

Rock Island's Historic Catholic Parishes



PASTOR'S CORNER

The Provincial Chapter of our Franciscan Province

"Fratello carissimo, escendo giunto il tempo per l'elezione del Ministro provinciale e degli altri Superiori e Ufficiali della Provincia di Sant'Antonio e del Beato Giacomo degli Strepa in Polonia, indico il Capitolo provinciale ordinario per i giorni 15 Aprile 2024 e seguenti a Kalwaria Paclawska - luogo già scelto dal Definitorio provinciale."

Those are the original words of our Minister General, Father Carlos Trovarelli, addressed to our Minister Provincial and the entire Province calling our Provincial Chapter this year.

"Dearest brother,

As the time has come for the election of the Minister Provincial and the other Superiors and Officials of the Province of St. Anthony and Blessed James of Strepa in Poland, I call the ordinary Provincial Chapter for the 15th of April 2024 and the following days in Kalwaria Paclawska - a place already chosen by the Provincial Definitory."

Our Franciscan Province gathers every four years for the Chapter to elect a new superior and the local superiors of each community, evaluate the last four years since the previous chapter, and plan the future. That's our brotherhood's way of life. With the new rite of election, we have already elected our new provincial by letter voting. The Provincial Elect will take over his office at the Chapter. So, this chapter will be divided into two parts. According to the General's letter, the first one will be April 15 to 20th in Kalwaria Paclawska. During this part, the Friars Delegates will evaluate the previous term and elect the Provincial Council. Another part will be the time to elect new local superiors and prepare a program for the next four years, and it will occur May 13-18th in another Friary in Harzeze. We are such a big province with so many friaries that it's impossible for all friars to attend the chapter. That's why we elect our representatives to go to the Chapter. There will be 42 delegates. The number of delegates from friaries in Poland will be 27, and from communities abroad will be 15.

Fr. Peter Sarnicki was elected as one of the delegates representing friars working in the U.S. He will travel to Poland on April 11th and attend both parts of the Chapter. So, he will be gone for some time. We wish him safe travel and a good time at the Chapter and with his family since, in between, Fr. Peter will have his vacation and a time for spiritual renewal at the retreat.

Please pray for all the Friars Delegates for the gift of the Holy Spirit during this crucial time so that we, as the Fran-

ciscan Community, will fulfill God's will in all aspects of our lives and ways of service to God's people.

Peace and Goodness,
Fr. Witold Adamczyk, OFM Conv.

A Walk Through the Mass with Fr. Witold: Want to get more from the Mass? Learn from Fr. Witold, as he will give talks in April that will help your understanding by walking through each part of the Mass and discussing its form and meaning. The talks will be every Tuesday in April, beginning April 2, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Schroeder Hall. Refreshments will be provided, plus babysitting will be available. To help plan for refreshments and babysitting, please contact Christine if you plan to attend at ricatholicoffice@gmail.com or 309-794-0660.

The Annual Diocesan Appeal is underway in our parishes! Thank you to all who have already pledged to the appeal. Every dollar raised over our goal will be returned to our parish to help us with parish projects. The goal for Sacred Heart is \$30,818 and \$16,825 has been pledged. The goal for St. Mary's is \$34,782 and \$20,876 has been pledged.

Do Whatever He Tells You - All are invited to a day of prayer and recollection presented by the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George in Farrell Hall on Saturday, May 4th, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Christ Child Society and includes lunch. There is no cost to attend. Free will offerings accepted. Reservations are required. RSVP by April 30th to Mary Anne Dockery-Jackson at dockeryjacksonm@gmail.com or call/text (309)738-4679.

MASS SCHEDULE & MORE!

April 16	12:10 p.m. Mass - <i>In honor of Elaine Jawoisz's 93rd birthday</i> ST. MARY'S
April 17	11:00 a.m. Adoration & Confessions ST. MARY'S 12:10 p.m. Mass - <i>Maud Kavanaugh</i> ST. MARY'S
April 18	12:10 p.m. Mass - <i>Special Intention</i> SACRED HEART
April 19	12:10 p.m. Mass - <i>Roy Sellers</i> SACRED HEART
April 20	3:00 p.m. Confessions ST. MARY'S 4:00 p.m. Mass - <i>Bonnie Curry</i> ST. MARY'S 5:15 p.m. Mass - <i>For the People of the Rock Island Parishes</i> SACRED HEART
April 21	8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. Confessions SACRED HEART 9:00 a.m. Mass - <i>Cory Creger</i> SACRED HEART 10:30 a.m. Mass - <i>Fr. George Schroeder</i> ST. MARY'S

SACRED HEART PARISH NEWS

Stewardship of Treasure: April 6/7

Offerory Envelopes	\$2,714.00
Loose Money	\$293.00
Online Giving	\$2,240.00
Property Improvement Fund	\$687.00
Envelopes Used	60

Our next Sacred Heart Dinner will be Thursday, April 25th from 6-8 pm. Please sign-up on the form in the Fr. Anthony Vestibule or on our website!

Thank you to Kathy Papageorgiou for organizing our Easter Egg Hunt and to everyone who helped organize it last Sunday! We also thank Ladies Sodality and the Knights of Columbus for refreshments after Mass!

We have a lot coming up! Mark your calendars and plan on joining us!

- Thursday, April 25: Sacred Heart Dinner, 6-8 pm
- Sunday, May 5: First Holy Communion at 9 am Mass
- Sunday, May 5: Quad Cities Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Service at Sacred Heart, 2 pm
- Sunday, May 12: Mother's Day & May Crowning at 9 am Mass
- Thursday, May 15: Confirmation at St. Pius, 5:30 pm
- Thursday, May 23: Alleman Baccalaureate Mass at Sacred Heart, 6 pm

Seeking choir members: You are invited to join our choir here at Sacred Heart! If you are interested in singing at our Saturday and/or Sunday Masses, or if you have a secret musical talent please contact Trevor at (414) 217-0354. We would love to have many voices join us!

Please consider helping the Sacred Heart Food Pantry! Our food pantry serves dozens of people each weekday as a part of our parish's outreach ministry. This is where your donations of food go on that second weekend of each month. Feeding those in need, however, requires volunteers and we are in need of members of our parish to join this ministry. While the pantry is open Monday through Friday, you could schedule your volunteer time in support of this ministry in a manner that best suits you. Please, consider feeding the poor as part of your works to support Christ's ministry in our parish. Contact Mike Clark at 309-786-6940 if you wish to support this ministry.

ST. MARY'S PARISH NEWS

Stewardship of Treasure: April 6/7

Offerory Envelopes	\$5,589.00
Loose Money	\$520.21
Online Giving	\$1,510.00
Building Improvement Fund	\$1,218.00
Envelopes Used	82

Come join us for St. Mary's Spring Salad Luncheon and enjoy our famous chicken casserole and salad lunch! Tickets will be sold at Masses this weekend and April 20-21. Cost is \$10 per ticket. The Spring Salad Luncheon is Wednesday, April 24, with serving from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Schroeder Hall. Tickets will not be sold at the door, and a limited number of tickets are available. To reserve your ticket(s) ahead of time, please call Ann at 309-788-1269. Come and enjoy the company of friends while having a delicious lunch!

Salads needed for Spring Salad Luncheon: Salad donation sign-up sheets are available in the glass house. Salads may be dropped off the morning of (the day of the Salad Luncheon) between 7:30 and 9 a.m. Thank you for your support!

Save the date! Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 28, there will be an unveiling/blessing ceremony of the new QC PastPort historical interactive sign noting the significance of St. Mary's as the first and oldest Catholic church in Rock Island County. All are invited to attend! The sign will be located on Fourth Avenue, in front of the church. St. Mary's will celebrate its 175th anniversary in 2026.

175th Anniversary Planning: St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish will celebrate its 175th anniversary in August 2026. A planning committee has started meeting to plan for this auspicious celebration. Volunteers are needed for help with a ministry fair, buildings and grounds improvements, parade participation, fundraising, other events, and a video project. Please share your talents, time and energy and/or donations in assisting with the preparation work! You may contact the parish office or Chair Judith Gilbert at 309-749-5719 or Co-Chair Fred Attwood at 309-798-4356. Also, save the date of Sunday, August 30, 2026, for St. Mary's 175th Anniversary Mass and Dinner!

FLOCKNOTE FOR SACRED HEART AND ST. MARY'S PARISHIONERS!

Get the latest news from Sacred Heart & St. Mary's with Flocknote! To sign up for FlockNote notifications of Mass times and interesting parish information:

Text to the number: 84576
With the message: 123sh (for Sacred Heart)
With the message: 123stm (for St. Mary's)

LOCAL CATHOLIC NEWS & EVENTS

Get the latest news from our local Catholic parishes and groups at www.catholicqc.com

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry schedules including altar servers, EMHC's, lectors are now available to members of that ministry via Flocknote and/or email correspondence, and to Sacred Heart parishioners on our website.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OUR PARISHES

Financial support for both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's parishes can be accomplished several ways. If you wish to receive contribution envelopes are not currently doing so, please contact our parish office immediately.

Please also consider giving online. This allows you to keep track of your giving for the year (tax statements) and makes bookkeeping easier for the parishes. If you're interested in this route, please contact the parish offices for more information!

REMEMBER US

Both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Parishes have always been very appreciative of the generosity of their parishioners. We're often asked how you can remember Sacred Heart in your wills, trusts, or via other gifts. It's important that you reference the parish as Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Congregation of Rock Island, Illinois or St. Mary's Roman Catholic Congregation of Rock Island, Illinois.

SACRED HEART FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Weekend is always the 2nd weekend of the month at both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's. We appreciate your support of this vital ministry!

DID YOUR CONTACT INFO CHANGE?

Please let the church office know your new information as soon as possible so that we may update our records.

WHEELCHAIR AVAILABLE

A wheelchair is available for any parishioner who needs a pick up or drop off at the parking lot. It's in Good Shepherd Vestibule at Sacred Heart and the vestibule at St. Mary's.

SACRED HEART & ST. MARY'S CONTACTS

Sacred Heart 794-0660
2810 5th Avenue, Rock Island, IL.
shrec@sacredheartri.com www.sacredheartri.com

Saint Mary's 788-3322
2208 4th Avenue, Rock Island, IL.
stmarysrockisland@gmail.com www.stmaryri.com

Office Hours: Monday-Friday: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Office Address for Both Parishes: at Sacred Heart:
2810 5th Avenue, Rock Island, IL.
Christine Coleman, Office Manager

Fr. Witold Adamczyk, OFM Conv., Pastor
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Catholic Cemetery

Calvary Cemetery is our local Catholic Cemetery - 2901 12th St., Rock Island, IL 61201-5335. Please call them when making arrangements for loved one by contacting them at

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

BAPTISM: Parents must be registered and doing what is within their means to support the parish and be faithful in sharing the Sunday Eucharist. A baptismal class is required. Godparents must be Confirmed and be practicing Catholics and if married, that their marriage is validly recognized by the Catholic Church. If you are a Sacred Heart parishioner, contact Chris Mandle. For St. Mary's parishioners please contact Christine in the parish office.

MARRIAGE: Diocesan Policy - Please notify the office at least 8 months prior to setting the date for your marriage. Requires completion of the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Whenever needed, please call the parish office. Please advise us of persons in the hospital, nursing facilities, or homebound.

RECONCILIATION: Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m. and Saturday: 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. at St. Mary's. Friday: 11:00 a.m. - 11:55 a.m. and Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. at Sacred Heart. Also, by appointment.

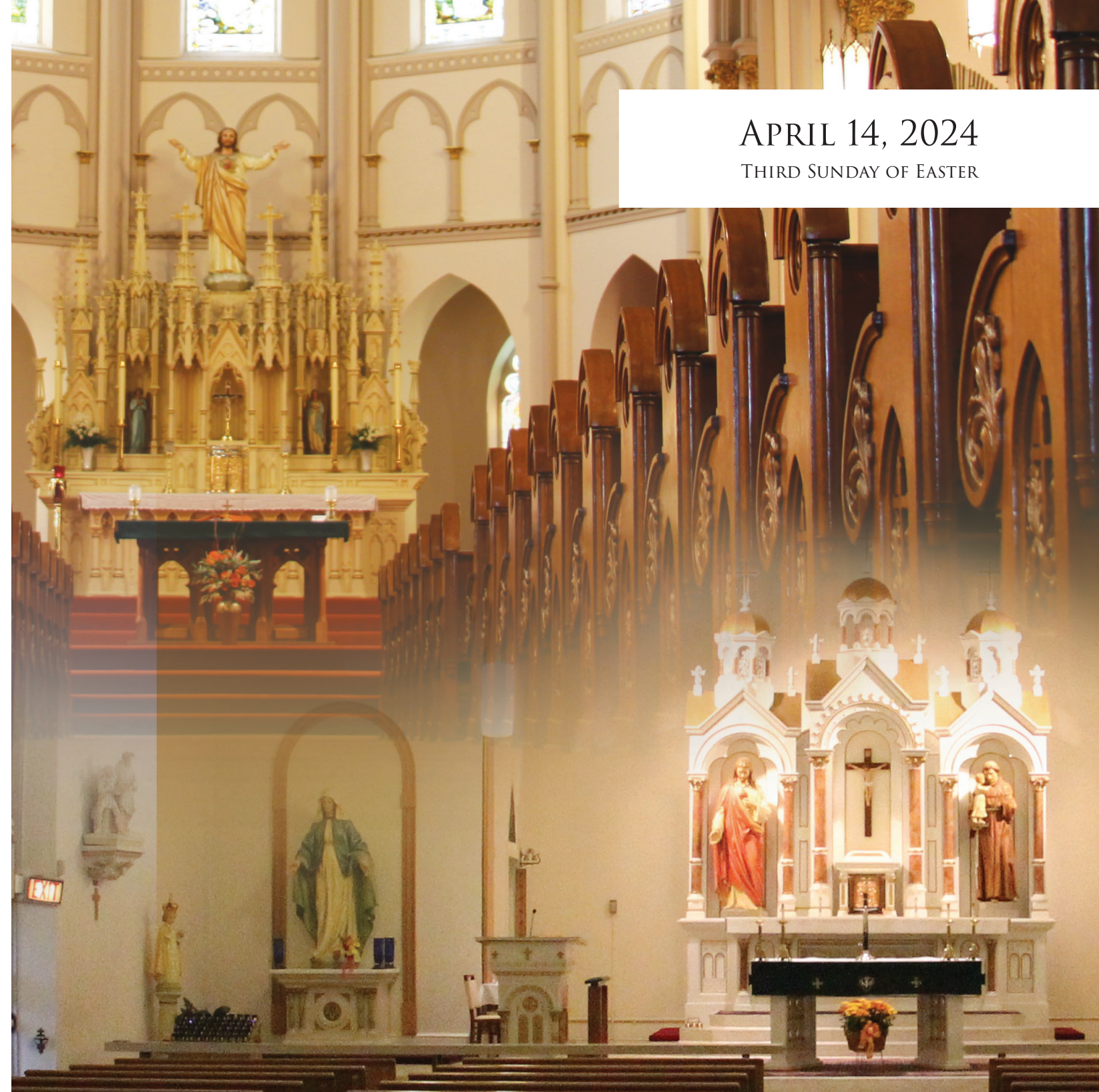
Thinking of joining the Catholic Church?

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Persons wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith, or to join our Catholic community, please contact Christine in our parish office at (309) 794-0660 or (309) 788-3322 to set up a time with Fr. Witold.

APRIL 14, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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ADDITIONAL PARISH NEWS AND MORE!

Keep these parishioners, family members, and friends in your prayers: Joe Cervantes • Mike Clark • Stephanie Smith • Judy Clark • Deb Drish • Rosa Steinbaugh • Lois Evans • Angie Conicella • Ron Boland • Dean Christiansen • Jean Paggen • Rebecca Becker • Mary Kay Orth • Jay Eng • Carol Houglund • Faythe Elsbury • Jack Murtha • John Gross • Randy Burke • Don Barry • Pat Coleman • Robert Slater • Salvatrice Leone • Renee Bleuer • Elaine Jawoisz • Dick and Diane Sabbe • Mary Lou Baumgartner • Kathy Clark • Bailey

If you would like to have prayers offered for parishioners, family or friends, please contact Christine in the office at (309) 794-0660 or (309) 788-3322 or ricatholicoffice@gmail.com. We will publish these names from time to time as space allows. It'll also be important to alert Christine in the office if someone's name should later be removed from the list. Thank you in advance to all who will be praying for those in need!

Registration for the 2024-2025 year of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) will begin on Monday, April 22nd. We invite children of Rock Island parish families who are ages 3 to 9 to enroll in our CGS program. Sessions will take place once a week from September 2024 to May 2025 in Schroeder Hall. Three time slots for CGS sessions will be available: Wednesdays 4:00 - 5:30 pm, Wednesdays 6:00- 7:30 pm and Thursdays 9:00 - 10:30 am. Please reach out to Bailey Fowler for more information or to get on the registration email list by calling/texting 712-229-0842 or emailing ricgsatrium@gmail.com.

Healing Our Throwaway Culture: A Focus on Plastics: In recognition of Earth Day, you are invited to attend this educational and prayer program. Learn how plastic production, consumption, and disposal impacts human and planetary health, and share strategies for personal, community, and systemic actions.

- Wednesday, April 24, 2024
- Time: 1:30–3 pm
- Location: Benet House Retreat Center 2200 88th Avenue West, Rock Island, IL
- Facilitators: St. Mary Monastery Creation Care Team
- Fee: No cost. All are welcome!

For more information contact Gina Howell at (309) 781-9473.

Mass at Trinity Hospital: On the third Thursday of each month, Mass will be held in the chapel at Trinity Hospital, Rock Island, at 10 a.m. Following Mass, the

Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed for all the patients in the hospital.

Pro Populo Masses: Often you will see Mass intentions listed in the bulletin as "For the People of the Rock Island Parishes." At one time in the past we also referred to these as Pro Populo Masses. "Pro populo" is Latin for "for the people." There is a requirement of all pastors to celebrate at least one Mass on a weekend for the people entrusted to them. We accomplish this in Rock Island with rotating Masses between Sacred Heart, St. Mary's, and St. Pius X that are celebrated for all of you!

Diocese of Peoria Traveling Monstrance at our local parishes in 2024!

Thursday, May 30 — St. Anne, East Moline

Monday, June 3 — St. Mary, Moline

Thursday, June 6 — St. Mary, Rock Island

Travel to Italy with Fr. Peter Zorjan September 23 thru October 3, 2024

Fr. Peter Zorjan and 206 Tours are planning a Trip to Rome, San Giovanni Rotondo, Sorrento and the Amalfi coast. September 23 – October 3, 2024. An optional post-tour to Medjugorje is October 3 – 7, 2024 is available. All are invited to join him on these wonderful tours. To Register go to: www.206tours.com/frzorian

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Society President - Kathy Larson: (309) 235-1731 / mamamia20@shbglobal.net

JORDAN BOOSTER CLUB GOLF OUTING:

WHEN: May 11th, 2024

WHERE: Highland Springs Golf Course

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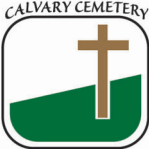
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- Psalm 8:9-10

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