

EASTER

April 1, 2018

MASSES FOR the WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 1ST - EASTER
8:30 A.M. People of the Parish
10:30A.M. Vera Donohue
12:00P.M. Charles Patrick Connolly (4th Annv)
MONDAY, APRIL 2ND
8:00 A.M. Ryan Clarkson
TUESDAY, APRIL 3RD
8:00 A.M. Msgr. Martin Rauscher
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4TH
8:00 A.M. Fr. Brian Tomlinson
THURSDAY, APRIL 5TH
8:00 A.M. Ginnie Olenowski
FRIDAY, APRIL 6TH
8:00 A.M. James Healy
SATURDAY, APRIL 7TH
9:00 A.M. Matthias Ryder
5:00 P.M. Lenore & Herman Rech
SUNDAY, APRIL 8TH - Divine Mercy Sunday
8:30 A.M. Taylor Lynn Craig
10:30A.M. People of the Parish
12:00P.M. Edith Hopper

SCRIPTURES:

APRIL 8th-DIVINE MERCY 2nd Sunday of Easter

First Reading: This passage describes the actions of the first community of Christians. They were of "one heart and one mind." They had no rich or poor among them, for they shared all necessary items with one another. (Acts 4:32- 35)

SECOND READING: JOHN EXPLAINS THAT WE BECOME GOD'S CHILDREN BY BELIEVING IN JESUS. WHEN WE LOVE GOD AND CONCERN OURSELVES ONLY WITH PLEASING GOD, OUR FAITH IS STRONG ENOUGH TO CONQUER THE EVIL IN OUR WORLD. (1 JOHN 5:1-6)

GOSPEL: JESUS APPEARED TO THE DISCIPLES DESPITE LOCKED DOORS, BREATHED ON THEM SO THAT THEY COULD RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND GAVE THEM THE POWER TO FORGIVE SINS IN HIS NAME. THOMAS, WHO WAS NOT PRESENT, REFUSED TO BELIEVE WITHOUT SEEING JESUS FOR HIMSELF. JESUS APPEARED AGAIN WHEN THOMAS WAS PRESENT, AND TOLD HIM, "BLEST ARE THEY WHO HAVE NOT SEEN AND HAVE BELIEVED." (JOHN 20: 19-31)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-April 1, 2018

Allleluia! Christ is risen and is victorious over sin and death! We are good stewards of our faith if, like St. Paul, we share this good news whenever and wherever we can.

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MASS CARDS

We are asked to pray for the dead. The best way to do this is to have a mass celebrated in memory of a loved one. Call the rectory 973-663-0211. **Please note-** offering is \$15.

BAPTISMS



are regularly performed on the First Sunday of each month at 1pm. To arrange for a Baptism please call the rectory M-F - 973-663-0211.

NEW TO THE PARISH Welcome! Please call (973) 663-0211 & register to become a member of our active parish.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION +

CCD Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/olsoslh>

APRIL 1 - NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, April 8, 2018 - 8:45 AM B Week (Pre-K) classes
10:30am Class Mass **Grade 1B**

MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Sunday, April 15, 2018-- 6:30-8:00PM - classes

HIGH SCHOOL - GRADES 9-10

Sun., April 8th, 2018- 6:45pm Cofirmation Practice -
(Sophomores & Sponsors)

April 9th - Confirmation - Sophomores

6:30pm - Candidates and Sponsors

Assemble in Parish Ctr. Gym



RESURRECTION GARDEN- students in Grades Pre-K through 5 have been given an opportunity to place a butterfly in our Resurrection Garden located between the front and side entrances of our church. Please follow the instructions and remember to bring your butterfly to place in the Garden when you come to Mass during Easter week. We look forward to seeing the garden grow!

Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Maureen Crowley, Patricia Kautter, Sr. Elizabeth Dalessio, Michael C. Dalessio, Tara T. Burnham, John Babbitt, Tyler Mueller, Dolores Yagozinski, Larry Stimpfel, Terri Corcoran-Stimpfel, Cathy Collins, Carol Aulbach, Thomas Gorman, Kathleen Stefanski, & all who are ill at this time.



THE EASTER COLLECTION is very important to our financial well being as a parish. Our benefits, heating, and insurance costs have increased again this year, and the Easter Collection also helps pay our Project Faith to the diocese. I ask each family to consider a gift of \$190 to your Church this Easter. Thank you and may the Lord bless you and your family. Father Chris

SICK OR SHUT IN-or know someone who is- unable to get to church to receive Communion? Please call the rectory at 663-0211 and set up a time for a Communion call.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY -APRIL 8TH

The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will begin at **3:00 P.M.** in the church led by Deacon Alberto Totino. There will be the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We will pray the Holy Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and conclude with Benediction. Please join us for this wonderful devotion.

RCIA The next RCIA Meeting is Tuesday, April 10th at 7:30pm in the Rectory.

GETTING MARRIED IN 2018-19? Call the rectory 973-663-0211 to arrange for your wedding at Star of the Sea.



CONFIRMATION WILL BE CELEBRATED MONDAY, APRIL 9TH AT 7:30PM

With Bishop Arthur Serratelli

All candidates and sponsors should arrive by 6:30 PM. **Confirmation Practice will be held Sunday, April 8th at 6:45 PM in the Church.**



THE JOY OF EASTER

“Whoever is a devout lover of God, let him enjoy this beautiful, bright festival! Whoever is a grateful servant let him rejoice and enter into the joy of His Lord!

Rich and poor, dance with one another, sober and slothful, celebrate the day. Those who have kept the fast and those who have not, rejoice today, for the table is richly spread. Fare royally upon it, the calf is a fatted one. Let no one go away hungry. All of you enjoy the banquet of faith! All enjoy the richness of His goodness.

Let no one fear death, for the death of our Savior has set us free. He has destroyed it by enduring it. Christ is risen and the demons are cast down. Christ is risen and life is set free. Christ is risen and the tomb is emptied of the dead. For Christ having risen from the dead, is become the first-fruits of those who sleep. To him be glory and power forever and ever! Amen.” (From the Easter Sermon of St. John Chrysostem)

These words of the fourth century preacher capture the power and majesty of Easter. The pain and darkness of Good Friday give way to unlimited possibility and hope on Easter morn. The bonds of death cannot hold Jesus captive and so we rejoice and alleluia becomes our song.

Today let us be happy and forget all our troubles. Jesus is risen! Alleluia! May the Risen Lord bless you with peace and joy this Easter!

*Sincerely in Christ,
Father Chris*



FOOD PANTRY

Will be open for DONATIONS ONLY March 29th thru April 6th. Appointments will resume April 10th.

Coordinator is Toni Tarighi- **Items we are out of: Pancake mix & syrup, MILK, YOGURT, canned fruits, oatmeal, CANNED PASTA, canned meats & stews, hash, peanut butter, JELLY, cake/brownie mixes, jello & pudding.**

Other items needed: SOUP, CEREAL, macaroni & cheese, COFFEE, veggies, 2-in-1 shampoo, Dish/ Laundry detergents, deodorant, paper towels, toilet tissue.

Refrigerator: eggs, frozen foods- all types.

NOTE: Shoprite gift card donations also accepted. Thank you to everyone supporting our food pantry.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Please support Catholic Charities local programs by donating clothes, shoes and household items to the donation bins located at the back of our parking lot.. For large quantities call the phone number on the side of the bins.



NEW ALTAR SERVERS FOR 2018:

Our New altar servers will be commissioned on Sunday, April 22nd at the 10:30AM Mass.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY'S YANKEE CANDLE FUNDRAISER-

to benefit our High School Scholarship Award Program is being held until April 8th. We will receive 40% of the sales which will help with the scholarship, and orders will be here in time for Mother's Day. You can order online at www.yankeecandlefundraising.com and enter Group Number 999979759, or in person the weekend of April 8-9 after all masses. For more info or order forms contact Sue Sacino at 973-601-328 or sacinos@yahoo.com.



WHAT ARE PYSANKY? - eggs richly decorated with traditional Ukrainian religious and folk symbols. The egg itself is an ancient symbol of new life and rebirth, dating to pre-Christian times. Christians

adopted the egg as a symbol of Christ's Resurrection. Most Pysanky are made of wood and beautifully displayed in a bowl as the centerpiece at the Easter table, or placed in the Easter baskets of the family. Pysanky's have been painstakingly painted and proudly displayed for centuries.



SOUP KITCHEN: Our parish is responsible for the noon meal on the fourth Friday of each month at Trinity Lutheran Church, East Blackwell Street, Dover (973-366-2821). We serve again on Friday,

April 27th, between 160 to 190 meals that day. If you can help serve, or donate some food please contact Ed Young at 973-270-3512. Good teen community service as well. Thank you.

EASTER FLOWERS You can still donate an Easter Lily, in memory of a loved one by calling rectory if you have not done so. A **donation of \$25.00** is requested.



Operation Rice Bowl

Many thanks to all who participated this year. If you have not yet returned your Rice Bowl please bring it or the envelope distributed with it to the Rectory. Thank you for your sacrifice



EASTER PRAYER

Lord God, You loved this world so much, that you gave your one and only Son, that we might be called your children too.

Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, everyday.

Let us have hearts of thankfulness for your sacrifice.

Let us have eyes that look upon your grace and rejoice in our salvation.

Help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell your good news to the world.

All for your glory do we pray, Lord, Amen.

- Rachel Marie Stone



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Thanks for all your help.
Happy Easter!