



## Saint Mary Parish

Wednesday of Holy Week



### *Keeping Us Connected Newsletter*

April 8, Issue X

Msgr. Royal's Video Reflection from April  
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Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. - Philippians 4:6-7 (CEV)

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Dear St. Mary's Friends,

Let's begin with a few reminders, corrections and changes:

- Remember that **Adoration today** is from Noon to 6:00 P.M.
- **Monday's video reflection** was left out of the newsletter. It's in today's.

Because of that, some day and time references are incorrect.

- Our Parish **Holy Week Retreat Videos** will be sent Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 3:00 PM; these days are better suited to the topics to be presented.
- **Confessions** on Good Friday and Holy Saturday are both at 12:30 PM.
- There will be no newsletter on Good Friday.

A favorite saint of mine (as many of you know) is Saint Louis de Montfort. In one of his versions of praying the rosary, he introduces the 9<sup>th</sup> Sorrowful Mystery, Jesus Carries his Cross, in this way:

***“We offer thee, O Lord Jesus, this 9<sup>th</sup> decade in honor of thy carrying of the cross, and we ask of thee through this mystery and through the intercession of thy most holy mother, patience in bearing our crosses.”***

It needs very little comment, so I offer this for your prayer and reflection in these days.

Midway through Holy Week, we begin our three-day retreat. The DAY I video will be sent later today at 3:00 P.M. It will also be available on our website. Have your Bible ready and opened to Luke 22, 23. You can also access the readings for each day with the following links:

[Readings - Wednesday - Day I](#)

[Readings - Thursday, Day II](#)

[Readings - Friday, Day III](#)

**One more Reminder:**

**Special Request to Nurses, Doctors, First Responders, Pharmacists. and all Health Care Workers.** You are under great duress these days. I invite you to submit your names to us for strengthening prayer, and I invite those in healthcare who would like to talk things out and pray together, to feel free to contact me via the Parish office, 203-438-6538 or email, [jbrown@smcr.org](mailto:jbrown@smcr.org) or [kmacko@smcr.org](mailto:kmacko@smcr.org).

Peace and Health,  
***Monsignor Kevin Royal***

***Praised be Jesus Christ!  
Now and Forever. Amen.***

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## Also in today's Newsletter:

- Written reflections by Fr. Damian and Deacon Rick Lawlor

Fr. Damian's  
Reflection

Deacon Rick's  
Reflection

- Our regular Faith & Family Section
- Listen live to [Veritas Catholic Radio](#)
- [Prayer Intercession Form](#) to submit names of the sick and deceased

Please lift up our sick and suffering, and all who have requested our prayer via our online prayer request page, especially **Christopher Enright, Mary Jane Garavel, and Anthony Masone**. We also pray for those who have recently died in Christ.

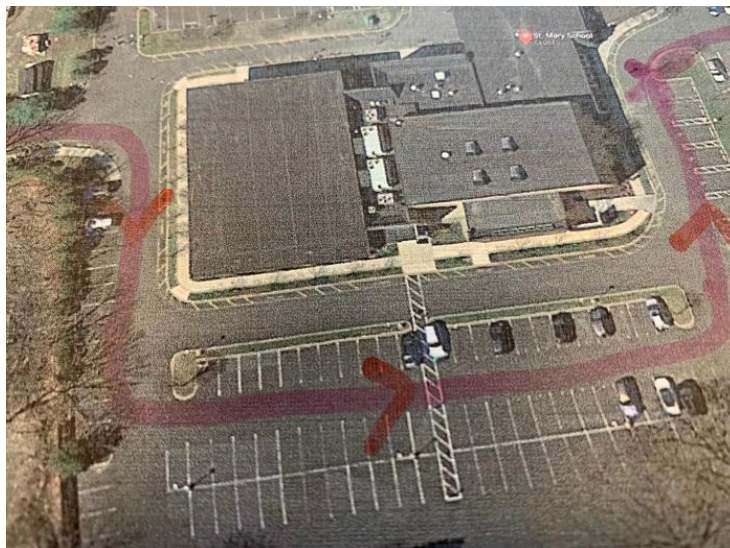
## PRAYER AND SACRAMENTS

### Sacrament of Confession

**Good Friday - 12:30 to 1:30 PM**

**Holy Saturday - 12:30 to 1:30 PM**

Confession will be available in a way that abides by the directives of the Bishop and civil authorities. Those wanting to confess should **drive in the Greenfield Avenue entrance by the Bossidy Recreation Center**, drive to the right (keeping the building on your left), then pull up in front of the school entrance and park your car there. Walk into the school entrance to make your confession and then return to your car, driving out using the High Ridge Avenue exit.



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## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



**Wednesday, April 8 - 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Church**

**Easter Sunday, April 12 - 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Church**

As always while praying in the Church, please observe social distancing directives. Please note, if all hours are not covered, we will have to stop Adoration, but the church will still be opened for prayer before the Lord in the Tabernacle.

Sign Up - April  
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Sign Up -  
Easter



**April 9 - Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 PM**

**April 10 - Good Friday Service of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 PM**

**April 11 - Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00 PM**

**April 12 - Easter Sunday Mass at 10:00 AM**

These Liturgies will be available to watch LIVE and afterwards (anytime) on our [Facebook page](#) and [website](#)

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**Church Bells Ring Noon Each Day for the Angelus.**

Whether you can hear them or not, let's try as one community in the Lord to pray the Angelus together at that time, wherever we are. If you don't know the Angelus, you can pray 3 Hail Mary's (or take this opportunity to learn it [here](#)).

**Our Church is open Monday - Saturday, 8 AM - 6 PM  
Sunday - 11 AM - 6 PM**

The Church is sanitized daily at 7 AM

## FAITH & FAMILY

Go to [our Faith & Family page](#) for our latest blog entry.

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Please pray for our Nurses, Doctors, First Responders, Pharmacists, and all other Health Care Workers. May God protect them, guide them and bless them for their heroic and caring service to our community.

[Request Prayer Here](#)

Lynne Savino  
Bob Savino  
Aaron Tappan  
Kevin Fitzmartin  
Marisa Lobelson  
Melissa Bay  
Wendy Apinis  
Wendy Keegan Whelan  
Dr. William Flynn  
Nishan Rajaratnam  
Linda Domingo, Jillian Roman,  
Scott & staff, Dr. N. Linn  
Ellen Miller  
Maryann Hnath R.N.  
Elena Dapkus  
Brooke Antonitis  
Meghan Newman, RN, APN  
Kerry O'Rourke, RN  
Susanne McCuen  
Arthur D'Souza and Rita

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## LINKS

[Prayer Requests](#)

[Bishop: No public Liturgical Celebrations during Holy Week](#)

[VERITAS Catholic Radio Network](#)

[Making a Spiritual Communion](#)

[Word on Fire Daily Mass - 8:15 AM](#)

[Youth Ministry](#)

[Coronavirus Resources & Information](#)

[Online Daily Mass](#)

[TV Mass Schedule](#)

[Online Sunday Mass with Bishop Caggianno and Msgr. Powers](#)

[CDC Website](#)

[How to say the Rosary](#)

[How to recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy](#)

Many thanks for your continued support of our Parish!

### **WAYS TO CONTINUE YOUR WEEKLY OFFERTORY**

Your support helps maintain our Parish facilities and bring the Eucharist and God's Word to our community - plus it helps those in need through our many ministries.

*Online Giving* is an easy way to give with a click of a button.

[Online Giving](#)

You may mail your offertory to the Parish office as well; mail is picked up every day.