

Welcome to the Parishes of St. Joseph and St. Patrick

Remembering
April 10 - 16

MONDAY

8:00 AM (SJ)

† Anne Geiger
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Gaa

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

† Anthony DeMeo
Cico DeMeo

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

† Ted & Yvette Proulx
Ray & Carol Proulx

holy THURSDAY

7:00PM(SJ)

Evening Mass of the
Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY

2:00pm(SP)

† Passion of the Lord

holy SATURDAY

EASTER VIGIL

8:00pm (SJ)

EASTER SUNDAY

7:30am (SP)

† SPECIAL INTENTIONS

9:00am (SJ)

† For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00am (SP)

† For the People of
St. Patrick Parish



Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 9, 2017

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (A)

1s 50:4-7

Phil 2:6-11

Mt 26:14-27:66

Noble, Yet Humble

Palm (or Passion) Sunday prepares us to leave behind Jesus' public ministry and to enter into his suffering and death. From miracles, crowds, and praise we move to pain, silence, and humility. Only the strong and true lovers of Jesus will make it to the foot of the cross.

This small panel painting is dedicated to Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Jesus sits nobly in the center. The prophecy of Zechariah 9:9 makes up the background: "Exult greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem! Behold: your king is coming to you, a just savior is he, humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey." By riding into Jerusalem on a donkey, Jesus embraces the path

of the Messiah that God had mapped out through the prophets. He comes as a king, yet in peace and obedience. Jesus wins with meekness and love.

Returning to the painting, we see little children laying down their coats before Jesus. These simple souls recognize his divine humility and honor him with their gestures while the crowd acclaims his kingship. The reign of Jesus incites praise, fidelity, and allegiance. They wave olive branches and throw them on the ground before him.

Counting the followers in the painting, eleven process with golden halos around their heads. These symbols of holiness highlight the fact that to love Jesus is to follow him to the end. One follower, however, is surrounded in shadow. Unlike the others, he looks away. His heart is set on another plan.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



For Reflection How do I respond to Jesus' invitation to join him in his passion? How do my actions indicate where my heart really is? Would I be shrouded in shadow or surrounded by Jesus' glory?

"They brought the ass and the colt and laid their cloaks over them, and he sat upon them. The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road" (Matthew 21:7-8).

Welcome

Our entire Parish Families welcome all of you who have come to worship with us today. We encourage you to participate fully in the spiritual, ministerial and social life of our parish community. If needed, please contact your Parish Office to register.

Sacrament of Baptism

All parents are required to attend a pre-baptismal instruction. Please contact your Parish Office to make arrangements for this opportunity for spiritual renewal

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples contemplating marriage should notify your Parish Office at least six months before the date of their intended marriage.

Sacrament of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Sick is for the comfort and strength of the ill. It is not just intended for those in immediate danger of death. It is a help and comfort to the living. If a parishioner is homebound or

APRIL 9, 2017—PALM SUNDAY

THIRD ANNUAL MEN'S CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

- "Be A Man: Mary's Call to BATTLE" will be held on May 6, 2017 at King's College, Scandlon Physical Education Center, 149 North Main St, Wilkes-Barre, Experience a prayerful, spirit-filled, life-changing day! Eucharistic Adoration 6:00am, Registration/Continental Breakfast 7:00am, with main Conference and Mass from 8:00am to 2:45pm. The Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera will celebrate the closing Mass. Cost: \$35, \$30 early bird, \$15 students, Priests / Deacons free. Register on line at: www.beamanconference.com call 570-207-2213

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

An emergency phone number has been established for St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's (570) 591-1405 please leave your name, phone number and a brief message.

FATHER AL'S E-MAIL ADDRESS

fatheral@ptd.net

"SOUP-TO-GO"

Thank you to all who supported St. Joseph's Soup-to Go Fundraiser through out the Lenten Season!!!

ST. PATRICK'S LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary from St. Patrick's Church will be hosting a movie on Sunday, April 30th immediately following the 11:00am Mass in the Parish Hall. The movie "Risen" will be shown. Admission is free and the length is 1 hour and 47 minutes and is rated PG-13. Please join us as we celebrate Jesus' Resurrection this coming Easter Season.

JESUS AS ONE OF US

Good Friday, April 14, 2017

Join the Deanery Choir, along with the St John Neumann Youth Group, for the annual Good Friday Pageant at 7:00PM Good Friday, April 14, 2017 at St John Neumann Church, Lord's Valley, PA. Experience the Passion and Death of our Lord as we meditate on the Stations of the Cross in a unique way. All are welcome. No Admission charge or tickets required.

JOB FAIR

Working Pike Job Fair

Date: Thursday, April 20, 2017

Location: Best Western Inn at Hunts Landing, Matamoras

Time: 10AM - 2 PM

Free Entrance, Help with Resume's, 50 employer vendors will be there

LENTEN SCHEDULE

MASS EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

8:00AM @ ST. JOSEPH'S

12:00 NOON @ ST. PATRICK'S

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAY'S

6:30PM @ ST. JOSEPH'S

7:00PM @ ST. PATRICK'S

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

CONFESSIONS MONDAY'S

5:30—6:00PM @ ST. JOSEPH'S

6:30—7:00 PM @ ST. PATRICK'S

RECONCILIATION

ST. ANN'S/ST. JOHN NEUMANN - EVERY SATURDAY
FROM 10:00 -11:00AM

ST. JOSEPH'S - MONDAY, APRIL 10 FROM 6—7PM

ST. PATRICK'S - MONDAY, APRIL 10 FROM 6—7PM

~~~~~HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE~~~~~

CHRISM MASS All the faithful of the Diocese are invited to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton, Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 4:00pm. At this Mass priests from throughout the Diocese of Scranton will renew their priestly promises before the Bishop, and the oils to be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders will be blessed. Participation in the Chrism Mass is a beautiful way to pray for and support the priests of the Diocese.

HOLY THURSDAY - EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER MASS @ ST. JOSEPH'S 7:00PM

GOOD FRIDAY - THE PASSION OF THE LORD @ ST. PATRICK'S 2:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY BLESSING OF THE FOOD @ ST. PATRICK'S 12 NOON

**EASTER VIGIL @ ST. JOSEPH'S 8:00PM
(No Confessions OR 4:00pm or 5:30pm Masses)**

EASTER SUNDAY

MASS @ ST. JOSEPH'S 9:00AM

MASS AT @ ST. PATRICK'S 7:30 & 11:00AM

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 15-16

Saturday 8:00pm

Lector

Larry Marcial Jerome Smith

Eucharistic Minister

Diana Sierra, Joe Price
Anna Blackman

Altar Servers

David Marcial, Lucas Helms
Mark Cavallaro

Sunday 9:00am

Lector

Matt Cavallaro

Eucharistic Minister

Neal Bensley
Paul Cavallaro

Altar Servers

Lukas Schutz, Brenna Cavallaro, Draven Nitecki

April Altar Server Of the Month:

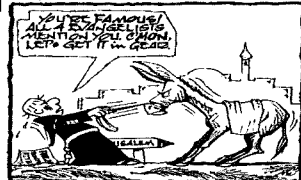
Eric Cabrera -Agostini

Milford Senior Care

4/9 Jack Reilly

4/16 Carol Cordova

BROTHER JUNIPER



The
Sanctuary Candle
burns In Memory of
**Rev. Anthony
Dell'Anno**

by
Mr & Mrs. Alter Marcial

"SOUP-TO-GO"

Thank you to all who supported our Soup-to-Go fundraiser through out the Lenten Season!!!

LAST WEEKEND TO RESERVE AN EASTER LILY

Again this year the Lily's that will be placed in the Sanctuary will be available for memorializing. The offering per flower will be \$20.00. Special large YELLOW envelopes are available at all entrances to the church. Please fill out the front of the envelope (please print) and enclose your payment. You may drop the envelope into the collection basket or drop it off at the Parish office. **Deadline is April 10th.** A list of the Memorials will appear in the April 15th Easter Bulletin. Please note that your monthly envelope packet has included an "Easter Flower Donation Envelope" returning this flower envelope helps defray the cost of flowers in general and does NOT reserve a Lily. **ONLY THE YELLOW ENVELOPES** provided at the entrances to the Church are for Lily Memorializations.

EASTER PASCHAL CANDLE / EASTER ALTAR CANDLES

The Paschal Candle and two pairs of Altar Candles are available for memorialization. Cost: Paschal Candle \$200.00 and Altar Candles \$100.00 per pair. If anyone is interested in memorializing these In Memory of loved ones please call the Parish Office.

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Every Monday in the Rectory after the 8:00am Mass. Come join Father Vito and discuss current events, Church happenings, or anything on your mind. All are invited! Should a Monday Mass be cancelled due to inclement weather, Coffee and Conversation will be held after 8:00am Mass on Thursday.

NO Coffee and Conversation next Monday, April 17th.

HOLY THURSDAY SERVERS

Lector: Janet Bright

Eucharistic Ministers: William Fells, Stanley Lazarczyk, Tom McMullen

Altar Servers: Ryan & Eric Schanzenbacher, Robert McMullen

ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE

There is practice for all Altar Servers of Holy Thursday, Saturday Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday today, Sunday, April 9th at 1:00pm in the Church

Weekly Offering

April 2, 2017

\$ 4266.75 (1st)

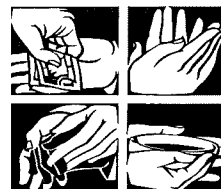
\$ 400.00 (2nd)

Last Year

April 3, 2016

\$ 3831.00 (1st)

\$441.00 (2nd)



Thank you for your generosity!

"We, the parish of St. Joseph's, in union with our Holy Father, our bishop, and our pastor, seek to grow in holiness as a welcoming and caring family reaching out to all. As a faith-filled community celebrating the Eucharist, we strive to enrich our spiritual lives by cultivating a deeper relationship with Christ through the sacraments. We are united in faith and find unity in diversity as we pray for the grace to use our gifts and talents to promote the knowledge of God's love."

MASS AT BELLE REVE

Mass at Belle Reve will be the 3rd Wednesday of every Month at 2:30pm.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO SIGN UP!!!!

LENTEN SOUP & BREAD SUPPER

April 10th the Religious Ed. Program will be doing the annual Lenten Soup & Bread Supper at 5:30 in the Church Hall. All are invited Sign up sheets are in the Narthex. Remember that "The Light Is On" for confessions from 6 to 7:00pm.

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY

St. Patrick's team will serve at the Food Pantry on May 19th at 6:00pm

EASTER LILY MEMORIALS

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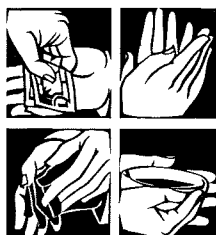
DEEPEN YOUR FAITH...The next Cursillo weekend for women will be held October 5-8, 2017. A Cursillo weekend is similar to a retreat, with time devoted to listening to talks on Christian spirituality, plus lots of discussion, and daily Mass. It's a very special weekend aimed at deepening your relationship with Jesus and helping you to be a more active disciple of His. For further information, contact Ray or Carol Proulx at 296-7645 or by e-mail at Proulx@ptd.net. Or check out their website at <http://scrantoncursillo.homestead.com/>

SAINT PATRICK'S KNITTERS & CROCHETERS

New members are needed and always welcome. Come join us on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in the back room (old preschool entrance) of the Church Hall. We are currently working on blankets for veterans, prosthetics for cancer survivors, baby items for the Tri-State Pregnancy Center, chemo caps and more. For more information please contact Pat Santini at (570) 296-9469.

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Weekly Offering
April 2, 2017
 \$ 2751.00
Last year
April 4, 2016
 \$5,013.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory
April 2, 2017
 \$1,183.00
Year to Date July 16' - Current
 \$38,256.00
 Goal for the Year \$100,000
 Thank you for your generosity!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 15/16

Saturday 8:00pm (SJ)

Lector Tom Hogan,
 David Stine

Communion Ministers

Pat Corcoran,
 Dean & Arlene Quirk

Altar Servers Roger Neff,
 Sean Rinkel, Nicole Traxler

Sunday 7:30am

Lector Cheryl McCarthy

Communion Ministers

Donna Hersca, Karen
 Loeschorn, Colleen Sheldon

Altar Servers

Jacob Fortunato,
 Dean Pedone

Sunday 11:00am

Lector John Wroblewski

Communion Ministers

Ricardo & Veronica
 Sequeira, Ray Weeks

Altar Servers

Vincent Saski, Dana Stroup

You may have the
 Sanctuary Candle
 burn in memory of a
 loved one. Please call
 the Office

St. Patrick's Parish is the presence of the Catholic Church in a diverse and vibrant area of northeastern Pennsylvania. As disciples, we dedicate ourselves to hearing, learning and sharing the good news of God's Word as we reverently celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Together, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we seek to know, love and serve God. We strive to promote a culture of love and respect for all human life and for the beautiful world in which we live. We welcome all people to participate in the spiritual and social life of our parish family.

< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord | Matthew 26:14–27:66

Today's gospel is a narrative of the passion and death of Jesus. The events are repeated in the Five Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary.

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HOW TO RECITE THE HOLY ROSARY

Repeat 9-22
for 2nd to
5th decades

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for 2nd to
5th decades

MYSTERIES OR EVENTS FROM THE LIVES OF JESUS AND MARY

Monday & Saturday announce the Joyful Mysteries

- 1 decade: The Annunciation of the Birth of Jesus
- 2 decade: The Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth
- 3 decade: The Birth of Our Lord
- 4 decade: The Presentation of Our Lord
- 5 decade: The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple

Thursday announce the Luminous Mysteries

- 1 decade: The Baptism of Our Lord
- 2 decade: The Wedding at Cana
- 3 decade: The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God
- 4 decade: The Transfiguration of Our Lord
- 5 decade: The Last Supper

Tuesday & Friday announce the Sorrowful Mysteries

- 1 decade: The Agony of Our Lord in the Garden
- 2 decade: Our Lord Is Scourged at the Pillar
- 3 decade: Our Lord Is Crowned with Thorns
- 4 decade: Our Lord Carries the Cross to Calvary
- 5 decade: The Crucifixion of Our Lord

Wednesday & Sunday announce the Glorious Mysteries

- 1 decade: The Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord
- 2 decade: The Ascension of Our Lord
- 3 decade: The Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost
- 4 decade: The Assumption of Mary Into Heaven
- 5 decade: The Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven & Earth

SAY THESE PRAYERS IN THIS ORDER

Introduction

1. In the Name...
2. I Believe in God...
3. Our Father...
4. Hail Mary...

The First Decade

9. Announce...
10. Our Father...
11. Hail Mary...
12. Hail Mary...
13. Hail Mary...
14. Hail Mary...
15. Hail Mary...
16. Hail Mary...
17. Hail Mary...
18. Hail Mary...
19. Hail Mary...
20. Hail Mary...
21. Glory Be...
22. O My Jesus...

Conclusion

23. Hail Holy Queen...
24. O God, Whose...
25. In the Name...

23, 24, 25

11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

21, 22

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7, 8, 9

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Find these prayers (with help from your parents) in a prayer book or online at <http://www.newadvent.org/images/rosary.pdf>.

The word **Rosary** means "Crown of Roses". Our Lady has revealed to several people that each time they say a Hail Mary they are giving her a beautiful rose and that each complete Rosary makes her a crown of roses. The rose is the queen of flowers, and so the Rosary is the rose of all devotions and it is therefore the most important one.

Rosaries can be prayed for a special intention and is a way to give reverence to God for all that He does for us. Rosaries can be prayed for positive experiences in school, for the health of a loved one who is sick or for other little children all around the world. You choose the intent and use rosary time to focus on that.

Calendar

Monday

April 10

Holy Week

Is 42:1-7

Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday

April 11

Holy Week

Is 49:1-6

Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

April 12

Holy Week

Is 50:4-9a

Mt 26:14-25

April 13

Holy Thursday

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14

1 Cor 11:23-26

Jn 13:1-15

April 14

Good Friday

Is 52:13-53:12

Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9

Jn 18:1-19:42

April 15

Holy Saturday

Gn 1:1-2:2

Gn 22:1-18

Ex 14:15-15:1

Is 54:5-14

Is 55:1-11

Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4

Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28

Rom 6:3-11

Mt 28:1-10

Sunday

April 16

Easter

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8

Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Daily Prayer this Week

This is the week we call "Holy" because it is memorial of God's saving deeds for us in Jesus. There is a solemn nature to this week. We might be tempted to be sad and conflicted this week. It is not easy to get close to the reality that we are sinners and our Lord and Savior went through this betrayal, suffering and death for us. Sometimes, we are looking at this week closely, and praying with it, because we fear getting into our guilt.

The invitation this week is to come closer to the reality of God's profound love for us. Yes, we are all sinners. But, we are loved sinners. We are being invited to be grateful, not to beat our breasts. We are invited in this spirit to feel that we can feel this week. Yes, we will feel some discomfort - after all, we feel discomfort when anyone puts themselves through some sacrifice for us. And, that sacrifice here is the gift of his very self - so that we might always know how completely Jesus

entered into the reality of our human existence - "even death, death on a cross." [Phil. 2:6]

This week we follow our ongoing pattern of connecting with our Lord, as early as we can each morning. For even a few moments we name our desire: "Lord, let me be with you this week and open my heart to feel what you want me to feel about your love for me, personally." Then, throughout the day, in many backgrounds, in between moments, we can continue our brief conversations with our Lord as we relate this desire with the people and events of our day. Finally, each night, we can pause, perhaps before a crucifix, or placing ourselves in our imagination before the cross, and speaking to our Lord, friend and friend, the gratitude we feel for the gift of mercy and eternal life his love has gained for us.

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