



Dear Friends in Christ,

When Mary Magdalene first encountered Easter she did not know she was encountering it. John 20:2 tells us that Mary thought Jesus' enemies had stolen His body from the tomb and placed it elsewhere. When she told Peter and John that Jesus' tomb was empty, they ran there to see for themselves the truth of Mary's words. John 20:8 tells us that John "believed" when he saw the empty tomb.

Why did John "believe"? At least four times in the gospels before the events of Jesus' Passion and death, He predicted that although He would soon suffer He would later be raised. Did John remember these words and allow these to bring him to faith in the Resurrection? Another possibility is that because of the way the burial wrappings were left in Jesus' tomb they convinced John that something extraordinary had happened there.

Easter is an experience of faith. As Christians, we believe that Jesus Christ suffered, died, was buried and rose from the dead on the third day. Jesus' Resurrection gives us hope in every human situation. Just as impossible as it seems that a man dead for three days would rise again, so too do we encounter situations in our lives that seem hopeless and unsolvable. When God works in these situations to bring new life, healing, restoration and joy we live the Easter mystery.

On behalf of St. Ann's Parish Staff, I would like to wish all of you and your families a blessed, happy and holy Easter! May you know in your hearts and lives the peace of the Risen Christ!

In Christ,  
Fr. Michael

**Saturday, April 20**  
**Easter Vigil**

**7:30pm Ervin R. Gabrie**  
requested by David Dumais

**Easter Sunday, April 21**

**9:00am Easter Flower Memorial Intentions**

**11:00am Dorothy Miller**  
requested by David Dumais

**No morning Masses April 22 - 25**

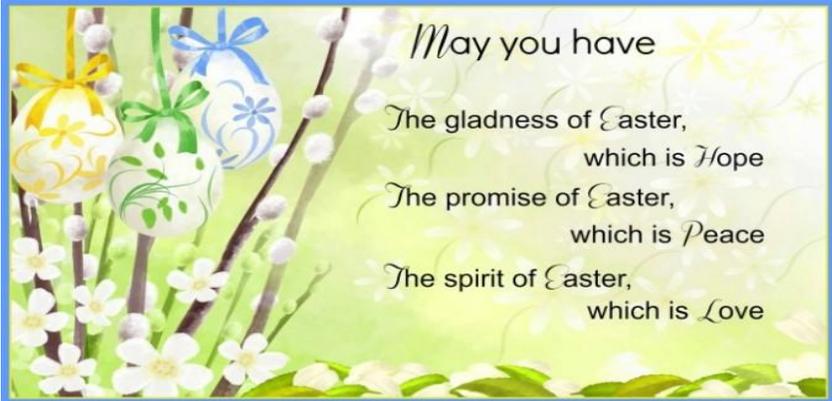
**Saturday, April 27**

**4:00pm Richard Iannotti**  
requested by Fr. Michael

**Sunday, April 28**

**9:00am Pauline & Howard Holbrook**  
memorial remembrance of their wedding Anniversary.

**11:00am Bernard Chesties**  
requested by Charles & Andrea Boyle



Weekly Collection April 13 & 14	
Adults	\$ 4,129.80
Children	\$ 24.00
Maintenance	\$ 312.00
Bottles & Cans	\$ 57.30
Other sources of Income	\$ 49.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 92.00
<b>Total of parish support</b>	<b>\$ 4,664.10</b>
<b>Weekly support needed to meet budget expenses</b>	<b>\$ 4,250.00</b>
SVDP	\$ 145.00
Poor Box	\$ 24.00

### Meetings

**NA** Sundays 7:30 pm in the hall  
**K of C** 1st Tuesday of the month 6:45pm in the hall  
**SVDP** To be announced  
**Rosary Group** 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 6:00pm in the church  
**Upper Room Ministry** 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 6:00pm  
**Bible Study** No Bible Study this week  
**First Saturday Marian Devotion** after 4:00pm Mass



## Senior Spring Luncheon

St. Ann's SVDP Society cordially invites the seniors of the parish, 50 years young and up, to a Senior Spring Luncheon on Sunday, April 28th at 12:00pm in the hall. Please fill out the response forms on the bulletin tables and return them by Easter Sunday or call the Rectory at #508-987-8892. This year at the Spring Luncheon our guest of honor will be Sr. Jeanne Rouillard. Please join with us as we dedicate a special garden to thank her for her many years of service to St. Ann's Parish.

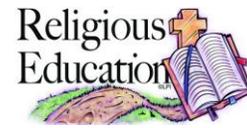
### ***Crowning of Our Lady in the outdoor shrine***



***Sunday, May 5th after the 11:00am Mass***



Last weekend was our Parish Commitment Weekend for the 2019 Partners in Charity Appeal. Thank you to those who made a gift and a special thank you for those who gave for the first time. Gifts and pledges have totaled **\$22,017.75** towards our parish goal of \$40,000. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our mission as a diocese. Please be as generous as possible. If you have already made a gift to the 2019 Appeal we thank you. Your gift will help us reach our goal. You can also make your gift online at [www.partners-charity.net](http://www.partners-charity.net). Thank you.



First Communion Saturday, April 27th at 10:30am

Confirmation Thursday, May 2nd 7:00pm in Sacred Heart Church in Webster



Please remember in your prayers our young people that are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion.

Ryan Amaral      Krystopher Aubin      Jack Auger  
Brenna Burke      Chloe Lavallee      Thomas Griffin  
Jacob Hutchins      Donald Spaulding

### **Confirmation**

Please remember in your prayers our young woman and three young men who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Conor Allen      Mark Fields  
Elin Kaufman      Sam Wing



***Jesus I trust in You***

**Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28th**

**There will be a veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy at all of the Masses.**