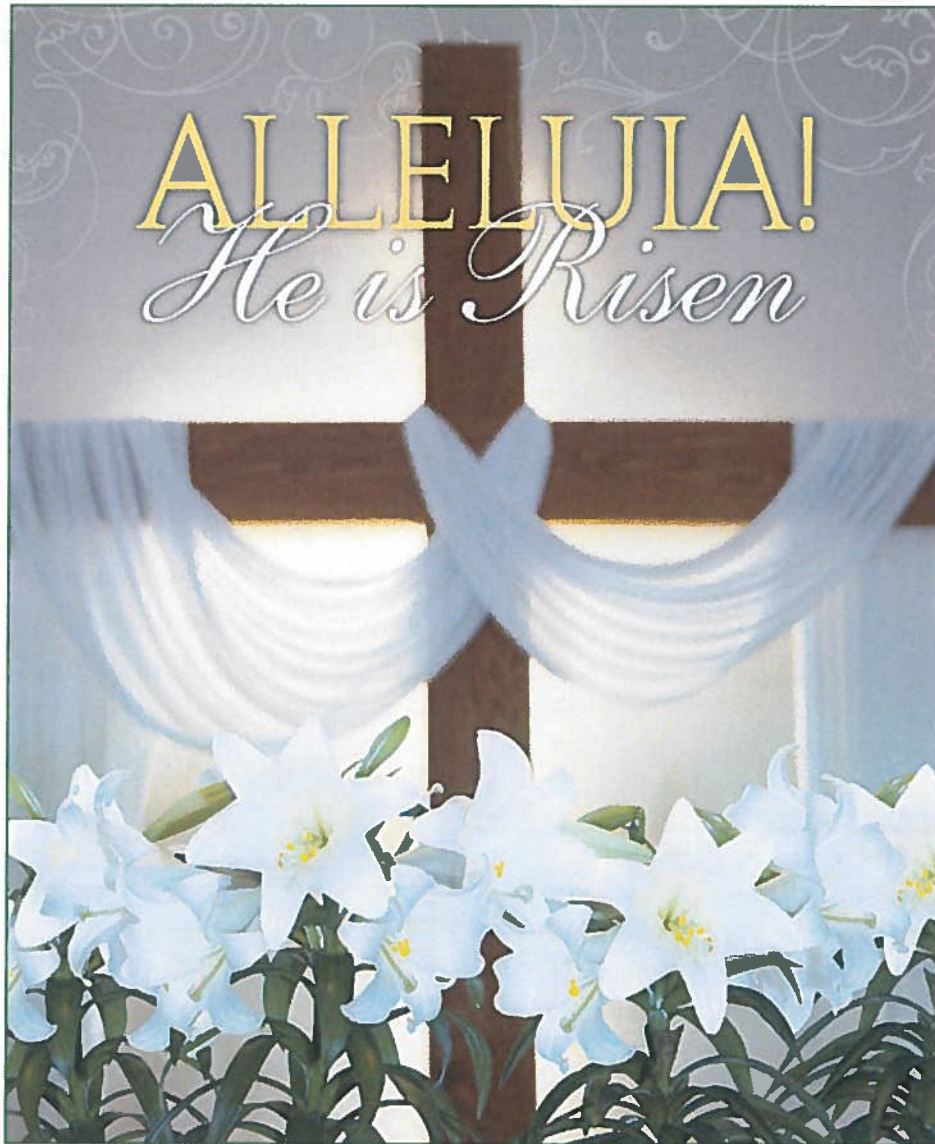


**The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Margaret Mary, Herscher
St. James the Apostle, Irwin
Sacred Heart, Goodrich**



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 12, 2020

Church Mailing Address:

207 E. 5th Street

Herscher, IL 60941

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Confessions:

St. Margaret Mary Sat. 4:15 pm

Sacred Heart Sun. 7:05-7:20 am

St. James Sun 8:35-8:50 am

Quotable: *"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."*

- Pope John Paul II

Each week of April, we will be asking you to add a special intention to your prayers.

Prayer Intentions Week of April 12, 2020

During this week, please add to your daily prayers a special intention for the first responders—police, firefighters, emts, dispatchers, and all others involved in services to the public.

In this time of anxiety, give our first responders strength to comfort the fearful, to tend to those in need, and to assure the isolated. Father, help them to be aware that You are continually with them wherever they are and whatever situation they find themselves in.

*Father,
may they know your protection and peace.
Bless them in these challenging days
and bless their families.
Amen*

During this time of quarantine, we are praying for the health and safety of all our parishioners, their families, and the world. If you are in a position to support your Church by sending in your weekly donation to help with the costs of maintaining our buildings, it would be greatly appreciated.

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Please indicate which parish you are sending your donation in for.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

+Madonna Hoffman

Wife of Dan Hoffman

Mother of Douglas and Dean

Sister of Mary Lou Murphy

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

Our sincere sympathy to her family.

Mail in Collections through
April 9, 2020

St. Margaret Mary—\$1,305

St. James—\$788

Sacred Heart—\$533

Thank you for your generosity

Easter Sunday April 12, 2020

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles reminds us that we, too, bear witness to the risen Lord. The presence of Christ is within us, making us new, transforming us, turning us into stewards of the Good News. There is no more time for holding grudges, disliking others, seeking vengeance, maintaining old prejudices, tolerating bias.

We are Christ's joy and instruments of his peace. Our world is reordered. Reflect on how we are called to let Christ's forgiveness, reconciliation and love permeate our lives. We are Easter people. *Rejoice! He is risen!*

Alleluia!

Easter Blessings

*May Christ's glory and
the promise of this joyous
time of year, bring peace
and happiness to you and
those you hold most dear.*

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