

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

Remembering  
April 22-28

Monday  
8:00am (SJ)  
NO MASS

TUESDAY  
12:00pm (SP)  
Communion Service

WEDNESDAY  
12:00pm (SP)  
Communion Service

THURSDAY  
8:00am (SP)  
NO MASS

FRIDAY  
No Mass

SATURDAY  
4:00pm (SJ)  
Betty Duffy-Skinner  
Mr. & Mrs. John Hess

5:30pm (SP)  
Darrin Hickswa  
Patrick & Cheryl McCarthy

SUNDAY  
8:30am (SJ)  
For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00 (SP)  
Joseph Kelsch  
Marguerite Magnavito



## Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 21, 2019  
Easter (C)  
Acts 10:34a, 37-43  
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8  
Jn 20:1-9

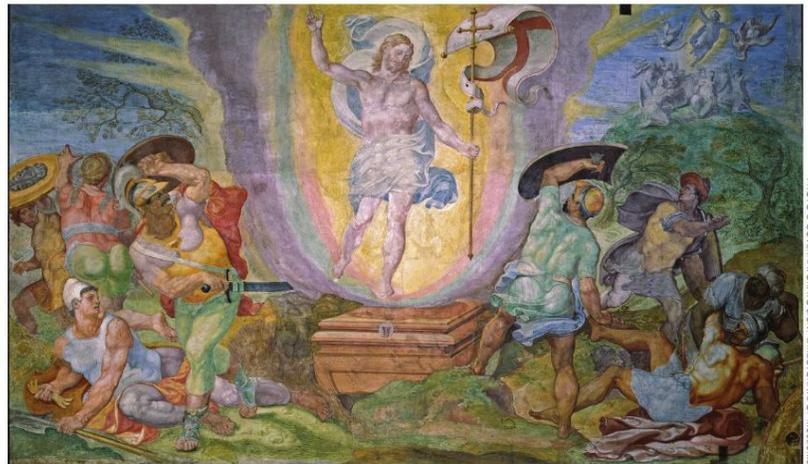
## Persevering in Pursuit of Jesus

The key to our faith is the testimony of the apostles who witnessed Jesus resurrected from the dead. For this reason, the Easter scriptural passages carefully record who saw him, when, and under what circumstances.

Particularly powerful is the testimony of Mary Magdalene. She was at the foot of the cross with Mary and John. She saw Jesus' passion and death in all its brutal reality: carrying the cross, the nailing, spearing, his last agonizing words, lowering his body from the cross, cleaning his corpse, and anointing it according to Jewish customs. She would have wrapped him in linen and then stood outside the tomb as soldiers sealed it shut. She, more than anyone, could testify that he was most definitely dead.

Imagine her surprise when, early Sunday morning, she found the stone rolled away and the tomb empty. After Peter and John came to confirm that it was as she said, Mary Magdalene stayed at the tomb. Having been forgiven much, she loved much. Saint Gregory the Great comments that the woman who stayed behind to seek Christ was the only one to see him, for perseverance is essential to any good deed.

Piece: *The Resurrection of Christ*, 1575  
Artist: Hendrick van den Broeck  
Location: Sistine Chapel



*Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.*

*John 20:1*

### 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.

### For Reflection

*Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.  
What do I treasure?  
What do I spend my time seeking after?  
What saddens me the most when I don't have it?*

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

### **DAILY MASS AND OFFICE HOURS**

There will be no daily Mass the week after Easter, April 22-26. There will be Communion Services on Tuesday and Wednesday 12 noon at St. Patrick's. The Offices of St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's will be closed for the week.

### **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>

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL GOLF OUTING**

Wednesday, May 22, 2019 High Point Golf Club. Registration 10-11:00AM, Putting contest at 11:00Am. Shotgun Start 12:00 Noon. Lunch on Course, dinner at Erie Trackside after Golf, Scramble format. Assorted golf Prizes & Contests. \$100.00 per golfer is paid by May 10thth (\$120.00 after. Contact Benny Marasa at 570 296-5564 or Steve Riordan (845) 629-3642 for more information.

### **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.**



### **THANK YOU**

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU FOR EVERYONE INVOLVED IN MAKING THIS A BEAUTIFUL EASTER AT ST. JOSEPH'S AND ST. PATRICK'S**

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE MUSIC MINISTRIES OF ST. JOSEPH'S AND ST. PATRICK'S FOR THEIR ENDLESS HOURS OF PRACTICING AND REHEARSING TO THE ARTS AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEES WHO HELPED DECORATE AND PREPARE THE CHURCH**

**AND TO THE NUMEROUS VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES.**

# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE  
April 27-28

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| <b>Saturday 4:00pm</b>   |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Brenna Cavallaro</i>   |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b><br><i>Paul &amp; Cristin Cavallaro</i>                 |
| <b>Altar Servers</b><br><i>Lucas Helms</i>   |
| <b>Sunday 8:30am</b>   |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Janet Bright</i>   |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b><br><i>Michele &amp; Neal Bensley</i>                   |
| <b>Altar Server</b><br><i>Daniel &amp; Cole Corcoran</i>                           |
| <b>Milford Senior Care</b><br><b>4/21 Lois Lazarczyk</b><br><i>4/28 Chuck Pike</i> |

## 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](http://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.

*Rejoice, He Has Risen!*  
*Happy Easter*

The Sanctuary Candle  
burns for the

**Joseph Ricciardi**

By

*The Bensley Family*

Weekly Offering

**April 14 2019**

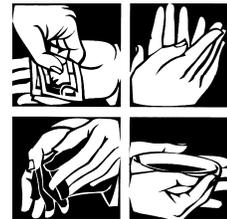
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*Thank you for your generosity!*

Last Year

**April 15, 2018**

\$ 3661.00



**"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."**

MINISTRY SCHEDULE  
April 27-28

## 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 yarn 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, May 15th at 2:30 as he celebrates Mass with the residents of Belle Reve.

## 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.

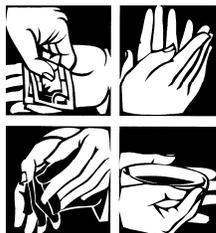
**PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE BAKE SALE** Next weekend, April 27-28th People Helping People will be having their bake sale following the Masses. Please consider baking one of your favorite desserts for this fundraiser. Please drop off your baked goods prior to the Mass you will be attending. Thank you for your generosity.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Holy Communion will be Saturday, May 4th at 11:00. Next Sunday there will be practice during the Religious Ed. Class. Another scheduled practice will be Wednesday, May 1st at 6:00pm in the church.

On Sunday, May 5th St. Patrick's will be doing the May Crowning following the 11:00 Mass. This is the last day of Religious Ed. And all students are encouraged to come to this Mass. There will be ice-cream following the May Crowning.

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| <b>Saturday 5:30pm</b>                                    |
| <b>Lector</b> Cheryl McCarthy                             |
| <b>Communion Ministers</b>                                |
| <b>Altar Servers</b> Brooke & Bennett Nielsen             |
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| <b>Sunday 11:00am Easter</b>                              |
| <b>Lector</b> Ray Proulx                                  |
| <b>Communion Ministers</b>                                |
| <b>Altar Servers</b><br>Caterina Catizone, Nicole Traxler |



### Weekly Collection

April 14, 2019

\$TBA  
This time last year  
\$3,390.00

### Weekly Mortgage Offertory

April 14, 2019

\$ TBA  
Year to Date July '18- Current  
\$31,377.00  
Goal for the Year \$100,000  
Thank you for your generosity!

*You may have the Sanctuary Candle burn in memory of a loved one. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements*

**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

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord | John 20:1-9

Early in the morning, Mary of Magdala went to the tomb and found the stone removed. Upon telling Peter and the other disciple, they ran and found the tomb empty when they arrived.



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- 1] On the first day of the week Mary of Magdala came to the tomb \_\_\_\_\_ in the morning.
- 2] Mary found the \_\_\_\_\_ removed.
- 3] She ran and told Simon Peter and the other disciple, "They have taken the Lord from the \_\_\_\_\_."
- 4] The other disciple \_\_\_\_\_ faster than Simon Peter.
- 5] When Simon Peter arrived he entered the tomb and found it \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6] The disciple who \_\_\_\_\_ at the tomb first went in, and he saw and believed.



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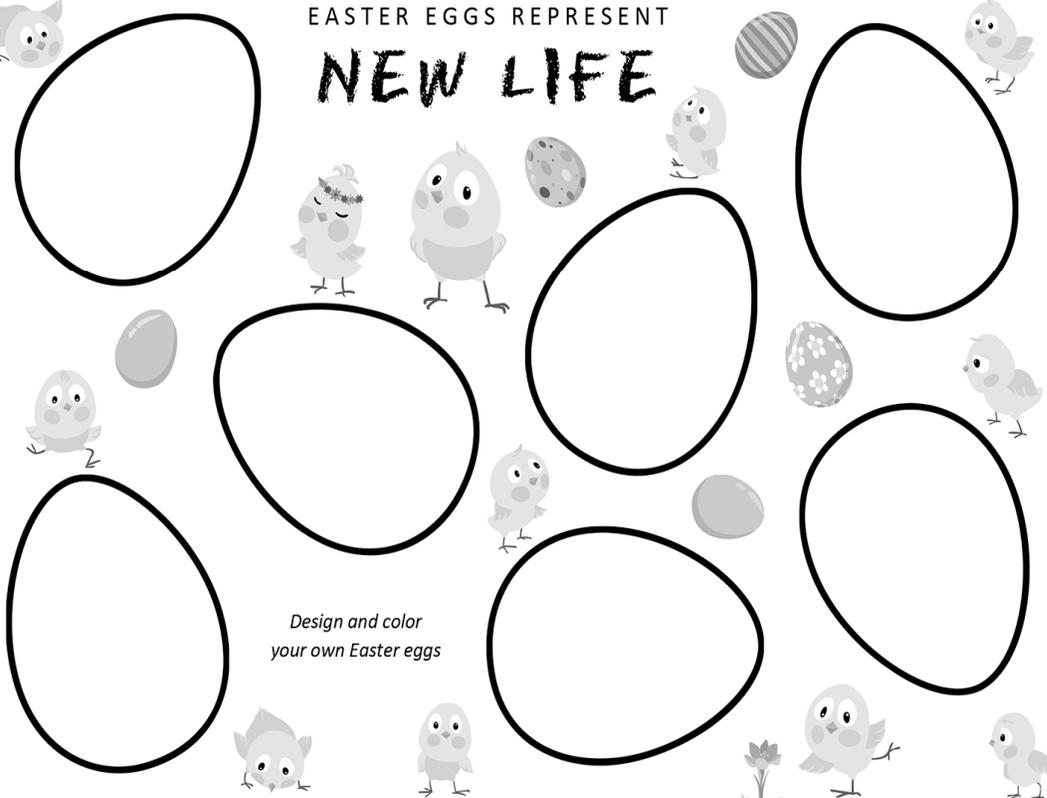
### Have a Blessed

### Sunday!

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EASTER EGGS REPRESENT

## NEW LIFE



Design and color your own Easter eggs

ANSWER: Easter

## Calendar

**Monday**  
APRIL 22

Octave of Easter  
Acts 2:14, 22-23  
Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday**  
APRIL 23

Octave of Easter  
Acts 2:36-41  
Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday**  
APRIL 24

Octave of Easter  
Acts 3:1-10  
Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday**  
APRIL 25

Octave of Easter  
Acts 3:11-26  
Lk 24:35-48

**Friday**  
APRIL 26

Octave of Easter  
Acts 4:1-12  
Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday**  
APRIL 27

Octave of Easter  
Acts 4:13-21  
Mk 16:9-15

**Sunday**  
APRIL 28

2nd Sunday of Easter,  
1st Sunday of Divine Mercy  
Acts 5:12-16  
Rev 1:9-11a,  
12-13, 17-19  
Jn 20:19-31

## Daily Prayer

We now begin a celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord for the next seven weeks - when we mark the Resurrection of the Lord the Ascension forty days after Easter and culminating in the celebration of Pentecost on the fiftieth day after Easter. This week, we begin that deepening realization of, and reflection upon, the meaning of the gift of life we have received in God's raising Jesus from the dead so that we might have eternal life.

Just as it difficult for many of our cultures to face the reality of death, it is difficult to accept the reality of life after death. St. Paul invites us to live in this passing world with our hearts set on the world that will never end. This week let us try to open our hearts to a deeply-felt sense of what a difference it makes that the tomb is empty, that Jesus is alive, that he allows us to recognize him in the breaking of bread, and that he missions us to proclaim this Good News.

Each morning this week, we can pause for a moment and simply thank God for our being alive today. Even more, we can thank God for the life that Jesus won for us. Throughout the day, and at different brief moments, we can remember that this is Easter Week and ask

to live more freely today, more gratefully. We can name the grace in our own terms and in the context of what we are experiencing, what gets us discouraged or what gives us life. Overall, we want to live the freedom we have been given. If death has no hold on us, so many of our fears would melt away. If we realized our ultimate home is in heaven, our spirits would be lighter and we would walk around more gratefully. So, as we go through this week, we can let ourselves believe in the Resurrection that was won for us. "Lord, I believe in the gift of life you have given me in the death and resurrection of your Son, Jesus." We can say this act of faith, or sing any of the wonderful Easter songs in the back of our minds, as many times as it takes to let ourselves feel the effects of Easter.

Perhaps we had a difficult Holy Week or Easter. There might have been loneliness or family conflicts. Perhaps we are facing a chronic illness or deep struggles with a loved one, or we are grieving the loss of a loved one. These, and many other struggles can challenge our Easter hope and joy. This is the week to place our trust in the one who is now alive, so that we can live forever. We can ask for the gifts of hope renewal these days. In giving thanks, we can ask that our hearts be opened even more to receive the gift of his Spirit.