



Holy Name OF JESUS PARISH

SUNDAY APRIL 18, 2021 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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“You are witnesses of these things.” - Lk 24:48

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

WELCOME!

A warm and heartfelt welcome to ALL. If you are new to the parish, please consider becoming a registered member. To do so simply call the parish office. We look forward to making you feel welcome and at home, and invite you to enter fully into the spiritual and social life of your new parish.



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Confession 3:30—4:00 Sat

Sunday: 10:30 am & 7:00 pm

WEEKDAY COMMUNION SERVICES

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

8:00 am & 7:00 pm

ADORATION

Wednesday: 3:00 pm–5:00 pm



PARISH STAFF

Deacon David Southworth,

Administrator &

Safe Environment Coordinator

Susan Gelinas,

Administrative Asst.

Diane Rundstrom,

Director of Music

Mike Boyer, Cemetery Foreman

Joe Maynard, Asst. Foreman

Bill Gelinas, Plant Manager



PARISH OFFICE

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am–4:30 pm

CLOSED FRIDAY

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM GR K-11

Sunday: 9:00 am–10:15 church hall
entrance on Chapman Street

CEMETERY INFORMATION

CALVARY & ST. PATRICK'S CEMETERIES

P: 413-265-5738



PRAYER & WORSHIP

FROM THE DEACON'S HEART

Blessed Easter Season (50 days long) to Holy Name of Jesus Parish!

PARISH PRAYER: The risen Jesus appears to the disciples in the locked room in our gospel from Luke and he again says "Peace be with you."..... Do we feel Jesus' peace?... are we stressed?... anxious?... Jesus says: "Why are you troubled?..." ... We go to the risen Jesus for our peace!

PARISH MAINTENANCE: We have an offer for about \$20,000 worth of items from Holy Name of Jesus Church including the convent windows, some small statues (not Mere Julie), 2 angel windows in choir loft, wrought iron baptismal font & \$8,000 for the church bell from an agent in Pennsylvania. We will probably go through and sell these items to him.

PARISH ONGOING MISSION/EVANGELIZATION/GROWTH: Do we just go along with the trends of the times that have fewer people going to mass and engaging in their faith... or do we try some new things?... How do we engage families with kids?.... we see very few of them at mass. There is a "multigenerational faith formation" ministry that has emerged in the Church over the last decade or so... I think we should investigate it... Peace be with you and your family!

Deacon David Southworth, Parish Administrator

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday's after the 10:30 a.m. mass. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule baptism.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday at 3:30 pm or by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please notify the parish office if anyone is either hospitalized, confined to a nursing home or is homebound, so that we may keep them in prayer

Sacraments of Initiation: Interested in exploring your faith and learning more about the Catholic Church? Call the Parish Office, 594-8700.

Sacrament of Marriage: Please contact the parish office one year prior to anticipated date of wedding.

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, APRIL 17, 2021

4:00 p.m. + Jeannine Duquette requested by Doris Aube & family

SUN, APRIL 18, 2021

10:30 a.m. + Anna & Joseph Ribeiro requested by the Ribeiro family

7:00 p.m. Health wishes for Shaun requested by his mother Marion

SAT, APRIL 24, 2021

4:00 p.m. + Jeannine Duquette requested by Ursula Olszewski

SUN, APRIL 25, 2021

10:30 a.m. + Joseph F. Austin requested by the family

7:00 p.m. Lorraine Leveille requested by Lucille Buckel & Denise



PRESIDER SCHEDULE

Please welcome and thank our celebrants of our weekend masses which are also being streamed live for your home viewing.

Sat, April 17th	4:00 p.m.	Fr. Mark Mengel
Sun, April 18th	10:30 a.m.	Fr. Augustine Judd
	7:00 p.m.	Fr. John Hurley
Sat, April 24th	4:00 p.m.	Fr. John Hurley
Sun, April 25th	10:30 a.m.	Fr. Mark Mengel
	7:00 p.m.	Fr. Augustine Judd

"Now by this we may be sure that we know Him, if we obey His commandments." Jesus makes himself known to you through the vocation He chose for you. Do you hear a call to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact Fr. Jon Reardon @ 413-248-7034/ vocations@diospringfield.org



ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION WEDNESDAYS 3:00-5:00 PM

Jesus is counting on you because the Eucharist is the center of life.

When you look upon the Sacred Host, you look upon Jesus, the Son of God. "Indeed, this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks upon the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life. Him I will raise up on the last day." (Jn 6:40)

Please keep in your prayers:
Theodore Kieltyka, Leonardo C. Tereso, Barbara Frederick

Edward Franz (Jean Noonans dad)
Jacques Louis Dumay father of Elms College
President Dr. Harry Dumay

May God hold them lovingly in the palm of His hands.

Parish Support

COLLECTION TOTALS

APRIL 10TH & 11TH, 2021

Weekly Collections & Candles \$2643.35/ Easter \$227.00

Fuel \$50.00/ Maintenance \$170.00

Calvary Cemetery \$81.00/ St. Patrick Cemetery \$10.00

Holy Land \$10.00/ Catholic Home \$8.00

Rice Bowl box returns \$11.76

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

PARISH NEWS & NOTES



A Prayer for Our Earth

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one. O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

TOTAL # OF PLEDGES	12,688
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PLEDGES	\$2,137,890.21
TOTAL # OF PAYMENTS	12,602
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID	\$1,785,555.17

Holy Name of Jesus Church –Chicopee

# OF DONORS	96
% OF PARTICIPATION	11.82%
TOTAL RAISED	\$16,290.00
TOTAL RAISED LAST YEAR	\$14,725.00
DIFFERENCE OF	+ 1,565.00

A Good Sermon -The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible. — George Burns

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

3rd Sunday of Easter



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.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

How to Fail Your Way to Heaven

You know what are some of my favorite moments in Scripture? The little "Easter eggs" of Jesus' humanity, things like Jesus falling asleep, Jesus drawing in the sand, Jesus playing with kids. And how about Jesus rising from the dead, appearing to his disciples and saying, "So, have you got anything to eat?" It's right for us to always keep in mind that Jesus is God. But we also have to remember that he was man. He got hungry. He cried when he felt sad and laughed when he felt happy. He got tired. He got bored. Because he was God, none of those feelings ever led him into sin, like they do us. He never spent a car ride trying to pass the hours by seeing how annoyed he could make his older sister. He never smacked Peter over the head for saying something really stupid. But he did unleash some Biblically righteous anger on those traders in the temple, didn't he? And he wasn't shy about calling Peter "a Satan" when his friend tempted him to take the easy way out. It's the tightrope walk we all try to balance every day, honoring our human emotions while still answering God's call to be better. Being perfect isn't the domain of the Christian — that's the domain of Christ only. Trying and failing, then trying again (and failing again) and again and again? That's the domain of the Christian.



CATHOLIC HOMES MISSION APPEAL
2ND COLLECTION APRIL 24TH-25TH

Your support of this appeal makes a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters right here in the United States. We are being called to embrace an approach to criminal justice that takes into account the dignity of crime victims and their families, communities, and offenders.

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