

18 April 2021
**Third Sunday
of Easter**



**Lord, let your face
shine on us.**

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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

A minimum preparation time of six months is required for the couple by the Diocese for the proper celebration of the Sacrament. Please call Father Lamb to make all arrangements. (610-262-2227)

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**SANCTUARY
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IN MEMORY OF

Rose C. Herschman



MONDAY APRIL 19

8:00 AM Helen Sommer - Santucci Family

TUESDAY APRIL 20

8:00 AM John C. Yastrzab, Sr. - wife Caroline & fam

WEDNESDAY APRIL 21

8:00 AM Mary Marx - Carole Zarayko

THURSDAY APRIL 22

NO MASS

FRIDAY APRIL 23

9:15AM Anton Spitzer - Family
(SCHOOL MASS)

SATURDAY APRIL 24

4:00 PM Martha Hozza - Vincent & Linda Santucci

SUNDAY APRIL 25

8:00AM Emma Lahner - Patricia Schadt

10:30AM Feliksa & Marek Cyncelak - Granddaughter

SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 4 - \$10,919.

Easter - \$21,353.

April 11 - \$12,554.50

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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.

St. Athanasia of Aegina

St. Athanasia was the daughter of Christian nobles, Niketas and Irene, and experienced the mystical union of a star merging with her heart while weaving at the loom when she was a young girl. She wanted a spiritual life, but an imperial edict required all single women of marriageable age to marry soldiers. At 16 years old, at her parents urging, she complied and married a young officer. Sixteen days after her wedding, her husband was killed in a battle with raiding Arabs. She again married, this time to a deeply religious man who wished to become a monk and left to do so with her blessing.

St. Athanasia then gave away the bulk of her possessions, converted their home into a convent, and began building churches. She served as an abbess and was known for her miraculous healing of the sick and those seen as possessed. Her community later moved to Timia near the ancient church of Stephen the Protomartyr. Here crowds flocked to see her. As her fame grew, she moved to Constantinople seeking solitude as an anchoress in a cell for seven years. While walled away, she was an adviser to the Empress Theodora II. After seven years, she returned to Aegina where she died of natural causes three days later at Timia on 14 August 860.

Her relics are preserved at Timia in a specially made reliquary, and they are revered for their reputed healing powers.

SUNDAY READINGS

April 18, 2021

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from death; of this we are witnesses.

1 John 2:1-5a

Whoever says, "I know him," but does not obey his commandments, is a liar."

Luke 24:35-48

[Jesus] 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.

WEEKDAY READINGS

April 19-24

Monday, Easter Weekday:

Acts 6:8-15 / Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday, Easter Weekday:

Acts 7:51-8:1a / Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday, Easter Weekday:

Acts 8:1b-8 / Jn 6:35-40

Thursday, Easter Weekday:

Acts 8:26-40 / Jn 6:44-51

Friday, Easter Weekday:

Acts 9:1-20 / Jn 6:52-59

Saturday, Easter Weekday:

Acts 9:31-42 / Jn 6:60-69



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Pastor's Corner

Many thanks to all who made Holy Week and Easter so special. The flower arrangements in church by Bob's Flower Shop were beautiful. Jeannie Jordan and her small choir did a fabulous job. It felt good to be back in church for Holy Week because, remember last year, we were not.

This past year has made us all realize how important it is to *be with* each other. And that *being with* includes church. We need to *be with* each other in prayer and giving thanks to God. Jesus said, "Where two or more are gathered in my name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18:20)

As things begin to ease up with all the restrictions, please begin to make your way back into church. It is important that you feel safe.

Please see the announcement below regarding the celebration of the Real Presence of Christ this year that the bishop has announced. As we go forward as a church and as a parish, we need to spend time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. He is present with us, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. We need to ask Him to guide us. To discern what He wants us to do we simply need to sit in His presence and let Him love us.

Also, I remind you this is the Year of St. Joseph. We need to ask this powerful saint to intercede for us. St. Joseph, pray for us.

Diocese to Celebrate Real Presence of Christ

Bishop Schlert has announced that the Diocese of Allentown will celebrate a "Year of the Real Presence" beginning on Sunday, April 11th, Divine Mercy Sunday. The year will be a special time throughout the diocese to celebrate the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist and will enable parishioners to rejoice in the gift of being present with others at Mass. The celebration will coincide with the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese.

Adoration Continues:

Reminder of the Church Schedule:

Monday: 8:00 AM Mass, church open until 1 PM. Adoration 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM.

Tuesday: 8:00 AM Mass, Adoration 7:30 AM until Mass time. Church open until 1 PM.

Wednesday: 8:00 AM Mass, church open until 1 PM. Adoration 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM.

Thursday: Church closed

Friday: 9:15 AM Mass with School, church open until 1 PM. Adoration 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM.

Sharing Our Wounds

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

The glorified Jesus is not easy for the apostles to recognize. There is a deep truth here. The Twelve are startled and terrified to see Jesus again. In fact, they even think they are seeing a ghost. Their fear and lack of faith makes it impossible to see him for who he is— their resurrected Savior. Before they can truly see, they need to first accept him and believe.

And how does Jesus prove his identity to them? He shows them his wounds, the signs of his suffering and crucifixion. We often want to hide our wounds. We are ashamed of them and afraid of how others will react if they really knew. But Jesus, unashamed, shows his wounds and uses them as signs of who he is.

There is a message for us here. We need to allow our brokenness to find fullness and resurrection in Christ. It is at that point that the love of God is perfected in us. First, we need to acknowledge our wounds and not bury or hide them. Then we need to admit our need for healing. Finally, through prayer, confession, and help from those who love us, we allow Jesus' redemptive love to wash over our wounds and give us renewal, rebirth, and healing.

As a result, like Jesus, we will no longer be ashamed of our wounds, but rather we will share them as evidence of the power of Jesus Christ. +

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- Is there an area of my heart and life where I need Jesus' healing?
- Am I confident in God's power to raise me up out of my weakness?

A Word from Pope Francis

We know that slander always kills. This “diabolical cancer” that arises from the desire to destroy the reputation of a person also attacks the ecclesial body and seriously damages it when, as a result of malicious interests or to cover up one's own inadequacies, people unite to denigrate someone.

—General Audience,
September 25, 2019

The Pope's Monthly Intention for April.

Fundamental Rights

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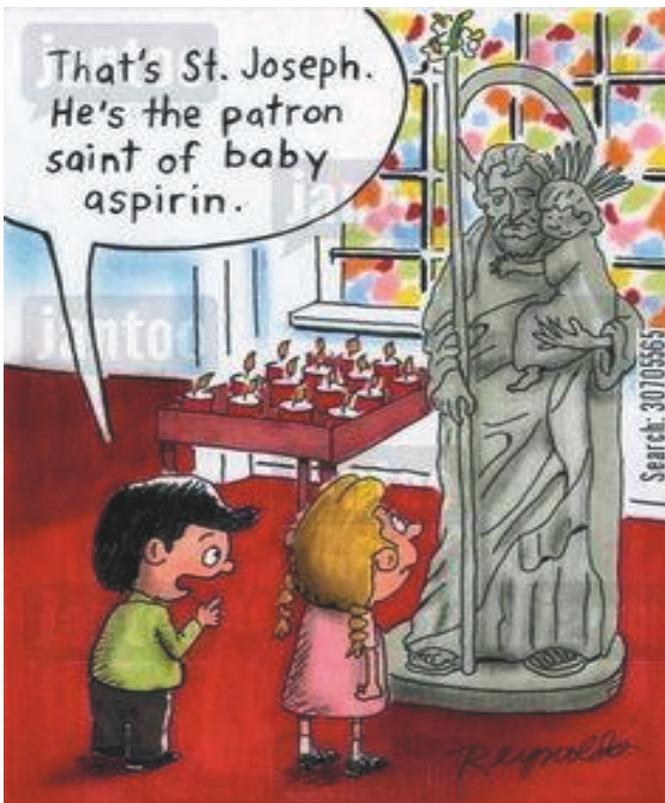
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Deadline for ticket purchase Wednesday April 22, 2021.

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When Is It Time to Forgive?

By Fr. Bruce Lewandowski, CSSR

The first time it happened, I was speechless. A mother had come to the rectory. She didn't like the answer she'd gotten from the parish school's principal about the importance of timely tuition payments. When I gave her the same answer, she screamed at me. She called me a pedophile.

I had never been called that before. It's happened a few times since, once by a homeless man and another time by a stranger—and the shock hasn't worn off.

Each time, my reaction has been the same. I think of the victims of sexual abuse. I think of the priests accused, the innocent and the guilty. I think of the Church. And I think about forgiveness.

The book of Genesis says that after Cain killed his brother Abel, God put an indelible mark on him to prevent him from being killed. It seems God either wanted Cain to suffer a long life of shame for his sin or have plenty of time to repent. Maybe it was both. The point is that God gave time to Cain for either to happen.

Indelible marks of sorts have been left on the Church for what it did and didn't do to guard and protect children and young people from predator priests. Much has happened since the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops issued its Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People in 2002.

Look at the websites of dioceses and religious orders across the country. The mark says *Virtus* or *Praesidium*. Departments for child and youth protection are everywhere, even in the Vatican. Standards and training sessions have been developed to teach ethical ministry practices with minors. Notices posted in church vestibules say in bold, black letters, "Report Sexual Abuse." Criminal and civil suits abound. So do shame and repentance—as they should.

Does time heal all wounds? Maybe it's too soon to ask. There's something missing amidst the shame, repentance, diocesan departments, and survivor networks. It's the same thing I'll bet Cain longed for: forgiveness. How long did Cain live in unforgiveness? Did he ever run home to Adam and Eve and tearfully beg their forgiveness? Did God forgive him? The Book of Genesis says only that time was given to Cain. Maybe that was the mark—that Cain couldn't be forgiven.

But I like to think that, in time, he was. Can the Church, that through the centuries forgave millions, ever be forgiven for its role in the sexual abuse of minors? What will it take? For how long will the clerical collar be a mark of shame and repentance? I remember a time not long ago when it was the mark of forgiveness.

There's still time for repentance and shame—and forgiveness. +

PRAYER

Risen Lord, your resurrection revealed to the world the hope and promise of new life. Help me to be a faithful, hopeful, loving presence to all people.

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

Prayer to St Joseph by St Francis de Sales

“Glorious St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary, grant us, we beseech thee, thy paternal protection, through the Heart of Jesus Christ.”

“O Thou whose infinite power reaches out to all our needs, rendering possible for us that which is impossible, look upon the concerns of thy children with fatherly countenance.”

“In the troubles and sorrows that afflict us, we have confident recourse to thee.”

“Deign to take under thy loving protection this important and difficult endeavor, the cause of our worries, and dispose its success to the glory of God and to the benefit of His faithful servants. “
Amen.

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