



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

7:30 AM Tony Sewesky
 9:30 AM James & John Reap
 12:30 PM People of the Parish (Hispanic)

MONDAY, APRIL 9

9:00 AM Robert Glessner

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

9:00 AM Bernard Weaver

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

9:00 AM Carol Sukel

THURSDAY, APRIL 12

9:00 AM John & Frances MacHutchin

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

9:00 AM Thomas & Marvin Kapuschinsky

SATURDAY, APRIL 14

4:30 PM Alex & Margaret Ladonis

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

7:30 AM Raymond Kashmer
 9:30 AM People of the Parish

SANCTUARY CANDLE: In memory of Mary Lou Daddio requested by Anna McKiniry.

PEACE CANDLE: In memory of Joan Collins requested by Marge & Joe Kutza.

RESURRECTION CANDLE: In memory of Tony Sewesky requested by Dr. Joseph Kutza II.

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE: In memory of Pat Kachurka requested by Richard & Barbara Marston.

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE: In memory of Ted Dalpiaz requested by Mary, Anne, Jenny, and Theresa.

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY to the family of **Ann Kondrcek** who died recently. Eternal rest grant unto her, O, Lord.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY will be celebrated here today, at 3:00 PM. Please join us in praying the Rosary, prayers for mercy, and celebration of Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

**Second Sunday of Easter
 (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)**

April 8, 2018

Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?
 — 1 John 5:5

**PARISH SUPPORT
 OFFERTORY**

Due to changes in bulletin deadlines, parish support for April 1st and for our Easter collection will be reported at a later date.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

PARISH DATEBOOK

MONDAY, APRIL 9

BIBLE STUDY/SHARING: 1:30 PM in the meeting room.

YOUTH CHOIR: 3:45 PM.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

ADULT CHOIR: 7:00 PM.

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

BLUE ARMY HOLY HOUR will be prayed at 8:00 AM for vocations.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

CCD CLASSES in session: 10:40 AM.

MANY THANKS!

Father Tamburro would like to express his thanks for the gifts, cards, and goodies he received for Easter. God bless!

The members of CCW would like to thank all who helped and supported their Easter bake sale.

Thank you to all who helped at and supported our annual fish fry. We truly appreciate the efforts of everyone involved. A financial update will be provided in the near future.

Finally, thank you to our **Sacristans** for their untiring work in keeping our church in wonderful condition. They are always appreciated, but never more than now when many hours are required to remove the palm strings from pews and floors!

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD
NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 15**

Saturday, 4:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Czajkowski, Belford
Lector: Womer
Altar Servers: 4
Greeters: Panzak, Rinehimer

Sunday, 7:30 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Kilcullen, Edwards
Lector: Ferentz
Altar Servers: 5
Greeters: M. & B. Samsel

Sunday, 9:30 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Dante, Yalch, Wharton
Lector: Wiggins
Altar Servers: 6
Greeters: Remington

THERE WILL BE BOXES in the church and parish center lobbies from April 14-April 22 for **palms**. They will be disposed of in accord with church norms.

THINK SPRING!

We ask that all non-seasonal decorations at St. Mary's Cemetery be removed by April 15. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women of the Diocese to join us for the Eighth Annual Weekend Retreat being held on the campus of Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, Maryland. It will be held from Friday evening, June 8th until noon on Sunday, June 10, 2018. The Retreat Master is Very Rev. Neil Sullivan. The registration deadline is May 22, 2018. Contact Barbara McCarthy at 717-534-1858 or FranBarbMc@aol.com with questions or to register.



SO THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE

It is not often that the author of one of the books of the Bible comes right out and tells us directly why he is writing what he is writing. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, taken from the conclusion of John's Gospel, the author tells us that he has chosen to record these events so "that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name" (20:31).

The letter of John echoes this idea by saying that "[e]veryone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God" (5:1)—what we might refer to as being "born again." Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles for this Second Sunday of Easter shows us exactly what it looks like when believers are born again through faith.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes children acquire nicknames in childhood that stalk them through adulthood: "Pinky," "Boo-boo," and the like. This Sunday was once called "Low Sunday," a step down from Easter glory, and an unfortunate nickname since Easter rejoicing goes on for fifty days. Traditionally this is the day when the newly baptized put away their white baptismal robes and returned to their everyday life after a week of intense celebration. Of course, the goal was to take up everyday duties with a very new point of view.

A long title for the day was *Dominica in albis deposito*, or "The Lord's Day for Putting Away the Albs," so no wonder the nickname "Low Sunday" arose. In the old calendar it was also called "Quasimodo Sunday," after the first word of the opening chant, *Quasimodo geniti infantes*, or "As newborn infants," a reference to the newly baptized taken from the Epistle of Peter. Victor Hugo's bell-ringing hero in *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* was abandoned as an infant on the threshold of the cathedral of Paris on Low Sunday, 1467, and named "Quasimodo" for the feast.

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NO THEORY

Let your religion so be less of a theory and more of a love affair.

—G. K. Chesterton

EVERYTHING

God, of your goodness give me yourself, for you are enough for me. And only in you do I have everything.

—St. Julian of Norwich