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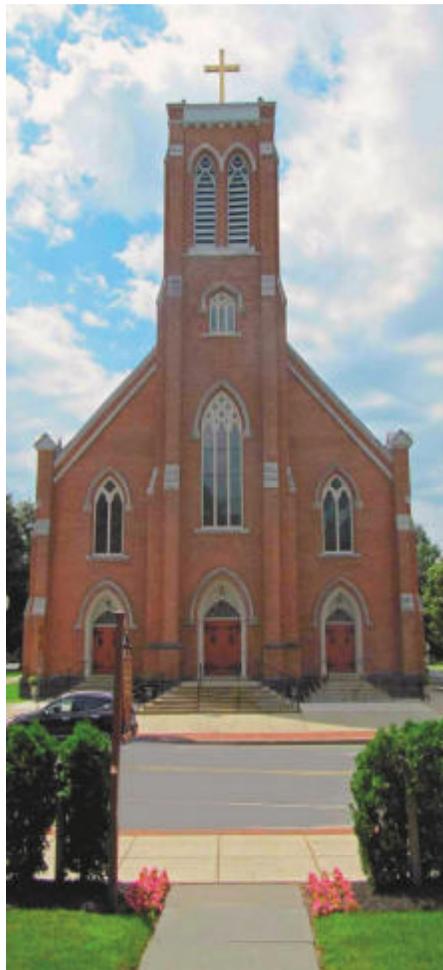
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Church open for prayer:

Monday - Friday

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

(Closed for sanitizing Wednesday mornings)

April 18, 2021

Pandemic Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM, 11:15 AM

Wednesday: 12:10 PM

Thursday: 12:10 PM

Exposition and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month 9 AM – 3 PM

Wednesdays 1 – 9 PM

Sacrament of Baptism:

First Sunday of the month at 12:30 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays 2:30 – 3:50 PM

Wednesdays after 12:10 PM Mass or upon request

Sacrament of Matrimony:

For adequate preparation arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the desired date

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Year of St. Joseph

Coming back to Mass

It's great to feel the warmth in the air these days especially after the long and isolating winter this past year. Thankfully, over the next few months, we'll begin to enjoy the summer weather and getting together again in the safety of the outdoors and with the added protection of the vaccines. We all know we still have to be careful, to wash our hands and social distance, but we're in a lot better shape than we were last year at this time. I'm hoping that we'll all be able to enjoy and renew in-person connections again really soon.

Last week, while reading Cardinal Dolan's column in the CATHOLIC NEW YORK, the weekly newspaper of the Archdiocese of New York, I read that the Cardinal wants Catholics to consider coming back to church, in-person, at this time. He didn't mention whether he was ready to re-impose the obligation for Mass attendance in his Diocese but he made a clear pitch to return to weekly Mass as soon as possible. I know that there is some discussion in our own Diocese at this time about a time-table for re-instituting the Sunday Mass obligation. Given the current optimistic statistics that COVID infections are going down in our state and given the effectiveness of the vaccines, this call to come back to church makes sense to me at this time.

I know many bishops in the country, as well as our own bishop, have stated that once the obligation is put back in place, it will include dispensations for those who experience anxiety about returning to in-person Mass for reasons of personal safety, and dispensations for the sick, the frail and the elderly. That makes a lot of sense since the fear-levels among Catholics about being infected even now range from very optimistic to real terror. We also know that this pandemic is far from over, so there remains good reasons to be cautious about going anywhere we people gather in groups.

But we need to keep in mind that this whole notion of obliging Catholics to attend Mass is an expression of the Church's mothering soul. The Church, our Mother, wants her children to be fed and to be fed often.

The Mass feeds us both with the Word of God and His very Body and Blood, and we need food regularly! A banquet of grace is offered every week to keep the family strong. If we look upon the obligation to participate in Mass each week as an imposition, law or a controlling device, we miss the point entirely. What we put into ourselves – whether it be food, drink or any kind of activity – whether reading, viewing, or choices made to participate in given events – these form and shape our innermost minds, hearts and motivations. This is the very reason why advertising is so successful in creating the culture of consumers we're a part of. And, unfortunately, most of us are saps for its allure. Billions of dollars are made each year by businesses whose marketers have successfully captured minds, imaginations, hearts and wills. And while we think we're above it and incapable of being so gullible, in reality, many of us have been converted by it. "Junk in, junk out" – is one thing we've learned from our use of computer. "Jesus in, Jesus out" – in what the Church has known for centuries and we continually dismiss that bit of wisdom as propaganda.

I agree with Cardinal Dolan that it is time to think about "coming back". But I hope people don't come back because Mommy said so. I hope they come back because they want to take their seat again at the banquet they've almost forgotten and because of the life, energy and nourishment it provides.

Do you know someone homebound?

Our parish is trying to update its list of homebound parishioners. We need your help. If you know of someone who is confined to their home and who might want us to check in on them, please call the office and let the Secretary know. Occasional visits by pastoral ministers or our clergy might be very much appreciated. Currently, we have about two dozen names but we know there are a lot more in our community whom we might assist. Let us know if we've forgotten or overlooked someone.

Thank you and good luck, Maureen and Joe Hooker

Maureen and Joe Hooker have been faithful members of our parish and were instrumental in bringing the Rebuilt program here to St. Mary's. Joe has recently retired and he and Maureen are re-locating to Lancaster, Pennsylvania. They will be sorely missed. We send them to their new home and adventure with love and gratitude. Many years of happiness ahead!

Social Justice news

The Social Justice Committee 's first project of the year was for the Domestic Violence Shelter of Catholic Charities in Glens Falls. Easter baskets with toys , books and sweet treats were made up for the four children in residence and toiletries provided to the two mothers.

Easter appreciation

SMSA students and staff and our parishioners did a wonderful job providing Easter baskets for our Food Pantry visitors. Mrs. Gregorio and other SMSA staff provided baskets. Mia, Payten, Sofia, and Natalie Henkel shopped and provided goodies for the baskets which they filled. Students in Grades 1-4 made lovely cards. Gift cards were provided by parishioners and greatly appreciated. What a wonderful surprise for our pantry visitors. Thank you all very much.

Pyramid Life Center is offering many exciting programs this season

Camp Breakaway will be held June 27-July 1. Breakaway is for current 5th graders and above. There are separate programs for both Middle and High School. Space is limited.

Mom's Camp. Calling all moms and daughters (8-12 years old) for this incredible weekend opportunity to bond and play. Mom and daughters will participate in camp like activities, spend quality time together and deepen their faith with others.

Dad's Camp. Dads and daughters/Sons (8-12 years old).

Catholic Volunteer Corps—Join other youth (middle and high school) as we learn about Catholic Social teaching, and participate in service projects with various organizations.

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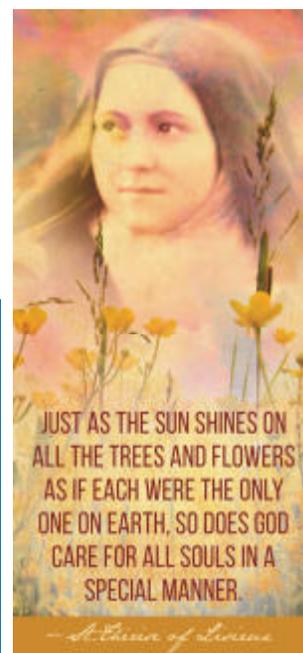
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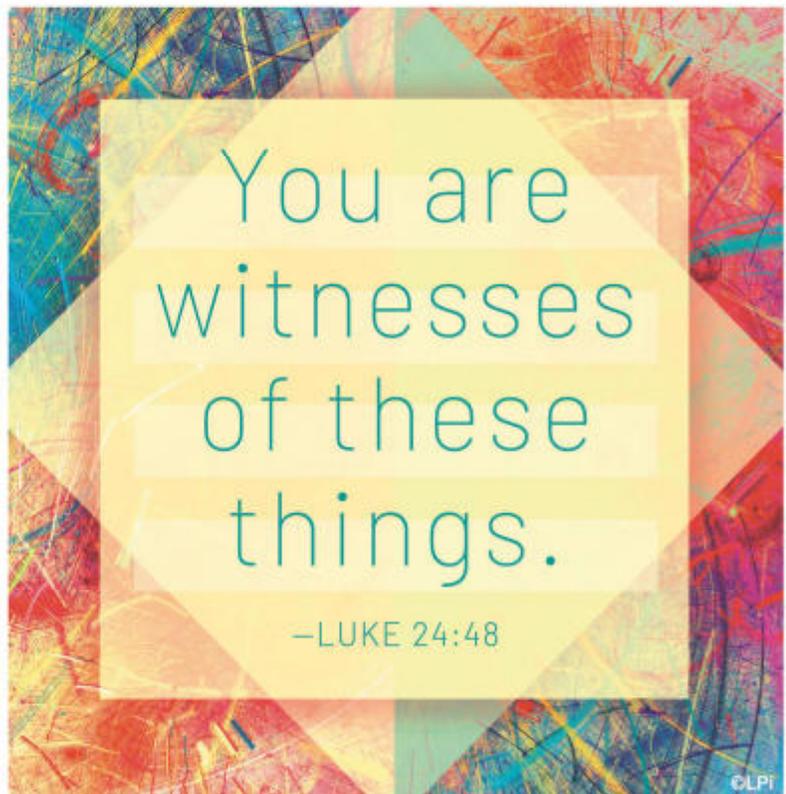
Our Lady of Annunciation, Queensbury
Mon., Wed., and 1st Fri. 7:30 am..



LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

When the greeting "Peace be with you" is sincerely offered to a person, it can resonate very deep within, bringing comfort and reassurance. When someone possesses the power to bring peace, it brings us to a place of safety and fills us with joy. The resurrected Christ has this power. God can open our minds so that we can more fully understand the meaning of Sacred Scripture and God's compassionate, loving, tender, and untiring embrace constantly present and offered to people throughout history. Without the anchor of truth that only God can provide, we can easily become startled and terrified at the sight of what life brings us. Being open to God's offer of peace, we can turn away from old habits and short-sighted vision and experience the gladness and joy of God's gift. Only then can what is wounded and broken be mended and reconciliation achieved. We are the resurrection witnesses called to proclaim the Good News.

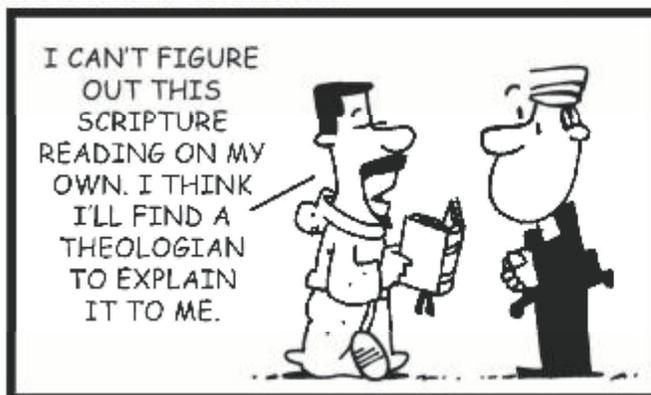


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3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER



GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

We often act out of ignorance. Armed with the best of intentions, we think we are seeing clearly and correctly, but we are not. We don't always understand the full meaning of things and only perceive part of the truth. Hence, our judgments and actions can be impaired by myopic, incomplete or erroneous perceptions. The meaning of life, understanding of human experience, and negotiating life's challenges can all become skewed without proper understanding and vision. The resurrection of Christ is the corrective to our incomplete and limited view of life. Looking at things with the eyes of faith brings a depth of clarity and understanding to how we see God, ourselves, others, and the world.

Even the disciples struggled with their limited understanding and ignorant perceptions. It was only when Jesus opened their minds to understand the Scriptures that their eyes were opened. It was their "aha" moment when everything clicked. We all want the substance of our lives to come together, make sense, and have meaning. This is easier to achieve when things are going positively and life is good. It is when suffering, disappointment, death, hardship, and injustice enter the picture that things can become unsettled and disoriented.



Our faith in the goodness and love of God is tested. We tend to shift our focus on these difficult and challenging moments and do not see them within the greater picture of how God intends life to unfold. We can gain, from the passion and resurrection of Christ, the clear vision we need in order to move away from ignorance to enlightenment.

We need our "aha" moment when everything comes together and clicks. It can come in a fleeting instant when we feel totally connected with God, where we find ourselves, others and all of creation. It is a moment when all is right and good, regardless of how difficult our

journey. Our "aha" moment assures us that God is here, right with us, in us and around us bringing us a gift and blessing we can receive nowhere else: peace. In those brief sacramental encounters when we are lifted up out of ourselves and centered, we can hear God say, "peace be with you," and we feel secure. It's all okay. The resurrected Christ has the power to bring this gift to us. Some people, as they are facing their deaths, remark about this peace. When looking into the window of eternity, they experience a depth of joy and are amazed at God's goodness and closeness. We are called to be witnesses to this Good News.

*Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day."
- Lk 24:45-46*

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Scripture Readings for the Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people: “The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied in Pilate’s presence when he had decided to release him. You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away.”

Second Reading: 1 Jn 2:1-5a

My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Those who say, “I know him,” but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him.

Gospel: Lk 24:35-48

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread. While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, “Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.” And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them. He said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, “Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.”

Let Your face shine upon us.

Psalm 4

Readings for the week of April 18, 2021

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

PUZZLE
Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

You must tell everything that has happened.

MISSION
Send a letter to the missionaries your church supports. Ask them how your family can help them spread God's love with other people.

PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE DAY

Father Tom is saying private Mass each day for the daily intentions that have been scheduled. Mass is celebrated in the church on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 12:10 PM.

- Monday April 19 - Easter Weekday**
+For those who have died during the coronavirus who have not been able to have a Catholic funeral Mass because of the quarantine
- Tuesday April 20 - Easter Weekday**
+Souls in Purgatory
- Wednesday April 21 - Saint Anseim, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**
12:10 PM
+Fred Field by Bill and Janet Coyle
- Thursday April 22 - Easter Weekday**
12:10 PM
+Rosemary Waitekus
- Friday April 23 - Easter Weekday / Saint George, Martyr: Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr**
NO MASS
- Saturday April 24 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
4:00 PM
+Rev. Michael Farano (Month's Mind) by Bonnie Perry
- Sunday April 25 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
8:30 AM
+Nicholas Sommo Sr. by Louise Sommo
+Fred Field by Dodie Noonan
+Bannon Family - Bequest
11:15 AM
+Geoffrey Sommo (Birthday) by Family Intentions of the Parishioners



Our Beloved Dead

Please pray for those who have died this past week:

Rosemary Waitekus

Please pray for all victims of the coronavirus.

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Weekend Mass Attendance

April 10th - 11th

4 PM - 88
8:30 AM - 115
11:15 AM - 110
Total 313

Livestream Views as of
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Food Pantry

Thank you very much
for your generous con-
tributions over Easter.
This week the pantry
could use spaghetti
sauce, chicken noodle
or chicken rice soup,
elbow macaroni, and
small cans of chicken.

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beans and bags of rice.*



A LITTLE HUMOR

Question: How does
Moses make tea?

Answer: Hebrews it.

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