



Dear Parishioners,

Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. This week in the Gospel we see that the Risen Lord after his resurrection is the same Jesus who served his disciples before his death. Before he performed the miraculous draught of fish and afterwards he does the same miracle, as we hear in today's gospel. Before, at the Last Supper, he served his apostles by washing their feet and by giving them the gift of the Holy Eucharist. After, as we hear today, he serves and feeds his apostles by fixing them breakfast! While he now is changed in appearance somewhat in his glorified body that they do not immediately recognize him, they know that it is the same Lord by his actions. Whether it is that they were privileged to see Jesus as they did in his risen body or that we only know him by faith as we do, he is still active in our world and lives. This is especially experienced by his Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. He is there to serve and feed us in the Holy Eucharist in the miracle that he does for each and every one of us wherein he changes bread and wine into his very Body and Blood. Next Sunday, our second graders will experience this for the first time when they make their First Holy Communion. So, let us pray for them, and ourselves, that they and we will always appreciate that Jesus is always with us in the Holy Eucharist, Jesus who is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

Have a wonderful and grace-filled week.

God bless, Fr. Gutowski



MASS INTENTIONS

APRIL 15 THRU APRIL 21

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| Monday | Priest's Intention |
| Tuesday | Richard Hazuka, Sr. |
| Wednesday | Ann Boro |
| Thursday | Priest's Intention |
| Friday | Frank Kripal |
| Saturday | Rolf Foged |
| Sunday | People of St. Joseph |



Springfield Community Blood Drive: Please mark your calendars for our next Blood Drive scheduled for Sunday, April 14th from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Springfield Fire Hall. To schedule an appointment online go to: www.redcrossblood.org, or call [402-253-8301](tel:402-253-8301) or walk in. Walk-ins are always welcome and needed. The last time we fell short of our goal, so hopefully we can get back to our regular numbers. Please consider asking a friend or family member to donate with you. As usual, thanks for your previous donations and we hope to see you Sunday, April 14th. *Ralph Meister Springfield Knights of Columbus/Red Cross*

DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNBORN CHILD

Week #1 – Today I was conceived in my mother's womb. If you could see into my chromosomes, you could tell if I am a boy or a girl. I am very, very tiny, because my body has only one cell. As tiny as I am, my single-celled body contains DNA in my 46 human chromosomes and 20,000 to 25,000 protein-coding genes. The data in my DNA contains a lot of information – over 750 megabytes, enough information to fill a 33-volume encyclopedia, five times over. The amount of information contained in the cell that tells the cell what to do with this data is astronomical.

While my body has just one cell, scientists call me a "zygote." About two or three days after conception, my one celled-body will divide into two cells. Next, one of my two cells will divide again, so I will have three cells. Then, one of these three cells will divide, so I will have four cells. After that, all of my cells will split in two, so the number of my cells will increase from four, to eight, to sixteen, and so on. At the 16-cell stage, scientists will call me a "morula." As a "morula," I am taking my first trip, traveling through one of my Mother's fallopian tubes, heading for the uterus, or womb, where there will be food and shelter. The womb will be my home for the next nine months, where I can safely grow and develop. About four to five days after conception, scientists will call me a "blastocyst."

"If you live close to God And His infinite grace,
You don't have to tell; It shows on your face."
-anonymous