

Sunday, April 18, 2021 – Third Sunday of Easter

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RECENTLY DECEASED: Frances Riccio

RESERVED MASSES:

Sun 4/18	8:00 a.m.	Jason Sasso <i>Req. by John & Maria Rufner</i>
	9:30 a.m.	Willaim Baran <i>Req. by Maryann & Mike Steinfeld</i>
	11:30 a.m.	Deceased members of the Scala & Thompson families <i>Req. by family</i>
Mon 4/19	8:00 a.m.	Brendan Dooley <i>Req. by anonymous</i>
Tue 4/20	8:00 a.m.	Pat & Fritz Beckert <i>Req. by family</i>
Wed 4/21	8:00 a.m.	Deacon Arnie Hyland <i>Req. by Rosemarie Gallagher</i>
Thu 4/22	8:00 a.m.	Brian Sawchuk <i>Req. by Michelle & Mike Wheeler</i>
Sat 4/24	4:00 p.m.	Harold Christiana <i>Req. by wife Marie & family</i>
Sun 4/25	8:00 a.m.	Bonnie Seery <i>Req. by Joe</i>
	9:30 p.m.	Michael Fabiano <i>Req. by Connie & Michael Catalinotto</i>
	11:30 a.m.	Anna Marie Westergard <i>Req. by Joe & Mary Jurofcik</i>

JACK ROSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

For the next several months we will be collecting loose change at St. Joseph's, St. Mary's and St. John's. This spring we will be accepting applications from graduating seniors from these parishes who will be continuing their education. If you are interested in mailing in a donation, please send it to: St. John's Jack Rose Scholarship, 36 Cedar Street, Saugerties, NY 12477. Thank you!

Applications are available in the church as well as in the foyer of the Parish Center.

2021 ANNUAL HOLY NAME SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

St. Mary of the Snow-St. Joseph's Holy Name Society will be awarding three scholarships to graduating seniors of the parish. (Must be an active parishioner) Applications are available in the church as well as in the foyer of the Parish Center. Applications are to be returned to Mr. Thomas A. Resso by May 31, 2021. Please mail the application to: 2038 Route 32, Saugerties, NY 12477.

Please call 845-217-3333 to reach Alison at the Parish Office. If you need to reach Fr. Chris in an EMERGENCY, please call 246-4913.

CLYNK!

Here's how it works: Fill a green Clynk Bag (which is available in the rear of the churches as well as in the Parish Center), then bring the bag to the Hannaford Lobby, where you scan it and drop it in the shoot. That's it! All proceeds go to our parish! Also, consider bringing your Clynk Bags to your place of employment and recycle their bottles for our church as well. If you have any questions, contact Alison Belfance, 845-217-3333.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to have something included in the bulletin, please contact Alison via email: smssjrectory@gmail.com All submissions MUST be received no later than 10am on Wednesday.

PARISH OFFICE

The parish office will be moving out of the school building this month and back to our former location in the parish center! We thank everyone for their patience and cooperation as we



transition back to the office. Catherine will be available on Wednesday & Thursday between 10:30am – Noon for Mass card purchases.

FOOD PANTRY ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

If you might be interested in helping with this corporal work of mercy, please let Gabby Baker know. She can be reached at g.baker1@ppcsd.org. **St Johns food pantry will be the first Saturday of May from 10am -12. If someone cannot get there. Please feel free to let Gabby know and she will try to accommodate.**

WeShare DONATIONS

If you would like to make a one-time donation set up automatic weekly donations, please consider setting up an account through WeShare. You may find further information here:

<https://stmaryofthesnow.churchgiving.com>

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SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Wed – Saint Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr; Saint Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest

Thu – Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

Fri – Saint Pius V, Pope

Sat – Saint Joseph the Worker

Jesus' Parting Words (from My Catholic Life!)

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things." [Luke 24:45-48](#) (Year B)

This was the final appearance to the disciples as recorded in Luke's Gospel. In this appearance, Jesus showed the Apostles His hands and His feet, explained to them that He had to suffer, die and rise, as was foretold by the prophets. He exhorted them to be "witnesses of these things," He explained that very soon the Holy Spirit would come from the Father, and then walked with them to Bethany where He ascended to Heaven. These, the final earthly words of Jesus, set forth the mission of these Apostles as well as the mission of all of us. "You are witnesses of these things," Jesus said. What things? The Apostles were to be witnesses to the Paschal Mystery: Jesus' suffering, death and Resurrection. The proclamation of these truths are the central mission of Jesus' Apostles and all of us.

How often do you think about the Paschal Mystery? Perhaps you have heard those words but do not fully understand what they are. What is the "Paschal Mystery?" The Paschal Mystery was what Jesus told the Apostles to be witnesses to. They were to be witnesses to others that Jesus came from the Father, suffered death for our sins, rose from the dead to conquer sin and then ascended into Heaven to invite us to follow. This is the most central message of our faith. Sometimes our Christian faith can be treated more like a book of "do good lessons" than as the saving truths of our redemption. Though it's essential to understand the moral laws and the call to charitable works, we must always remember that the heart of the Gospel is about salvation. It's about Jesus dying for our sins and rising victorious so that we can enter the glories of Heaven. We do not enter Heaven simply because we are good people; rather, we are able to enter Heaven only because of the saving act of the Paschal Mystery. And though this saving act calls us to a life of charitable service to others, that charitable work is more of an effect of salvation than it is the central purpose of our faith.

The Gospel passage quoted above also says that Jesus "opened their minds to understand the Scriptures." Therefore, if we, like the Apostles, are to understand the Gospel and the central purpose of Jesus' life and our own lives, then we must allow Him to open our minds also. We must allow Jesus to reveal to us the Paschal Mystery, because it is not something we can comprehend or figure out on our own.

Reflect, today, upon how clearly you understand the purpose of the life of Christ. Do you understand the mysteries of His human life, suffering, death and Resurrection? Do you understand how these truths of our faith must change you at your very core? And do you understand your duty to be a witness to these mysteries of faith to others? Sit with these questions and allow them to sink in deeply so that you may join the Apostles in both the gift of redemption and the call to evangelize the world.

My saving Lord, Your life, death and Resurrection is the greatest gift ever given. Through this Paschal Mystery, we are set free from sin and become children of Your Father in Heaven. Open my mind to more fully understand this great gift and give me the grace I need to become Your witness to the world in need. Jesus, I trust in You.



YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Jan vander Poel, Barbara Wismont, Mary Ellen Fuoco, Neil Gallagher, Adrian Lepe, Maryanne DePoala, John Valdata, Melanie Hagan, Darryl Caldwell, SherryAnn Kenjersky, George Dale, Clare Miller, Patricia Robinson, Doreen Churchill, Francis Posavec, Robyn Daugherty, CB Slutzky, Shanna Pesce, Laura Bach, Tony Gallo Sr., Jacqueline McNeil, Miriam Imbierowic, Pam Frost, Amy Schofield, Laurie Simmons, MaryLynn Ceccotti-Cody, Joseph P. DeFozio, Kathy Schmitt, Brian Marshall, Esther Lemmerman, Edward Castinidos, Sr., Dashell Baptista, MaryEllen D'Amico, Giada Pettengill, Allen GianCola, Kathy Trees, John Creegan, Beth Marshall, Charles Visich, Rosa Lattanzio, Fred Lenz, Fr. Joe Lorenzo, Kathleen Brooks, Kenneth P. Sinnott, Florence Snyder, David VanBenschoten, Mary Martino, Rose S. Riozzi, Joseph Veltrie, John Adam, Nick Gasparro, Sister Peggy, Joseph Konopka, Edward Sinnott, Brandon Smith, Genevieve Orbacz, Cindy, Anonymous Parishioner, Walter Johnson, Taylor Sherman, Charles Bowls, Joe Font, Debbie Volkle, Betty Cotich, Mike Leung, Fred Belfance, John Bechtold, Paul Donlon, Olivia Trees, Carol Loesch, Bruce Meservey, Mark Moore, Jill Trees

To place or remove name from sick list, please call 217-3333.

Father of goodness and love hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.