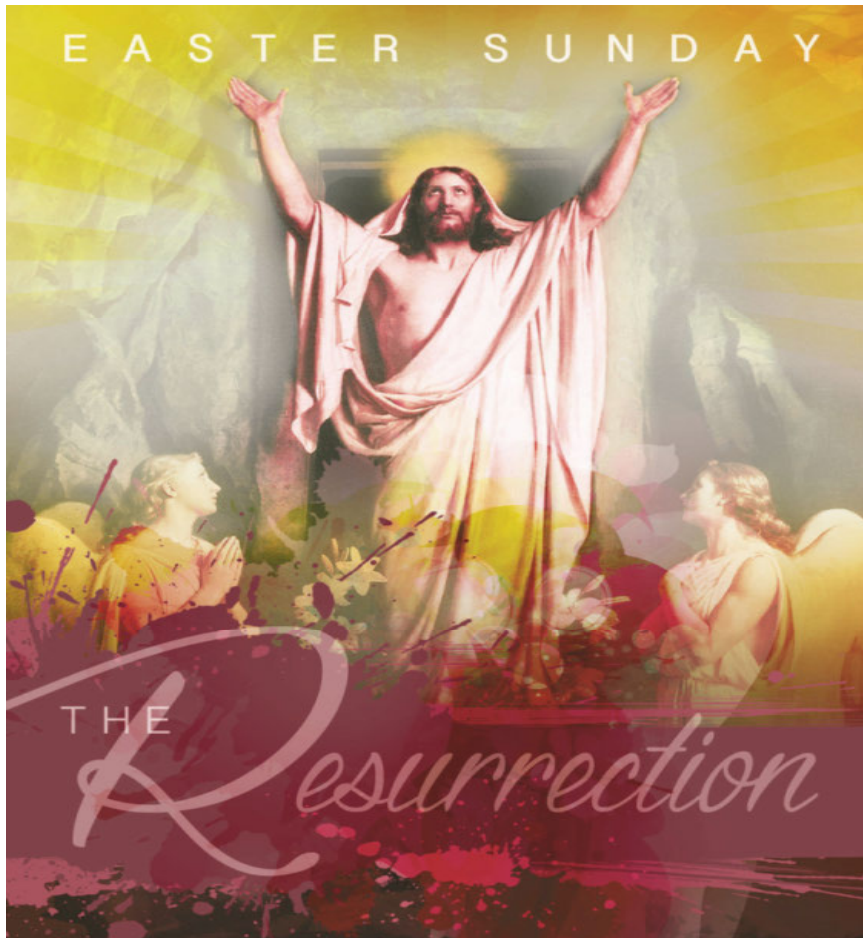


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SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism - Baptisms are celebrated on the **third** weekend of the month. To register for a preparation class, call Amy Martin at St. Agnes 715-359-5675.

Sacrament of Marriage - Contact the parish office at least 1 year in advance of the wedding date. Couples need to complete a FOCCUS inventory. Also, couples will register for a Deanery Marriage Preparation Class. These requirements are needed prior to the wedding date.

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Website

www.stagnescatholicparish.com

Welcome New Parishioners

For Registration Materials Contact the Parish Office or Check the Website

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:30 PM Mass

Sunday 8:30 AM Mass

Wednesday and Friday 8:00 AM Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday 8:00am

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Friday—CLOSED

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Bulletin Articles are due Tuesdays at noon.

April 17, 2022 Easter Sunday

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 17, 2022

- Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or, Lk 24:13-35
- Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
- Friday:** Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15
- Next Sunday:** Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

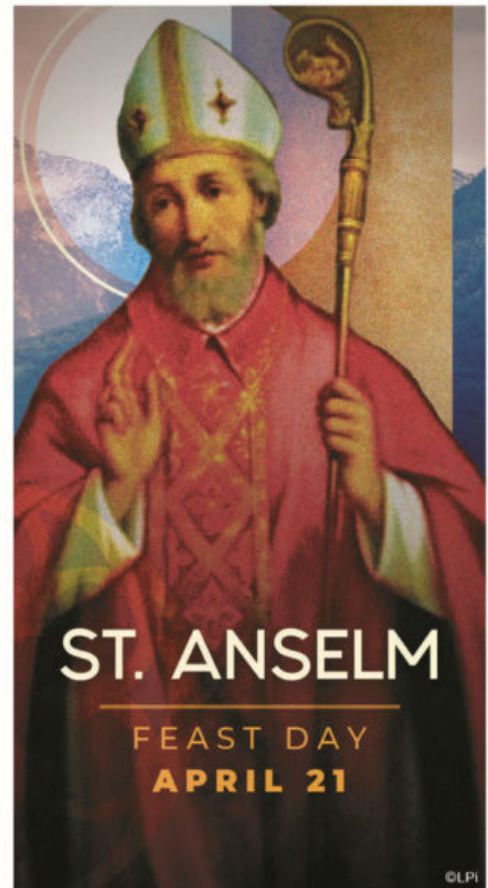
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 17, 2022

- Sunday:** Easter Sunday
- Monday:** Monday within the Octave of Easter
- Tuesday:** Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
- Wednesday:** Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
- Thursday:** Thursday within the Octave of Easter; St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Friday:** Friday within the Octave of Easter; Earth Day
- Saturday:** Saturday within the Octave of Easter; St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr
- Next Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy); St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Alleluia, Christ is risen! What a glorious and holy day. The resurrection of Christ speaks of freedom, new life, restored faith and enduring, unconditional love. The huge stone, separating death and life, has been moved, allowing God's radiant power to usher in eternal life. When we see the truth of Christ's resurrection through eyes of love, we see the fullness of timeless beauty, truth, and wonder revealed. The emptiness of the tomb is filled with the eternity of love. We have many stones and boulders blocking the path to freedom, love, and joy. They are often too big for us to move, and they cripple us. We can take a leap of faith today and believe with all our heart, mind, and soul that there is much more than can be seen by the naked eye. There is something very holy, sacred, and eternal stirring within us. We want to live forever! Christ's resurrection brings us joy and allows us to see ourselves as we are meant to be seen, as God's children destined for glory!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Anselm of Canterbury left his home in Italy to travel as a young man and ended up at the monastery in Bec, France, which was known for the teachings of its leader, Lanfranc. Anselm rose quickly to become abbot of the community and his writings are now compared in importance to those of St. Augustine.

In 1093 Anselm was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury by William II Rufus, the son and successor of William the Conqueror. However, at the time there was a controversy in Europe over whether kings or the pope had the power to invest bishops. Anselm, who believed only the pope should have the right to invest an ecclesiastical authority, spent much of his time as Archbishop exiled in Rome.

St. Anselm's teaching and works of theology are his most important contribution to the Catholic faith. He is considered of the fathers of scholastic theology and his chief achievement in philosophy was the ontological argument for the existence of God. His work *Cur Deus homo?* taught that atonement for sins could only be achieved through Christ. He was canonized in 1494 and named a Doctor of the Church in 1720.

MASS SCHEDULES

April 18, 2022— April 25, 2022

Monday, April 18

No Mass

Tuesday, April 19

No Mass

Wednesday, April 20

8:00am Mass †Clara Literski by David & Sharon Gwidt

Thursday, April 21

No Mass

Friday, April 22

8:00am Mass †Deceased members of the John Zoromski Family By Jerry & Bonnie Zoromski

Saturday, April 23

5:30pm Mass †Mary Cherek by Family

Sunday, April 24

Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday
8:30am Mass †Tito Babl by Harlan & Phyllis Baumann

Mass Intentions are full for the year 2022. I will begin to take intentions for 2023 on May 1, 2022



MINISTER SCHEDULE

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Weekend of April 23th & 24th, 2022

Saturday, 5:30pm

Greeters
Reader
Eucharistic Ministers
Sacristan
Ushers
Servers

Marsha Berg, Lynn Heil
Terry Pisca
Pam Pisca
Jane Wierzba
Rich Heil, Gary Spranger
Will Bayer, Ashlyn Jansen

Sunday, 8:30am

Greeters
Reader
Eucharistic Minsters

Kay Langkamp, Rose Popp
Greg Hoffmann
Rosemary Hunt, Marion
Schroers, Lorrie Thatcher
Rose Cline
AJ Gorecki, Bud Lewens,
Dave & Nancy Molinare
Nick Gorecki, Kendall
Dombeck

Sacristan
Ushers

Servers

If you cannot be at Mass for your assigned ministry please be sure and call a sub from the minister schedule that you received. Thank you.

Called to *Serve*

STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE APRIL 10, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$6,956.00
Loose Collection	\$ 457.35
Students	\$ 0.00
Votive Lights	\$ 82.50
Total	\$7,495.85

Diocesan Appeal

GOAL	\$64,305.00
PLEGGED AMOUNT	\$55,530.00
AMOUNT TO MEET GOAL	\$ 8,775.00

179 Parishioners contributed so far this year compared to 209 last year.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, April 18, 2022
Office Closed

Wednesday, April 20, 2022
2nd Grade CCD—5:15pm
CCD 6-10—6:30pm



LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING *to the Call*

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Leave It in the Tomb

Today, on the most important day of the liturgical year, the Apostle Paul is calling us out.

"I see you hiding in that tomb," he says. "I see you baking with that old, stale yeast, thinking no one will notice."

He says it a little more elegantly, I'll grant you. But the message is this: If you want to be raised with Christ, you'd better be ready to step out of the shadows. Seek what is above — not what is on earth.

I can feel myself responding almost reflexively, "Great idea, Paul — but I'm pretty comfy here." Because sometimes, it's just easier to stay in the tomb. It's easier to crouch in the shadows and look outward at everyone else, thinking of the changes they could make or the sins they could overcome.

Today we are called to embrace newness. New hearts, new lives, new futures, new chances. If there's anything keeping you from that, you need to leave it in the tomb. It's a little scary, sure — maybe Jesus thought so before he stepped into the light of that first Easter morning. But no loaf of bread worth eating was ever baked using stale yeast that wouldn't rise. No new life worth having was ever lived through the broken sins of yesterday. No Easter morning ever dawned without the tomb sitting empty.

Step into the light. He is waiting for you.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

What are the "fruits" of holy Communion?

Answer:

The Eucharist, like all sacraments, offers its own unique grace. We receive a special share in God's life that helps us in our faith journey. We are given all we need to sustain and nurture our relationship with God. The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. Everything we are and everything we hope to become is found in this sacrament. It is essential to the life of the church, to each member of the church. Without it, there is no church. The Eucharist is the center of our spiritual life and has enormous effects on our growth, our holiness, and our way of life. The fruits of holy Communion are the benefits one receives from the sacrament. These fruits of holy Communion are discussed in the catechism in the article on the Eucharist. The primary benefit is union with Christ. We become one with him sacramentally, just as we hope to become one with him for eternity. The Eucharist also separates us from sin, both past and future. It forgives the venial sins of the past and, by the love we receive, protects us from mortal sin in the future. The church community is also unified and strengthened by the Eucharist. It unites us to the poor and offers the pledge of eternal life.



Mark Your Calendar!!!!

The following events are coming up in Religious Ed and Youth Ministry:

- April 20 5:15-6:15pm- 2nd Grade Sacramental Prep
- 6:30-8:00pm- 6th-10th Grade Class
- April 23 9am-12pm- 1st Eucharist Retreat
- April 27 5:15-6:15 K-5th Grade Ice Cream Social at St. Agnes
- 6:30-8:00pm 6th-10th Grade Bowling at Weston Lanes
- May 1 1:30pm- 1st Communion

The Challenge of Saint John Paul II

Challenge #61

“Do not separate your faith from your daily life and your daily life from your faith, as so many people do today.”

Challenge:

On your way to and from school, listen to Christian music instead of your normal music routine.

~from the Lifeteen Booklet: The Challenge of Saint John Paul II

Thank you to everyone that donated Easter candy for our Egg Hunt. You helped make the event a sweet treat!



Mike Joswiak Scholarship

Attention Graduating Seniors: The Mike Joswiak Scholarship Application is now available! To qualify you must be a current parish member, Confirmed, and attending post high school education this fall. To apply, please access the scholarship application on our parish website or call the office. **Applications due by May 15, 2022.**



Our 6th-10th grade participated in Stations of the Cross with Father Greg.



On April 6th our K-5th grade Religious Ed year came to an end. We were very pleased to see how much the students learned throughout their time with us. We are especially thankful to the parents that spent time teaching their child(ren) at home. Hopefully the experience of learning as a family has ignited their faith and love for God.



Our Kindergarten class poses with their bunny ear creations.



WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING

This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. (Acts 10:40-41)



PSALM

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps 118)
Or Alleluia.



SECOND READING

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.
For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. (Col 3:2-3)



GOSPEL

For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. (Jn 20:9)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

There are many stones in our paths that keep us from truly living and being free. Some of these boulders have been there for a very long time. They have been there so long that they have even settled into the soil of our lives with other weeds, vines, and compacted soil keeping them firmly in place. We find them hard to move and trying to do so can be exhausting. What are these suffocating albatrosses that keep us so tethered and immobile? They are many things.

They are past childhood wounds and hurts that stem from disappointment, rejection, or abuse. People may have told us we were unwanted, that the world is frightening, that there are only some acceptable feelings you can have and others you cannot. We may have tried to love someone or struggled to figure out how and were met with rejection. Maybe we trusted someone completely and were betrayed. We come to life collecting barnacles that begin to attach to other barnacles and before you know it, we have a mass of solid matter blocking our vision and keeping us from moving. We live in fear. We are afraid of losing what we have, afraid that the future will be empty, afraid that we won't succeed and even more afraid that we will not be loved. There is so much fear. Didn't Jesus tell us not to worry and to not be afraid? Either we believe in the message of Easter, or we don't!

Go confidently into the night. Walking with God you will find the light and strength you need. Often without even knowing, God will move those boulders and stumbling blocks that bind us and, with putting one foot in front of the other and looking forward, we will move. The resurrection of Christ is really all about receiving the gifts of trust and faith and doing new things. The rocks that bind us keep us spinning the same wheels and doing the same things. When was the last time you threw caution to the wind and actually did something totally out of character and different? This is where we find God, in the spontaneous, the adventurous, the fun, and the creative choices we make! God is not boring and stuck. God is exciting and engaging. Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! Find a way to trust that this is true and live.



*From Your St. Agnes Staff
Father Greg, Deb, Amy, Lorrie, Kristine,
Dave & Janet*

Three Reasons the Resurrection Matters

1. The resurrection proved God's faithfulness.

Because Jesus conquered death, we have hope (1 Peter 1:3). Because Jesus rose from the dead, we have proof that God keeps His word and provides a better future for us than we could ever plan. Jesus fulfilled Old Testament promises by connecting people to God (Isaiah 61:8). God is the same yesterday, today and forever. God kept His word then, which means we can place complete confidence in Him to keep His word now.

2. The resurrection validated Jesus' words.

Everything Jesus said would have been discredited if He hadn't been resurrected. His credibility was on the line, and Jesus's resurrection proved what He said was true. When Jesus told His followers to go out and share the good news with the world, they recognized Jesus' authority and obeyed (Matthew 28:18-20).

3. The resurrection proved Jesus' power.

Jesus was resurrected, and He resurrects us, too. We don't just agree that Jesus was resurrected; we get to experience His resurrection in our own lives.

The resurrection allows us to leave sin behind and move forward with Christ (Romans 6:6-8). Jesus' power over sin breaks the chains that hold us back, and He gives us new life that we could never attain on our own.

The resurrection matters because it's the most significant demonstration of who Jesus is. God showed His love for us by sending Jesus to earth and inviting us to follow Him. Jesus showed us grace by dying for our sins and rescuing us from a life separated from God. God demonstrated His power when Jesus paid for our sins on the cross and came back to life. The resurrection matters because Jesus is still alive and works in us today.

Easter Sunday Devotional

Reflect

Our Lord is not primarily a teacher, He is a Savior. That's the meaning of the word "Jesus": He will save us from our sins. Suppose we took a chalice as an example of what He did for us. Suppose the chalice were taken from the altar and made into a beer mug and delivered over to unholy uses, its shape and contour completely changed. Then it was found. How could it ever be restored again to the altar?

Well first of all, we would have to put it into a furnace, burn off the old shape and form, and hammer it again into the pattern of a chalice. Then we would bless it and restore it to the altar.

That is what God did with the human nature. He took this chalice of humanity, threw it into the fires of Calvary, where He was scourged and beaten, and then He was restored to a new shape on Easter and became the new creation. This is what He did with the pattern of human nature. Fulton Sheen, an excerpt from "Through the Year with Fulton Sheen"

Pray

God, You came, You died, and You rose from the dead – all to save my soul. Your resurrection means I do not have to experience death; my last breath in this world is my entrance into the next. With this knowledge, I ask for the grace to live my life looking forward to eternity. Help me to make every decision with You in mind. Thank you for making me a new creation. I am changed, I am yours, and I am grateful. Amen.

Do

Today on Easter, thank God for all the things you're grateful for. Make every decision today (and everyday) with the knowledge that you will rise on the last day because Christ conquered death – He is risen. Just celebrate today. This is our day as Christians and Catholics.

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