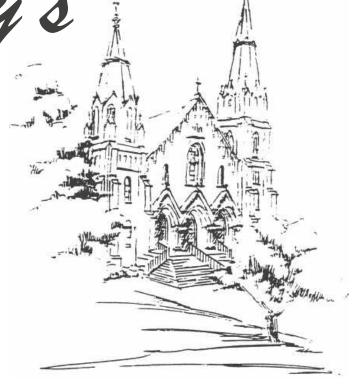
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Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil 5:15 PM Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Wednesday – Friday 7:00 AM Saturday 8:00 AM

Weekday Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

We joyfully welcome all into our Church family through this sacrament. Parents are asked to please call the rectory 853-2935 to make arrangements. Baptismal preparation meetings are held with the Baptismal Team the first Sunday of the month at 9 AM at St. Mary's School.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married are asked to schedule an appointment with Fr. Croghan at least 6 months before the desired date. Wedding dates cannot be scheduled over the phone. One of the parties being married and/or their parents must be registered members of St. Mary's (Pre–marriage instruction is required).

Prayer Line

If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

New Parishioners

Welcome! Please introduce yourself after Mass. We invite you to become an active member of our parish community. Please call the parish office to register.

Bulletin Deadline

All announcements for the bulletin should be in writing and submitted to the parish office by Monday



Saturday, April 21 - Vigil Mass
5:15 PM Aleen Barron by Her New Street Friends
Sunday, April 22 - 3rd Sunday of Easter
8:00 AM Dorothy Ronning Hinde by Her Family
10:30 AM Leonard J. Popyacky, Sr.
by Margaret Temchack

Wednesday, April 25 - St. Mark, Evangelist 7:00 AM Frank Dugan, III by His Family **Thursday, April 26** 7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family

Friday, April 27

7:00 AM Marie Lafountain by Joyce Graves & Theresa Garrow

Saturday, April 28

8:00 AM Pauline Desnoyers

by Jerry & Margaret LaLonde

5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - John Hunt by John & Sue King

Sunday, April 29 - 4th Sunday of Easter 8:00 AM John Furness by Donald Doolen 10:30 AM Nancy Tieri by Fred & Carm Foster

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, HOSPITALIZED, SICK & SHUT-INS OF OUR PARISH

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 4-28
Joan Scoones & Karen Winkler

Good News!

The word *witness* can be a little scary. Witnesses to an accident often have to see and talk about unpleasant or tragic happenings. Serving as a witness in a court case can be intimidating as lawyers pose challenging questions and expect the full truth to be told. Even those who have given "witness talks" on a retreat or at the end of Mass would probably admit to some trepidation about speaking publicly about one's faith and commitment to Christ.

In today's Gospel, Jesus calls those gathered around him *witnesses*. Imagine being that kind of witness - among the first people to experience Jesus after his resurrection. The Gospel first describes those gathered as startled, terrified, and doubting, but then later as incredulous with joy. Jesus showed them his wounds, ate in front of them, and explained the Scriptures to them. Perhaps the experience would have been slightly frightening at first, but imagine the exultation they felt as they witnessed Jesus real and alive among them. Quite a different experience than testifying as a court witness, for sure.

But though we weren't among those privileged few, we still are witnesses to Jesus' real presence alive among us today. Certainly we experience Jesus most profoundly in the Eucharist we celebrate together. But we also can recognize him when others reach out to touch our wounds or when forgiveness occurs between relatives or friends who have suffered a rift. He is present when we feed hungry people and give generously to those in much greater need than ourselves.

Jesus didn't stop being real, alive, and present back in the times of the Gospel. He is present with us nowif we open our eyes to recognize him. Do we feel that same incredulous joy when we witness him in our midst?

Janel Esker sundaybulletins@liguori.org

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| Liturgical Ministers | | | | |
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| Time | Altar Servers | Lector | Eucharistic Ministers | |
| 8:00 AM (4/28) | NO SERVERS | | | |
| 5:15 PM (4/28) | Madison Steates, Betsy & Fritz Gale | Joyce Bojdak | Host - Jim Winkler & Ann Wilkinson Cup - Anne Debraggio, Pearl Gapp, Alex D'Acunto & Sue Kielar | |
| 8:00 AM (4/29) | Georgia Zoller, Jack & Jane Hughes | Steve Clark | Host - Joe & Tina Lallier Cup - Carole Byrne, Jack McxNamara, Mike Howard & Ed Kaido | |
| 10:30 AM (4/29) | Nathan Gale, Jesse & Jacob Dombrowski | Mike Cosgrove | Host - Phyllis Moore & Karen Brewer Cup - Mary Stuttard, Joanne Joseph, Michele Beach & Maryalice Hogan | |

Faith Formation

This will be our last week of classes. What a wonderful year it has been!

First communion practice - Wednesday, May 2nd, children only 6:30-7:30 PM AND Wednesday, May 9, children and parents.

TGIF (Teens Gathered in Faith) Youth Group

Open to All Parish teenagers currently in grades 8 thru 12 interested in growing their faith thru social gatherings, recreational activities, discipleship, peer mentoring and community outreach. Initial meeting Sunday, April 22, 6:30 to 8 PM at St. Mary's School.

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Your children, grades K-5, are invited to join in Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 10:30 AM Mass next Sunday, April 29. Next session May 13.

The Country Pantry

We are pleased to announce that The Pantry has a new treasurer, Ryan Siepiola and an assistant treasurer, Carole Byrne both of whom are from St. Mary's. We welcome our new financial team and thank our former treasurer, Robert Redfield of St. James Church, for his over 18 years of dedicated service to the Pantry. Do you know of anyone who has need of our services? Please contact Mary Zimbler (371-5789) or Jeanne Roback (737-7650).

A Family Perspective

The apostles were afraid of Jesus until he ate with them and they touched him. In your family the ordinary acts of eating together, touching, embracing not only confirm our love for each other, but also celebrate God's presence in your family. These "ordinary" moments contain the "Extraordinary."

Safe Environment Program - Did You Know?

God's Call to Love and Respect Others.

To know that we are children of God is to live in complete love with deep abiding security and the ability to dream, to sing, to create, to laugh, and to play without worry. It is a freedom to love - with full trust and confidence - the creatures whom God has sent to us in our world. As we grow older, we face a new reality. We cannot approach all God's creation with the same trust and confidence. We learn, through sometimes hurtful and damaging experiences, that some people reject the ability that God gave them to love and respect others - they ignore God's call to love and respect others.

For more information, please call Jackie Farrrell, Program Administrator at 470-1421 (jfarrell@syrdio.org).

Collection for Last Weekend

| Ordinary Collection | \$4,921.62 |
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| Easter | |
| Faith Formation | 10.00 |
| School Assessment | 40.00 |
| Country Pantry | 25.00 |
| Memorial Fund | |
| Diocesan Collections | 308.88 |
| Catholic Sun | 20.00 |

Second Collection Next Weekend

The annual Home Missions Collection will be taken up at Masses next weekend (last Sunday of April). Please excuse the confusion caused by wrong envelopes dates. Thank you for your continued generosity!

Spring Bake Sale

St. Mary's Hearts and Hands will be having a spring bake sale this weekend, April 21/22 after all Masses in the school gym. Won't you make plans to stop by and purchase your favorite pie, cake, brownie, cookie, etc. We thank the bakers and the parish for their support.

Prayers & Rosary at Christ the King Shrine

Prayers and Rosary will be prayed at Christ the King Shrine on Flanagan Rd., March, April 30, 5 PM honoring the 65th anniversary of the apparition of Charles Grestl. Rosary led by Mike Dziura. Prayers and Litany led by Frs. Moskal & Fraats.

Area Events

4/22, noon-till sold out - Chicken & Biscuit dinner at the Clinton VFW. Nelson Brothers Country & Western Band from 2-5 PM.

4/29, 11:30-till sold out - Chicken BBQ sponsored by St. Thomas Men's Club, at the church.

4/29, noon until sold out - Spring Chicken BBQ at St. Joseph Nursing Home to benefit residents.

5/4-6 (Friday, 6-10 PM, Saturday, Noon- 10 PM, Sunday, Noon-6 PM) Rome Catholic School Annual Spring Festival. Hawkins Amusement Rides, games and attractions for the family, fried dough & drive thru chicken BBQ on Sunday.

| Registration In Our Parish | | |
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