



Our Lady of Hope



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in the Spirit of Christ*

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Pastoral Staff

Rev. Thomas I. Ward, Administrator
Rev. Thomas Fitzpatrick, Pastor Emeritus
Deacon Michael McGrath
Deacon John Trendowski

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evenings: 4:00 PM
Sunday Masses: 8:15 & 10:15 AM
Weekdays and Holy Days: As Scheduled

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 PM

Religious Education

Peg Mincher, REA - (315) 320-4118
Donna Rawson, Baptism Coordinator
Pat John/Dale Aske, RCIA Coordinators

Music


Steven W. Medicis, Director of Music

Sacraments of Baptism & Marriage

Call rectory to make arrangements

Bulletin Deadline: Mondays before noon

APRIL 4, 2021



From the
Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends in Christ,

Jesus Christ is risen, alleluia alleluia!!! My heart overflows with gratitude to the Lord for the simple fact that we may gather to celebrate the highest holyday of our liturgical year. Even though I have been with you for little more than half a year, I am grateful to be the shepherd of so good a community. It is true that the transition has been made more difficult by the restrictions caused by the pandemic. It is hard to remember the names of people when half their faces are covered! Even so, I am deeply impressed by the fidelity and service of so many of our parishioners.

The celebration of Easter, after more than a year of the challenges of dealing with the COVID virus is a glorious reminder that the light of Christ, risen from the dead is the true light that will ultimately disperse every darkness. This light comes to each of us through the gift of faith and is renewed in all of us as we gather to celebrate the sacred mystery of Holy Mass. Let us, therefore, continue to pray that the virus continues to recede and that many more of our community will be able to come together around the altar of God's mercy and hope.

Perhaps my most favorite encounter with the risen Lord written of in the Gospels is the one when Mary of Magdala lingers at the tomb when all others had left. She desires only to anoint His body for the experience of death, as is always the case, seemed so definitive and final. She had seen the Lord in His agony and witnessed the moment He handed over His spirit. Now He stands before her and she cannot recognize Him:

Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" She thought it was the gardener and said to him, "Sir, if you carried him away, tell me where you laid him, and I will take him." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni," which means Teacher. Jesus said to her, "Stop holding on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" (John 20:15-17)

One can understand how much Mary yearned to hold on to Christ! He was risen and death had somehow been conquered. Still Jesus had to ascend to be with the Father so that He could make Himself present to us all through the gift He had given us at the Last Supper, His precious Body and Blood. In this mystery we too can encounter the Risen Lord and the Hope He alone can give. Let us then help one-another to draw near to this light that dispels every darkness. Happy Easter and grace be with you all,

Rev. Thomas I. Ward

MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 5 - 11

Monday, April 5

9:00 AM - People of Our Lady of Hope

Tuesday, April 6

9:00 AM - Jennie Gillette (1st Anniv.) - *Rosalie Ryding*

Wednesday, April 7

9:00 AM - Lara Kinne - *Pat John*

Thursday, April 8

9:00 AM - Mary Ann Piron - *Mary Ann Puglisi & Family*

Friday, April 9

9:00 AM - Louis Calucci (Anniv.) - *Family*

Saturday, April 10

9:00 AM - People of Our Lady of Hope

4:00 PM - Kieran Fitzpatrick (3rd Anniv.) - *Wife,*

Josephine & Family

Sunday, April 11

8:15 AM - Kay & Moe Hillery - *Hank Keller*

10:15 AM - William Hanlin - *Family*

WEEKLY PRAYER SERVICES

Mon.-Fri.: 8:20 AM - Rosary

Mon.: Adoration after the 9 AM Mass

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS...

Please pray for vocations and all of our Diocesan seminarians and those in formation for the Diaconate and religious life. This week (April 5-11) please keep **Seminarian Gianni Verginio** in your prayers. Also pray for **Deacons Dennis Walker and John Leo Oduor** as they near their ordination to the priesthood in June.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE APRIL 5 - 11

Will burn for **NEVER FORGOTTEN, SCOTT** at the request of Grandma Puglisi and Family.



SUNDAY, APRIL 11

8:00 - 11:00 AM

American Legion Valley Post #1468
Ladies Auxiliary

110 Academy St., Syracuse, NY

\$9.00 includes pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, sausage gravy & biscuits, toast, coffee, juice.

Note! All CDC & NYS safety and health guidelines will be followed.

OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY

The rectory office will be closed on Monday, April 5th. Business resumes on Tuesday, April 6th. Thank you!

AROUND OUR PARISH...

Meetings in Horrigan Room unless otherwise noted.

Tues., Apr. 6 - Women's Bible Study - 6:30 PM
 Wed., Apr. 7 - Women's Bible Study - 10:00 AM
 Sat., Apr. 10 - Men's Group - 7:30-9:00 AM
 Sat., Apr. 10 - New Life Bereavement - 9:00 AM

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

*The Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse,
 New York Case No. 20-30663*

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT on June 19, 2020, The Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, New York, ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Bankruptcy Court has established **April 15, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.** (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date").

If you have a claim against the Diocese including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date with Stretto, the appointed Claims Agent.

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/dioceseforsyracuse> or call (855) 329-4244 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY FUTURE DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME!

Easter is a momentous occasion as we celebrate Christ's resurrection from death to life. At the Easter Vigil, we celebrate new life in Christ with our elect and candidate. So I invite all of us to welcome in person or through prayer these new members to our parish family: **Stephen Reeves** who celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist and **Ryan Miske** who completed his Christian Initiation by celebrating Confirmation and First Eucharist in the Catholic Church. We are blessed, indeed, and for our blessing, we sincerely thank the Lord.



Stephen Reeves



Ryan Miske

SOME EASTER QUOTES

- Let your joy burst forth like the flowers in the spring.
- Easter spells out beauty, the rare beauty of new life.
- The story of Easter is the story of God's window of divine surprise.
- Let everything you do be done in love.
- April hath put a spirit of youth in everything.
- The Earth laughs in flowers.
- The great gift of Easter is hope.
- Spring is when you feel like whistling even with a shoe filled with slush.
- Egg hunts are proof that your children can find things when they really want to.
- The first day of spring is like the first time a boy holds your hand.



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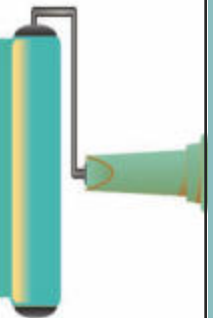
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