

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 3 - St. Ann
Easter Vigil Mass 7:00 p.m.

Eileen Marie Noble by Deacon David
 and Brenda Lozowski

Easter Sunday, April 4 - St. Ann
Mass 9:00 a.m.

Bernie & Wilma Fisher
 by Teresa Workman

Easter Sunday, April 4 - St. Mary
Mass 11:00 a.m.

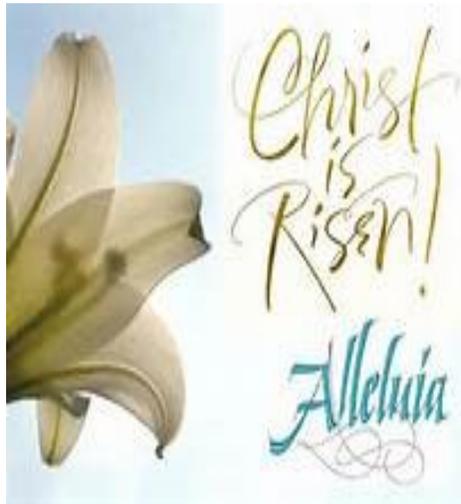
Jim & Mary Ann Miller by The
 Hendley Co.

Tuesday, April 6 - St. Ann
Mass 8:00 a.m.

For the sick & elderly of the church
 by CWA

Thursday, April 8 - St. Mary
Mass 6:00 p.m.

Frances Jones by her family



Mass Readings Sunday, April 11

Acts 4:32-35

1 John 5:1-6

John 20:19-31

Divine Mercy Reflections from St. Faustina's Diary

Jesus said: **My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open.**

I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (Diary, 699)

I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it (Diary, 341).

Divine Mercy Novena began on Good Friday and continues this week.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Vivian Grady, Pat Powers,
 Peggy Franks, Christine Wagner,
 Tracy Beale, Sue McClanahan-Pepper,
 Clark Watson, Lynn Seward, Craig Harple, Kevin Kenily, Dakota Miller, Michelle Merry, Cheryl Trego, Don Nichols, Greg Steinmetz, Sue Lawler, Charles Jones, Jeff Hall, Ava Winner, Tom Clawson, Miriam Santacruz, Jenny Ripple Kimble, Jack Stokes, Lucas Totton, Debbie Brailer, Jim Cope, Della Jordan, Susie Hall Williams, Steve Beebe, John & Ron Shirer, Lucy Younkens, Charlotte Jenkins, Thomas & Laurie Thacker, Jim Walton, Judi Smith, Julie Keith, Konny Wiley

Refresh them Lord, with your healing grace.

Please submit names of those who need our prayers. As health improves, let us know to remove the name.



PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY

Let us pray for our brothers and sisters as they go forth with courage and determination to face the forces of violence, weapons of destruction and hearts filled with hate. We pray, Lord, that you preserve the members of our Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard and Air Force from all harm. *Amen.*

March Parish Mission:

* was viewed by 1,500 households each night!

* 50-60 people attended daily

A collection was taken for Father Hayes; it's not too late to donate. To do so, please put your check in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office with a note that it's for Father Hayes and write "mission" on the memo line.

Father Hayes' home parish is St. Patrick, www.stpatrickcolumbus.org.

Father Hayes is a Dominican priest. The Dominican Order is known for its commitment to holistic education and the pursuit of truth. They are preachers, meaning they spread the Gospel through words and actions.

Stewardship Report

Year July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021

March 20 and 21, 2021

TOTAL COLLECTION \$ 1,850.00

WEEKLY GOAL	\$ 2,400.00
ACTUAL COLLECTION	\$ 1,850.00
Variance	- \$ 550.00
Year to Date Goal	\$ 91,200.00
Actual Year to Date	\$ 101,717.06
Year to Date Variance	+ \$ 10,517.06

The Women of the Church Study Group

this Tuesday, April 6 at St. Mary we will meet outside weather permitting.

We would like to welcome all women to participate at any time.

during the year!

We will study Mary of Clopas who was present at the foot of the cross.

Easter Sprinkling of Holy Water

Water is the sign of new life. In Baptism we die to ourselves and rise to Jesus Christ. During the Easter Vigil the assembly is sprinkled with Holy Water to remind us of our Baptism and the renewal of our baptismal vows.

The sprinkling of the assembly also is done at all Masses on Easter Sunday.

Some families take holy water containers to Mass on Easter so they can take home some Easter water, which is blessed during the Easter Vigil, to bless their homes.

Promises of Jesus to those who say the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Jesus said, "Say unceasingly the Chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it, they will receive great mercy at the hour of death. Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy".

"At the hour of their death, I defend every soul that will say this Chaplet as I do my own glory. When this Chaplet is said by the bedside of a dying person, God's anger is placated and His unfathomable mercy envelopes the soul".



Why did Jesus fold the burial cloth after His resurrection?

The Gospel of John (20:7) tells us that the napkin, which was placed over the face of Jesus, was not just thrown aside like the grave clothes.

The Bible takes an entire verse to tell us that the napkin was neatly folded, and was placed at the head of that stony coffin.

Then Simon Peter arrived and went inside. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, while the cloth that had covered Jesus' head was folded up and lying to the side.

Was that important? Absolutely!

Is it really significant? Yes!



In order to understand the significance of the folded napkin, you have to understand a little bit about Hebrew tradition of that day.

The folded napkin had to do with the Master and Servant, and every Jewish boy knew this tradition.

When the servant set the dinner table for the master, he made sure that it was exactly the way the master wanted it.

The table was furnished perfectly, and then the servant would wait, just out of sight, until the master had finished eating. The servant would not dare touch the table until the master was finished.

Now if the master was done eating, he would rise from the table, wipe his fingers, mouth, beard and then wad up that napkin and toss it onto the table. The servant would then know to clear the table. For in those days, the wadded napkin meant, 'I'm done'.

But if the master got up from the table, folded his napkin, and laid it beside his plate, the servant would not dare touch the table, because.....

The folded napkin meant, 'I'm coming back!'

He is Coming Back!!

Easter Lilies

symbolize hope and new life, also purity, virtue and innocence — the spiritual essence of Easter.

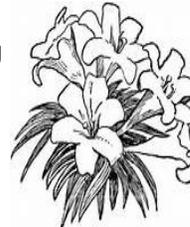
Many stories exist about the Easter lily, which is often called the "white-robed apostle of hope."

Legend says that lilies were found growing in the Garden of Gethsemane after Christ's agony.

Tradition also says that beautiful white lilies sprang up where drops of Christ's bloody sweat fell to the ground in his final hours of sorrow and deep distress.

Churches often continue this tradition at Easter by banking the altars and surrounding the crosses with

masses of Easter lilies, commemorating the resurrection of Jesus Christ and symbolizing our hope of life everlasting.



NEXT SUNDAY IS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Devotions are at 3 pm at St Mary

In 1931 Jesus appeared to

St. Faustina and asked that the Sunday after Easter become the "Feast of Mercy".

Jesus promised that anyone who honors him as the King of Mercy and prays

The Chaplet Of Divine Mercy, the prayer He gave to St. Faustina, will receive special graces and mercy.



Women's Club News

Thank you to all who helped make and package the Easter candy. Thank you also to folks who purchased the candy. We hope you thought it was d-lish!

Our April Charity — Transitions

Each month we're going to choose a charity and make a donation. If anyone from the parish wants to contribute please put your donation in an envelope and place it in the collection basket. They are in need of hygiene items for women and children, soaps and lotions. If you'd like to donate items, please put them in the back of the churches.

Easter Sunday Prayer

God our Father, by raising Christ your Son you conquered the power of death and opened for us the way to eternal life. Let our celebration today raise us up and renew our lives by the Spirit that is within us.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Weekday Mass schedule:

**Tuesdays — 8 am at St. Ann
Thursdays — 6 pm at St. Mary**