

Easter Sunday

 **Mass Intentions
for the Week**

HOLY SATURDAY, April 3

8:00PM † Catherine Mc Gill by Barbara O'Grady
† Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Scaringe by By Son's
† Marsha Bonanni by Arthur Fealey

EASTER SUNDAY, April 4

8:00AM † Susan Oswald by The Emminger Family
† John & Leanora Coonan by The Family
† Anthony & Joyce Bonacquisto by Joe Bonacquisto

10:30AM † Mary Flahive by Jack & Karen Graber
† Rocco Russo Jr. by By The Rappoccio Family
† Kim Sgroi by By The Family
† Kathleen Doherty by Robert & Theresa Long
† Raeann Dinardi Mc Elveen by The Dinardi Family

MONDAY, April 5

7:00AM † Mariana Crosier by Mr. & Mrs. Warren Abriel

TUESDAY, April 6

7:00AM (Latin) † Joyce Bonacquisto (3rd Ann) by Joe Bonacquisto

WEDNESDAY, April 7

7:00AM † Bronkek Wazio by Jadwiga Putkotycki

THURSDAY, April 8

7:00AM (Latin) † Angela Nelligan by Joan A. Kehoe

FRIDAY, April 9

7:00AM † Jane Kingston (Birthday in heaven) by By Josie Dolan & Joanne Kingston

SATURDAY, April 10

4:00PM † Annette Kuperways by Kathy Olivan
† Teresa Cello by By the Nephews
† John Kiernozek by Danuta & Family
† Francis Nardolillo by The Nardolillo Family

SUNDAY, April 11

8:00AM † Sheila Heslin by By Josie Dolan & Joanne Kingston
† Marty, Mary Ellen & Brian Hughes by The Family
† Francis Houle by By The Family

10:30AM † Gary Graber by Jack & Karen Graber
† Christopher Wos by Martha Wos
† John Hinds by Bob Wolfgang
† Frank Hendrick by Toni Murphy
† Richard Burns by The Family

12:30PM (Latin) † Fr. Lloyd Rebeyro by The Sanna Family

BE A PRAYER PARTNER TO POPE FRANCIS

For those who have made the commitment to pray every day for the monthly intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis: - for March he asks that we pray for: **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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of volunteers to join our collection counters. Counters spend a few hours on a Sunday morning tallying the weekend collections. They are scheduled once a month. If you have 2 or 3 hours to share with our parish, call Holly Hayes in the office at 518-462-4258

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR NEXT SUNDAY
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT HISTORIC ST MARY'S
BEGINS ON APRIL 11TH AT 2:00PM WITH ADORATION,
ROSARY, CONFESSION & CHAPLET**



Dear family,
Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

First, welcome Easter! I usually find Lent and the latter days of winter to be the slowest moving days of the year. This year, it feels to me like Lent sped by. And—so far—it feels like the days have begun to warm up more quickly than usual. In any case, I am glad to experience the arrival of Easter!

Second, welcome to the newest members of the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church! This Easter the parish community of Historic St. Mary's has the joy of welcoming two new converts to the Catholic faith! I will tell more about them in the bulletin next weekend. For now, I merely extend to them congratulations and prayer for God's blessing upon them.

Third, welcome to Deacon Aaron Tremblay. Bishop Scharfenberger has appointed Deacon Aaron to minister at St. Mary's, beginning April 9th. Deacon Aaron has already been serving at the Mass in the Extraordinary Form and will now be empowered to serve all of the people and in all of the ministries at Historic St. Mary's. I think you will soon see him—as I do—as a man of genuine faith, a humble servant of Christ, and a spiritual friend.

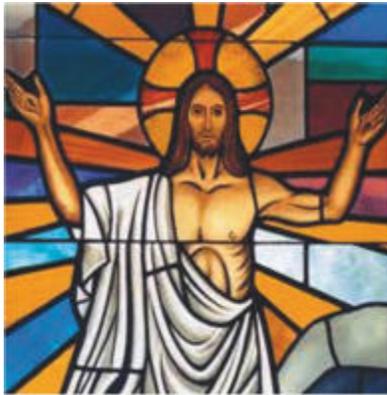
Thank you to everyone who helped to prepare for and celebrate the holy days—from my brothers Father Moyna and Father Julian, to office staff, to liturgical ministers, to pandemic committee volunteers, to the army of men that helped veil the statues in anticipation of the last two weeks of Lent.

Christ is risen! He is truly risen! And for those who believe—not just with the head, but with the heart—life can never be the same. No sickness, no sin, no struggle is insurmountable. We are gradually emerging from a winter of anxiety and isolation as from a tomb. This is the day the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it! I wish you and all your loved ones a blessed Easter season! I love you all with the love of Christ, and remain grateful for and inspired by your goodness and constancy!

Sincerely,
Father Flannery

ANNUAL DIVINE MERCY CONSECRATION

Bishop Scharfenberger is inviting Catholics throughout the Diocese to join him for the annual diocesan Divine Mercy Consecration at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11, 2021 at 5:00pm. Information is on the webpage: www.rca.org/DivineMercyConsecration



RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

The darkness of Jesus' agony in the garden and death on the cross has passed. The triumphant night of his resurrection has been celebrated. Now in the light of Easter Sunday the glory of the risen Lord is seen.

"Tell us, Mary, what did you see on the way?" we ask in today's Easter sequence.

We hear in the gospel about Peter and John's visit to the empty tomb and what they observed there. We read how John went into the tomb and "saw and believed." Those first disciples who saw and believed became witnesses who proclaimed to all people the truth of what they had seen. What is it that we see this Easter Day?

We see the faith of those who keep the Easter witness alive; we see our fellow worshipers joining us in hearing the Church's proclamation of Easter faith and renewing our baptismal promises to live that faith. We see the Church of Jesus Christ preaching the gospel. We see it trying to fulfill the command of Jesus to love one another and to give evidence of such love in words and deeds of justice and peace. Above all, we see individuals, each the receiver of the Easter message, joined to us in fellowship and community that our Easter faith creates.

We also see the vast human problems of disease, natural catastrophes and environmental threats that beset the human family. We, especially, see the burdens that people place on each other by violence, discrimination and exploitation and greed.

On Easter we see and heed the call to faith but, most especially, we recognize and acknowledge the summons to compassion and love. We share the passion of Christ by our compassion and love; we share the Easter life of Christ by our eagerness to give new life to others; we share the Easter victory of Christ by our desire to conquer violence and disease and the lack of love that afflicts so many. For the Lord Jesus is truly risen and lives in us and among us.

A Prayerful Thought for Easter

How wonderful, how marvelous, is Your love, Jesus! To think that You were willing to go through that for me!

What a day of rejoicing that must have been when You rose and realized it was all over--You had won the victory! You had accomplished Your mission. You had made the way for the world to be saved. You had gone through the horrors of Hell and death for us, and it was over.

You arose in victory, joy, liberation, and freedom from the hands of evil men, never to have to go through that again--and You did it all to spare us the same. Now we can say with the apostle Paul, "O death, where is your sting? O Hades [grave], where is your victory?" (1 Corinthians 15:55-57).

ST. MARY'S SENIOR PROGRAM

Please call our Parish Office if you know of a Parishioner who is sick, hospitalized or has moved to an assisted living facility or nursing home. Our Senior Program seeks to bring communion to the homebound or in health care facilities. They also have a telephone committee that checks in on the homebound as well as a committee that sends cards to these parishioners.

PARISH FINANCES

Thank you to all who continue to make their donations. It is a HUGE help. Please do what you can to assist the parish financially during this pandemic crisis. Over the past 6 months our collections are down significantly. Please do whatever you can to assist. Even though some cannot meet on a weekly basis at church, the bills must be paid and payroll must be met. Your contributions may be sent to the parish office or you may participate by using our "on-line" giving program (located on our parish website: www.histmarys.org). Your help is greatly appreciated!



THIS YEAR'S BISHOP'S APPEAL IS DIFFERENT

What stays the same is our participation. Every parish continues to have a target goal (an assessment). Therefore we count on your generous participation to help us meet our goal. Every bit of your donation will help St. Mary's since we must make up the difference at the end of the campaign. Please do your best to give what you did in past years. If you can do more-- please do so, since a number of our parishioners have suffered financial loss and difficulties because of the pandemic. **We need your help--our goal is over \$143,000 and so far our donations total \$76,210--an average gift of \$473 from 161 families--thank you--thank you.**

A Simple Request

Please wear a mask that covers your mouth and nose at all times when you are in church. Follow the ushers directions!

Welcome New Parishioners!

Please complete and drop in the collection basket or mail to the Rectory Office:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

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