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MASS TIMES:

DAILY (MON. - FRI.):

8:30am

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:

4:30pm

SUNDAY:

8:30am & 10:30am

RECONCILIATION:

MON - FRI:

7:45 — 8:15am

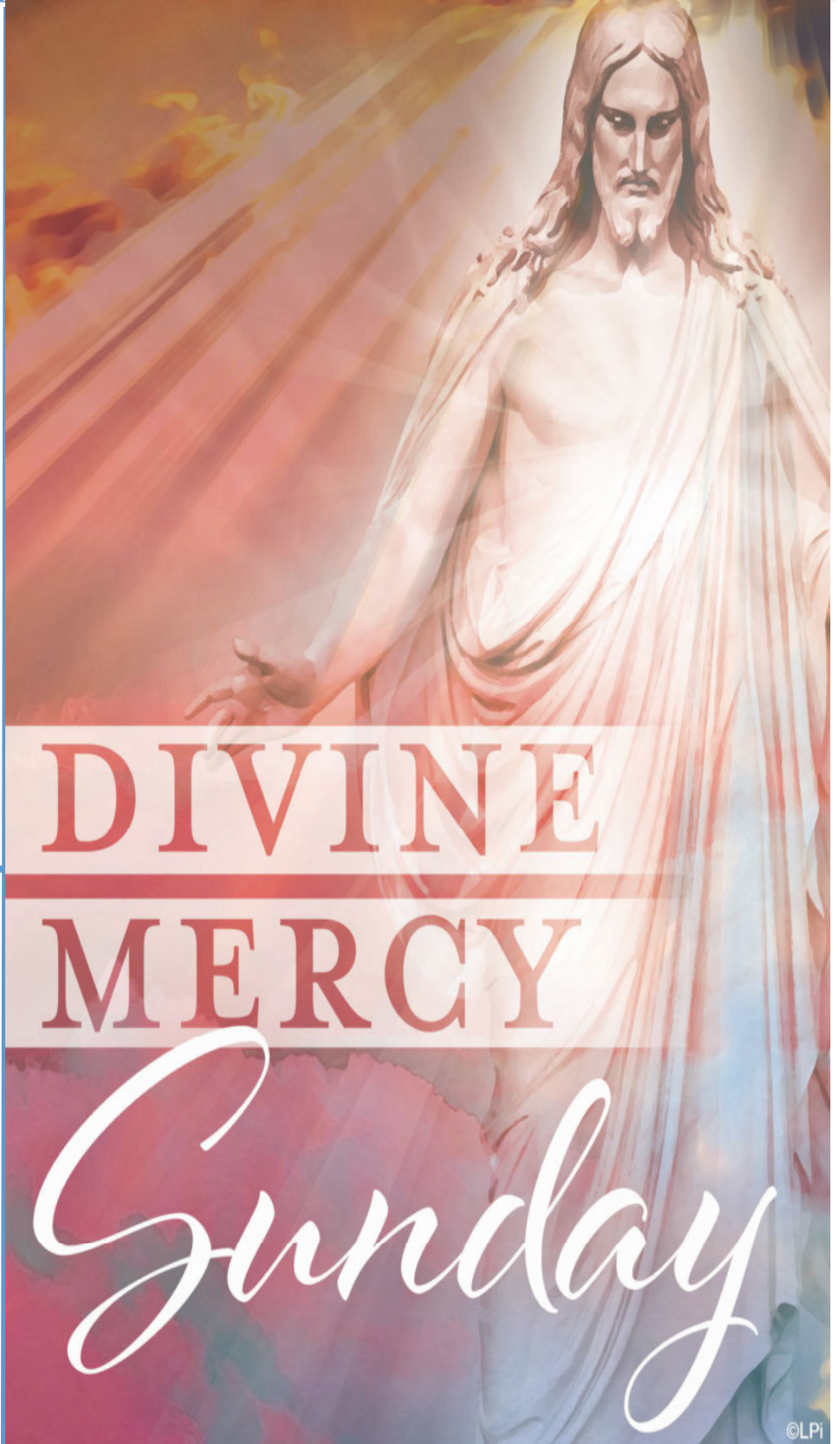
SATURDAY:

3:30 — 4:15pm

OFFICE HOURS:

MON - FRI:

9:00am — 3:00pm



April 24, 2022

Newly Baptized - Lucas Russell Verga

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

Sponsored by Blessed Sacrament Parish

Roasted Chicken Dinner

with Roasted Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Salad, and Dessert



**April
30th
6pm
\$12 Ticket**

Please pick up your tickets after every Mass this weekend, or tickets are being sold in the Parish Office and Thrift Store.

- **A NOTE TO ALL WHO REQUEST MASS INTENTIONS - We would like to extend the invitation for you to carry up the offerings during Mass on the day of your intention. Please arrive early and see the Sacristan so he/she knows you are there, they will give you further instructions.**
- **As of 4/13/22 Our Catholic Appeal Pledges: \$39,999.00**
- **Number of Pledges: 110**
- **Knights of Columbus Scholarship - This is the last week to apply - pg 6**

<p>Parish Support</p> <table> <tr> <td>04/10/22 Offertory</td> <td>\$4,125.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>On-line Giving</td> <td>\$675.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Debt Reduction</td> <td>\$710.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Parish Maintenance</td> <td>\$1,346.00</td> </tr> </table> <p><i>Thank you for your support!</i></p>	04/10/22 Offertory	\$4,125.00	On-line Giving	\$675.00	Debt Reduction	\$710.00	Parish Maintenance	\$1,346.00	<p>THRIFT SHOP INFORMATION</p> <p>PHONE: (321) 631 - 7786</p> <p>HOURS: Tues - Fri: 9AM - 4PM Saturday: 10AM - 2PM</p>	<p>DEVOTIONS</p> <p>Monday (before Mass) Our Lady of The Miraculous Medal</p> <p>Tuesday - Friday (before Mass) The Holy Rosary</p> <p>Tuesday (after Mass) Adoration of the Most Holy Sacrament</p> <p>Thursday (after Mass) Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</p>
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Wedding Anniversaries

Armando & Joanne Bilancione

40 years on April 25th

Denis & Debra Bilderback

49 years on April 28th

Congratulations !

*Best Wishes for Many
More!*

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 23rd

4:30 PM † Jack & Lorraine Simpson

Sunday, April 24th

8:30 AM † Jim & Bob Holdsworth

10:30 AM † Jack & Carolyn Stanton

Monday April 25th

8:30 AM Sp Int for Souls who have not heard
the Word of God

Tuesday April 26th

8:30 AM Sp Int for all people of Ukraine and
those taking care of them

Wednesday April 27th

8:30 AM † All Souls who passed away due
to Covid

Thursday April 28th

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Friday April 29th

8:30 AM † Rob & Nan Stanton

Saturday, April 30th

4:30 PM † Huy Tran

Sunday, May 1st

8:30 AM † Barbara Dry

10:30 AM Sp Int for Rory & Joan Caracciolo

2nd Sunday of Easter

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

**...for all our parishioners who are sick
or in need of our prayers:**

*Antonette Cossentino, Audry McDonald, Jean Hartnet,
Thomas Wilson, Margaret Casale, Tara Rae Daniels, Rodney
Champagne, Bob Boroskey, Cecile Szulkowski, Yudoria
Victoria, Rudolph Bronson, Misty Bronson, John J Pool, Harper
Reneé Reaves, Reneé Hatzold, Ken Carter, Annett Carter,
David Phillips, Annett Fancher, Carol Barbera, Kay Shiffer,
Heather Baker, Ann Madore, Gage Markoux, Cathy Boroskey,
Phil Collins, Andrew Pogar, Rick Stemborski, Barbara
Sarniewicz, Laurie Hutchcraft, Richard Hutchcraft, Mary Ann
Patrella, Melissa Fenlon, Carole Alvino, Carol Woodard,
Richard Andres, Jackie Canton, Rory James, Linda Lajoie,
Bobby Glazier, Robert Scaringe, Toni Fiori, Ngoi Pham , Jon
Shiffer, Chuck Wald, Beth Woodall, Rodney Reynolds, Jill
Reynolds, Alex Cash, Brett Coles, Jeremie Woodall, Jean
Felton, Richard Warren, Susan Ciurzynski, Jeanne Bardsley,
Long Tran, Jayne Loeb, Bruce Paster, Jack Gallie, Paul Snyder,
Suzanne Ross, Alan Ross, Roger White, Mary Collins,
Marty Nowak, Shawn Nerf, Vincent Scalice,
Ana Valdez-Scalice, John Taylor, Andrea Kosar,
Nguyen V Xuan, Ilene Smiddy Family., Kate Wright,
Carol Heinemann, Dick Heinemann , Anne Davis,
Linda Moquin-Ahern, , Regis Johns
Veronica Cabrera, Cheryl Comeau, Anna Garee,
Angel Roquevert, Patricia Olsen, John Taylor,
Joan Caracciolo, Barbara Kinney*

...and the deceased of our parish family



**For the month of April,
the deceased priests of our Diocese are:**

April 6, 2018 - Rev. Edward Hamilton

April 17, 2017 - Rev. Domingo Gonzalez

April 21, 2002 - Most Rev. Thomas Grady

April 21, 2018 - Rev. Eduardo Benitez

April 29, 2014 - Msgr. Terrence Farrelly



FIRST READING

Yet more than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them. (Acts 5:14)



PSALM

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps 118)
Or Alleluia.



SECOND READING

"I am the first and the last, the one who lives.
Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever." (Rev 1:17-18)



GOSPEL

On the evening of that first day of the week,
when the doors were locked, where the disciples were,
for fear of the Jews,
Jesus came and stood in their midst.
(Jn 20:19)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!"

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 24, 2022

- Sunday:** Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
- Monday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
- Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
- Friday:** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
- Next Sunday:** Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 24, 2022

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy); St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
- Monday:** St. Mark, Evangelist
- Wednesday:** Administrative Professionals' Day
- Thursday:** St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest
- Friday:** St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church; Arbor Day
- Saturday:** St. Pius V, Pope
- Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Easter; St. Joseph the Worker

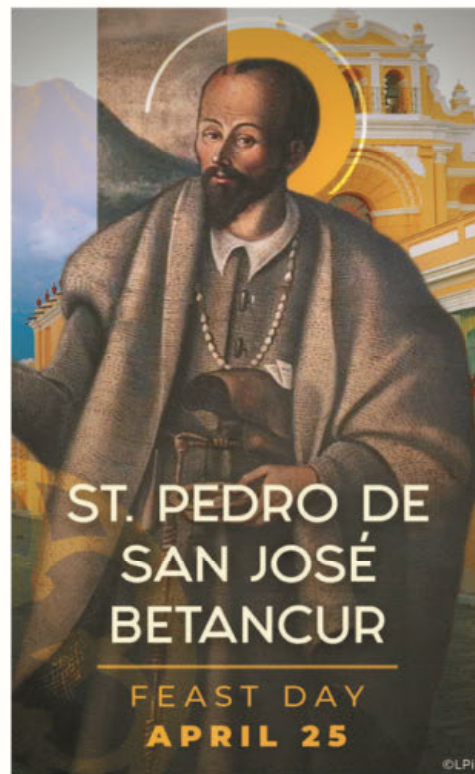
LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Life is about to get very interesting for the disciples. Finding themselves questioning what happened to Jesus and whether he actually was raised from the dead, they are afraid and uncertain. In the midst of this fear, questioning, and uncertainty, Jesus decides to surprise them with a visit! This visit, complete with the gift of peace, fills the disciples with great excitement and joy. But their detailed testimony is not enough to convince their absent friend Thomas. He wants to see for himself. We struggle with belief as well. It is hard for some to give themselves over to the testimony of another. We want to see the resurrected Christ in person. God, through the gift of eyes of faith, gives us the ability to do precisely that: when we witness the healing that comes from forgiveness, the beauty that flows from love, the wonder of creation, the new life that comes after we fall, and the unique soul that lives behind each person's life. Christ is risen. Life will get very interesting for us too, when we stop unbelieving and believe!

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SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2022 | 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Central America's first saint, St. Pedro de San José Betancur (1626-1667) was born a poor shepherd in the Canary Islands. His family lands were seized because of debt, and he worked as an indentured servant until his early adult life when Pedro left his home to travel to Guatemala. His money for the journey ran out long before he arrived. He was destitute when he did arrive and was forced to join the bread line the Franciscan Friars had for the poor.

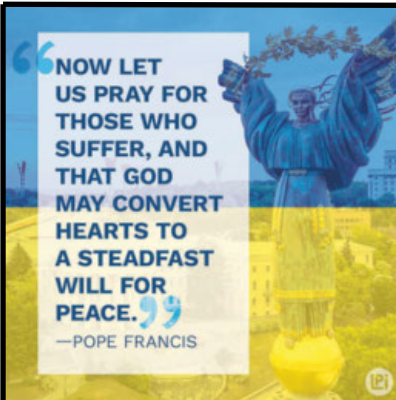
In 1655, he joined the Third Order of St Francis. Pedro began to serve the poor, the enslaved, immigrants, abandoned children, anyone that needed him. In 1658 he was given a hut which he made into a hospital for the poor. This small start grew into a shelter for the homeless, a school for the poor, an inn for priests, and several small chapels in poor areas. He was supported by many patrons and was joined in his work by both men and women, who became the Bethlehemite Brothers and the Bethlehemite Sisters.

Pedro prayed for the souls of those in purgatory, walked through the streets of rich neighborhoods ringing a bell and calling the wealthy to repent, and ministered to prisoners. Most accounts credit him with beginning the tradition of posadas, a procession in which people representing Mary and Joseph ask for lodging from their neighbors. This tradition continues today in Mexico and Central America. Because of his work with the poor and marginalized Pedro is often referred to as the "Saint Frances of the Americas". St. Pedro was canonized on July 30, 2002, in Guatemala City, Guatemala by Pope John Paul II.

April 24, 2022

Parish Community Life Events in April/May

- Apr 24 Rel. Ed. Sunday Classes, 9:40am – 10:20am
- Apr 26 Rel. Ed. 1st Reconciliation; 7pm
- Apr 30 Rel. Ed. 1st Holy Communion Practice; 10:30am
- Apr 30 Parish Community Roasted Chicken Parish Dinner;
Parish Hall; 6pm
- May 1 Rel. Ed. 1st Holy Communion; 10:30am; Last Day of Classes
- May 8 Parish Community May Crowning; 10:30am Mass
- May 24 Mary's Helpers Outdoor May Crowning
- May 28 Parish Community Lasagna Parish Dinner; Parish Hall;
6pm



Let us pray for the people in Ukraine, and in all war zones of the world, for those who have fled the dread of violence and have been deprived of their homes, for all women and men who stand up with their lives to ward off evil and to protect the weak and the persecuted

Thank You for all the support for the People of the Ukraine!

**Bingo Winners****Mercy Palacios Irene Weaver**

Thursday evenings

Early Bird - 5:15 Regular Session - 6:30

Come Join The Fun!

Once again, the Knights of Columbus will award a \$1,000 scholarship to a High School Senior whose family are parishioners at Blessed Sacrament Church. Applications and Essay Information Forms are available at the parish office or by calling and leaving a message for Joe Horvath at 321-639-8540. The contest ends April 30, 2022.

**Knights of Columbus****Did You Know????**

The Knights of Columbus Council here at Blessed Sacrament Church was established on May 24, 1994. The pastor, Fr. Edmund Czarnecki, asked that a KofC council be formed to take on the particular needs of the parish requiring the talents and efforts of an organized group of men who would give of themselves and their families in order to strengthen the parish community. The name of our council, St. John the Evangelist, was designated by Fr. Ed, reflecting the majority of parishioners coming from Port St. John. It was the 11,348th Knights of Columbus council to be established since the Order's formation in 1882. For further information about membership in the Knights of Columbus, please send an email request to kc11348@hotmail.com or call 321-544-2479 and leave a message.

Food Pantry In need of cereal, soups, vegetables, peanut butter and jelly

Our food pantry is open on Fridays from 11am—1:30pm. All donations are welcome (canned goods, non perishable items, etc.). Thank you for your generous donations which can be dropped off in the back of the Church or in the Church Office.

Households Served - 32**People Served - 41**



Dear Volunteers,

*Where would we be without volunteers
Who quickly respond when a need appears?
This is the way you have chosen to serve -
What appreciation you deserve!*

*There are very many things to do
And YOUR time can only be given by YOU!
So without complaint and without demands
You offer the labor of your hands.*

*The world is a better place to live
When people like you are so willing to give.
With this attitude of love and care
You will find a welcome anywhere.*

*You may not always know when someone
Is especially blessed by a kindness you've done,
As you freely share your hours and days,
May you also be blessed in many ways.*

Helen Bush

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