

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

Remembering
April 15-21



Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 14, 2019

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (C)

Lk 19:28-40

Is 50:4-7, Phil 2:6-11

Lk 22:14-23:56 or Lk 23:1-49

Monday

8:00am (SJ)

✦ **Rita Carroll &
Joseph Favinger**
*Dea & Mary Carroll
& Family*

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)



WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)



holy THURSDAY

8:00am (SP)



GOOD FRIDAY



holy SATURDAY

8:00pm (SJ)

✦ **For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish**

EASTER SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

✦ The Deceased Members
of the Lapka &
Manarchuck Families

11:00am (SP)



Our Call to Face Down Evil

We come to the holiest week of the year. This week, Christians around the world dedicate their minds and hearts to meditate on the great gift of the redemption won for them by Christ. It is a cosmic event that happened 2,000 years ago but it bears fruit today in the heart of every Christian in every continent, country, city, and home.

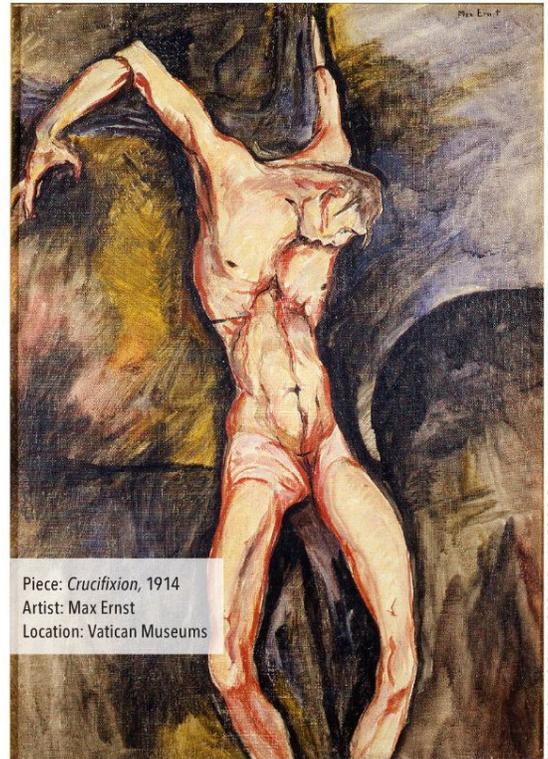
Max Ernst shows the crucifixion in cosmic, timeless dimension by placing the crucified Christ in a dark, tumultuous, and formless setting. The sinister colors of blue, brown, yellow, and black seem to hide a face or perhaps a masked and darkened eye on the right that peers through the evil canvas.

As chaotic and nonsensical as evil appears in our world, it also seems to have a commonality that betrays a will or an intelligence hidden beneath the surface. The suffering and destruction of so many people from senseless violence, famine, and hatred seems at once both spontaneous, yet strangely orchestrated by some force.

The same was true for Christ's crucifixion. On the surface it appears the result of a feverish crowd, a confused politician, a jealous and blinded religious leadership, and an overwhelmed group of cowardly followers. Yet we perceive the return of the tempter, Lucifer, the author of the *non serviam*.

The power of evil that struck the head continues to strike the body. Be aware of the call for all followers of Jesus to be ready to face the same struggle against evil that he did, and with the same measure of love.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *Crucifixion*, 1914
Artist: Max Ernst
Location: Vatican Museums

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For Reflection

What extra time will you take to be with your Lord who suffers for you?

How can you show your love to him in a special way this week?

*They crucified him and the criminals there....Then Jesus said,
"Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."*

Luke 23:33-34

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.

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 hospitalized, please contact your Parish Office.

**ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. PATRICK'S
COMBINED PENANCE SERVICE,
Monday, April 15th at 7:00pm
at St. Patrick's Church**

DAILY MASS AND OFFICE HOURS

There will be no daily Mass the week after Easter, April 22-26 and the Offices of St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's will be closed for the week.

GOOD FRIDAY PAGEANT *Featuring The Deanery Choir* **TAKE MY MOTHER HOME**
Dramatization Scripture Music, Friday, April 19, 2019 7:30 at St. John Neumann Church, Rte. 739 Lords Valley, PA, EVERYONE INVITED—NO ADMISSION CHARGE.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

A resource number that would help meet the needs of many people is sponsored by United Way. The way it helps is by the person in need calls 211 which connects you with your zip code resource area or they will give you the direct number to call i.e. Pike County is 855-567-5347. If you need help with food, paying bills, health care, employment, housing etc. call 211 and be connected to your zip code resource area in Pike County or dial directly 855-567-5341.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY & FRIENDS DINNER

April 28, 2019 from 1-3PM. If you plan to attend call Al Helms at 845-699-4143. Thank you.

SEVEN THEMES OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Jesus taught us to Love god and to love our neighbor as ourselves. But who is our neighbor? Have you ever asked yourself that question? Jesus gives us many examples in the gospels, but sometimes our understanding is clouded by modern-day practices and our own busy lives. There are answers to that question, even today, found with the Seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching. Please go to the USCCB website to learn more at <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-socialteaching/upload/catholic-social-teaching-handout-adult-digital.pdf>

GOOD COUNSEL HOMES

Good Counsel Homes is a nationally recognized nonprofit leader and innovator in creating supportive residential care and community-based services for homeless, expectant, and new mothers and their children in the context of the Catholic social tradition. Pregnant and expectant mothers, with or without other born children, including mothers with mental health or addiction challenges, from any location, are able to receive help in a Good Counsel home. A Representative from Good Counsel from the Montague NJ area will be here to speak at both parishes about their organization the weekend of April 27-28. The second collections from both parishes will go to this cause.



LENTEN / EASTER SCHEDULE

COMBINED PENANCE SERVICE (SP)

Monday, April 15th at 7:00PM

HOLY THURSDAY

Evening of the Lord's Supper 7:30PM (SP)

GOOD FRIDAY

The Passion 2:00PM (SP)

HOLY SATURDAY

Blessing of the Food 12:00PM (SP)

EASTER VIGIL 8:00PM (SJ)

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

8:30AM (SJ)

11:00AM (SP)

Please check future bulletins for any additional services that may be added during the Lenten Season.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

This number is for a death or Anointing of the Sick only for St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Parishes (570) 591-1405 please leave your name, phone number and a brief message. Any messages or questions left at this number pertaining to regular Office business will not be answered.

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
April 20-21

Holy Saturday 8:00pm
Lector Anna Blackman Larry Marcial
Eucharistic Minister Stanley Lazarczyk Carol Cordova
Altar Servers Eric Cabrera Agostini, David Marcial, Ella Carroll , Ryan & Eric Schanzenbacher
Easter Sunday 8:30am
Lector Kathleen Warne
Eucharistic Minister Tom McMullen Joe Price
Altar Server Lukas Schutz Mark Cavallaro
Milford Senior Care 4/14 Carol Cordova 4/21 Lois Lazarczyk

EASTER LILY MEMORIALS

Again this year we will be memorializing the Easter Lillie's that are placed in the Sanctuary for Easter. The cost will be \$20.00 per plant. Special YELLOW envelopes are at all entrances to the Church. Please fill out the front of the envelope (please print clearly) and enclose your payment. You may drop the envelopes into the collection basket or at the Parish Office. The "Flower" envelope included in your monthly envelope packet is for the general Easter Flowers not the Lillie's. **The deadline is April 15th.** A list of memorials will be inserted in the bulletin Easter Sunday.

CHANGE TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH CALENDAR

The Next meeting of the Parish Council will be May 20, 2019 at 6:30pm in the Multipurpose Room. There is no April Meeting. Thank you

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY

Our next food pantry will be Friday, May 1 from 6 - 8pm (Team B). To volunteer call Clare Nied at 570-296-2506. Thank you for your continued support.

5th ANNUAL "Be A Man Catholic Men's Conference"

What is Truth? In these difficult times, the world asks what Pontius Pilate asked 2000 years ago. What is Truth? Guest speakers include Fr. Philip Bochanski, Catholic Priest & Director of Courage International, the Catholic Apostolate for men and women and their loved ones who struggle with same sex attraction (SSA), Dr. Ray Guarendi, Author, TV Host, & Psychologist and Doug Barry, Evangelist and TV Host. The Conference will be held April 27th from 8am-3pm at Holy Redeemer High School, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701. Registration is necessary and may be done on-line at www.BeAManConference.com.

MOUNT CARMEL SOCIETY

The Mount Carmel Society of Port Jervis NY will be having a sausage and pepper / Meatball sandwich dinner, sit down or take-out, Saturday April 13th 2019 from 4PM to 7PM at The Mount Carmel Hall 21 First Street Port Jervis NY.

ST. MARY'S LITTLE LAMBS

is now accepting registrations for the 2019-20 school year. Children must turn three years old by December 1, 2019 for the Pre-K 3 class, and four by December 1, 2019 for the Pre-K 4 class. Classes meet 2, 3, or 5 days a week full and half day programs available. Call Eileen Carmody 845-858-4208 for more information.

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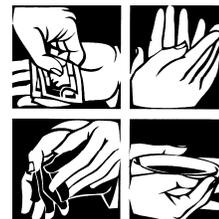
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Weekly Offering

April 7 2019
\$4138.01

Last Year

April 8, 2018
\$ 4080.65



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."

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ST. PATRICK'S KNITTERS & CROCHETERS GROUP

WELCOME SPRING! We will resume meeting weekly starting Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 2:00pm (weather permitting). The group meets in the Parish hall (use side entrance) from 2 to 4pm on Wednesdays. Everyone is welcome. We supply the years and needles. Please come and join us as we make articles for various outreach programs.

MASS AT BELLE REVE

Please join Fr. Joseph on Wednesday afternoon, April 17th at 2:30 as he celebrates Mass with the residents of Belle Reve.

GOOD FRIDAY PAGEANT *Featuring The Deanery Choir*

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BECOME A MAN CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

In these difficult times, the world asks what Pontius Pilate asked 2000 years ago. What is Truth? The world thinks "Man is the measure of all things". This conference will remind us that God is the measure of all things and His truth is revealed in His son Jesus Christ. The 5th Annual Conference will be held Saturday, April 27 from 8 to 2 at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701.

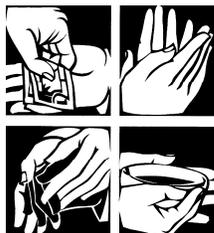
FOOD PANTRY

St. Patrick's team will serve at the Food Pantry on Friday evening May 10th at 6:00pm.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 20-21

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector <i>No Mass</i>
Communion Ministers
Altar Servers
Sunday 11:00am Easter
Lector <i>Diane Dennis</i>
Communion Ministers
Altar Servers <i>Abigail & Anna Vogel</i>



Weekly Collection

April 7, 2019

\$2,314.00

This time last year
\$3,241.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory

April 7, 2019

\$ 1,017.00

Year to Date July '18- Current

\$32,394.00

Goal for the Year \$100,000

Thank you for your generosity!

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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

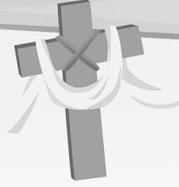
Gospel Today Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord | Luke 22:14-23:56

The Passion narrative ends Jesus' earthly public ministry. Creating the Eucharist at the Last Supper and continuing until His death, He is always faithful and obedient to the will of God.

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Jesus prays, "Not my will but yours be done."

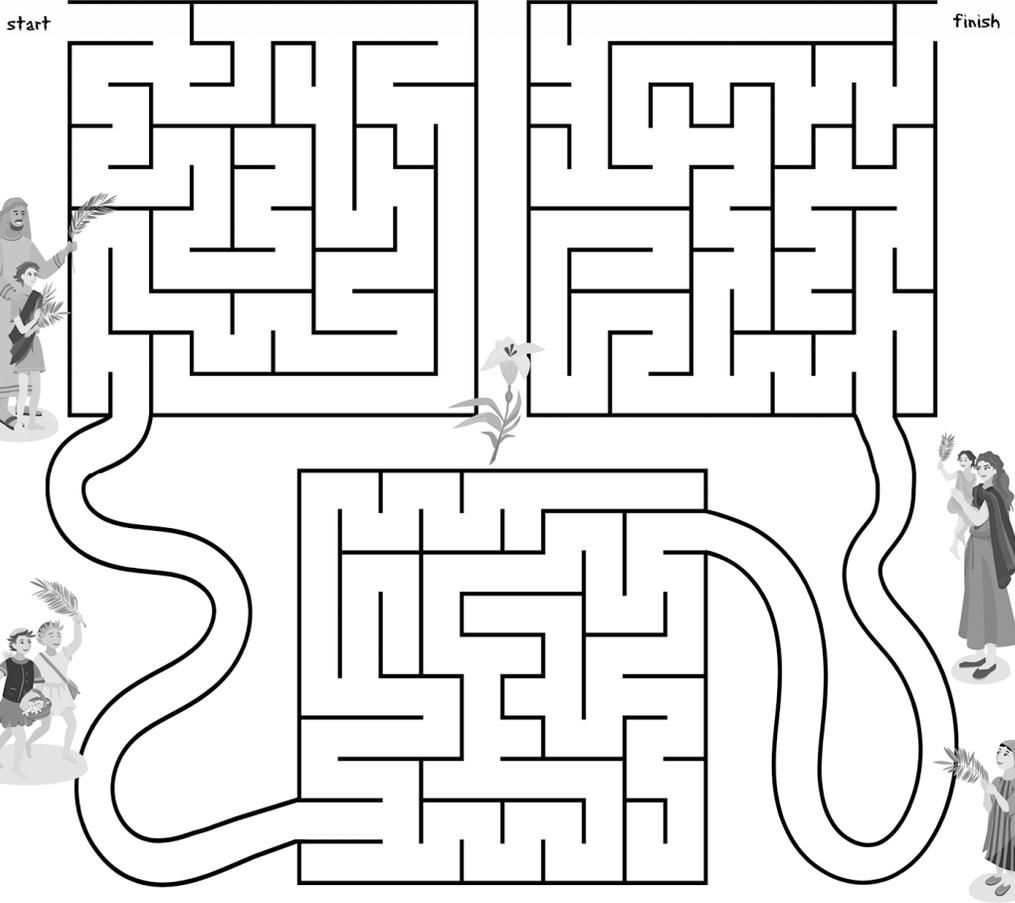
- LUKE 22:42



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This last week in Lent, walk in Jesus' footsteps through Holy Week and be obedient to God as we: **FOLLOW OUR FAITH FOR 40 DAYS.**



Follow Jesus through Jerusalem as He is welcomed with palm branches.

Calendar

- Monday**
APRIL 15
Holy Weekday
Is 42:1-7
Jn 12:1-11
- Tuesday**
APRIL 16
Holy Weekday
Is 49:1-6
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- Wednesday**
APRIL 17
Holy Weekday
Is 50:4-9a
Mt 26:14-25
- Thursday**
APRIL 18
Holy Thursday
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14
1 Cor 11:23-26
Jn 13:1-15
- Friday**
APRIL 19
Good Friday
Is 52:13-53:12
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9
Jn 18:1-19:42
- Saturday**
APRIL 20
Holy Saturday
Gn 1:1-2:2
or Gn 1:1, 26-31a
Gn 22:1-18
or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
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
Lk 24:1-12
- Sunday**
APRIL 21
Easter
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Col 3:1-4
or 1 Cor 5:6b-8
Jn 20:1-9

Daily Prayer

This is the week we call "Holy" because it is a 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 or 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. So, sometimes, we avoid 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 all 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, the 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. 2:6-9]

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 background, 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 to friend, the gratitude we feel for the gift of mercy and eternal life his love has gained for us.

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