

Easter Sunday Of The Resurrection Of The Lord

March 31, 2024

Mass Intentions

April	1	8:00 AM	NO MASS
April	2	8:00 AM	NO MASS
April	3	8:00 AM	Angela Marie & Antonino Pietro
April	4	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Donald Infusino
April	5	8:00 AM	Special Intention requested by Pat Harshberger
April	6	8:00 AM	Deceased Of The Montrose & Harshberger Families
		5:00 PM	Don Shaeffer requested by Mark & Ginny Ticehurst
April	7	8:00 AM	John Cover requested by Jerry & Karen Kupris
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries April 6-7

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
8:00 PM	Sue Guarducci	Patty Suydam	Dave Suydam
8:00 AM	Joe Dailey	Scott Sheaffer	Helena Krieger Joe Morrison
10:30 AM	Jory Harlan	Intentionally Blank	The Morrison Family Jacob Innerst The Robinson Family

Schmidt Center Cleaning

April 7	Jim DiPofi & Tonya Sands
April 14	Mike & Robin Chiccini

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: \$4,200.50

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$7,279.72

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, March 31st (Easter Sunday)

Confessions, 7:00-7:45AM

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

No CCD

Monday, April 1st

No Mass

Tuesday, April 2nd

No Mass

Wednesday, April 3rd

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM

Thursday, April 4th

Mass, 8:00AM

Sacred Heart Holy Hour, 7:00PM

Friday, April 5th (First Friday)

Mass, 8:00AM

Saturday, April 6th (First Saturday)

First Saturday IHM Mass, 8:00AM

Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00AM

Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM

Sunday Vigil Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, April 7th

Confessions, 7:00-7:45AM

Mass, 8:00AM

Mass with Confirmation, 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

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: John Kapp, Rosemary Anderson, Cathy Steiner, Marietta McQuaid, Marie Dishman, Suzanne Matunis, Jeanette Fasick, Pat Widdowson, Kay Dorundo, Mike Brennan, Gene Odat, Annetta Round, Marian Shatto, Joann Speis, Joni Lawrence, Shirley Scotta, Linda Toomey, Samantha Strazisar, and all the long-suffering in our community and at Perry Village.

Deacon Robinson's Contact Information: Contact Deacon Robinson at his cell phone (602-6298) or deacon.robinson@anologyapologetics.com.

Online Information: You can access the weekly bulletin and other information at our parish website (www.stbernardsnbpa.org).

Confessions will be heard daily, Tuesday through Friday, from 7:15 – 7:45AM. Confessions on Saturday begin at 4:00PM until 4:45PM. Sunday morning confessions are available from 7:00AM to 7:40AM and from 9:45 to 10:10AM.

Diocesan Men's Conference is scheduled for Saturday, April 20, 2024, from 7:30AM – 3:30PM at the Diocesan Center in Harrisburg. The theme for this year's conference is "Saint Joseph: the

Capenter's Table." Featured keynote speaker is Jon Leonetti, a Catholic Best-selling author, and Radio Host. You can register for the conference at www.hbgdiocese.org/men.

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast: The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast to benefit Lourdeshouse on April 21st at 9:15AM. There will be a guest speaker from Catholic Charities. CCD



Students in 6th grade or higher are invited to attend at no cost with a signed parental permission slip.

Breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, and drinks. The requested adult donation for breakfast is \$10.00. We will also be collecting specific items for Lourdeshouse. A sign-up for breakfast and a list of needed items are posted on the bulletin board.

Divine Mercy Sunday: You are cordially invited to attend Divine Mercy Devotions on Sunday, April 7th beginning at 2:45PM. Confessions will be heard from 2:00 – 2:45PM. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at three O'clock.



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.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Bishop Senior will be present in our parish on Sunday, April 7th to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on five of our young people. Confirmation will be celebrated during the 10:30 Mass. Confirmands are reminded to be present at 9:30AM in the Parish Hall to meet Bishop Senior and speak with him prior to Mass. A reception will



take place after the ceremony in the Hall. At that time, you and your family will have an opportunity to take a picture with the Bishop.

Retreat for First Holy Communion: Our second graders who are preparing for their First Holy Communion are reminded of a spiritual retreat for them on Friday, May 3rd, beginning at 4:00PM in the Hall. Our children will also practice for the procession and reception of Holy Communion. Children can be picked up at 6:30PM.

Rev. Mr. Michael Pray is being proposed by Bishop Senior for ordination to the Priesthood on June 1, 2024. This announcement is made in accordance with the law of the Church. If anyone knows of any reason why Michael Pray should not be ordained a priest, they have an obligation in conscience to contact the pastor of this parish or Father Joshua Weaver, Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Harrisburg, as soon as possible.



Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions are scheduled for *Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, April 14, 15, 16, 2024.* The Forty Hours Devotion is an opportunity to gather as a parish family before the Blessed Sacrament 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. Deacon Leo Dornan, who will be ordained a priest in May, will be our preacher for the devotions which will begin each evening at 7:00PM. 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.

**The Lord is Risen!
He is Truly Risen!!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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