

SACRED HEART - SAINT LUKE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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Our Mass Schedule for This Week

Monday (5-19).....8:00 AM Mass at Elmwood
+Juanita Bates (Kathy Feuker)
Tuesday (5-20).....6:30PM Mass at Spring Valley
+Dee Shafer (Dean & Sandra Madson)
Wednesday (5-21).....8:00 AM Mass at Elmwood
+Martha Zabransky (Jeff & Susan Pitman)
Thursday (5-22).....8:00 AM *Communion Service* at Spring Valley
Friday (5-23).....8:00 AM *Communion Service* at Spring Valley

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday (5-24).....8:00 PM VIGIL Mass at Elmwood
+Francis Burke (Thomas Francis Burke)
Sunday (5-25).....8:30 AM Mass at Boyceville
Missa pro populo
10:30 AM Mass at Spring Valley
Graduating Seniors of Our Parishes

BRIEFLY NOTED

Interparish Pastoral Council: Meets on **Tuesday, May 20 at 7:30 PM** at the Spring Valley CCD Center. Council members please contact the Central office if unable to attend. Thank you.

Congratulations to the senior graduates of our parishes: Michaela Boesl, Mitchell Hemann, Bryor Hellmann and Kennedy Hellmann of St. Luke's Boyceville. Meghan Brunner, Dan Friermuth, Dylan Shields and Heidi Webb of Elmwood. Bryan Bednarek, Emily Boisen, Kevin Fesenmaier, James Hannack, Joseph Helmer, Derek Huebel, Nathan Kalmes, Trent Miller, Evan Ottinger, Jayden Ottinger, Nevada Schlegel, Briana Schlosser, Zachary Webster and Lydia Zupanic of Spring Valley. May the Lord continue to lead these young people in grace and wisdom as they go forth into the world!

Elmwood Centennial Planning Committee: meets on **Wednesday, May 21 at 7:00 PM** in the Elmwood Church Basement. All are invited to come and share their ideas for the celebration of our parish's centennial!

Elmwood Centennial Meal Tickets: will be on sale starting the weekend of May 24. To purchase tickets call Bob Geraets at 715-639-4372.

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 6:00-6:30 PM
Spring Valley
Saturday 7:00-7:45 PM
Elmwood
Sunday 7:45-8:15 AM
Boyceville

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Boyceville
Thurs. 5 PM to Friday 8 PM
Spring Valley

Elmwood Centennial Fact: Father Paquette purchased land for a school in 1950, in addition to enlarging and beautifying the Church. He was here six years and retired in 1952.

Special Recognition:

Sacred Heart of Spring Valley would like to recognize all our volunteer teachers:
Amy Peabody –Children's Liturgy
Jessica Shafer – Children's Liturgy
Lisa Bigaouette -1st
Kelly Johnson -2nd
Cassie Langer – 3rd
Emily Helmer – 3rd
Cheryl Thoms - 4th
Cindy Schlegel- 5th
Tara Huebel -6th
Peggy Larson- 7th
Ruth Lukes - 8th
Karen Fesenmaier - 9th
Mary Lansing- 10th
Gregg Deutsch – 11-12

Education Committee:

Anne Helmer
Cindy Schlegel
Laura Buchal
Kelly Johnson
Peggy Larson

Youth Group Leader:

Connie Kannel

Snack Coordinator & Aide:

Teresa Fogarty

Joyful Noise Director:

Beth Deutsch
Debbie Bowman

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“STRENGTHEN YOUR BRETHERN” (Luke 22:32)

This week we have parishioners graduating from four different high schools – Prairie Farm, Boyceville, Elmwood and Spring Valley. Area clergy with members of their congregations graduating from Prairie Farm and Boyceville High Schools have invited me to take part in their Baccalaureate ceremonies on Sunday and Wednesday respectively. I will be able to pray with the students of Prairie Farm but a scheduling conflict prevents me from participating at Boyceville. We **thank God for His graces** bestowed on our graduating parishioners during their high school years. We also **beg the assistance of the Holy Spirit** for them as they discern how God wants them to use the talents He has given them. Congratulations and God bless our graduates!

Make sure you check out our parishes' website at www.svecatholic.org. E-Catholic, the company that hosts our website, rebuilt our website from the ground up to include many new features. The total rebuild, however, meant that we have had to reassemble the content of our website from scratch! That is an ongoing process but new items are being added weekly. Check it often for updates. Pictures of parish events are regularly posted. If you have any photos or events you would like posted online just email them to webmaster@svecatholic.org. There is an excellent selection of pictures of Deacon Billy Dodge's ordination and Ben Blegen's baptism at the Easter Vigil. You may even find your face there!

I am moved at how solicitous parishioners are with regard to my health. Late in April I underwent two weeks of exams at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester regarding my recent sinus surgery (2013) and the previous intestinal surgeries and subsequent complications (2011-2013). The ENT surgeon reports that my sinus tissues have now completely healed and no cysts or polyps have grown back. Things look so good he said I don't need to come back for six months! The GI specialist also had excellent news discovering that finally there was no sign of any irritation both in the internal pouch they created from my small intestine and the tiny cuff of the large intestine that links all the new "plumbing" together. Because recovery from these surgeries has been so long and complicated the medical professionals and I deliberately ignored worrisome blood sugar and cholesterol/triglyceride numbers that were discovered several years ago. In spite of eating a very healthy diet since the intestinal surgeries, inexplicably the numbers at the last check-up were astronomically worse. So we decided now is the time to attack these problems! **I am now following a diabetic diet as well as strictly monitoring my caloric intake (1400 calories per day) and increasing my exercise routine. The goal is to lose 50 pounds and see if my body resolves the sugar and fat issues.** Thirteen days into the diet and I've already shed 11 pounds! Thank you for your prayers and for helping me lose weight by not tempting me with your delicious goodies!

This week I am going to Chicago to visit my brother. You may recall that he has begun an experimental treatment for leukemia through Northwestern University. He has completed two treatments but there is no sign of improvement as of yet. My stepmother, Marilyn, has recovered splendidly from knee replacement surgery. Indeed, this week she completed the "official" physical therapy. She is now working hard to be able to conquer stairs (like the steep ones in the Elmwood Rectory). **Thanks for your prayers for both of them.**

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us! Saint Luke, pray for us! *Father Kevin C. Louis, STL*

Stewardship for May 10-11

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has -done for me?" (Psalm 116:12)

	Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Centennial Expenses	Juanita Bates Memorial
Spring Valley	\$1371.00	\$121.00		
Elmwood	\$1710.00	\$193.39	\$600	\$400
Boyceville	\$900.00	\$119.12		

BRIEFLY NOTED

Diocesan Annual Appeal Update: Thanks to all those who have completed their pledges to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Elmwood and Boyceville have surpassed their goals and have already received hundreds of dollars back! Spring Valley parishioners are still \$300 short of reaching their goal. Pledges must be completed by June 30. Don't forget: All monies beyond the goal come right back to your parish for our use right here! Thank you for your generous response!

Elmwood Centennial Mass Choir Voices Needed: On **Sunday, July 20** there will be a **9:00 AM mass at Elmwood** celebrating the parish's centennial and also the 25th year of ordination for Father Louis. Those children and adults interested and able to volunteer their voices for this mass are invited to join the choir and help it be a full and joyous celebration.

Spring Valley Home Bound Eucharistic Ministers Needed: If you are interested or available to offer your time and service to bringing Holy Communion to

the home bound on Thursday mornings please contact Gene Bauer (772-4430) or Rita Johnson (778-4295).

Elmwood Donation Thank You: Thank you to the Bates Family for their generous donation to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in memory of Juanita Bates. Your generosity is appreciated!

Elmwood Altar and Rosary: Altar & Rosary have been invited to have a **bake sale at the Dunn County Dairy Breakfast hosted by Steve & Carol Lecheler on Saturday June 7th from 7:00am-11:00AM. We are asking the women of the Parish to please donate a bake item for the sale.** Please price and wrap your item. If you cannot bring it to the Lecheler farm before 7:00AM on Saturday please drop it off in the church kitchen before 7:00PM on Friday evening June 6th. Attached to the Elmwood bulletins is a suggested price list for your items. If you have any questions please call Lois Freiermuth 715-639-3307 or Roselyn Sylla 651-639-5215.

