

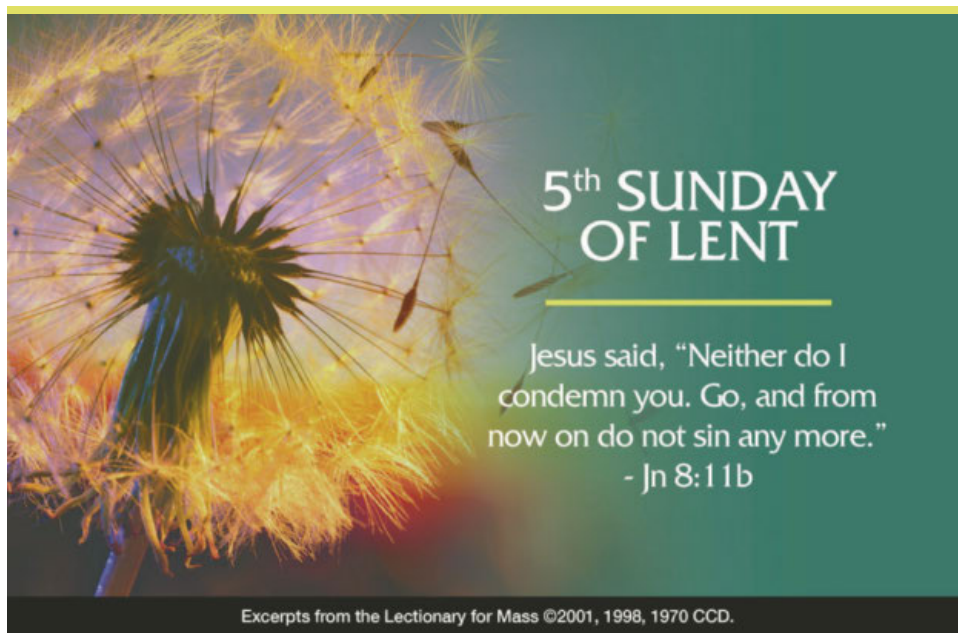


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April 3, 2022

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Readings for the week April 3, 2022

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6/
Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm

Sunday:

7:30am, 9:00am (live streamed),
10:30am (ASL interpreted & live
streamed), 12:00pm

Weekdays:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
8:00am
Wednesday 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel:

Tuesday and Wednesday 9am- 6pm

You may also visit our drive up Eucharistic Adoration Chapel (located at the back of the Rectory) .

Confession: Saturday 3:00-4:00 pm,

First Wednesday 5:30-6:30pm in the Church Sacristy & by appointment

Rectory Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4pm,
Closed 12-1pm for lunch.
Fridays by appointment.

Religious Ed: (716) 674-2180

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From the Desk of
Father David

Dear Friends in Christ,

Going to Confession is the hardest Sacrament to participate in, because ever since we were children we were told not to show our faults to anyone. In Confession, we come before the priest who stands in the place of God and the Church to admit our shortcomings. Because the priest is aware of his own struggles with sin and how difficult it is to change, he is called to be compassionate, a sign of God's mercy. Remember, priests also go to confession.

Benefits of going to Confession are:

Our sins become concrete as we say them, thereby making it harder to fool ourselves. We recognize our need for God and His help. The priest can help us see how our sins are interconnected and help us locate the root sin. You chop the root sin by replacing it with a virtue and the other sins disappear or at least lessen. You create the opportunity to receive guidance through the priest. It gives great witness to others of your love for God. You know through the Sacrament you are forgiven.

Nuts and bolts: When people come to confession, I am humbled because I know how hard it is to come and admit your faults. Especially for those who have been away for a long time. First, tell the priest when was the last time you were to Confession. Then tell him your sins. The priest does not need to know how many times, but it helps him to know how frequently. There is a big difference if the sin is committed once compare to every day. Some adults are writing out their sins and Act of Contrition, some even use a confession app. Come to confession frequently, I suggest at least every four months. The priest gives you a penance to help you make up for your sins and to help you avoid that sin. At the end, the priest stretches out His hand as a sign of Him calling down God's love and forgiveness as he speaks the words of Absolution. Please take time to reflect upon the Prayer of Absolution.

Prayer of Absolution

God the Father of mercies through the death and resurrection of His Son has reconciled the world Himself and sent the Holy Spirit for the forgiveness of sins. Through the ministry of the Church, I absolve you of your sins. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God thank you for reconciling us through the blood of your Son, Jesus. Help us to be grateful for the forgiveness you offer us and to freely give forgiveness to others.

In Christ,

Fr. David



**An Introduction to the
Liturgy of the Hours**

By: Fr. George Knab

From the beginning of the Church, the Liturgy of the Eucharist—doing what Jesus wants us to do in memory of Him until He comes again—has been our central act of worship and the way we keep holy the Lord's Day. It's the prayer of Sunday, the first day of the week, by which we sanctify the whole week.

But there was always a desire for daily prayer, a way of sanctifying each day. Here the Church followed the Jewish practice and used the Prayer Book of the Bible, the Book of Psalms. A collection of sung prayers to God that give Him praise and thanks, seek His favor and express distress in times of difficulties. The Benedictine monks, whose motto was "Ore et Labore", pray and work, made these psalms part of their rhythm of life and arranged to pray them mainly as morning and evening prayer but also at mid morning, midday, mid-afternoon and midnight.

They included prayer-poems from other books in the Bible called Canticles, and added short readings from the Old Testament, hymns, other prayers and moments of silence. This arrangement became known as the Liturgy of the Hours; it is required of men in holy orders and is sometimes called the Divine Office; religious sisters make it part of their daily practice and the Second Vatican Council encouraged the laity make it their own. When we pray it, we are to do so not simply for our own devotion, but on behalf of the whole Church. It is considered the official daily prayer of the Church.

What makes it very appealing is that the psalms were the daily prayer of Jesus, Mary and His first disciples. In fact, praying the psalms helped Jesus fulfill his own ministry and it helped the disciples understand His mission. In Luke's Gospel we are told that after Jesus rose from the dead He appeared to His disciples and said, "everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled" (Lk 24:44). Because Jesus prayed these Jewish psalms He turned them into Christian prayer. To help us see them so, you'll find lines in italics that are not to be recited but make connection to our new life in Christ.

The Liturgy of the Hours does not replace the Mass, it complements the Mass by preparing us to celebrate the Mass with greater devotion and, after Mass, by applying the fruits of the Mass to our daily life. In community prayer it is usually prayed by alternating sides; one side of the Church recites one part, the other side of the Church recites the next, and so on. The high point of each psalm, like each decade of the Rosary, is the doxology when we give glory to our Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Join us during Holy Week on Thursday, Friday and Saturday for Morning Prayer at 9:00am



Stations of the Cross: This Friday is the last time we will be praying Stations this Lent.

This week, April 8th, The Youth of the Parish & Religious Education will be leading stations.



Vicariate Lenten Penance Service
Monday, April 11th
3:00pm & 7:00pm
at Queen of Heaven Church
4220 Seneca St., West Seneca, NY 14224

There will be many priests available to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation. All are welcome!



Light is on For You Confession
Times will be every Wednesday during Lent from 5:00-6:30pm in the Church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also offered every Saturday from 3:00-4:00pm or by appointment.

Thank you!

We received a donation of \$105.98 from the AmazonSmile Foundation.

We receive this money when you shop through AmazonSmile.com and choose **14 Holy Helpers** as your designated charity.



BINGO

We have BINGO every Thursday. Doors open at 6pm, games start at 7pm.
Team # 2 you are on 4/7/2022

PLEASE NOTE: There is no BINGO on April 14th, Holy Thursday

New volunteers are always needed! Call Carol at 716-572-3698 if you are interested or want more information!



Fourteen Holy Helpers Holy Name Society Pinochle Tournament THIS SUNDAY

Registration starts at 1:30PM and Pinochle starts at 2:00PM at the Monsignor Ebner Hall in the parish center. The admission is \$10.00, prizes for the top 10 scores and includes some refreshments. We are looking forward to seeing you there. Tournament dates for this 2021- 2022 season are :Apr 3, Apr 24.

Sharing Committee Needs

Spaghetti Sauce, canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, sugar free items

Items may be dropped off at the Church or at the rectory Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

New Parishioners

We would love to have you as a part of our Fourteen Holy Helpers Parish family! Please either call the Rectory at 674-2374 or email us at rectory@14hh.org.

Sacraments: Baptism - Parents wishing to have their child baptized must complete a pre-baptism class. Please call the rectory to schedule. As per Diocesan COVID-19 guidelines, Baptisms are private (family and invited guests) and are being performed outside of Mass.

Weddings - Parishioners wishing to get married at Fourteen Holy Helpers must complete Pre-Cana class. Please call the rectory to schedule.

RCIA and Adult Sacraments - Call the rectory to inquire about classes.

Youth Sacraments - First Penance, First Eucharist and Confirmation for youths are handled by the Religious Education Office, phone 674-2180.

Letter of Recommendation - A letter of recommendation is available to our parishioners who are actively attending church and have received sacraments of baptism and confirmation. Please call the rectory.

Going on at Fourteen Holy Helpers!

- Sunday 4/3:** Pinochle, 1:30pm, Hall
- Tuesday 4/5:** Grief Group, 6pm, in the Convent
- Tuesday 4/5:** Tuesday Night Prayer Group, 6:30pm, Meeting Room #1
- Wednesday 4/6:** Light is on For You Confessions, 5-6:30pm, Church
- Thursday 4/7:** BINGO, doors open at 6pm, game starts at 7pm, in the Hall
- Friday 4/8:** Rosary and prayers for healing, 10am in the Convent
- Friday 4/8:** Stations of the Cross, 7pm, Church
- Sat & Sun, 4/9 & 4/10:** Placek Sale, Hall, before & After Masses

PARISH STAFF

Pastor.....Rev. David Bellittiere
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With Heartfelt Sympathy...

Fr. David & our parish community would like to express condolences to the families of:

Norman Dressler ~ 3/27/2022

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace, Amen.

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Church will be lit this week in memory of:

Albert Meaney

Requested by:

Linda

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel will be lit this week for:

Dolores Java

Requested by:

Nancy Frame & Mark Compton

Please Pray For...

Matthew Gzyl, Bill Reidy, Bob Furlong, Benjamin Forenzo, Joy Ward, Carol Wilde, Fr. Michael Burzynski, Tommy Dressler, Carl Poydock, Michael Zizzo, Katy Buchanan, Tom Wilczak, Mary Ann Logaridis, Ron Attea, Paul Podsiadlo, Stacey Casey, Barbara Tokasz, John Boschi, Deacon Michael Dalessandro, Joan Augus, Eva Guevara, Mildred Krawczyk, Margaret Szlabonyi, Paul Ewing, Dawn Dulski, Fred Mackowiak, Jr., Joan & William Taylor, Edwin Lynch, Frank Billitier, Fr. Michael Farano, Ursula Gigante, Elizabeth Hobel, Judy Lake, Tracy Jean Bangel, Russell & Cathy Folaron, Charles Ashker, Jim McMann, James Machut, Patti Finger, Judy Sarna, Phyllis Schifffhauer, Carm Kij, Dawn Hanavan, Dayna Yanello, Cindy Gagliardi, Donna Manfredo, Al Watkins, Marlene Smith & Family, Alice Szachta, Sr Francelita Machnica, Michelle Burciaga, Thomas T., Pat Zielinski, Ray Swiderski, Bart Stelmach, Patricia Farrell, Norm Zilka, Tina Robertson, Norm Siejakowski, Clara Frank, Katie Watkins, Sr. Marcia R., Sr. Raymond R. Mark Crouthamel, Lisa Y. Tracey Sullivan, Elisabeth Folk, Kathy Nawrocki, Ann Tworzydlo, Lois Kinner, Joan Wilczak, Rose Hauser, Mark Crouthamel, Giovanni Frontera, Geraldine, Gerald & Daniel Sobkowiak, Diane Roth and all those affected by coronavirus, all medical and hospital personnel and researchers.

A Special request from SM. Elizabeth & the Felician Sisters at Villa: Please pray for the Felician Sisters living and ministering in Ukraine and Russia.

If you would like to include a loved one on the Prayer List please contact the Rectory.

Weekend Collections

Weekend of March 26th & 27th

Regular: \$5,385.00

Online \$796.00

Thank you so much for your continued generosity!

Saturday, April 2nd, Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Lent

4:30pm Paul Ryszkiewicz - Carolyn Budzinski

Sunday, April 3rd, Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30am John J. Sadewater - John & Mary Sadewater

9:00am Alice Jakubowski - Neal & Jackie Sieteski

10:30am ~ Anna Bellittiere - Pat Abrams

~ Jonathon Fick - Mary Ellen

12:00pm All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Monday, April 4th, St. Isidore

8:00am Daryl Gigante - Mark & Ann Hobel

Tuesday, April 5th, St. Vincent Ferrer

8:00am John Murray - Head Estate

Wednesday, April 6th, Lenten Weekday

7:00pm ~ Marie Jarnot (10 year Anniv. Of Eternal Life) -

Husband, Bob

~ Deceased members of the Zaky & Wren Families -

The Zaky Family

Thursday, April 7th, St. John Baptist de la Salle

8:00am Living & Deceased of Fourteen Holy Helpers

Friday, April 8th, Lenten Weekday

8:00am Diane DeFranco - Teresa Bazylewicz & Krystna Bobak

Saturday, April 9th, Vigil of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

4:30pm ~ Dorothy & Frank Kuzina - daughter, JoEllen

~ In Celebration of the 50th Wedding

Anniversary of Paul & Stella Kline - Family

Sunday, April 10th, Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30am Living & Deceased of Fourteen Holy Helpers

9:00am Anna Bellittiere - Betty & Richard Tamol

10:30am ~ Earl Yarrington - James Pokornowski & Family

~ Paul Billman - Billman Family

12:00pm Fran Schuster - Joann, Rosemary & Vera

A Pilgrimage to Seven Churches is once again being planned for Holy Thursday after Mass at 7:00 PM.

Date: Thursday, April 14, 2022

Time: 8:15 PM until 11:15 PM

Cost: \$7.00

The bus will be leaving the Fourteen Holy Helpers parking lot and will be traveling to seven

pre-selected churches for adoration before the Altars of Repose. Please call 716-674-2374 or stop in at the Rectory

to reserve your place on the bus. Payment must be made at the time of reservation.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday:

Mass Times: Saturday at 4:30pm, Sunday at 7:30am, 9:00am (live stream), 10:30am (Choir, Sign Language interpreted and live stream) and 12:00pm

Monday of Holy Week

3pm & 7pm: Vicariate Penance Service at Queen of Heaven

Wednesday of Holy Week

5:00pm-6:30pm: Light is on for You Confessions

Holy Thursday:

**9:00am: Morning Prayer followed by the Agape breakfast in the Hall.
7:00pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper**

Good Friday:

**9:00am: Morning Prayer
3:00pm: Service of the Lord's Passion (live stream)
7:00pm: Seven Last Words of Christ
8:15pm: Bus leaves for 7 Churches Pilgrimage (Reservations required)**

Holy Saturday:

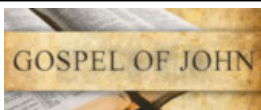
**9:00am: Morning Prayer
12:00pm: Blessing of Baskets **in the Hall****

Easter Vigil: To be announced (live stream)

Easter Day:

Mass times: 7:30am, 9:00am (live stream), 10:30am (Choir, Sign Language interpreted, livestream and 12:00pm

Reservations are not needed this year for any Mass or service except the 7 Churches bus pilgrimage.



Father Robert Mock will offer a five week examination of the Gospel of John beginning Monday, April 18 at 7:00pm in the Convent (please note location change).

The topics covered will be:
 April 18 – Introduction, Themes and The Prologue
 April 25 – The Wedding Feast at Cana and other aspects of The Book of Signs
 May 2 – The Woman at the Well and the Raising of Lazarus
 May 9 – The Passion Narrative and the Resurrection (Part I)
 May 16 – The Passion Narrative and the Resurrection (Part II)

Placek Sale NEXT WEEKEND

Sat. 4/9 3-6pm 🐣 Sun. 4/10 8am-1:30pm



The Sodality of Our Lady is having their annual **HOMEMADE Placek Sale.**

The sale will take place in Meeting Room #1 in the Msgr. Ebner Hall on

Saturday, April 9th from 3-6pm and Sunday April 10th from 8am-1:30pm

You can also pre-order your placek online at 14hh.org or fill out an order form found in the Church or Rectory.

Lenten Journey



The West Seneca Community of Christian Churches is hosting an ecumenical Lenten Journey.

All services begin at 7pm.

April 6: Queen of Heaven, 4220 Seneca St, preacher - The Rev'd Claudia Scheda, rector of St. David's Church



Sharing Committee Easter Basket Collection

Baskets will be available after all Masses **THIS WEEKEND** for those who wish to donate an Easter Basket to a less fortunate family served by the Sharing Committee of Fourteen Holy Helpers.

Please return all baskets to the Church on Palm Sunday (April 10th). The Sharing Committee will distribute the baskets along with an Easter dinner. Currently the majority of the families serviced by the Sharing Committee are single adults or couples with no children; we do have, however, a few families with small children. Please keep this in mind when filling the baskets.

Thank you very much for giving to the less fortunate in our community. The Sharing Committee could not do this without your support!

Holy Family Learning Center Meat Raffle, Saturday, April 23rd at Fourteen Holy Helpers Msgr. Ebner Hall. Doors open at 6pm, first spin at 7pm. Tickets are \$10 each or a table of 8 for \$70.

Call Sarah Hammer at 716-818-7446 or email office@holyfamilylearningcenter.org for tickets or more information.



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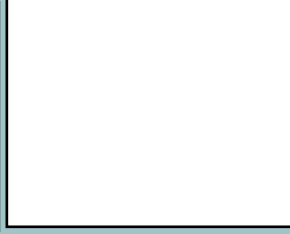
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