

WITHOUT GOOD FRIDAY, EASTER SUNDAY IS NOT POSSIBLE.

We live in a time and mindset when pain and inconveniences are totally considered as evil and to be avoided at any cost. Suffering for the sake of suffering is meaningless. But, some lack of comfort need not be that negative. On Good Friday, we commemorate Jesus' Agony, Passion and, of course, His gruesome Death on the Cross, and that private and hasty burial of His body. All the events that took place on that fateful day on Mount Calvary make us sad, but that reaction of sadness is not what is really needed. Our appropriate response ought to be a resolution to reestablish that strong relationship with God, our Creator, and with our fellow human beings. Death seizes everything. Every person we know will die. Everything we treasure will slip away from us. Even the high-priced monuments we erect shall be destroyed (The sad news of fire destroying the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris.). But, we Christians ought to be connecting Good Friday events to Easter Sunday happenings. If for a moment we forget this connection, then we will miss the entire Redemption Plan of God. May we have the grace to be in touch with the Risen Lord. May we be blessed with that deeper peace and joy which only the Risen Lord can bless us with. Happy Easter Everyone.

My special gratitude to members of the decoration committee, members of the choir and those who tirelessly worked hard to set up for worship. Special thanks to the volunteers, sacristans and parish staff.

Fr. Joe



He is Risen! Alleluia!



HOPE FOR THE HOPELESS & HEALING FOR THE HURTING—APRIL 20-21, 2019

A sacred time of the year is once again here—to remind us that God's Son has died a most cruel death—to redeem us from our sins. It is through this selfless act that we are able to deal with the guilt of our sin—by finding new life in HIM. This is the HOPE and HEALING that is the success of the Samaritans Hand—how uplifting life is for one who has found a new life—by ridding oneself of the control of ALCOHOL and OTHER DRUG ADDICTIONS. Yet, it is the realization that prayer and meditation will improve one's conscious contact with God. The

foundation of the Sober House in Sheboygan is founded on that basic principal: "A POWER GREATER THAN ONESELF." Yet, the Sober House does depend on the donations of others in order to continue its ministry. How fortunate it is that the members of Blessed Trinity and St. John Evangelist Parishes have stepped forward to be a part of the success of the Sober House. With our annual 2019 Lenten Outreach Program almost complete, heartfelt thanks from Blessed Trinity Human Concerns Committee and St. John Evangelist Social Justice Committee are extended to all who donated financially and spiritually. We are confident that your spiritual and financial generosity will impact some of the lives of those who turn to Samaritans Hand and the Sober House in Sheboygan for life-giving support. The total amount received to date from Blessed Trinity and St. John Evangelist Parishes and the Kohler Company is \$10,300. If you would still care to donate, envelopes are available at the end of the Church pews and in the Gathering Areas. A final Lenten progress report will be placed in the bulletins and recorded on the poster-thermometers in the Church Gathering Areas of Blessed Trinity and St. John Evangelist Parishes. Thanks!!!

ATTENTION MEN OF BLESSED TRINITY & ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISHES

Are you struggling to be the man God created you to be? Would you like to strengthen your spiritual resolve? Do you need help and guidance in living your faith boldly in all aspects of your life? If you have answered "Yes" to even just one of these questions then I would invite you to go to www.paradisusdei.org/that-man-is-you and view the 8-minute introductory video entitled, "Discover More About TMIY Men's Program". Then please attend the informational meeting of a Men's Prayer Group that is being organized now. We will meet at 7 AM on **Saturday, April 27th**, in Blessed Trinity's Catholic Life Center-Assembly Room. This is your opportunity! We hope and pray that we see you there!!

DID YOU KNOW.....

The **Blessed Trinity Quilters**, as part of their ministry, make beautiful lap quilts for parish members that are going thru chemo treatments or a serious illness. In the past 3.5 years, 33 quilts have been given to parish members blanketing them with prayers. Thank you quilters for your beautiful witness to others. If you know of anyone from the parish that is going through a cancer diagnosis, please call the Parish Office at 467-4616, ext. 301. God Bless You all this Easter season.

PARISH SPRING CLEANUP

The **Blessed Trinity Parish Spring Cleanup** is set for **Saturday, May 4**, starting at 9 AM. Please bring your rakes. In the event of bad weather conditions, the alternate Spring Cleanup date is **Saturday, May 11** at 9 AM.



St Mary's Council 11129 of the Knights of Columbus invites high school seniors of our parish to apply for our **annual scholarship**. Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners at our semi-annual brat sales, we have been able to offer scholarships the past couple of years. If you are interested, please send an email, by **May 1**, to the address listed below.

Our annual **Brat Fry** will be held on **Sunday, May 5** after the 10:30 AM Mass at Blessed Trinity. Take outs of delicious brats and burgers will be available. All proceeds will go to the Knights Scholarship Fund. Thanks for your support.

Our annual **Tootsie Roll Drive** for the developmentally disabled will occur after Mass the **weekend of May 11-12**. We appreciate your support.

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is an investment in the Catholic Church. If you are a Catholic male over the age of 18, I invite you to join our council and help us be the difference in our parish and community.

Tim Woodworth, Grand Knight
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NEW SCRIP IN-STOCK CARD

Meijer is available in \$25, \$50 & \$100 cards. **Meijer** donates 3% to the parish for every card sold.

SCRIP is available:

- ➔ On-line at www.shopwithscrip.com
(If you need the Enrollment Code, please email tim@btsje.org.)
- ➔ After the Weekend Masses
- ➔ At the Parish Office (Monday-Friday, 8-11:30 AM)



From Mar. 1-31, 2019	SCRIP Sales: \$9,860.00	SCRIP Profit: \$344.27
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HELPING KIDS FOOD ITEMS NEEDED

Helping Kids has 10 families that we are helping with food. Please consider donating some very much needed food items. If you wish to make a monetary donation for the purchase of needed food items, please write your check out to Sheboygan Falls School District and in the memo line put Helping Kids. Below is a list of items needed. Thank you for your support. *God's Richest Blessings, Kathy Rowe - Helping Kids*

Canned fruits, applesauce, peanut butter & Jelly, cereal, soups, box potatoes, taco dinner kits, box pizza kits, small bags of goldfish crackers, Hamburger Helper, canned chicken, granola bars/fruit snacks, bags of muffin mix, hot tamale/sloppy joe mix, small boxes of Minute Rice, canned meats turkey & hamburger, canned beef stew, boxed mashed potatoes, gravy, and packs of crackers w/ cheese or peanut butter.