

Easter Sunday Of The Resurrection Of The Lord

April 4, 2021

Mass Intentions

April	5	8:00 AM	NO MASS
April	6	8:00 AM	NO MASS
April	7	8:00 AM	Lorenzo Rosselli & Angelo LoBrutto req. by The Rosselli Family
April	8	8:00 AM	Peg Carroll requested by Marcia Ramer
April	9	8:00 AM	Intentions of Blaise Robinson
April	10	5:00 PM	Paul Reilly, Sr.
April	11	8:00 AM	Gary Herman
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries April 10-11 Extraordinary Ministers

	Lectors		Servers
5:00 PM	Joe DeFrancesco	Karen Kupris	Not currently being utilized.
8:00 AM	Joe Dailey	Intentionally not scheduled.	Not currently being utilized.
10:30 AM	Nicole Wood	Bill Davies	Not currently being utilized.

Schmidt Center Cleaning

April 11	The Durand Family
April 18	The Raugh Family

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Acts 4: 32-35

1 John 5: 1-6

John 20: 19-31

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,983.00

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: No Offering to report due to COVID 19

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 4th (Easter Sunday)

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

No CCD/Easter Break

Monday, April 5th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 6th

No Mass

RCIA, 6:30-8:00PM

Wednesday, April 7th

Mass, 8:00AM

Thursday, April 8th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, April 9th

Mass, 8:00AM

Saturday, April 10th

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, April 11th (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Divine Mercy Devotions, 2:45PM

***They were saying to one another,
“who will roll back
the stone for us
from the entrance of the tomb?”***

From the Pastor's Desk

Our modern-day celebrations and traditions in celebrating Easter don't come close to truly capturing the gamut of emotions the disciples must have felt on that first day of the week. From the fear, despair and confusion they



initially experienced, to the joy that would have enveloped them when they realized what the empty tomb meant: Jesus had risen! The beloved disciple entered the empty tomb of Christ in today's Gospel, "and he

saw and believed." As Christians, I think we sometimes take this foundation of our faith for granted. And so I pray for a renewed sense of awe at the stunning reality: to "see and believe" that God so loved us that he gave his only Son, who died and rose so that we, too, might live forever in God's love.

If we take to heart the psalmist's message today, we see how God intends for us to awaken every day: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad." God is the author of our life, and on this Easter Sunday, we celebrate the gift of eternal life in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In today's first reading, Peter relates how the disciples were commissioned to share the Good News of Christ's resurrection. His words remind us that the story of Easter cannot and should not be contained. Instead, we are called to witness that "everyone who believes in [Jesus] will receive forgiveness of sins through his name." That is good news worth sharing, whether on our social media feed, or with our loved ones and those we encounter each day.

Happy Easter! Perhaps visit the graveside of a loved one, and take the opportunity to talk about life after death. Say a special prayer of thanks at your Easter meal. And remember to smile in the direction of new faces at Mass today!

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, John Kapp, Jane Haag, Bill Sharman, Kay Dorundo, Joni Lawrence, Cathy Steiner, John Cover, Bill Selle, Diana Prowell, Dave/Shirley Jenkins, Charlotte Smith, Marietta McQuaid, 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 (717-602-6298) or through his email: dcnrobin@ptd.net.

On Line Bulletin: 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!

First Holy Communion: Parents are reminded that First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday, May 1st at 10:00AM. There will be a short preparatory retreat/rehearsal on Friday, March 31st beginning at 3:00PM in the Parish Hall and church. Additional details will be sent home with your children as they become available.



“Why did Our Blessed Lord use bread and wine as the elements of this Memorial? First of all, because no two

substances in nature better symbolize unity than bread and wine. As bread is made from a multiplicity of grains of wheat, and wine is made from a multiplicity of grapes, so the many who believe are one in Christ. Second, no two substances in nature have to suffer more to become what they are than bread and wine. Wheat has to pass through the rigors of winter, be ground beneath the Calvary of a mill, and then subjected to purging fire before it can become bread. Grapes in their turn must be subjected to the Gethsemane of a wine press and have their life crushed from them to become wine. Thus, do they symbolize the Passion and Sufferings of Christ, and the condition of Salvation, for Our Lord said unless we die to ourselves we cannot live in Him. A third reason is that there are no two substances in nature which have more traditionally nourished man than bread and wine. In bringing these elements to the altar, men are equivalently bringing themselves. When bread and wine are taken or consumed, they are changed into man's body and blood. But when He took bread and wine, He changed them into Himself.” — Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen



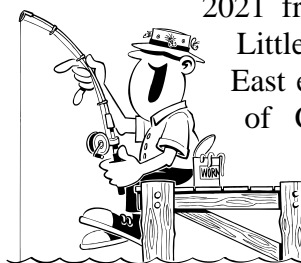
The Sacrament of Confirmation for our CCD students will be celebrated on Saturday, April 24th at 10:00AM in our parish church. Father Sharman has been delegated by Bishop Gainer to confer this

sacrament on our youth. Deacon Robinson will offer a retreat to assist our youth prepare for this

important sacramental step in living their faith on Saturday, April 10th from 9:00AM to 1:00PM in Church. Lunch will be included. A Rehearsal for all candidates and their sponsors (if sponsor can attend) will be on Thursday, April 22nd at 7:00PM in church.

Knights of Columbus Book Sale: The Knights are once again collecting books for their September **Book Sale**. You can drop books off in the Book Drop Box at the parish garage when you come to Mass. You can also call Ken Risner (275-2223) to arrange for pick up at your home. **No books will be accepted that have mold or mildew.**

Knights of Columbus Fishing Derby: On June 5, 2021 from 10AM to 2PM, at the



Little Buffalo State Park, at the East end of the lake, the Knights of Columbus will hold their annual fishing derby. The Knights will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and chips.

Families are asked to bring a dessert. The contest is for the longest fish in each age group, and there is no charge to participants. Contestants should bring their own fishing gear and bait. An adult must accompany all contestants. Lunch will be served at noon. **Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the narthex.**

Divine Mercy Sunday: You are cordially invited to



attend Divine Mercy Devotions on Sunday, April 11th 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.

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.

**The Lord is Risen,
Alleluia! Alleluia!**