Easter Sunday Of The Resurrection Of The Lord

April 17, 2022

Mass Inte	entions			
April	18	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Father Donald Raila, O.S.B. req. by Teresa Warlow	
April	19	8:00 AM	Isabella Berner requested by Mark & Ginny Ticehurst	
April	20	8:00 AM	Garner Tampary requested by Mark & Ginny Ticehurst	
April	21	8:00 AM	Crit Charlton requested by Jerry & Karen Kupris	
April	22	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Magdalene Fordyce requested by The Fordyce Family	
April	23	5:00 PM	Anne & Angelo Altavilla requested by Louise Kline	
April	24	8:00 AM	Elsie Segrist requested by Jim & Betty Magaro	
-		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish	

	Lectors	Liturgical Ministries April 23-24 Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Joe DeFrancesco	Mary Zimmerman	The Hoffman Family
8:00 AM	Scott Sheaffer	Scott Dunkelberger	Julia & Anna Sheaffer
10:30 AM	Nicole Wood	Rosanne Wheatley	The Morrison Family

Schmidt Center Cleaning

April 24	The Raugh Family`
May 1	Jen Meek

Next Sunday's Readings Please prepare for Mass and the Homily by reflecting on these texts from the Sacred Scriptures

Acts 5:12-16	Revelation 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19	John 20:19-31
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Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,798.00 The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$5,351.62

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 17^t (Easter Sunday) Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM No CCD Monday, April 18th Mass, 8:00AM Tuesday, April 19th Mass, 8:00AM Wednesday, April 20th Mass, 8:00AM Thursday, April 21st Mass, 8:00AM Friday, April 22nd Mass, 8:00AM Saturday, April 23rd Confirmation Retreat, 8:30AM - 1:00PM Confessions, 4:00PM Mass, 5:00PM Sunday, April 24th (Divine Mercy Sunday) Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM CCD, 9:15-10:15AM Divine Mercy Devotions, 2:45PM

"The Lord is Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia."

From the Pastor's Desk



Easter! Happy Childhood memories are centered more around its symbolic trappings: Easter and jelly eggs beans, the family table set just so, and unseasonably cold Easter egg hunts. Children not fully may understand the

theology of the Resurrection, being at Mass with family and taking part in the celebratory activities

engender the disposition of which the psalmist speaks: *This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.* Today's readings invite us to see both the secular and the sacred with new eyes. The fact that Jesus took on our humanity, died, and rose again give us a glimpse of the joy that awaits. The simple pleasures we experience at Easter and throughout the year hint at what the Lord has in mind for all of us. In the meantime, we can turn to Jesus for encouragement, with the knowledge that God is present in the ordinary and extraordinary people and events in our daily lives.

After Mary Magdalene discovers the empty tomb, Simon Peter and "the other disciple" (John) don't walk – but run to the tomb. We can be struck by the detailed account that follows. Peter "saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place." The words that follow seem contradictory: "Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." Their understanding would grow in the hours and days that followed. These early witnesses would then share the Good News of Jesus' resurrection, often at the cost of their own lives, building up the Church that endures today. Like the disciples, we, too, are commissioned to witness to our faith in the risen Jesus, sharing this life-changing reality with others through our words and actions.

As this Easter season begins, we celebrate Christ's triumph over death, yet mourn that death still comes so violently for so many around the world. Make an extra effort – an extraordinary effort – this week to pray for peace in the world, especially for the people of Ukraine.

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, John Kapp, Jane and Dennis Haag, Bill Sharman, Kay Dorundo, Joni Lawrence, Cathy Steiner, John and Sue Cover, Bill Selle, Diana Prowell, Sharon Ford, Marietta McQuaid, Tom Mellis, Marie Dishman, Cathy Dishman, Suzanne Matunis, Judy Rich, Jeff Martzall, Jeanette Fasick, Mike Landis, Donald Fry, Greg Nye, 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.

Online Bulletin: <u>www.stbernardsnbpa.org</u>

Confirmation Retreat: Parents and confirmands are reminded of the Confirmation Retreat on April 23rd from 8:30AM to 1:00PM in the Parish Hall. This retreat is mandatory for all candidates preparing to be confirmed on April 30th. Lunch will be served before dismissal. The Confirmands will have a practice for the Confirmation Mass during the retreat and the Sponsors will be given instructions on their role one half-hour before the start of the Confirmation Mass. All sponsors should be in church by 9:30AM on April 30th.

First Communion Retreat and Rehearsal is scheduled for Friday, April 29th from 4:00 – 6:30PM in the church and Parish Hall. All children receiving First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 1st should be present for this spiritual preparation and rehearsal. Parents are reminded that First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, May 1st at the 8:00AM Mass. We will crown the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary immediately after the Mass.

50th Anniversary Wedding Mass: Were you married in 1972? In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 10, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will be the celebrant. To receive an invitation from Bishop, please call the parish office.



"If I were not a Catholic, and were looking for the true Church in the world today, I would look for the

one Church which did not get along well with the world; in other words, I would look for the Church which the world hates. My reason for doing this would be, that if Christ is in any one of the churches of the world today, He must still be hated as He was when He was on earth in the flesh. If you would find Christ today, then find the Church that does not get along with the world. Look for the Church that is hated by the world, as

Christ was hated by the world. Look for the Church which is accused of being behind the times, as Our Lord was accused of being ignorant and never having learned. Look for the Church which men sneer at as socially inferior, as they sneered at Our Lord because He came from Nazareth. Look for the Church which is accused of having a devil, as Our Lord was accused of being possessed by Beelzebub, the Prince of Devils. Look for the Church which the world rejects because it claims it is infallible, as Pilate rejected Christ because he called Himself the Truth. Look for the Church which amid the confusion of conflicting opinions, its members love as they love Christ, and respect its voice as the very voice of its Founder, and the suspicion will grow, that if the Church is unpopular with the spirit of the world, then it is unworldly, and if it is unworldly, it is other-worldly. Since it is otherworldly, it is infinitely loved and infinitely hated as was Christ Himself. ... the Catholic Church is the only Church existing today which goes back to the time of Christ. History is so very clear on this point, it is curious how many miss its obviousness..."- Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Just a Thought: Research in social psychology suggests that the vast majority of people "believe they are just, virtuous, and moral"-that they are more virtuous, in fact, than the average person. Virtue is everywhere—if, that is, you ask people about themselves. Most of us think we're basically good people. We can't afford to live a lazy, unexamined life, just assuming we're basically good people. Whatever the future holds, we've been warned: "the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When people say, 'There is peace and security,' then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a woman with child, and there will be no escape" (1 Thessalonians 5:2-3). Let's be ready (see 1 Thessalonians 5:4–11). Regularly examine your day before going to sleep each night. And in your nightly prayer ask God "for the ancient paths, where the good way is," and ask for the strength to "walk in it."

> The Lord is Risen, He is truly Risen, Alleluia. Alleluia!!