

# WELCOME TO PAX CHRISTI WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR APRIL 21, 2019

## NEW HERE?

### MASS TIMES:

Saturday ~ 5:00pm

Sunday ~ 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm

Mondays ~ 8:30am

Tuesdays ~ 8:30am with Rosary to follow

Wednesdays ~ 6:00pm

Thursdays ~ 8:30am

Fridays ~ 8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Private) ~ Saturdays 4:00-4:30pm

*Interpreter for hearing impaired at 11:00am Mass.*

*Nursery provided for infants through age 4 during Sunday Mass times.*

### SACRAMENTS:

**Baptism** ~ registration and info at [www.paxchristi.com/baptism](http://www.paxchristi.com/baptism)

**Confirmation** ~ registration and info at [www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration](http://www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration)

**First Eucharist** ~ registration and info at [www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration](http://www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration)

**First Reconciliation** ~ registration/info at [www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration](http://www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration)

**Marriage and Wedding Prep** ~ [www.paxchristi.com/marriage](http://www.paxchristi.com/marriage)

Questions? Contact Andrea in the parish office, 952-405-7207.

### BECOME A REGISTERED MEMBER:

New Member registration takes place on the second Sunday of each month after every Mass or any time by visiting the parish office.

Additional information at [www.paxchristi.com/aboutus](http://www.paxchristi.com/aboutus).

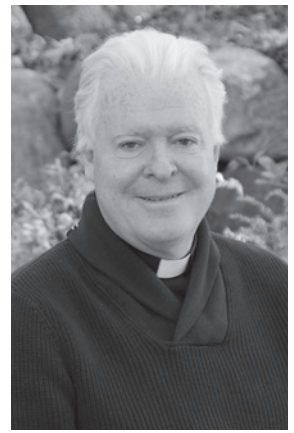
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## A NOTE FROM FR MIKE BYRON



Dear Friends:

It is Easter, and as I am writing this, I am watching surreal scenes on TV of fire devastating Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. If there is any Catholic icon in Europe that is a symbol of stability, deep history, astonishing beauty, and profound faith, it must be that building. I have never seen it in person, but it is bewildering and heartbreaking to think of its demise in the course of a day. Amid all the threats and triumphs of centuries in Western Civilization, Notre Dame has stood... until this week.

Surely this tragedy is so upsetting in large part because it reminds us vividly of how fragile our own existences are, and our imagined permanent human treasures, at every moment of life. All the things that we think of as enduring and as "too big to fail" in this world once were not and one day will be no more. That would be the most sobering news of all were it not for faith in the Resurrection.

There was no greater treasure that ever entered human history than Jesus Christ—no person who ever passed among us holding out such hope and promise for eternal bliss with God. And He died. More exactly, He was executed. And the heavens joined with all the people in shuddering against the horror of it all. This Messiah was our last best hope to set things right among ourselves and with our Maker, and suddenly He came to nothing in a few hours' time, eliminated at the hands of hostile human beings.

And then came Easter morning, when all expectations seem to have been crushed, but something utterly mind-boggling and inexplicable happened: Jesus was encountered alive again, raised up by God. This is our story ever since, and the reason for our joy today. Easter really doesn't make much sense unless and until we have come face to face with the tragic side of our human story, the losses of things that we relied upon to bring us lasting peace, the institutions, buildings, relationships, loves, health, jobs, finances...all of it. It is only when all of those false Gods fail us that we can truly understand what a miracle is Easter.

We will survive the tragedy of Notre Dame because it was never God, no matter how much it led us in God's direction since the Middle Ages. May the celebration of this miracle day be a blessing!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**SENIOR HIGH DINNER AND A MOVIE** **RSVP**  
**4TH FRIDAY OF MONTH, 5:00–10:00pm: APRIL 26, May 24, June 28, AUGUST 23**

**THE POWER OF OUR STORIES**  
*Sponsored by the Interfaith Circle*  
**Sunday, APRIL 28, 1:30–3:00pm, Eden Prairie Community Center**

**FARE FOR ALL**  
**Tuesday, APRIL 30, 3:30–5:30pm**

**SOULCOLLAGE® – OPEN CARD-MAKING**  
**Tuesday, APRIL 30, 6:00–8:00pm, Room 212** **RSVP**

**WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GO™**  
*A Funeral Pre-Planning Mini Workshop*  
**Wednesday, May 8, 6:30–8:00pm** **RSVP**

**MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP BREAKFAST**  
**Friday, May 10, 7:00–8:30am; Room 212** **RSVP**

**TWELVE BASKETS BABY DRIVE**  
**Weekend of May 11/12**

**BOOMERS AND BEYOND SPRING RETREAT**  
*Adding More Joy to Your Life*  
**Tuesday, May 14, 8:30am, \$15.00** **RSVP**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE SPEAKERS SERIES: ON JUSTICE FOR THE POOR**  
**Abbie Shain, Steering Committee, MN Poor People's Campaign**  
**Sunday, May 19, 12:30–2:00pm** **RSVP**

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP** **RSVP**  
**3 YEARS THROUGH 5TH GRADE; JULY 29–AUGUST 2, 9:00am–12:00pm, \$60**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE CAMP** **RSVP**  
**6TH THROUGH 8TH GRADE YOUTH; JULY 29–AUGUST 2, 8:30am – 4:00pm, \$150**

**DRAMA CAMP** **RSVP**  
**6TH GRADE YOUTH AND OLDER; JULY 29–AUGUST 2, 9:00am–3:00pm**

### PRAYER CORNER

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE LOVED ONES:**

Steve, Gayle, Sandy, Mary Jane, Amy, Sidney, Greg, Bob, Jerry, Bill, Judy, Roni, David, Maret, Sherry, Rob, Nick, Connie, Lilly, Nedra, Joyce, the R Family, Ed, Joe, Bill, Trisha, Ken, and Jim.

Pax Christi offers, as a community, the gift of prayer. If you would like to have your name listed in this Prayer Corner during a time of need, contact Care and Support, 952-941-3150.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

**Monday, APRIL 22**  
 PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS NO MASS AND THE BUILDING AND PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED.  
**Friday, APRIL 26**  
**8:30am** **MASS**  
 5:00pm Sr. High Dinner and a Movie

**Tuesday, APRIL 23**  
**8:30am** **MASS**  
 9:00am Rosary Group  
 3:00pm Chair Yoga  
 6:00pm 50+ Basketball  
 6:30pm Leadership Mtgs.  
 7:00pm Handbell Rehearsal

**Saturday, APRIL 27**  
 8:00am Engaged Couples Retreat  
 9:00am Women's AA Group  
 9:00am Overeater's Anonymous  
 4:00pm Private Reconciliation  
**5:00pm** **MASS - FR. BYRON**  
 5:30pm Pax Christi 500 Card Club

**Wednesday, APRIL 24**  
 9:30am Mom's ROCK  
 11:00am Tai Chi  
**6:00pm** **MASS**  
 6:30pm Faith Formation  
 6:30pm Finance Team Mtg.  
 7:30pm Confirmation Rehearsal

**Thursday, APRIL 25**  
**8:30am** **MASS**  
 9:00am Pax Christi Quilters Ministry  
 5:30pm Southwest Grief Coalition  
 6:00pm Pax Christi Basketball  
 7:00pm Al-Anon  
 7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

**Sunday, APRIL 28**  
 HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES  
**9:00am** **MASS - FR. MURTAUGH**  
 9:00am Recycling Event  
 9:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word  
**11:00am** **MASS - FR. BYRON**  
 11:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word  
 3:30pm Faith Formation Sessions  
**5:00pm** **MASS - FR. MURTAUGH**  
 5:00pm Confirmation Rite of Sending  
 6:00pm Sunday Evening Meal  
 6:30pm Faith Formation Sessions  
 6:30pm Young Married Couples

**ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND EVENT  
 REGISTRATION AT [WWW.PAXCHRISTI.COM](http://WWW.PAXCHRISTI.COM)**



*Easter Blessings!*

from Fr. Mike, Fr. Bill,  
 and the entire Pax Christi staff



	This Year Actual	This Year Budget	Variance from Budget	Last Year Actual	Variance from Last Year
<b>Week #41 Contributions</b>	72,344	72,000	344	32,510	39,834
<b>YTD through Week #41</b>	2,141,134	2,255,000	(113,866)	2,437,865	(296,731)
18–19 Contributions Goal – \$2,835,000					

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