

April 26, 2015

Fourth Sunday of Easter

MASSES for the WEEK

"It is a holy and wholesome thing to pray for the living and the dead." (II Mac. 12:46)

Sunday, April 26, 2015

- 7:00 AM Dominic LaFante
Req. Mike & Donna Hafey
- 8:30 AM Rose Paolantonio
Req. Husband, Sal
- 10:00 AM Walter J. Kozak (3rd Anniversary)
Req. Wife, Helen, Son & Family
- 11:30 AM Dec'd. Mbrs. of Finnerty Family
Req. Donald Finnerty
- 1:00 PM Bill Golden (9th Anniversary)
Req. Wife, Bea and Family

Monday, April 27, 2015

- 7:00 AM Genevieve Carrington
Req. Pat & Bill Rantowich
- 8:30 AM John & Frances Pichowicz
Req. Daughters
- 9:30 AM Multiple Intention Mass

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

- 7:00 AM Louise Lorelli
Req. Ann Corsaro
- 8:30 AM Salvatore Lucania
Req. Wife, Ann

Wednesday, April 29, 2015

- 7:00 AM Mary Hunt (Birthday)
Req. Joyce & Jack Coyne
- 8:30 AM Cristiano & Galasso Families
Req. Mary & Vincent Galasso

Thursday, April 30, 2015

- 7:00 AM Barbara Jean Shelton
Req. Maria & Bob Stockwell
- 8:30 AM Virginia Wladich
Req. Husband, Michael

Friday, May 1, 2015

- 7:00 AM Marie Antonia Santitoro
Req. Family
- 8:30 AM Anthony Zwierynski (30th Anniv.)
Req. Children

Saturday, May 2, 2015

- 7:00 AM Ralph Iavarone (1st Anniversary)
Req. Wife, Doris & Daughters
- 8:30 AM Annese & Mei Families
Req. Susan Mei
- 4:00 PM Frank, Michelina Jennie Giammarino
Req. Marge and Andy
- 5:30 PM Madeline & Nick DiSesso
Req. Pat and Tom Srsich

Sunday, May 3, 2015

- 7:00 AM Ann Symonds McNeely
Req. Eileen Sibert, Sister
- 8:30 AM Robert Hayford
Req. Wife, Hildegard
- 10:00 AM Alma & John Auriemma
Req. Son and Wife
- 11:30 AM Raphale Finnerty
Req. Donald Finnerty
- 1:00 PM Sam D'Alessio
Req. Family

**Multiple Mass Intention
Monday at 9:30 AM
April 27, 2015**

In Memory of: Rev. Francis E. Santitoro
 The Santitoro Family (*Living & Deceased*)
 Rev. Frank Porazzo, & Porazzo Family
 Kathleen & Anthony Jackomin
 Frances & Harold LaSalle
 Joseph P. Flaherty
 Steven Kilianski (Speedy Recovery),
Req. Grandmother
 Edward Gibney (6th Anniversary),
Req. Wife, Ellen & Family
 Jerry Abagnalo, *Req. Wife, Rose*
 Cosimo & Rosina DiNorcia,
Req. Daughter
 Dorothy & Arthur Jr. Swoboda,
Req. Sisters and Brother
 Charles Puleo, *Req. Silver Ridge Park*
 First Aid Squad
 William E. Tucker, *Req. Jean M. Reilly*
 Pietro & Carmela Federico,
Req. Carmela Frawley
 Leon Sudol, *Req. Anna Marie and*
 Charles Cook
 Francesca D'Angelo, *Req. The Wood &*
 Pace Families
 Rocco Parisi, *Req. Mr. & Mrs. Joseph*
 Cundari
 Roland Garritano, *Req. Ann Bederka,*
 Friend
 Anthony Tosiello, *Req. Frank & Linda*
 Aiello

Carol A Caporrino, *Req. Husband,*
 John
 Gustav Carlson, Sr. (50th Anniversary),
Req. Daughter
 Sacred Heart of Jesus for Prayers Answered,
Req. Alma
 Jonathan Musci (Birthday & Graduation)
Req. Pop and Gram
 Dorothea Horbelt, *Req. Vincent & Joy*
 Pacitti
 Lynn Trombino (Healing Prayers),
Req. Doris Medina
 The Davis & Dwyer Families,
Req. Philomena Dwyer
 The Curnyn Family, *Req. Philomena Dwyer*
 Helen Miller, *Req. Family*
 William J. Collins, *Req. Wife, Nora*
 John P. Drummy, Jr. *Req. Nora Collins*
 Josephine Granito, *Req. Nora Collins*
 Charles B. Morgenthaler, *Req. Nora*
 Collins
 For the Souls in Purgatory,
Req. Mary Janonis
 Angel Aceoche, *Req. Maning & Billie*
 David
 Pasquale "Pat" Petrone, *Req. Craig Storrow &*
 Family
 Mary Liguori, *Req. Mr. & Mrs. James*
 Basciano
 Jose Spadoto, *Req. Wife and Children*

SPECIAL INTENTIONS – WEEK of April 25, 2015 to May 1, 2015

Bread & Wine – Church
 James Finnegan, *Req. Wife, Pat*

Bread & Wine – Chapel
 St. Anthony, *Req. Stella & Andrew Turco*

Altar Candles & Altar Flowers Church
 James Finnegan, *Req. Wife, Pat*

Sanctuary Candles – Church
 James Finnegan, *Req. Wife, Pat*
Sanctuary Candles – Chapel
 Rev. Francis E. Santitoro
Req. Andre & Ann Santitoro-Vispetti

Altar Flowers – Chapel
 Josephine & Ralph Vincelli, *Req. Terry,*
 Daughter

PARISH NEWS

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

The Altar Rosary Society meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 1:00 PM.

Coffee and cake will be available prior to the meeting at 12:30 PM.

The Crowning of the Blessed Mother Mary will take place at the 4:00 PM Mass on Saturday, May 2nd.

The Rosary Sunday Mass will be held on May 3rd, and the Rosary will be recited prior to the Mass at 8:00 AM.

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SHRINE OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL

The Altar Rosary Society regrettably announced that May 6th bus has been filled completely.

However, we are planning a second trip to the shrine on Wednesday, June 3, 2015. The cost for the trip is \$35.00 per person and the bus departs from our parking lot at 9:15 AM. Lunch is on your own at a restaurant near the Shrine.

For tickets and information call:
Josephine Roeder (732) 349-9379

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 6th at 12:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Coffee and cake are available at every meeting.

Information on the Holy Name Society:
Call: Andy Turco (732) 286-353

LEGION OF MARY

Our meetings take place on Mondays from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM.

The Legion of Mary is pleased to offer a weekly visitation of the Blessed Mother's statue to homes within the Parish community.

If you are sick or homebound and would like to say the Rosary with someone, kindly call:
Jean Hanna (732) 473-9755

Did You Know?????

*On Good Friday in 1930 the British Broadcasting Co. reported "there is no news."
They played piano music for the day.*

PARISH NEWS

ATLANTIC CITY TRIP TO RESORTS

Date: May 4, 2015

Cost: \$23.00 Coins: \$25.00

Tickets are sold by the Parish Auditorium on Tuesdays from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. or call: Mr. Sandy Monda (732) 349-0143

The bus leaves for Atlantic City from St. Maximilian Kolbe Church promptly at 9:15 A.M.

Note: All Cancellations are non-refundable.

ADORATION

The Adoration devotion is to join the Holy Father in praying for the unborn and for the special intentions of our families. The Adoration is held every Friday from:

12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 10899

Communion Breakfast

Mother's Day - May 10, 2015

Menu: Scrambled eggs, link sausage; bacon; fresh home fries; pancakes, bread, desserts, and beverages. Cost is \$8.00 per adults and \$5.00 per child. Children under five are free.

Tickets will be on sale in the Church lobby on weekends, April 26-26 and May 2-3, 2015

Day of the breakfast, tickets will not be sold at the door. Breakfast is served after the 7:00, 8:30 and 10:00 AM Masses.

Trivia: (Answers on Page 9) Universities

1. The nation's oldest medical school is at what eastern university?
2. What noted New Jersey college began in the City of Elizabeth but later moved to a town that shares its name?
3. At what New York University did Dwight Eisenhower serve as president before entering politics?
4. What Ivy League University awards the Pulitzer Prizes?
5. What Ivy League college is in Ithaca, NY?
6. What energy source can be found on the grounds of the University of Missouri?

BINGO...BINGO... BINGO

Bingo is held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in the Parish Hall auditorium. Doors open at 10:00A.M. and the games begin at 12:00 Noon.

Food is also available for purchase.

ARTS & CRAFTS

The Arts and Craft Group meetings are on Mondays from 9:00 to 11:30 AM.

We welcome all new "friends" to our group to share their ideas with us.

Please note: The Arts and Crafts group will be on a sabbatical during the month of June.

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS

The weekly devotions of Bread and Wine; Altar Candles, Sanctuary Candles and Flowers are available for 2015 for the Church and Chapel.

Stop by the Parish Office during our business hours to request your special week.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend is for the non-diocesan Catholic Home Missions.

The second collection next week 5/3/15 is for the Diocesan, Administration.

THE POWER OF A SMILE

"Keep the corners of your mouth turned up." In other words, keep a smile on your lips even when you are alone. Try it... Works like a charm.

A smile keeps one in good spirits, and it drives the frown from other faces too.

It acts like sunshine.

It warms and brightens all it falls upon.

A smile will suppress the angry.

Your face will smile with God behind it. You will see the soul shining through.

True beauty in your smile will come out in the sweetness, the brightness, the quiet glory of your soul..... and that smile.

With God's presence, any one may be cheerful.

Father Lasance

FASTING BEFORE MASS

St. John the Baptist prepared the way of the Lord with fasting and penance, because fasting makes room in the heart, mind, body and soul for the Lord. We fast before Holy Communion for the same reason, to prepare the way for the Lord, to make room for Him to "clean house."

The human body and soul are so closely connected that the soul is prepared for a more fruitful reception of the Blessed Sacrament when the body is denied the comfort and satisfaction of eating or drinking. The one hour fast increases mental alertness and fosters a deeper hunger in the soul to become united with Our Lord.

The Code of Canon Law states, "Whoever is to receive the Blessed Eucharist is to abstain for at least one hour before receiving Holy Communion from all food and drink with the sole exception of water and medicine.

This discipline does not apply to the sick and elderly. The elderly and those who are suffering from some illness, as well as those who care for them, may receive the Blessed Eucharist even if within the preceding hour they have consumed something.

(The Catholic Answer -2009)

SPIRITUALITY

In his Confessions, St. Augustine addresses God as Beauty, ever ancient, ever new. There are certain things in life that have the qualities of newness and oldness at the same time; the morning sun, human love, the mystery of death, the birth of a child.

Spirituality involves a conscious human response to the workings of God in specific circumstances. In simple terms, spirituality is listening, being obedient, self-giving and saying yes to a God who visits us on a regular basis. It is about order and peace in our daily lives.

Rev. Robert F. Morneau
April 2000

LIVES OF THE SAINTS

May the wisdom of the saints inspire us in our daily lives.

- April 26 St. Alda
- April 27 St. Zita
- April 28 St. Peter Chanel, Priest
- April 28 St. Louis Grignion de Montfort
- April 29 St. Catherine of Siena
- April 29 St. Hugh of Cluny
- April 30 St. Pius V, Pope
- May 1 St. Joseph the Worker
- May 1 St. Peregrine
- May 2 St. Athanasius, Bishop

True Love is Caring, Sharing

When rain has showered the earth and
light breaks through again,
Somewhere over the rainbow
A pot of gold lies hidden....
The gold of love of understanding
and the joy of giving
The gold of acceptance without
any question,
Our gold to have and to hold, is to
give to others because we care.

MAKING PEACE WITH ALL

"Strive for peace with everyone."

Hebrews 12-14

Peace with everyone? How can this be possible in a troubled world like ours? How can this happen within families and nations where there is continual disharmony?

The list of reasons for a lack of peace grows larger each day. Yet believe that it is possible to strive for peace with everyone.

Do not hold grudges.

Let go of what steals your joy.

Reconcile even when you know its not your fault.

Do not dwell on troubling memories.

Maintain kindness toward those who display a negative attitude.

Refuse to make an enemy of those who consider you their enemy.

Shake off the dust and be at peace.

Living Faith
Sister Joyce Rupp, O.S.M.

PRAYER TO ST. PEREGRINE

To those who have this disease, cancer is limited:

- It cannot cripple love.
- It cannot shatter hope.
- It cannot corrode faith.
- It cannot eat away peace
- It cannot destroy confidence.
- It cannot shut out memories.
- It cannot silence courage.
- It cannot quench the spirit.
- It cannot invade the soul.

Grant that we may receive the favor we now ask (*mention request*) through our Lord. Jesus protect us and keep us all from this dread disease.

Amen

ST. PAUL AND THE ISLAND OF MALTA

In ancient times the rocky Mediterranean island of Malta was often a haven for storm tossed mariners. One traveler who benefited from its shelter was Paul. After two weeks in the grip of a frightening storm, a cargo ship carrying Paul, as a prisoner, was wrecked in a bay, presently called, St. Paul's Bay.

Malta was the site of one of Paul's miracles of healing. It was there that the laying of hands cured the chief magistrate's father of fever and dysentery, caused by an organism in goat's milk.

St. Paul and his companions remained on Malta for three months awaiting the end of the winter season. Despite the length of Paul's stay and the strong impression he made, he apparently did no preaching there. Possibly because he could not speak the Maltese language.

Jesus and His Times

"Trust always in God, my people, pour out your hearts before Him; God is our shelter."

(Psalm 62:8)

OUR FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry again is quite low. We appreciate your contributions each month for the less fortunate of our parish community. However, with the request for help from our friends in the area, our supply of food is dwindling.

Thank you for your help in assisting us throughout the year.

The Life of Jesus

Matthew 15:29-39; Mark 7:31-8:10

MIRACLES IN THE DECAPOLIS

After a brief stay, Jesus left the district of Tyre, then went on to Sidon. He then traveled east, circled the upper shores of the Sea of Galilee, and descended into the Decapolis. Great crowds came to see Jesus, and brought their sick and afflicted with them for Jesus to cure.

Among those who were brought to Him was a deaf mute. Jesus took the man aside, put His fingers into his ears, and touched the man's silent tongue. Then looking up to heaven, Jesus said:

"Ephpheta" (Be thou opened).

At once the former deaf mute was able to hear and speak clearly. Jesus told the people to tell no one what they had witnessed. However, the people could not refrain from publishing the marvel which they saw. "He has done all things well," they said. "He has made both the deaf to hear and the dumb to speak."

At this time Jesus repeated a miracle which He had performed a few months before in Bethsaida. Withdrawing from the multitude to whom He had been speaking, Jesus assembled the disciples and said:

"I have compassion on the crowd, for they have now been with Me three days, and have nothing to eat. I am unwilling to send them away fasting, lest they faint on the way.

As on the previous occasion, the disciples protested that they could do nothing. "Where then are we to get, in a desert, enough loaves to satisfy so great a crowd?" He asked them:

"How many loaves have you?"

"Seven," they answered, "and a few little fishes." Jesus then had the crowd recline on the ground. Taking the loaves and fishes, Jesus gave thanks, divided them, and gave the portions to His disciples, who distributed them to the people.

Besides the women and children, there were about four thousand men present. The crowd all ate and were satisfied, and afterwards filled seven baskets with the fragments of the repast.

Summary:

Our Lord's principal concern was the souls of men. He was not indifferent to their bodily needs. Twice He miraculously multiplied a small amount of food so that a multitude could eat.

The Life of Christ
Catholic Press

Places Found in the Bible:

Bethsaida:

A prosperous fishing village, home of Peter, Andrew and Philip where Jesus cured a blind man.

Decapolis:

Region through which Jesus passed, teaching and healing.

Sea of Galilee:

The Sea of Galilee is where Jesus called Peter and others to become "fishers of men." He also taught from a boat anchored offshore, calmed a storm and walked on water.

After his resurrection, Jesus appeared to the Apostles who were fishing on the lake.

"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

LIVES OF THE SAINTS

Occasionally in this space will appear a short article covering the lives of the saints, especially with reference to those saints whose likeness appear on the stained glass windows in the church and chapel, or whose statue is present in the chapel area or the candle room area.

ST. PETER CHANEL

Patron of People named Peter & Oceania

Peter was the fifth of eight children born to a farming family. He learned the value of hard work early in life. Peter was a bright and serious child and continued his education as a junior and a senior at a seminary where he was ordained.

While serving as a parochial minister, Peter increasingly felt drawn to becoming a missionary. He joined the Society of Mary or Marists which was a new Order dedicated to missionary work. However, his dream of foreign ministry was delayed when he was appointed to teach at the junior seminary where he was once a student. Soon after, he and seven other Marist missionaries set sail for the islands in the South Pacific.

Peter landed on the island of Fortuna, an island where no Christian had ever set foot before. The natives who practiced idol worship and cannibalism treated Peter and associates with great suspicion. Peter worked tirelessly to learn their language, help the sick and baptize the dying. He became known as the "man with the kind heart." He eventually won the respect of the local king.

As Peter's influence grew, the king began to see this missionary as a threat to his authority. The king's fear of Christianity peaked when his son asked for permission to be baptized by Peter.

Peter was clubbed by a small gang and then killed with an axe. The seeds Peter had sewn bore fruit as others took up his work to nurture Christianity among Pacific islanders.

*"The moon, the stars, the sky, God's sky
are sights a soul should look upon."*

*19th Century Poet
P. Kimball*

ST. PIUS V, POPE

The future Pope Pius V was born Antonio Ghislieri. At the age of fourteen, he entered the Dominican Order and took the name Michael. After his ordination, Michael taught for sixteen years. He also took part in the inquisition which was the Church's attempt to save Catholicism as the Protestant Reformation spread across Europe.

Michael was named Bishop of Nepi and Sutri and the following year he became a cardinal. His reputation as a reformer helped ensure his election as Pope.

Michael became Pope Pius V, which he immediately ended the extravagance that had sometimes marked the Holy See. He ate simple meals and used papal funds to benefit hospitals, convents and the needy. Pius took an active role in politics affairs, trying to spread the Counter Reformation. He supported Catholic monarchs and hoped to bring England's Queen Elizabeth back into the Catholic Church. Pope Pius V only served six years as Pope. He left a significant legacy to the faith.

St. Louis Marie DeMontfort

Founder of the Daughters of Divine Wisdom

Louis came from a poor hard working family in France. After several years of schooling with the Jesuits he finally was ordained a priest. Not always well liked, Louis struggled with his ministry. He worked at hospitals for the poor but the authorities opposed his reforms and asked him to resign.

Pope Clement XI was impressed by Louis enthusiasm and named him "apostolic missionary." Despite criticism Louis preached in the churches, town squares and poorhouses. He founded two religious congregations to do missionary work and to run schools for the poor. He practiced his ministry with great courage.

Our Faith

WHY DO WE LIGHT CANDLES

The sight of burning votive candles, real or electronic is common in most Catholic churches. The candles are usually placed before statues of saints or at shrines. But how did this tradition get its start?

According to the Handbook of Catholic Sacramentals, the practice of lighting candles in order to obtain some favor probably has its origins in the custom of burning lights at the tombs of the martyrs in the catacombs. The lights burned as a sign of solidarity with Christians still on earth. Because the lights continually burned as a silent vigil, they became known as vigil lights.

Vigil lights (from the Latin *vigilia* which means waiting or watching) are traditionally accompanied by prayers of attention or waiting. Another common type of candle offering is the votive light. Such an offering is indicative of seeking some favor from the Lord or the saint before which the votive is placed.

Lighting a candle is a way of extending one's prayer and shows solidarity with the person on whose behalf the prayer is offered.

After the 9/11 tragedy, lit candles figured prominently in a televised concert affirming the power of goodness over the darkness of evil. The symbolism was similar to the Catholic custom of lighting candles as a form of prayer.

Whether the candles are push-button or real, whether they are the big ones or the little ones, whether they are lit by the pray-er of the home parish, whether they burn on the altar of some of the saints, the candles are a prayer.

At night, as darkness enfolds the church, the quiet flicker of the flame is a silent prayer for those we love.

St. Anthony Messenger
2003

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What is an Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei are small discs of wax taken from the Paschal Candle and blessed by the Pope on the Wednesday of Holy Week in the first year of his pontificate and every seventh year following.

On one side of the disc is stamped the figure of a lamb representing Christ the paschal lamb sacrificed for our redemption. The Agnus Dei is frequently encased in leather or silk and sometimes surrounded by lace and fancy embroidery.

The ceremony of blessing takes place after the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) of the Mass. In the ceremony the Pope dips the wax discs in a mixture of water, balsam and chrism. When the Pope blesses the Agnus Dei he prays for protection from fire, flood, storms and plagues and for the safety in childbirth.

(A Franciscan Priest)

CENTERING YOUR PRAYER

Sit relaxed at a quiet preferred time.

1. Be in faith with love to God, who dwells in the center of your being. Talk with Him.
2. Take up a word and let it be gently presented, supporting your being to God in faith filled love. (Prayer word could be love, faith, hope, peace at home, or whatever word or thought you chose.)
3. Whenever you become aware of anything else, simply and gently return to the Lord with the use of your prayer word. Put yourself in God's hands.

Father Basil Pennington

Trivia (Answers from page 4)

1. University of Pennsylvania
2. Princeton University
3. Columbia University
4. Columbia University
5. Cornell University
6. A Nuclear Reactor