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> a new Sacred Heart Rosary Prayer Group will be at 2 p.m.** and will be each Monday through out the year. Parishioners from both parishes are invited to participate.

**NEW WINE 2009 is a group of Christian teenagers who bring the Gospel message when they perform. GODSPELL a '60s rock musical on Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** at Hope Lutheran Church, Walker. Tickets are \$6 at the door. No reservations. There will be yummy desserts at intermission.

 **Last Week's Collections**   
**April 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Walker Hackensack**  
**Plate:** ..... \$953 ..... \$898  
**Envelope:** ..... \$1,418 ..... \$2,018  
**St. Agnes Building**  
**Balance Remaining:** \$341,346.34

The Women's Lamb of God Prayer Group will meet Monday, **May 4<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. at St. Agnes in the Social Hall.



Please bring your Bible and join us. For questions call Rosemary at 547-1509.

**Are You Interested in Pro-Life Issues?** Come to our next Pro-Life-Up-North meeting Mon., **May 4<sup>th</sup>** at 6 p.m. at the Lighthouse Church Office in Hackensack, next to Body Rhythms. Everyone is welcome!

**Men of Hope Ham Dinner on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-7 p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church (305 10th St. Walker).** Proceeds go to the youth trip. Adults \$8; Kids 8 & under \$4.

**61<sup>st</sup> Annual Boy Scout Smelt & Fish Fry Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 5-7 p.m. at the Walker American Legion.** Coleslaw, Beans, Milk, Coffee, & Dessert (All you can eat!) Donation: Adults \$10, Children (4-10) \$6. Tickets at the door. Boy Scout Troop #40 Walker,

**FLOWER SALE**

**MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND May 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**After all Masses at St. Agnes & Sacred Heart**

Flowers are an excellent gift to give for Mother's Day or to treat yourself.



Prices:

- 10" Assorted hanging baskets are \$11 each or 2 for \$21;
- 10" Assorted Premium hanging baskets are \$13 each or 2 for \$25;
- 12" Assorted patio pots \$15 each or 2 for \$29.

All profits to go to the OLP Mission in Baudin, Haiti.

**SINGERS WANTED**—All area singers are invited to an informational meeting on Monday, June 15, 2009 at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary of Hope Lutheran Church, Walker to begin rehearsals for "A TASTE OF BROADWAY" dinner theatre performance at the new Chase on the Lake Event Ballroom in Walker the evening of Tuesday, August 11, 2009. The production is a fundraiser sponsored by the Walker Area Foundation. It will feature show tunes from a variety of Broadway musicals. All voice parts are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact director Joanna Aamodt at 224-3562 or producer John Warren at 547-2865.

**55+ Drivers Classes**  
**at Sacred Heart in Hackensack**

**Sr. Driver Improvement 8-Hour Full Course on Wed. & Thurs. May 13 & 14, 2009 from 5-9 p.m.** A MN Highway Safety & Research Center "certified" instructor teaches this two part class. Persons age 55 and older who complete the course qualify for a ten percent discount on their auto insurance premiums for three years, according to MN law. This class is open to the public and it costs \$20.

**Sr. Driver Improvement 4-Hour Refresher Course Friday, May 22, 2009 from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.** A MN Highway Safety & Research Center "certified" instructor teaches this class. Driver safety, confidence, and comfort are enhanced by utilizing the most up-to-date research in the field, including the latest visual scanning and steering techniques, anti-lock braking skills, airbag information, driver distraction, road rage, and new vehicle technology. Persons age 55 and older who complete the course qualify for a ten percent discount on their auto insurance premiums for three years, according to MN law. This class is open to the public and it costs \$18.

**Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register call toll free 1-888-234-1294.**

**May is the month for St. Agnes and Sacred Heart to volunteer workers at the Walker Area Food Shelf.**



We typically need five or six people each shift, especially men. If you are able to donate your time any of the first three Tuesdays from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. or the last Tuesday from 2:30-6 p.m.; please call Viv Palmer at 675-5082.

***Don't Let Memory Loss Keep You or Your Loved One from Living Life to the Fullest.***  
**"Understanding & Living with Early Stage Memory Loss or Dementia"**

Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at Hope Lutheran Church, Walker. This class will be presented twice at 1:30 -3 p.m. and 6:30-8 p.m. Light snacks & beverages will be provided. No fee to attend. A RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary, call 547-7511. Sponsored by May Creek Senior Living Campus & Hope Lutheran.

**Register NOW for the September 20, 2009 "A Walk to Remember"** put on by the May Creek Senior Living Campus. For more information call Lori at 547-7511.

**YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**First Communion pictures will be posted on the Youth Board at St. Agnes and in the Pilot Newspaper**



**shortly.** Thank you again to all the parents and teachers that made this sacrament preparation and celebration very special for our children.

**THANK YOU VOLUNTEER TEACHERS**

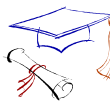
Don & Darryle Carlson  
Michelle Codfelder  
Carrie Johnson  
John Warren

These blessed people gave of their time and talents to teach our 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade release time children. Thank you for listening to God's call to serve.

**End of School Year Youth Picnic  
Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>  
at St. Agnes for ALL Ages**



Preschool through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will be picked up after school by Jenny. Parents are asked to donate one food item for the event if possible. Please contact Jenny at home at 547-9112 or at church at 547-1054 about what to bring.



**Graduating Senior Mass Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>  
10 a.m. at St. Agnes.** The Angels of St. Agnes will be giving blankets to the graduates. Cake will be served following the Mass.

**Altar Boy & Girl Server Training Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>  
after 10 a.m. Mass at St. Agnes.** All children that have completed their first communion to sixth grade are eligible to participate in the training. If questions please contact Jenny.

**18<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Crappie Fishing Tournament Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1-3 p.m. at Marine Max Marina** Free Admission, Free Hot Dogs & Pop, Door Prizes. Contest held rain or shine! Children ages 1-13 can register at Marine Max Marina on the day of the contest. Free crappie bait will be provided. Participants are required to provide their own life jacket and fishing rod. Children ages 1-10 must be accompanied by an adult while fishing.

**Sacred Heart Parish Council Meeting  
Summary for April 28, 2009**

Guest Bob Hornsby brought up the concern about functions of the pastoral council and the finance council and communication between the councils and the members of the parish. Placing the minutes of both council's actions regularly in the bulletin was commended. Also discussed was the need for a liaison from the pastoral council to attend the finance council meetings as we have had in the past. We also discussed the fact that we have not had a budget from which to work with since 2005-06 when Phil Johnson was finance officer for both parishes.

Father presented the idea of hiring Pete Pederson as parish manager for both parishes. Pete had come to Father to offer his services to do so with his salary split between St. Agnes and Sacred Heart proportionately. He has been a parish member for many years and currently is handling accounts for a few other businesses locally. The motion was made and passed to hire Pete for one year, upon approval by the St. Agnes parish council which will be meeting in the near future.

Clean - up day for the Sacred Heart grounds will be Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:am. Volunteers are encouraged to help.

Al Remer's lawn service will again have charge of grounds maintenance this summer.

The parish council elections will be the weekend of June 27 - 28<sup>th</sup>. Members whose terms are expiring are Ken Johnson and Luann Sykes. Anyone interested in running should contact Clarence Rueter or Anne Pavlik.

An amount of \$3000 has been set aside for disbursement to charitable organizations. Holly Bilodeau and Karl Iten will research past recipients and report back at the next meeting.

We will wait to assign a liaison to the finance council until after the parish council elections in June.

The next meeting will be May 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:05 p.m.

**The Little White Church is open for donations to the summer rummage room sales.** Donations may be left in the vestibule at Sacred Heart at any time.