

# Second Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy

April 8, 2018

## Mass Intentions

April	9	8:00 AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
April	10	8:00 AM	<b>Sally Aguilar requested by Joe &amp; Suzanne Matunis</b>
April	11	8:00 AM	<b>Reverend Charles Yastishock requested by Dennis Dyckman</b>
April	12	8:00 AM	<b>Eugene T. Woolley requested by Jerry &amp; Karen Kupris</b>
April	13	8:00 AM	<b>Joseph L. Madle requested by Evan &amp; Christine Ticehurst</b>
April	14	5:00 PM	<b>People Of The Parish</b>
April	15	8:00 AM	<b>Anne &amp; Angelo Altavilla requested by Louise Kline</b>
		10:30 AM	<b>Robert Witcoski requested by Ross &amp; Diane Witcoski</b>

## Liturgical Ministries for the Week of April 14-15

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers</b>	<b>Servers</b>
5:00 PM	Joe DeFrancesco	Karen Kupris	Cora DeFrancesco Pat Pray
8:00 AM	Scott Sheaffer	Shirley Jenkins	Anna Horn Helena Krieger
10:30 AM	Kathy Dubois	Rosanne Wheatley	The Morrison Family

## Schmidt Center Cleaning

**April 8**

Kim & Kiki Lane, Marian McCoy

**April 15**

The Durand Family

## Next Sunday's Readings

*Please prepare for Mass and the Homily by reflecting on these texts from the Sacred Scriptures*

**Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19**

**1 John 2: 1-5**

**Luke 24: 35-48**

## Christian Stewardship

**Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$5,349.75**

**The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,694.10**

**March Parish Contingency amounted to: \$1,132.00**

**May God Bless you for your generous and responsible stewardship!!!**

## Church Weekly Calendar

### *Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> (Divine Mercy Sunday)*

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM (SC)

K of C Pancake Breakfast, 9:00AM (DH)

Divine Mercy Devotions, 2:45PM

### *Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>*

No Mass

Parish Pro-Life Group, 6:30PM (DH)

### *Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

RCIA, 6:45PM (DH)

### *Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM (C)

### *Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

### *Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

### *Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>*

Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM

Mass, 5:00PM

### *Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> (Third Sunday of Easter)*

Easter Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM (SC)

Knights of Columbus, 7:00PM (DH)

Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions, 7:00PM

**His mercy endures forever!!**

## From the Pastor's Desk



So often in our lives, we put our faith in a strong door and a trusty bolt. The feeling of being safe and secure is based on those physical or emotional walls we can build for ourselves, like children creating blanket forts under the dining room table.

We pile up barricades against the things we fear, and believe in their protection, forgetting the power and the presence of God. Just as Jesus appeared in the upper room to His disciples, while they huddled behind locked doors in fear, he appears in each of our lives, behind our false

walls and defenses. He is suddenly in our midst, saying "peace" to fearful hearts. He reveals his risen self to us, as he did to the disciples that day, reminding us that we are never alone, and that He is the only true security. The power of the resurrected Christ means we have nothing to fear once we stop hiding behind locked doors, and open our hearts to Him. In the same light you cannot fear to witness your faith in the Risen Lord in the midst of our world. The Risen Christ has given us the truth about God and about humanity. We must be bold in proclaiming Him as the Apostles were after receiving the Holy Spirit. It is only then we become the Church He founded to teach the nations!

**Remember the Sick of our Parish** in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, Sam Kingsborough, John and Martha Kapp, Katherine Fitzpatrick, Sue Jones, Marie Shreck, Mary Ellen Bielski, Joan Mathews, Gordon Stowell, Russel Montrose, Avielle Zerance, Patricia Hannon, Dennis Haag, Father Larry, Crystal Groff, Jennie Piskel, Lena Golden, Rose LaVia, Ron Woodhall, and all the long-suffering in our community and at Perry Village.

**Deacon Robinson's Contact Information:** You may contact Deacon Robinson at his cell phone (602-6298) or through his email: [dcnrobin@ptd.net](mailto:dcnrobin@ptd.net).

**On Line Information:** You can access the weekly bulletin and information at our parish website at [www.stbernardsnbpa.org](http://www.stbernardsnbpa.org).

**Prayer Group** meets each Wednesday morning at 8:30AM in church. If you have prayer intentions for your loved ones or family members, for sick co-workers or people in the community, please give them to Marie Dishman for prayer and spiritual support!

**Parish Choir** rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM. We are in need of all voices, especially yours, and you are most welcome to come and join us. Call Suzanne Reed (567-7787) for further information.

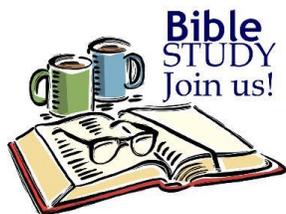
**Parish Youth Group:** Our Parish Youth Group meets monthly. For more information on activities, meeting dates, and location of

meetings, please contact Deacon Robinson at 602-6298.

**Divine Mercy Sunday:** You are cordially invited to attend Divine Mercy Devotions on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> beginning at 2:45PM. Confessions will be heard from 2:00 – 2:45PM. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at the three O'clock hour.



**Join us for our Spring Bible Study:** We will study the Book of Ruth. This is a short study of 5 weeks duration. The Book of Ruth relates how a simple Gentile woman rose from the sudden death of her husband to a courageous trust in God. The Book of Ruth is yet another example of how God is always faithful to his promises, without exception. Ruth trusted in God even when her world fell to pieces -



and he turned every inch of that pain into the purest light for his faithful daughter. Join us. Cost of the study guide is \$15.00. All signups are due no later than April 2nd. To register please call Mary Blair at (717) 582-7662 or via email [jeblair@ptd.net](mailto:jeblair@ptd.net)

**Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions** are scheduled for *Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, April 15, 16, 17, 2018*. The Forty Hours Devotion is an opportunity to gather as a parish family before the Blessed Sacrament and to pray before the Lord in solemn adoration. It gives us time to deepen our appreciation of the importance of the mystery of the



Most Holy Eucharist in our lives. This devotion should hold a special place in the life of a parish family because the Most Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith and unity with Christ. Father Mark Wilke will be our preacher for these devotions. Please use these days as a spring spiritual retreat. Adorers are needed to keep watch with the Blessed Sacrament during the day. Please sign up at the bulletin Board in the narthex.

**Parish Pro-Life Group:** All parishioners are most cordially invited to attend the Pro-Life Group

meeting on Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:30PM in Dattilo Hall. We will have updates on pending legislation. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, please call Mary Blair at 717-582-7662.

**CCD Registrations for 2018-2019:** During April and May 2018, you may come to the CCD Office during CCD hours (9:00 – 10:15) and register your children for the next year and pay the CCD fee. You will no longer have to complete a new



registration form each year. However, if any of your personal information has changed, you will need to inform the CCD Office and the required changes will be made to your child's record. You will also sign the **PARISH/PARENT COVENANT** at that time. If you are new to the parish or are enrolling your children in our program for the first time, please complete a CCD Registration form available in the church narthex or at the CCD Office in the Schmidt Center. Thank you for your cooperation!

**Special Thanks** to all who assisted and contributed their gifts and talents to our parish for the beautiful Holy Week and Easter Masses and ceremonies. The beauty of our church only enhanced the meaning of our celebrations. We are especially grateful for those who cleaned the church and helped decorate it for Holy Week and Easter.

**First Communion Retreat:** Parents should note that a retreat for our First Communion candidates is scheduled for *Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:00PM to 6:30PM* in the church and Dattilo Hall. Our First Communicants will receive the Sacrament at the *8:00AM Mass on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>*. Directly after Mass they will process to the Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary where we will begin our May devotions with the crowning of Mary and the prayer of dedication. A light reception will follow in Dattilo Hall. Please keep these children in your prayers as they spiritually prepare to receive the Holy Eucharist for the first time.