

11 April 2021
**2nd Sunday of Easter
(Divine Mercy)**



**Give thanks to the Lord for
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his love is everlasting.**

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THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

Saturday Evening: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 AM
Mon.-Tues. – Wed.- 8:00AM Thurs. - NO MASS
Friday: 9:15AM (SCHOOL MASS)
HOLY DAY MASSES 6:30AM, 9:00AM, 7:00PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 PM
Sunday: 10:00 to 10:25 AM
Other times by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the 4th Sunday of the month. A pre-baptismal workshop is required for parents, who are expected to be active members for at least three months. Please call Deacon Mike to make all arrangements. (610-262-2227)

HOLY MATRIMONY

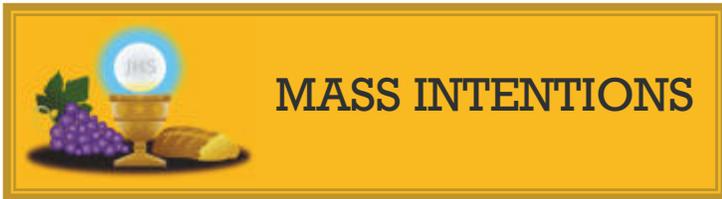
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MASS INTENTIONS

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET TODAY AT 1:00PM

MONDAY APRIL 12

8:00 AM Betty McGouldrick - Greg & Maryann Christensen

TUESDAY APRIL 13

8:00 AM Olinda Koch - Santucci Family

WEDNESDAY APRIL 14

8:00 AM Anna Skrapits - Rudy & Patti Geosits

THURSDAY APRIL 15

No Mass

FRIDAY APRIL 16

9:15AM 55TH Wedding Anniversary of Dale & Barb Miller

SATURDAY APRIL 17

4:00 PM Mary Pany - husband Lou

SUNDAY APRIL 18

8:00AM Francis Clancy - Dale & Barb

10:30AM Joseph Gabryluk - Jake Maikits & mother

SUNDAY COLLECTION
March 28 - \$7480.
May God bless your generosity!

SANCTUARY LAMP
will be lit this week
IN MEMORY OF
MARY PANY



Spirituality of Healthy & Unhealthy Behaviors During Covid 19

ONLINE RETREAT April 24, 2021 9:30AM to Noon

Suggested Offering: \$25

We are all aware of the unhealthy behaviors we can get into during times of stress: alcohol, drugs, weight gain, many other addictions, not to mention Covid depression. How can we move out of these bad habits and enter into some healthy habits that help us to grow? What has helped you to cope this past year? Bring your own ideas to the day of retreat. Learn from others.

FACILITATOR: Fr. Patrick Lamb As pastor of Queenship of Mary Parish in Northampton, Pa., Father Lamb is a frequent speaker at St. Francis Center for Renewal, where he is known for his down-to-earth and practical spirituality.

To register for this meeting, please use the following link:

https://www.stfrancisctr.org/sfcr-store/p/covid-behaviors
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

We want to thank everyone who sent sympathy cards, gave memorials to the church, offered masses and prayers for Anthony "Tony" Reinish.

God bless you all, Hattie Reinish, Toni & Jim Long & family, Pam & Bob Yost & family



ST. BERNADETTE

Saint Bernadette came from a very poor family in France and was the oldest of nine children. Our Lady appeared to Bernadette, 14 years old at the time, beginning on February 11, 1858. At the Grotto of Massabielle, Bernadette saw “a small lady in white” who asked her to return each day, to receive a series of 18 visions. Her family and townspeople were divided over what was happening: some believed that it was a miraculous vision of the Virgin Mary while others demanded that Bernadette be institutionalized. She was arrested at one point and interrogated, but Bernadette remained calm and was consistent in her telling of what was happening.

On February 24th, Saint Bernadette received a message from the Lady: “Penance, penance, penance...” During the following few days, she was commanded to dig at the grotto and then a spring of clear water began to flow. During the next few visions, the Lady told Bernadette to go to the Parish Priest and ask that he build her a Chapel at the Grotto. The Priest in turn commanded Bernadette to ask the Lady her name and also to ask for a sign. Finally, on March 25th, the Lady declared to Saint Bernadette: “I am the Immaculate Conception.” Four years earlier, Pope Pius IX had declared the infallible dogma of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary. Bernadette’s family, Priest, and friends all later testified that she would never have heard the term before in her life.

After the conclusion of the visions, Saint Bernadette joined the Sisters of Charity at the age of 22. She disliked the attention that she received because of the visions and lived the simple life of a consecrated Religious until she died from tuberculosis at the age of 35. When her body was exhumed as part of the usual requirements for the investigation of sainthood, it was found to be incorrupt. She was canonized as a Saint of the Church by Pope Pius XI on December 8, 1933, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. **Cont.**

SUNDAY READINGS

April 11, 2021

Acts 4:32-35

With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all.

1 John 5:1-6

Whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith.

John 20:19-31

[Jesus said,] “Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

WEEKDAY READINGS

April 12-17

Monday, Weekday: Acts 4:23–31 / Jn 3:1–8

Tuesday, Weekday: Acts 4:32–37 / Jn 3:7b–15

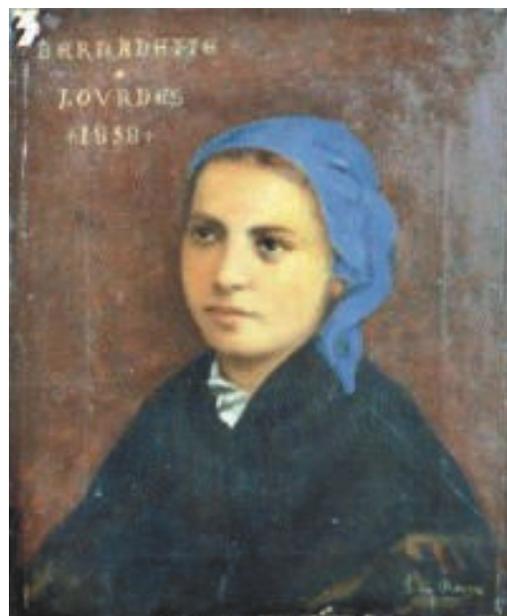
Wednesday, Weekday: Acts 5:17–26 / Jn 3:16–21

Thursday, Weekday: Acts 5:27–33 / Jn 3:31–36

Friday, Weekday: Acts 5:34–42 / Jn 6:1–15

Saturday, Weekday: Acts 6:1–7 / Jn 6:16–21

In her messages to Saint Bernadette, Our Lady emphasized prayer and penance for the sins of mankind. The visions also call to mind the love that Our Lady has for God’s people. May we always cherish the gift of God’s own Mother and call upon her when we are in trouble or in need. O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!



In loving memory



The Parish gratefully acknowledges the following contributions to the Queenship of Mary Memorial Fund.

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QUEENSHIP OF MARY CASH

Thank you to all of our parishioners who participated in our Easter Holiday Card Sale. Thank you again for your support of our parish and schools.

Just a reminder you can purchase gift cards weekly at all masses or by dropping your blue envelope in the rectory mail slot. Have a Blessed Easter Season!!!

The Queenship Cash Committee



SO TODAY AT CHURCH A GUY IN A SUIT TRIED TO DROWN ME



AND I KID YOU NOT, MY FAMILY JUST STOOD THERE TAKING PICTURES

Leaning Upon God

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

The *Embrace*, a painting by Pedro Cano, is a powerful image of paternal love and union. It recalls the historic moment when St. John Paul II, at the Mass of his elevation to the papacy, embraced his lifelong mentor, Stefan Cardinal Wyszyński. The painting is a moment frozen in time that represents something much bigger than the event that inspired it.

The two figures are barely distinguishable. They seem to be fused, like two figures carved out of one piece of marble. It is the mutual love of giving and receiving that makes this exchange so moving. Indeed, it reminds us of the embrace of love we seek in this life from our loved ones as well as in eternal life. There is no distance between them, rancor, or questioning—only the total happiness of being united with a friend.

The pope's strong, broad shoulders are penetrated by the grasping hands of the one embraced. There is a clenching need to find security in the other. We all search for love, forgiveness, and for strength we do not find in ourselves. We wish our faith were stronger but, the truth is, we need to be constantly turning to God for his mercy.

Yet, he is pleased to be our rock upon which we lean, the one we can touch in our doubt. Turn to him in need, for he is happy to save you from the trials of this life. He wants to be the risen one who restores our faith. He rejoices that we need him and return to him. +

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- Do I find security in the love of another in a healthy way? is it the fruit of giving and not possessing?
- Is my strongest foundation in the love and mercy of Jesus?

PRAYER

Risen Lord, you fulfilled your promise by rising from the dead. Help me to practice what I preach.

From *Hopeful Meditations for Every Day of Easter Through Pentecost*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

The Pope's Monthly Intention for April.

Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

A Word from Pope Francis

The disciples had abandoned The Lord at his passion and Felt guilty. But meeting them, Jesus did not give a long sermon. To them, who were wounded within, he shows his own wounds. Thomas can now touch them and know of Jesus' love and how much Jesus had suffered for him, even though he had abandoned him.

—Divine Mercy Sunday, April 19, 2020



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A Parable of Mercy

By Johan van Parys

When my grandmother died, I inherited her personal papers. Though I was hesitant to go through them, I was soon immersed as stories that had been relayed only through whispers or hints became abundantly clear.

The most amazing story concerned my grandparents' plight during World War II. In the late 1930s, my grandmother inherited her family's shoe business. Her biggest client was the Belgian army. When the Nazis took over Belgium, they ordered her to make shoes for them. She refused, so they closed her factory and sent her employees and my grandfather to work camps in Germany. Nazi officers took over the family home, and my grandmother and great-grandmother were made to serve them.

The story was illuminated by two sets of letters. The first set, tied with a red ribbon, was written by my grandfather to my grandmother from the work camp. Most of the letters are filled with small anecdotes of camp life, nothing incriminating because the letters were scrutinized by the Nazis before being mailed. He also thanks my grandmother for the occasional package of soap or chocolates and for news from home. His letters are all very strong and full of words of encouragement. The most moving among all of them is the letter written in response to the birth of his youngest daughter a few months after he was sent to the camps. He writes about how he longs to return home and wishes he could hold her. After the war, my grandfather came home, and the Nazi officers returned to Germany.

The second set of letters, tied with a blue ribbon, was written by one of the officers who had occupied my grandparents' home. In the first letter, the former Nazi officer apologizes and asks forgiveness. In ensuing letters he speaks about his two sons who were killed in the war, the destruction of their hometown, and the absolute poverty he and his wife live in. Then he starts asking my grandparents for clothes, shoes, and food. In other letters, he thanks my grandparents for sending them whatever they needed.

In 1967 my aunt got married. Though I was very young, I do remember an unknown couple at my grandparents' home. I didn't understand their language, but I liked their accordion playing. I deduced from the letters that this was the former Nazi officer and his wife.

I was incredulous. I couldn't comprehend how he dared ask forgiveness after all he'd done to my family. Even worse, how could he ask my grandparents for help? I also didn't understand how my grandparents could forgive him, help him, and invite him into their home.

I've given much thought to this amazing story of sin and sorrow that led to forgiveness and reconciliation. It's a true parable of God's forgiveness and mercy and of the mercy and forgiveness

God requires of us. No matter what we've done, we can and should ask our merciful God for forgiveness and help. And regardless of what has been done to us or what we've done to others, we can and must ask for forgiveness—and give it in return. +

Forgiveness is unlocking the door to set someone free and realizing you were the prisoner.

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