

# APRIL 18, 2021

## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

ACTS. 3: 13-15, 17-19. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead.

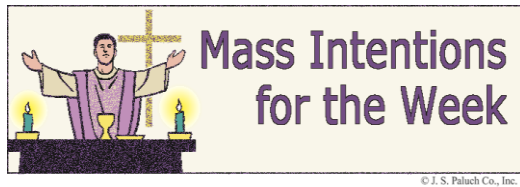
PSALM 4. Lord, let your face shine on us.

1 JOHN. 2: 1-5a. We have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one.

LUKE. 24: 35-48. Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day.



**GOD'S WORD TODAY:** In today's Gospel, the Risen Jesus challenges his disciples-and us- to recall what he taught and what they had witnessed in his time among them. Authentic Easter faith transforms our vision to see God's hand in every moment, transforms our attitudes to recognize God's compassion and forgiveness in every human encounter from politics to raising children, transforms our spirits to realize that there is always reason to hope even in the face of life's most painful and traumatic moments. True resurrection faith is complete and total, re-creating even the most jaded and desperate moments of our lives.



### INTENTIONS FOR OUR WEEKLY LITURGIES

#### MONDAY 4/19

8:00 A.M.

**Capt. Harry McCloskey USN Retired**

*Easter Weekday*

#### TUESDAY 4/20

8:00 A.M.

**Linda Tomcykosky (Ann & James Milo)**

*Easter Weekday*

#### WEDNESDAY 4/21

8:00 A.M.

**Ed Docalovich (Annette O'Bell)**

*St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

*Easter Weekday*

#### THURSDAY 4/22

8:00 A.M.

**Dorothy Schermerhorn (Diane Mosley)**

*Easter Weekday*

#### FRIDAY 4/23

8:00 A.M.

**Kristy Ryczak (Andy & Margaret Franks)**

*Ss. George, Martyr; Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr*

*Easter Weekday*

#### SATURDAY 4/24

4:00 P.M.

**M/M Donnell Neary (M/M Joseph Smith)**

#### SUNDAY 4/25-THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 A.M.

**Phyllis Knipper (Chris West, Bobbiann Davis & Nina Houman)**

10:30 A.M.

**Margaret Mary Barlow (The Family)**

#### 12:00 P.M.-SPANISH MASS

**People of the Parish**

**WORD OF LIFE:** "Christ invites us to trust in his invisible grace that prompts us to the generosity of supernatural charity, as we identify with everyone who is ill: 'Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me' (Mt. 25:40)." *Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith "Samaritanus bonus: On the Care of Persons in the Critical and Terminal Phases of Life". (©2020 Liberia Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.)*



#### OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION APRIL 18, 2021

OFFERTORY \$3,404.00

ON-LINE GIVING \$340.00

DUES/SALARY \$416.00

EASTER \$683.00

FLOWERS \$45.00

SECOND COLLECTION \$102.50

INCOME=\$4,990.50

AVERAGE WEEKLY EXPENSES=\$4,803.34

#### COUNTERS FOR MONDAY, MONDAY, APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>

Phil Tochelli

Jim Perry

Kevin Toolan





Everything written  
about me  
must be fulfilled

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**FULFILLMENT:** It is interesting that during the Easter season, when we do not hear a reading from the Old Testament, it becomes so important. This is particularly true today. Peter's speech begins with a prayer formula familiar Jews: "The God of Abraham..." (Acts 3:13). It likewise contains the potent phrases "Holy and Righteous

One" and "mouth of all prophets" (3: 14, 18). Peter was stating in no uncertain terms that the law, psalms, and prophets had been fulfilled in Christ. This is reinforced by Jesus himself in the Gospel passage, when he states that everything in the scriptures (to early Christians "the scriptures" were what we call the Old Testament) had to be fulfilled. Above all, Jesus and Peter both emphasize that we are witnesses to all of this, and are sent forth to bear witness to it in the world. The Latin *Missa*, from which our word (Mass) comes, means "sent" (as in "mission"). As we leave Mass today, let us remember to be witnesses to all that has been fulfilled in the risen Christ.

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS:** His excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office of Parish Worship, invite couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, or 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2021 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 6, at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Scranton. The Mass will begin at 2:30 P.M, and attendance will require an advance reservation. To register for the celebration, use the link: <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/community/marriage/enrichment/wedding-anniversary-mass-june-6-2021/>.

**EASTER COLLECTION:** Thank you for your recent donation. Our Easter collection is one of the important ones that really helps us stay afloat financially. If you did not have the opportunity to make a donation—it is never too late!

Easter



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**SONNY SAYS:**

What kind of Easter eggs are always right?

- Eggs-actly

What kind are always tired?

- Eggs-asperated

**ROAST BEEF DINNER-THANK YOU:** Thank you to the Stewardship Committee and all who have been working on our Roast Beef Dinner. And thank you for buying a ticket we appreciate your dedication to our beloved parish. Our fundraiser are essential (and so are you).

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!** The Catholic Women's Conference, Refresh Your Faith, will be held on June 19, 2021 at Marywood University campus. The event will take place in an outdoor tent on the campus. The theme of "With Merciful Love" will be addressed by keynote speakers, Father Chris Alar and Sister Virginia Joy. Taylor Tripodi will provide spiritual music. \$40 for live outdoor tent seating; \$20 for Virtual Live Streaming. For more information and to register, visit [www.cwnepa.com](http://www.cwnepa.com)

**TEXT SCAM ALERT:** Please do not respond to any text or voice message asking for gift cards or donations for someone who is sick. This is a scam circulating throughout the Diocese. Your pastor never Sends messages like this. Never respond to suspicious e-mails text or voicemail messages or click on any suspicious link.

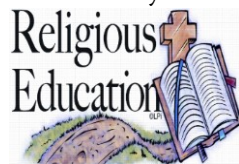
**NOTICE OF SUSPENSION FROM PRIESTLY MINISTRY:**

On October 27, 2020, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., imposed a suspension from priestly ministry on Reverend James T. Tracy, a priest of the Diocese of Scranton. This suspension prohibits Father Tracy from exercising priestly ministry and includes, but is not limited to the following:

- From presenting himself publically as a priest
- From exercising any function of priestly ministry in the territory of the Diocese of Scranton or anywhere else
- From celebrating the Eucharist publically or in private
- From celebrating any sacrament with any member of the Christian faithful in the territory of the Diocese of Scranton or anywhere else

These measures are disciplinary in nature and are the result of an internal canonical process involving the status of Father Tracy's ministry as a priest. Furthermore, should anyone become aware of Father Tracy violating these prescripts, they are to contact the Vicar General of the Diocese of Scranton Immediately.

**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION:** Your spiritually adopted baby is growing beautifully now. His weight is approaching 2 pounds. Babies born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving. The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS: WEEKLY SCHEDULE CLASSES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

- April 18-Third Sunday of Easter-Classes
- April 25-Fourth Sunday of Easter-Classes
- May 2-Fifth Sunday of Easter-LAST DAY OF CLASSES

**C.C.D. PARENTS:**When you bring your children to Mass every week-you are instilling in them the good habit of praising God & His Church (One day they, too will bring their own children to Mass).

**NOTICE TO THE ROMAN CATHOLIC FAITHFUL OF THE DIOCESAN OF SCRANTON:**The Fraternité Notre Dame Community, since its acquisition of the former Saint Mary of the Assumption Parish Complex in South Scranton, Pennsylvania in 2020, has generously provided support to the poor, particularly during the course of the current health crisis. The Community, however, describes itself as a Traditional Catholic Religious Order that is not in union with the Pope. As such, it is not a legitimate religious order of the Catholic Church. The faithful of the Diocese of Scranton should not attend Masses nor receive sacraments provided by the FraternitéNotre Dame Community when masses are available in nearby Churches of the Diocese. Particularly regarding the sacraments of Confirmation and Marriage, these celebrations would not only be illicit, but also invalid.