

*St. Francis de Sales
Catholic Community*

I am the RESURRECTION
and the life, whoever believes
in me, even if he dies, will live.

John 11:25

MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 10:30 am

Daily: 8:00 am (Monday – Thursday)

Holy Day of Obligation: Eve: 5:00 pm

Holy Day: 9:00 am and 7:00 pm

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April 21, 2019

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the lord

“Christ our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord.” John 20:1-9

Mass Intentions

Week of April 20th – April 25th

Sat	4/20	7:00p	[Easter Vigil]
Sun	4/21	9:00a	†Cecilia Druffner req. by Suzanne Druffner
Sun	4/21	10:30a	
Mon	4/22	8:00a	
Tues	4/23	8:00a	
Wed	4/24	8:00a	
Thur	4/25	8:00a	

Second Collection today: Utility/Fuel Fund

Weekend of May 4th – May 5th

Sat	5/04	5:00p	Mass of Thanksgiving for Frank & Diane Morelli (Wedding Anniversary) req. by Helen Morelli
Sun	5/05	9:00a	
Sun	5/05	10:30a	

Weekend Lectors

Sat	4/20	7:00p	McWhinnie, Laub, Brown, Ruane
Sun	4/21	9:00a	Hammond, Wolfrom
Sun	4/21	10:30a	Rowe, Quinn



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	4/20	7:00p	Colagrande, Zorn, Paultre, Fiore
Sun	4/21	9:00a	Nilsen, Ryan,
Sun	4/21	10:30a	Bloodgood, Ullman, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

Jerry Baltz Bill Caton Frank Rauchut
John Sansone Rick Nace Andy Napi Ed Zorn

Readings for the Week of April 21 (Year C)

- Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48
- Friday:** Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15
- Sunday:** Acts 5:12-16; Jn 20:19-31

April 14: Weekend Collection Amounts will be announced in next week's bulletin.

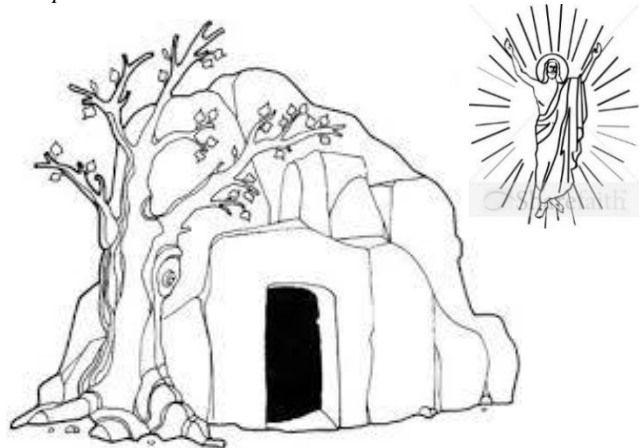
Scripture Reflection

"John saw the empty tomb and believed"

What was it like for the disciple who had stood at the cross of Jesus and then laid him in a tomb on Good Friday, to come back three days later and discover that the sealed tomb was now empty? Like Mary Magdalene and the other disciples, John was not ready to see an empty tomb and to hear the angel's message, "Why do you seek the living among the dead?" What did John see in the tomb that led him to believe in the resurrection of Jesus? It was certainly not a dead body. The dead body of Jesus would have disproven the resurrection and made his death a tragic conclusion to a glorious career as a great teacher and miracle worker. When John saw the empty tomb he must have recalled Jesus' prophecy that he would rise again after three days. Through the gift of faith John realized that no tomb on earth could contain the Lord and giver of life. John saw and believed.

The reality of the resurrection is the central fact of the Christian faith. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Lord gives us "eyes of faith" to know him and the power of his resurrection. The greatest joy we can have is to encounter the living Christ and to know him personally as our Lord and Savior. Do you accept the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection with skeptical doubt and disbelief or with trusting faith and joyful wonderment?

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“This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad.” – Psalm 118:24

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, April 22 after the 8:00 am Mass, we pray the 8th day of the Novena. "Our Lady of La Salette, Reconciler of Sinners, pray without ceasing for us, who have recourse to you."

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

There are no classes today, Easter Sunday. Next classes: April 28th after 10 AM Mass and May 5th & 19th after 9 AM Mass For information or to register a child, call Religious Education Coordinator, Gerry Nilsen, 687-9769.



CHANGES IN SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR APRIL AND MAY

Here are our **Sunday Mass schedules** moving forward, as we shift back to our typical schedule:

Easter Sunday 9:00 and 10:30 am
Sunday, April 28: 10:00 am ONLY
May 5 and beyond: 9:00 and 10:30 am

WIN A FLOWERING CRAB APPLE TREE!



Shawn Lahey has offered us another beautiful tree from his nursery stock at Migliorelli Farms in Mt. Tremper. Raffle tickets are \$5, and the drawing will take place in the afternoon of MOTHER'S DAY! Raffle chances will be available from Palm Sunday through Mother's Day. See Pat Ruane, for your ticket, or leave contact info with Fr. Raphael, and Pat will follow up. Good luck!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: APRIL 28 Paul's letter to the Philippians...NEXT WEEK!

This letter to the Philippians is one of the loveliest letters that Paul wrote. The community at Philippi seems to be a favorite one and Paul writes to them with great joy and longing to be with them. This letter is a very intimately personal one, filled with affection and happiness. Here Paul is not responding to questions sent to him from the Philippians but is writing to express his gratitude and joy. Also contained in this letter is the famous Christological hymn where Paul describes Christ as emptying himself to be one with us, a high point in his theology. "Rejoice" is repeated over and over. Come and join us for a lively discussion of this letter! After the 10:00 am Mass in the Rectory.

EASTER CABLE TV PROGRAMMING

EWTN Catholic Cable Network airs live coverage of Pope Francis celebrating the **Solemn Mass of Easter** from St. Peter's Basilica. **Sunday April 21:** 4:00 am & 7:00 pm. (2 hrs). [Check your channel listings]

Urbi Et Orbi: Message and Blessing of Easter

Pope Francis delivers his Easter blessing to the city of Rome and the world. Sunday April 21: 6:00 am and 6:00 pm (30 mins)

EWTN presents **Easter Sunday Mass** from Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. **Sunday April 21** at 12:00 pm.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: SUNDAY, APRIL 28

Jesus chose a humble Polish nun, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, to receive private revelations concerning Divine Mercy that were recorded in her Diary. St. Faustina's Diary records 14 occasions when Jesus requested that a Feast of Mercy (Divine Mercy Sunday) be observed. On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday. Source: www.usccb.org. For a treasure-trove of information about Divine Mercy, visit the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of B.V.M. www.thedivinemercy.org.

THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: You are invited to recite the **Divine Mercy Chaplet** with Our Lady of La Salette Sodality immediately after the **10:00 am Mass on Sunday, April 28.**



FATHER RAPHAEL ON VACATION

Fr. Raphael will be taking a much needed break, effective Easter Monday (April 22) through May 3. We will have Fr. John Kearney hearing Confessions and offering the Saturday 5 pm Mass on April 27, and Fr. Sal Cordero offering the 10 am Mass on April 28 (**ONLY ONE SUNDAY MASS ON THIS DAY**). Fr. Raphael will be back for the Saturday, May 4th liturgy and TWO Masses on Sunday, May 5. During this time, there will be morning Communion services in the rectory at 8 am Monday through Thursday. We wish Fr. Raphael a restful vacation!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2019: Offer a daily or weekend Mass for a living or deceased loved one by calling the Rectory at 688-5617. An "Intention Book" for your personal prayer requests is located on the podium in the back of the church (near the Tree of Life). All prayer requests including our Spiritual Bouquets are remembered at Masses. Thank you.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS & CELEBRATIONS

April Celebrations: May God bless all our parishioners who have special birthdays, anniversaries and celebrations this month!



“Happy Birthday!”

Marge Tiso (4/2); Scarlet (4/6); Elena McWhinnie (4/14); Jim Collins (4/15); Stella (4/19); Josie (4/23); Jean Druffner (4/27). *May God continue to pour his love and warmth on you wherever you go and in all walks of life. Happy Birthday!*

Happy Anniversary: Gerry & John Nielsen (4/6); Chris & Jerry Baltz (4/11); Kathy & Bill Tretter (4/23); Maureen & Gene Gormley (4/25).

Share your good news with the parish; drop info in the collection basket, email or contact Judy at 688-9912, jap120@hvc.rr.com.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO HOST A

FEMALE CYCLIST: Last weekend’s bulletin contained information about the “3 Days of Ulster Cycling 2019” event that takes place the **May 3-5 weekend**.



In addition to enjoying the event as cyclists pass through Phoenicia and cheering the competitors, we invite you to consider hosting one (or more) of the athletes. All you need to provide is a bed for Friday and Saturday nights, a little space in your fridge, and some warm Catskills hospitality. The Race Committee handles all meals. Interested? Contact Pat Ruane (688-5357 or pr.meta4@gmail.com).

PHOENICIA ROTARY

Phoenicia Rotary will sponsor a penny social on **Saturday April 27th** at the Parish Hall. Doors open at 5:30 pm with drawings beginning at 7:00 pm. Join the fun and support the Phoenicia Rotary.



CLEAN-UP & REPAIR WEEKEND - MAY 4 & 5:

Mark your calendars for this weekend!

From noon to 5 pm on Saturday, May 4, we will gather to clean up the gardens, and prepare and beautify church grounds for the Crowning of the Blessed Mother on May 5. Bring tools and gloves!

A number of small repair and painting jobs are needed for the buildings, so we are also looking for volunteers on **BOTH** days. **The time is noon – 5:00 pm**. On Sunday, we'll begin after the May crowning and refreshments. In the next few weeks, we'll list the

projects, so please check out the weekly bulletin and sign up on the sheet at the back of the church.

May Crowning Sunday, May 5th: May is the traditional month of Mary... a long-standing tradition in the Church to honor the Mother of our Lord. This year’s Crowning of Our Lady of La Salette statue will be held



in the Grotto following our procession from the church after 10:30 am Mass. The La Salette Sodality and children of Religious Education invite you and your families to be part of this short program honoring our Blessed Mother. **Join us in the parish hall afterwards for fellowship and a light breakfast. All are welcome!**

TAI CHI CLASS: The session with Instructor, Celeste, will be held **Tuesday April 23 at 3:00 pm** in the Parish Hall.



Thank you for your heartfelt prayers for healing. Please contact the rectory if you have someone to add or a name that can be removed. Thank you for your courtesy.

Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Lauren Aversa, Jerry Baltz, Cheryl Bender, Rick Bicanovsky, Sheila Madera-Brown, Ellen Burmeister, Ryan Callahan, Liam Casey, Ben Cole, Ed Dannen, Lillian DiPasqua, Betty Djerf, Iris D’Agostino, Honey Fecci, Ernest Fudge, Sr., Lois Giambrone, Dorothy Gorman, Chris Hall, Victoria Hall, Catherine Hand, Etta Hanigan, Dolores Harvey, Rosemarie and Erwin Hildenhagen, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Justin Kolb, Josephine Kloufas, Kathy Kretschmer, Amada Lumbaca, Zee Marek, Helen Morelli, Doris Murphy, Gerry Nilsen, Janet Oakes, Florence Palmer, Claire Paultre, Judy Pavone, Nicholas Percoco, Sylvia Persons, Franca Ravetier, Joel Rivera, John Rossett, Mary Ellen Rury, Jon Rowe, Catherine Ryan, Michael Ryder, Zoila Santa, Martha Santicola, Anne Shea, Bert Shafer, Gladys Gilbert Spiegler, Marie Stutman, Dorothy and John Sylak, Fr. Phil Tran, Sonja Turner, Sharon Umhey, Angie Valentino, Stephanie Vesely, Bob Walsh, Ellen Watson, Catherine Whitelaw, Greg Zaff. *Please also pray for our men and women in military service.*

PARISH CALENDAR


















April 21	Sun	Easter Sunday Celebration...Halleluiah, Halleluiah!
April 28	Sun	Children's Religious Education Program after 10:00 am Mass in Parish Hall
April 28	Sun	Divine Mercy Chaplet immediately following 10:00 am Mass
April 28	Sun	Adult Faith Program after 10:00 am Mass in Rectory Dining Room
May 4-5	Sat	Gardeners clean Grotto area & church grounds both days (12 noon – 5 pm)
May 05	Sun	May Crowning in the Grotto after 10:30 Mass; Refreshments in Parish Hall

HE HAS RISEN... ALLELUIA!

The Saint Francis de Sales Parish joyously celebrates the resurrection of Our Lord, and we hope this Easter Season marks a renewal of faith within all of us. Through the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have been redeemed in the eyes of God. Christ becomes the “one mediator between God and men” (1 Tim 2:5), and He invites us to follow Him and transform our lives by joining our own personal sufferings with His sacrifice on the cross. Through such a response, we share in the triumph of His resurrection, the source of our joy and “the foundation and kernel of the whole liturgical year” (CCC 1193). Christ says: “Behold I make all things new” (Rev. 21:5). Let us always strive to see the glory that awaits us throughout the struggles of life, so that we can remain an Easter people.- *Fr. Raphael*

**WISHING YOU A VERY HAPPY EASTER AND THE BLESSINGS OF
THE RISEN LORD ALWAYS IN YOUR LIFE!**

SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS

<p>In Memory of Jerry Bender by his Loving Daughters</p> 	<p>Thank God for the blessings He has bestowed on our parish and may we continue to grow in faith and love. – The Gormley Family</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of Barbara Caton. By son, William</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of my dear husband, Tony, and beloved son, Anthony. – Angie Valentino & Family</p> 
 <p>Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with us. The Morelli Family</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Jack and Virginia Fleming and John Fleming, Jr. by Veronica & Jon Rowe</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of my beloved wife, Harriet, our mom & brother Frank, by Frank Rauchut, John, Veronica & Joseph</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of my dear husband Romeo and my beloved son, Joseph by Saveria “Honey” Fecci</p> 
 <p>In Loving Memory... James P. Hefferan and daughter Maureen Hefferan Swezey, by Iris D’Agostino and Family.</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Lawrence Monachelli and Eleanor Monachelli. – Mike & Eileen O’Connor</p> 	<p>In Honor of my family and friends living & deceased. May God bless us all and grant us world peace. – Lois Giambrone</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Vic Cammardella by Helen & Family “The measure of love is to love without measure.” – St. Francis de Sales</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of our Parents, Marian & Howard and Grandparents, Callaghan and Umhey, and all our Loved Ones. -The Howard Umhey Family</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of my beloved wife, Josie, our parents, and our siblings. – Dick Morra</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of our beloved parents, John & Frances Rauchut, Alfred & Veronica Grace and our deceased brothers and sisters.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Carmelo & Barbara Two Together Forever</i></p> 
<p>In Loving Memory of Patricia and Terry Buchanan by the Wolfrom Family</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of our beloved parents, Lillian and Henry Miller and Mildred and William DiPasqua, and our deceased brothers.</p> 	<p>Pray to the Infant Jesus of Prague. In Memory of George and Mary Wallace, George L. & William T. Wallace & Eric Kohlroser. – The Wallace Family</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of our parents, Jack & Sue Tiso and Anthony & Florence Persichilli by Charles, Joe, Margie, Pam & Susan</p> 