

April 21, 2019 EASTER SUNDAY

Celebrate the

resurrection of

our Lord!

St. Joseph's Parish Mass Intentions

TUESDAY April 23

8:30 am # Hilda Walsh (by Larry & Pat Leahy)

WEDNESDAY April 24

8:30 am # Cathy Vollering (by the Vollering Family)

THURSDAY April 25

8:30 am # Madeline Keating (by Jean Heffernan)

FRIDAY April 26

8:30 am Int. of Paul & Lisa Leahy

SATURDAY April 27

5:00 pm For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY April 28

10:00 am # Kevin Leahy (by Bernard Sullivan & Family)

Parish StewardshipLast YearThis YearApril 14\$1,599\$2,396We thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

WORDS OF THANKS FROM FATHER SANY: I thank everyone who helped me make our Easter celebrations more meaningful and Blessed. Many hands joined together: the people who helped to change the lights in the Church, the musicians, the choir, the Altar Servers, the Liturgy Committee, the decorators, the volunteers for the Washing of the Feet, the flower donors and the staff – for the special services of the season. These are but a few names or titles, but I know there are many other members of the parish who joined hands to celebrate Easter at St. Joseph parish. I thank you all and pray that the Risen Lord may bless you and increase your gifts and talents.

AUTOMATIC DEBIT: Automatic Debit is available for those St. Joseph's parishioners wishing to have their Sunday Offering debited directly from their bank account on a monthly basis. Those who wish to begin Automatic Debit are asked to call the parish office or to complete the necessary paperwork which is available at the back of the Church.

SPRING CLEAN UP Wednesday at 6:30 at the Church grounds. Please bring a rake if you can.

<u>THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS offer \$1,000.00 bursaries</u> for students entering post secondary education. For more info please contact Dan Moloney 705-760-3187

April 27-28	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am
Eucharistic Ministers	Terry Pecoskie, Dennis Armour	Paul Sweeney, Annette Dunford
Lectors	Laryy Carlow	Tom McInnis
Altar Servers	Catherine Carlow, Christine & Samantha van der Vegt	Emma Watts and Any Available
Hospitality	Mike & Darlene Sullivan	Chris & Maureen Fitzgerald
Ushers	Murray Carlow	Ed Holek
Bell Ringer	Andy Vollering	Bernard Leahy
Altar Cleaning	Barb & Andy Vollering	April 22-26
Counters	Mary McKeiver, Pawel & Ingrid Zbieranowski	Tuesday, April 23, 2019

If you are not available for your scheduled time, please contact someone to replace you.

Second Sunday of Easter- April 28

First Reading: Acts 5: 12-16

Psalms: Psalms 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Second Reading: Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

Gospel: John 20:19-31





GIFT BEARERS FROM THE SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS

Next weekend we welcome the families of **Isla O'Grady** and **Brooklyn White.** This completes our schedule for gift bearers from the Sacramental Preparation program. Please keep all the student in your prayers as they complete their final preparations for First Communion on May 5 at 10:00 am Mass and Confirmation on Wednesday May 15 at 7:00 pm.

INTERIOR REPAIR WORK OF THE CHURCH- April 28 after 10:00am mass, Fr. Tom Lynch and a crew from Lindsay, will be speaking to our congregation regarding the repair work for our church. We have contacted the same contractor used in Lindsay, a Mr. Carlos Nunes, and according to his inspection we need to improve our insulation and air flow, among other things, to protect and preserve our church. Since it is a very involved process, it is very important that anyone interested in more information on the fundraising and repair work at St. Joseph's take advantage of this opportunity to attend the talk with Fr. Tom and his associates.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR ALL MINISTRIES ARE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH READY FOR PICK UP

PLEASE PRAY FOR Father David West



If you have someone you would like added to the prayer list. and they would like communion brought to them (in hospital or at home), please call the Parish Office 705 652-3231.

A BLESSED EASTER FOR ALL OF YOU FROM FR. SANY: May the promise of Easter fill you with renewed Faith, Hope, Love & Joy. Happy Easter!

To behold the resurrection, the stone must be rolled away from our own hearts. The women at the tomb were the first to honor the Risen Christ. The Apostles were the first to suffer for Him (Peter Chrysologus).

The daily transformation of the early morning from darkness to dawn is forever hallowed by the Resurrection (Augustine).

The Resurrection was revealed gradually, respecting the frailty of beholders to grasp its significance. The apex moment of the diffusion of darkness is the time of the Resurrection (Bede).

The holy Sabbath gleams even brighter under the new covenant as the weekly celebration of the Resurrection (Athanasius).

As the Virgin's womb had been sealed and yet He entered life, so also the sepulcher was firmly sealed and yet He was raised to new life (Purdentius, Bede).

Christ is present where the sign of the cross is rightly exalted---not the material cross itself as a piece of wood but the crucified one who now lives (John of Damascus).

Between Jesus' resurrection and the general resurrection, death is, for those who have faith, in effect dead and lacking in power, as a lion slain (Augustine).

God does not lack power to raise us also.

Here is a litany for you that you can use during the Easter Season.

Lord of Easter promise, I live in faith of the Resurrection,

but such is the nature of my faith, that so much of me remains entombed.

Break open the tomb. Where I have buried my compassion:

Break open the tomb. Where I have buried my sense of mercy:

Break open the tomb. Where I have buried my sense of humanity:

Break open the tomb. Where I have buried my love for my Heavenly Father:

Break open the tomb. Where I have buried my sense of joy:

Break open the tomb. Where I have buried my willingness to forgive:

Break open the tomb. Lord in you I have found a Savior no grave can withstand.

Help me roll away this stone and find the miracle of a new life

that I may live more fully in your grace.

Be witnesses to the Resurrection of Christ. Amen. (Fr. Stephen Humphrey)

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." Colossians 3:2

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God.

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