

Easter Sunday



**Our Lady
Star of the Sea**

Roman Catholic Community
in the Diocese of Bridgeport
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*This week the Sanctuary
Candle burns for
Eloise Margaret Voll.*



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, APRIL 3 Holy Saturday

7:00pm All Parishioners

SUNDAY, APRIL 4 Easter Sunday

7:30am Marie Zaleski (req. by Ingram family)

9:00am Adele Koppel (req. by Judy Rusin, daughter)

11:00am Bill Trabekino (req. by Unnold family)

12:30pm Eloise Margaret Voll

& Strengthening for the Voll family

MONDAY, April 5

8:00am Eloise Margaret Voll and Strengthening for the
Voll family (req. by Iwaskiewic family)

TUESDAY, April 6

8:00am Edward Foster (req. by Charcalis family)

WEDNESDAY, April 7

8:00am Special Intention

THURSDAY, April 8

8:00am Special Intention

FRIDAY, April 9

8:00am Special Intention

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

5:30pm Jose Pastilha (requested by Elsa Neto)

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

9:00am Luciano Lombardi

(req. by Gaetano & Carmina Lombardi)

11:00am Corazon Sibilio (req. by Rosanna Cruz)

WEEKLY COLLECTION:



This Year (03/28/21)
\$2,131.00;

Last Year (03/29/20)
COVID-19 Shutdown



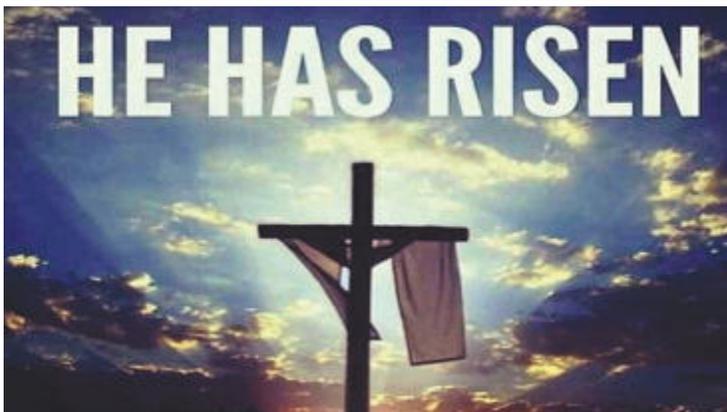
EASTER SUNDAY

Who are you? This question was most assuredly asked of Jesus on the day of resurrection and it is a question asked of each of us. Our identities can be described in so many ways. We can start with our gifts and our talents, expertise and unique personality expressions. We can describe things we like and things we prefer to set aside. As descriptive and captivating as these can be, none come close to our essence, our real and true self. While accurate in their own right, the self who lives and interacts with the world is the self we want others to see, the one we project. But there is much more to us just as there is much more to Jesus.

Jesus could describe himself based on all of the same criteria we use for ourselves. After all, Jesus is totally human. With all that people witnessed and all that Jesus knew about his physical human self, his divinity also shined forth. There was so much more to know about him. Whereas once Jesus was transfigured on top of a mountain before his disciples' eyes, so today he is transfigured before our eyes as he reveals his resurrected self as the Christ. Alleluia, Christ is risen! His glorified presence stands before us showing us that we are all much more than we see ourselves to be and show to others. We have a depth, purpose, and essence that go way beyond the superficial treasures of our existence to the very core of who we are.

Within each one of us is a spark of Divine Love where creature and Creator meet, and we are known uniquely by the name God whispers to us. It is not the earthly name that was given to us but the one that flows from Divine Power and claims us as one who is special and chosen in God's eyes. This is the self that will rise one day with the eternal Christ of God and live eternally as God provides. This is the self that when free from all superficial constraints layered upon it in this life can discover and know freedom in a way never possible before. This is love lifting us up and transforming us into who we really are, not who we want or need ourselves to be. Who are you? A special, unique child of God who has been fashioned in God's image, sustained by the power of God's love and kept eternally with the Blessed Trinity in heaven. Get to know this deeper, truer self as it is who you really are.

*Sending you
peace, love and
Easter Blessings.*



A Call to Renewal

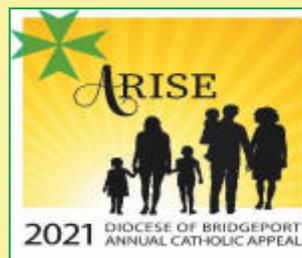
The Diocese has created a website that will contain all the materials associated with our efforts at spiritual and pastoral renewal. It is entitled "A Call to Renewal" and it can be accessed at <https://www.bridgportdiocese.org/call-to-renewal/welcome/>, or click "A Call to Renewal" at the top of the Homepage of our diocesan website.



Join in praying the Divine Mercy Novena beginning this Good Friday or Pray it any time you'd like! The Divine Mercy novena prayers were given to St. Faustina through an apparition of our Lord Jesus. Each day has a new petition that seeks God's mercy for different

purposes. The message of Divine Mercy is a powerful and moving way to come closer to Christ. His Mercy is central to our lives and we must continually depend on it and ask for it daily. The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday and goes until Divine Mercy Saturday. You can join thousands of people in praying the novena this year!

Read more at: <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/divine-mercy->



The 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal calls us to renewed hope and a deepened commitment to serve our neighbor. The call to "Arise" challenges us to put our personal faith into action and provide for the needs of our sisters and brothers, no matter who they may be. Your gift enables the diocese to continue works of charity, formation in faith, education and catechesis. It provides programs and ministries that feed the hungry and counsel the homeless who live among us; help youth develop their minds and grow in faith; sustain our priests, active and retired; prepare men for the diaconate and the priesthood; provide Catholic education through scholarships; and much more. Our Lady Star of the Sea raised 41 gifts worth \$32,965 from 30 donors bringing the parish to 38.11% of its \$86,500 goal. Thank you for your generosity and support.

SHIPPAN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:

There will be a meeting held this Saturday, April 3rd at 7:30am in the school gym. All men are welcomed, no matter what Christian denomination and no matter how long since you last set foot in a church. For information, talk to Fr. Peter or email Gauthier Vincent at dnavincent@diobpt.org.



Join fellow OLSS Parishioners via ZOOM for a live Rosary daily.

M-F @ 4:30pm S-S @ 4:00pm
Meeting ID: 724 106 329



Fridays 5:15 - 5:30pm
Live on ZOOM

For more information contact:
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VIRTUAL HYBRID BENEFIT



THURSDAY | MAY 6, 2021

Foundations in Education 2021 Virtual Hybrid Spring Benefit

Foundations in Education invites you to its re-imagined Virtual Hybrid Benefit on Thursday, May 6, 2021. Join Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano to celebrate our Honorees Dr. Julia M. McNamara and Lynn and Frank Mara of the New York Giants and participate in an online auction from the comfort of your home. All to celebrate and support Catholic education! Proceeds support Foundations in Education, whose mission is to provide hundreds of children from low-and middle income families with quality education focused on Christian values and character formation. To purchase tickets and sponsorships or for more information, please contact Megan Quinn at 203.416.1671 or mquinn@foundationsineducation.org.


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