



Mass Intentions for the Week

- 4-1 Mon 9:00 AM Richard Ciborowski
By Paula Ciborowski
- 4-2 Tues 9:00 AM Emanuel "Zeke" Zieno
By Thomas Zieno & Maria Aebi
- 4-3 Wed 9:00 AM Mary Alice Bagley
By the Knapp family
- 4-4 Thurs 9:00 AM All deceased parishioners
- 4-5 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
- 4-6 Sat 4:00 PM Isaac Nieves on the 20th
anniversary of his death
- 4-7 Sun 10:30 AM Gabriel & Hilda Rivera
By the family

Rice Bowls are located on the table in the vestibule. Please consider making a donation to this program even though we did not have the supplies during Lent. You can put your donation in the collection in an envelope with "Rice Bowl" written on the envelope. Thank you!



2024 Women's Retreat

This year's retreat will be held on April 19th -21st at the Dominican Retreat House in Niskayuna. See Paula Ciborowski or Ellen Reuter for information on how to register.



9Month Novena

Join Catholics around the world to pray a 9Month Novena for the protection and love of our Lady of Guadalupe over the next nine months. The novena will culminate in a consecration on her feast day on December. To learn more about the 9Month Novena search novena.cardinalburke.com on your computer.

Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord

Christ is risen and it is "alleluia, alleluia" all the way. Filled with Easter joy, we come together to celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death. We sing glory to his name for breaking the chains of death and opening the way of salvation and eternal life to us.

Easter comes to remind all of us of the unbreakable bond of love that exists between us and our departed loved ones. Many of us live out this beautiful reality in various ways such as paying periodic visits to the grave sites of our beloved dead. We visit their gravesites to say prayers, to place flowers, check on the condition of the headstones or pull weeds. Mary Magdalene is a model for us in this beautiful manner.

In the gospel from John, we learn that Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early in the morning of the first Easter Sunday while it was still dark. She came there to anoint Jesus' body with spices. Imagine her emotions as she walked quietly to the burial place of her best friend Jesus. She was filled with pain, grief, disillusionment, and despair. Mary Magdalene never hoped to see Jesus again. Surprisingly, she found an empty tomb with only the burial wrappings; the shroud and the strips of linens that covered Jesus' body. She ran back home to announce the shocking news to Peter and the other disciple whom Jesus loved. Scripture scholars identify this unnamed disciple as John. Mary Magdalene broke the news to the two disciples. She told them what made perfect sense, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb and we do not know where they have laid him" (John 20:2). The word "they" here refers to the soldiers whom Pilate put in charge of the tomb of Jesus.

Peter and the beloved disciple ran to the tomb and they saw everything just as it has been reported to them. This was the beginning of their Easter journey. They did not yet understand the scripture passage that Christ had to rise from the dead.

The resurrection power moved the disciples into action. As recounted in the first reading, Peter bore witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus and its meaning for the world. Many people embraced Peter's testimony and they repented and asked for the forgiveness of their sins.

In the second reading, Saint Paul tells us that since we have been raised with Christ we should seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Saint Paul exhorts us to set our hearts and minds on what is of lasting value, not of fleeting or temporal value.

There is a great privilege that we all share in Christ Jesus. Our life is hidden with him in God. In the waters of baptism, we die to sin and rise to new life in Christ. As once again, we renew our baptismal promises at Easter, let us do so with eager faith and strong commitment to walk in the light of the Risen Christ. Let us allow the resurrection to make a difference in our lives, to move us from the slavery of sin to newness of life, to freedom and peace. And may the empty tomb continue to strengthen our hope in God's promise of everlasting life in heaven.

I wish you, your families, and all loved ones a happy Easter!

God bless

Rev. Dr. Ben

Weekend of April 6th & 7th, 2024

First Reading- Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35

Second Reading- 1 John 5:1-6

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:

Fr. Ben

Lector:

Pat Elbrecht

Eucharistic Ministers:

Nancy Kahane

Altar Servers

Anderson & Garret Callender

Second Sunday of Easter

Gospel- John 20:19-31

Sunday 10:30AM

Fr. Ben

Bill Babbage

Kathy Saludo

Brock & Easton Porter

Offerings on March 23rd & 24th 2024 Regular, \$2,379.00; Fuel, \$20.00; Repairs, \$35.00; Religious Education, \$15.00; Easter, \$20.00; Catholic Relief Services, \$20.00; Easter Flowers, \$277.00



FAITH FORMATION A JOURNEY FOR LIFE

March 31st - No Classes
April 7th - 9:00-10:15 AM Pre-K-10th grade classes



Flowers were donated in remembrance and love of the following persons. Please accept our apologies in advance if a name is spelled incorrectly. Madeline D. Franzo, Anne & Bud Walsh, Angie & Antonio Bartiromo, Tony Bartiromo, Sr., Bartolo & Nancy

Liberatore, Sherosick, Sterchak, Laurich & Loush families, Teresa Crane, Eugene E. Crane, Nellie Gilmartin Holmes, Robert Holmes Jr., Hilda & Gabriel Rivera, Butch Artis, William & Jane Pahl, Clifford & Ethel Artis, William Yaiser, Antonia & Harold Cooper, Saludo & Gormley families, Emily March, Brown & Maruszewski families, James Householder, Bettye Laird, Eleanor & Frank Gilbride, Jim & Marie Miller, Nancy & Joe Voesack, Jack & Susan Miller, Jim Ives, Doris Dean, Bettye Laird, Munetz families, Helfrich families, Laurel Alksnis, Frances Gregory, Michael Gregory, Jr., Fred & Anna Schuck, Joseph Schuck, Judy Cardoni, Martha Smith, Deceased members of the Smith, Barry, & Dwyer families, Deceased members of the Knapp family, Deceased members of the Robinson family, Hillman, Zaczek, and Muller families, Helena Dirig, Rich Iruicino, Larry DeBinski, Janina & John Kruszka, Mary McKinley, Soddy & Carmie Mirabito, Veronica Shupperd, Charles Shupperd, Theresa Horton, Shupperd family, Patricia Martinson, Emily Franco, Scott Franco, Marion Zanazzi, Gladys Gronwall, Pat Materazzo, Caterina Coluni, Angelina Pacifico, Congetta Materazzo, John Smith, David Parsons Sr., Ciborowski & Komornik families,

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who helped to make last weekend's parish breakfast a success. Whether you helped provide the food, cooked the food were involved in the set up or clean up your work is greatly appreciated. We are especially thankful for everyone who took the time to join us after Mass for a meal and fellowship.

March Bulletin Quotes

"With great openness and courage, we need to question how widespread is the culture of life today among individual Christians, families, groups and communities in our Dioceses. With equal clarity and determination we must identify the steps we are called to take in order to serve life in all its truth" (*The Gospel of Life 95*).

Celebrate Easter's 50 days

Easter is the most important feast of the Christian year—so important that the Church sets aside a seven-week season to rejoice in Christ's victory over sin and death. Each week of the Easter season we will provide a few ideas to help celebrate the fifty days.

1-Use a special candle at family meals to recall the light of Christ

2-plan a family activity for each week of Easter.

3-add an "alleluia" song to your grace before meals

4-read an Easter story: Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, John 20-21.

Easter Mystagogy Series

The National Eucharistic Congress is offering a YouTube presentation during the seven weeks of Easter on Thursday nights at 8:00 PM from April 4-May 16. Many topics will be discussed that will help us go deeper into the mysteries of our salvation. If you do not have YouTube available at your home please see Paula Ciborowski to make alternate viewing arrangements.



Thank you to the Confirmation class for preparing the eggs for the Egg Hunt! There were many beaming smiles on the faces of the children who participated.

National Child Abuse Prevention Month

National Child Abuse Prevention Month, also known as Child Abuse Prevention Month in America, is an annual observance in the United States. The first National Child Abuse Awareness Month was declared by President Jimmy Carter in 1979. Next week the Faith Formation program will be placing blue pinwheels near the Blessed Mother statue and in front of the church to help raise awareness for the prevention of child abuse.



Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Steve Pickwick, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Bettye Pete, George Mertz, Kimberlee Roe,

Grady Charles Weigand, Kevin, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, [Paul J. Hamilton, Sr.](#), Ray & Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, [Matthew Baxter](#), Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, [George Walters](#), Lorraine Keckesen, Maria LaBar, Kathryn Wickham, [Patrick](#), John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Clare Sterchak, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Moratwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, [Rev. Steve Deckard](#), Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Susan Chidester, Ines Warlock, Alyce Hopkins, [Bob Oliver](#), Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Barb Doyle, Tom DeMulder, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Tony & Lila Donnolo, Stefanie Smith, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, Alicen Knapp Feroletto, Assunta Siniscalchi, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlana Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Pat Hamilton, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Joe Maggio, Olivia Ross & family, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Jess Johansen, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselica, a dear friend, Father Peter, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Marlana, Pat Elbrecht, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, James Rattrie, Danielle Guglielmo, Ellen Reuter, Francis & Alfredine Duguay, Jaxson Beadle, Joan Rice, Joan Barber, Stephanie Soldingier, Rowan DeCocker, Bonnie Tabone, Austin Kilmer, Nancy Herron, Mike Wombacker, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan

Please Note: All names will remain on our list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual.

