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HOLY AND INNOCENT CHILDREN OF GOD, *Opening Prayer: May we always be prudent in judging or setting up high moral standards for others, especially when we do not observe the same things ourselves.*

Introduction to The Liturgy of the Word: The readings today remind us about our new beginning when at Easter we will be celebrating the resurrection of Christ. The responsorial Psalm describes the actual feeling of the Israelites at their homecoming: *“The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.”* The prophet Isaiah reminds the captives in Babylon that as the Lord God brought them safely out of Egypt to the promised land, the Lord God will now do something new by bringing the captives across the desert back to their Holy Land-Jerusalem (First Reading). St. Paul also proclaims a new beginning in his life when as he neared death he proclaimed that for him knowledge of Christ and of the power flowing from the resurrection of Christ is everything and so he considers all other things as rubbish (Second Reading). The woman caught in the act of adultery also got the opportunity to begin a new chapter in her life when Jesus told her she should go and avoid sin (Gospel Reading).

Rating Ourselves As Being Better than Others while Before God We Are Not: When Jesus told the Scribes and Pharisees and those who brought the adulterous woman to be stoned: *“Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her”* (John 8: 7), all left silently without throwing a stone at the woman. By leaving without stoning the adulteress woman it means that either they had committed adultery themselves or were sinners themselves. On their own they refused look deep into themselves, but after Jesus spoke, their conscience was touched and each looked deep into their hearts and discovered that they were not free from the very sins they were accusing the adulteress. This attitude of the Scribes and Pharisees and Jesus’s response to them reveal three things. First, this parable teaches us that our motives for doing anything should be pure and honest not in order to achieve our hidden agenda. In other words, we should be honest and straight forward while dealing with other people. Second, from the attitude of the Scribes and the Pharisees and Jesus’s response we see how at times we become judgmental and condemning in our attitude towards others while in real fact we ourselves are not free from the very faults we see in them. As the Scribes and the Pharisees came to Jesus exonerating themselves, bad luck fell on them because Jesus indirectly told them to their face that they too were guilty of the same sin they were accusing the adulterous woman. The tendency is to wrongly give the impression that we are better than others while in reality we are either guilty of the same sin or even worse sins than those we condemn. Third, the way Jesus responded in this case reveal something about Jesus that He is Divine and is aware of every plan of the human person. God knows the truth or reality concerning our life and this we are never to forget. The state of our heart or our status in life is known to God and this is what we should fear. In this case the people were not being frank and honest to themselves because they deliberately refused to examine and admit the truth about their own lives pretending they are better.

Rating Everything As Loss In Order Gain Jesus: St. Paul admits: *“I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.”* For St. Paul neither his family, his career or his past accomplishments mattered in comparison to who Christ is in his life. Paul’s only goal was his knowing Christ and every other thing is almost nothing. Paul had forfeited all his past glories such as his being a Jew or Hebrew of Hebrews by religion (Cf. Acts 22: 3; Philippians 3: 5-6), his being a Roman citizen by birth, not by privilege (released from jail at Philippi because he was a Roman-Acts 16: 37-39; protected from the angry crowd by the Roman guards because he was a Roman-Acts 22: 25-29; and tried as a Roman-Acts 25: 7-12); and his being a Gentile by education or profession (Acts 9: 15; Galatians 1: 15-16; 2: 7). Since we are sanctified and saved through Christ and we don’t get to see God by trusting in our own righteousness or by depending on our own abilities, so compared to Christ, every other thing we can achieve on our own is almost nothing. It is Christ who makes us whole, that is, new: *“Whoever is in Christ is a new creation”* (2 Corinthians 5: 17). With the emphasis today on human esteem, possessions, success, education, money, fame, titles, and power, Christians have a lot to learn from counting it all as rubbish of St. Paul. Looking at the time, energy, resources, and attention we render to our temporal affairs compared to our spiritual life, much needs to be thought about. The danger is not in going after the temporal things but in dealing with them to the extent that we have little or no time for the spiritual and for God. There is the need not just for a balance or moderation, but we are called to choose Christ in everything and be drawn nearer to Christ. Christ is to be our greatest treasure as such we are to hold other things loosely, share them generously, and ascribe value to things in relation to the person of Christ. It is the desire to allow Christ to occupy the highest place in our life that inspired St. Paul to make the extreme statement: *“... For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ”* (Philippians 3: 8).

Closing Prayer: *May God bless us and grant us the grace to honestly improve upon our relationship with one another and with God.*

~ FR. JOHN WILLIAM

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

The stewardship message in the parable of the prodigal Son is that it is never too late to become a good steward all along, but blessed, too, is the prodigal who had to lose all he had in order to understand the value of what he'd been given.

	<u>St. Anne</u>	<u>St. Catherine</u>	<u>St. Gabriel</u>	<u>St. Raphael</u>
Needed Each Week:	\$2,242.45	\$2,548.08	\$508.62	\$800.60
Needed Year-to-Date:	82,970.60	96,827.04	18,818.94	29,622.20
Actual Year-to-Date:	69,332.19	97,278.74	20,061.77	30,339.59
Date: March 27, 2022	1,500.33	2,251.00	301.00	2,700.90
Other Collections:	288.00	95.00	0	113.50
CRS Collections:	183.00	460.00	90.00	132.00

This Week in our Parishes

Saturday, April 2, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael
(Parishioners of St. Anne, St. Catherine,
St. Gabriel & St. Raphael)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(Betty Herron)

Sunday, April 3, 2022

8:00am Reconciliation at St. Catherine
8:30am Rosary at St. Catherine
9:00am Mass at St. Catherine
(William Manczak)
10:30am Rosary at St. Anne
11:00am Mass at St. Anne (Lois Loyd)

Monday, April 4, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne
(Special Intention for All Our Living)

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne
(For a Fruitful Lenten Season)
9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation
6:30pm-7:00pm Stations of the Cross
and Confession at St. Gabriel
7:00pm-7:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(Tom Kane)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ST. GABRIEL MEN'S CLUB:** There will be a meeting on Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 pm in the church annex. All men are invited to attend.
- **HOW'S YOUR LIGHT SHINING?** Are you letting Christ's light shine through you to others? Province Convention (State of Michigan) CCW will be April 29-30, 2022 in Frankenmuth. All ladies of our parishes are invited to come, pray together, learn together, have fun together Registration deadline is April 1st; for more info and registration forms call Pauline at 989-736-3190. WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER!
- **LENT FOR LIFE RICE BOWLS:** St. Gabriel/St. Raphael: Please return your Rice Bowls Donations to the church no later than Palm Sunday Vigil Mass on Saturday, April 9, 2022. St. Anne/St. Catherine: Please return your Rice Bowls Donations to the church no later than Easter Sunday Mass on April 17, 2022. Please be generous in your giving for those less fortunate than us.
- **Volunteer Cleaners Needed!** Volunteer Cleaners Needed for the months of June - December!! St. Anne Parish is asking for volunteers to do "light" cleaning of our Church before Mass each weekend. Volunteers sign up for a month at a time. To help with this stewardship or for more information, please call the parish office at 724-6713. Thank you.
- **Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s):** Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center, in DeWitt, MI (10 miles north of Lansing), on April 22-24, 2022. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$200 for meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.michigan@gmail.com, or call (586) 770-1772 for details.
- **MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER IS AVAILABLE**

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine
(For favorable weather)
5:30pm-6:00pm Stations of the Cross and
Confession at St. Catherine
6:00pm-6:30pm Mass at St. Catherine
(Special Intention for St. Catherine and
St. Gabriel Parishioners)

Thursday, April 7, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine
(For the sick in our parishes)
9:30am-10:30 Adoration at St. Catherine
4:30pm Stations of the Cross and Confession
at St. Raphael
5:00pm Mass at St. Raphael
(Special Intent. for St. Raphael Parishioners)

Friday, April 8, 2022

5:00-5:30pm Stations of the Cross at St. Anne
5:30-6:00pm Mass at St. Anne
(Special Intention for St. Anne Parishioners)

Saturday, April 9, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael
(Ronald Frayer)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(Edward Schneiderhan)

Sunday, April 10, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Julius Schepke)
11:00am Mass at St. Anne
(Sy, Lorraine & Nancy Goebel)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

For The Week (Year C)

SUNDAY:

IS 43:16-21, PHIL 3:8-14,
JN 8:1-11

MONDAY:

DN 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62,
JN 8:12-20

TUESDAY:

NM 21:4-9, JN 8:21-30

WEDNESDAY:

DN 3:14-20, 91-92, 95,
JN 8:31-42

THURSDAY:

GN 17:3-9, JN 8:51-59

FRIDAY:

JER 20:10-13, JN 10:31-42

SATURDAY:

EZ 37:21-28, JN 11:45-56

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday:

Rev. Greg McCallum

Monday:

Rev. John McCracken

Tuesday:

Deceased Priests

Wednesday:

Rev. Bryan Medlin

Thursday:

Rev. Ruben Munoz

Friday:

Rev. Joseph Muszkiewicz

Saturday:

Most Reverend
Jeffrey J. Walsh

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HOLY THURSDAY | APRIL 14

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

5:30PM Mass at St. Anne in Harrisville

GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 15

PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

5:30PM Service at St. Anne in Harrisville

HOLY SATURDAY | APRIL 16

all at St. Anne Church in Harrisville

11:00AM - Blessing of the Baskets

9:00PM - Easter Vigil



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD | APRIL 17

9:00AM - Easter Sunday Mass at St. Catherine Church

11:00PM - Easter Sunday Mass at St. Anne in Harrisville

LENTEN FASTING AND ABSTINENCE:

- Catholics 14 years or older are bound to abstain from meat all Fridays of Lent. No meat may be eaten on these days.
- Fasting - Catholics age 18 years through age 59 are bound to the obligation of fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- We are to have only one full meal and two smaller meals. Eating between meals is not allowed but liquids are permitted.
- The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops explain that those who may be excused from fasting and abstinence include those outside the age limits, if physically or mentally ill, if suffering from chronic illness such as diabetes, and pregnant or nursing women. *For more information on Lenten practices visit usccb.org*

LENTEN ACTIVITIES

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THUR	FRI	SAT
<p><u>St. Catherine</u> 8:00-9:00AM Confession 8:30-9:00AM Rosary 9:00AM Mass</p> <p><u>St. Anne Church</u> No Confession 10:30-11:00PM Rosary 11:00AM Mass</p>	<p><u>St. Anne Church</u> 9:00AM Mass</p>	<p><u>St. Anne Church</u> 9:00AM Mass 9:30-10:30AM Adoration/Confession</p> <p><u>St. Gabriel Church</u> 6:30-7:00PM Stations of the Cross & Confession</p> <p>7:00-7:30PM Mass</p>	<p><u>St. Catherine Church</u> 9:00AM Mass 5:30-6:00PM Stations of the Cross & Confession 6:00-6:30PM Mass</p>	<p><u>St. Catherine Church</u> 9:00am Mass 9:30-10:30AM Adoration</p> <p><u>St. Raphael Church</u> 4:30-5:00PM Stations of the Cross & Confession</p> <p>5:00-5:30PM Mass</p>	<p><u>St. Anne Church</u> 5:00-5:30PM Stations of the Cross & Confession</p> <p>5:30-6:00PM Mass</p>	<p><u>St. Raphael</u> 3:30-4:30PM Confession 4-4:30PM Rosary 4:30PM Mass</p> <p><u>St. Gabriel</u> 6-6:30PM Confession 6-6:30PM Rosary 6:30PM Mass</p>