

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

4-24	Mon	9:00 AM	Communion Service
4-25	Tues	9:00 AM	All Deceased Parishioners
4-26	Wed	9:00 AM	All Deceased Parishioners
4-27	Thurs	5:30 PM	All Deceased Parishioners
4-28	Fri	9:00 AM	Communion Service
4-29	Sat	5: PM	Laurel Alksnis By John
4-30	Sun	8:30 AM	Joseph Schuck By the family
	Sun	10:30 AM	Caroline "Dolly" DiNoto By Ray & Lorraine Keckeisen

Grief Share

We are pleased to announce the start of a grief support group. Jim Leonard and Sarah Pressler will be leading this group using the program Grief Share at the Methodist Church. This 13 week program is nondenominational and features biblical concepts for healing from your grief. There is a \$20.00 fee for materials. Interested participants should contact Jim Leonard at 607-267-9206 or Sarah Pressler at 607-563-1921. The program begins on Tuesday, May 2nd at the Methodist Church and runs for 13 weeks. There are brochures in the vestibule with more information about this program.



Censer Gift

The gift of the new censer was given in memory of Edward Abbot, Jr. by Robert & Marilyn Wolter and the Abbot family. An acknowledgement of their gift has been sent with our deepest appreciation.



3rd Sunday of Easter

How often do you and I recognize Jesus' presence in our midst? Do we encounter Jesus in everyday life events? Do we see him in our neighbor or the stranger in the street? What is it that prevents our eyes from seeing him as he walks with us on the road of life? You and I need Jesus to break into our blindness so we can recognize him.

This Sunday's gospel recounts the story of the two disciples of Jesus who were on their way to a village called Emmaus which was about seven miles from Jerusalem. The two disciples looked sad and gloomy as they walked and talked about the events surrounding the death of Jesus Christ. They were dejected and disillusioned by the loss of their loved one, someone they trusted as their messiah.

Suddenly, the Risen Lord drew near and walked with them but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He joined in their conversation by asking them what sort of things they were **discussing as** they walked along. Here, the Risen Lord pretended to be completely cut off from the events in his local community. One of them called Cleopas said to him "Are you the only in Jerusalem who does not know what has happened there these past days?" Cleopas sounded somehow sarcastic. **Doesn't he?** He was caught up by his human inclinations. He was dumbfounded that the stranger was totally unaware of the horrific events that took place in Jerusalem.

At this point, Jesus explained to the two disciples that it was necessary that the messiah should suffer death on the cross in order to enter into his glory. He interpreted to them everything written about him in the scriptures.

But they still could not recognize him until the breaking of the bread.

When they reached Emmaus, the two disciples invited their stranger to stay with them and rest overnight. And while at table, the stranger took bread, he gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them. Then the eyes of the two disciples were opened. They recognized Jesus but he vanished from their sight.

The two disciples were shocked. They said to one another: "Did not our hearts burn within us as he spoke to us on the way?" Astonished and overjoyed, they returned to Jerusalem to share their experiences with the other disciples. They explained how they encountered Jesus on the road, in the word and at the breaking of the bread.

The experiences of the two disciples **should** resonate with us. Their road to Emmaus is the one we walk on every day. It is our life journey which is often times filled with confusion, disappointments, doubts, sadness, and disillusionment.

We too travel as companions in this journey of faith sharing in each other's strengths and weaknesses, fears and joys. We find support in the people around us and share in their feelings and emotions.

Like the two disciples, the Risen Lord draws near to us and walks with us on the road to Emmaus. At Mass, the Lord breaks open the scriptures and the bread of life with us. He opens our eyes to his presence and turns our hearts around.

From this encounter, we are transformed and sent forth to share the good news with others.

We return to our homes to serve the Lord in those around us including the stranger, the poor, the suffering and the lonely. This week, let us do our best to open our eyes to those who need us to accompany them on their road of life with our love and support and so bring them to see the signs of God's presence around them.

God bless

Fr. Ben

Weekend of April 29th & 30th, 2023

First Reading- Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 36-41

Saturday 5:30 PM

Celebrant: Fr. Ben

Lector: Nancy Kahane

Eucharistic Ministers: Jane Artis

Altar Servers: Ayla, Quinn & Liam Gronwall

Second Reading- 1 Peter 2:20-25

Sunday 8:30 AM

Fr. Ben

Bill Babbage

Ginni Brandt

Brock & Easton Porter

4th Sunday of Easter

Gospel- John 10:1-10

Sunday 10:30AM

Fr. Ben

Marianne Johansen

Lorraine Keckeisen

Jack, Henry & Ella Grigoli

Offerings of April 15th & 16th 2023 Regular, \$2,053.00; Fuel, \$55.00; Repairs, \$ 30.00; Easter Flowers, \$2.00; Easter, \$ 20.00; Catholic Relief Services, \$25.00



April 23rd- No Classes
 April 30th- 9:20-10:20 AM PreK-10th grade classes
 Parent Meeting for First Communion class



Never Alone-He is always present

The Eucharistic Celebration for ages 13+ is being held Saturday, April 29th at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine. Please register with Paula Ciborowski before Tuesday, April 25th if you plan to attend. This event is free of charge and the program is funded by the Diocesan Appeal through the Youth and Young Adult Ministry of the Diocese of Albany

The weekend of April 15th & 16th, 2023 the regular and Easter collection was \$2,073.00. The budget for the regular collection is \$2,736.00. Last weekend, the regular collection was \$663.00 below budget. Since July 1, 2022, we have collected \$107,244.00, which is \$4,932.00 below budget.

Upcoming April Meetings and Events

All meetings are held in the Parish Center unless otherwise noted

April 27th- Share the Bounty 4:30-6:30 PM

Artificial Lilies

There are surplus artificial lilies available in the Parish Center. Please feel free to take one for your personal use. A free will donation would be appreciated and can be placed in the weekly collection in an envelope marked flowers.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship



The Knights of Columbus Council 4937 is once again offering a scholarship to a graduating high school senior. Applications are available in the vestibule and can be submitted to Chuck Collier at chcollier@yahoo.com.

The Parish Center will be closed on Friday, April 28th for carpet cleaning. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation while this needed maintenance is completed. A special thank you to George Innes and his crew for volunteering their time and talents.

April Bulletin Quotes

“Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. ... Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.”
 USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,
 “A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe”

Today, we are joining parishes throughout the Diocese to support the work of Catholic Charities. With your help we can feed families in need, prevent eviction, support homebound seniors, counsel those in crisis, aid people with disabilities and provide safety to abuse survivors. All donations stay within the Diocese to help neighbors close to home. For more information, or to make an online donation, visit www.ccrda.org or text CCSUPPORT to 41444

Alice Holzel Scholarship

Alice Holzel, a parishioner of Sacred Heart who passed away in 2021, bequeathed money to establish a scholarship for graduating seniors who are registered parishioners of Sacred Heart. Applications for this scholarship are available in the blue folder on the vestibule bulletin board. Applications must be returned by May 14th to the Faith Formation Office or to Paula Ciborowski.

Attention Single Women: Could God be calling you?

Do you think God may be calling you to the religious life—a life of love and service through the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience? Would you like to learn more about such a life? If you would like to learn more about the religious life, please contact Sister Laurie-Marie, C.R. at lauriemarie.parisi@rcda.org or call 518-453-6690 for more information.

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, Andre' Lundstrom, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Jake Delay, 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, Daniel, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Jeremy Matviak, Sandy Kemp, George Walters, Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Kathryn Wickham, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Clare Sterchak, Terri Cristofaro, Joan Kaiser, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Morotwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Liliana, Terry Yackel, Fr. Hearn, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Mariah Pierce, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Tammy Byrnes, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Susan Chidester, Maureen Joy, Ines Warlock, Alyce Hopkins, Bob Oliver, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Rose LaCasci, Timothy Bell, Jamie Mathewson, Barb Doyle, Ruth Glaum, Tom DeMulder, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Maryann Cottrell, Tony & Lila Donnolo, Stefanie Smith, Celeste Hartman, John Alksnis, Aidan Burns, Bill, Alicen Knapp Feroleta, Assunta Siniscalchi, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Pat Hamilton, Alfredine Duguay, Gary Maraia, Leon Matthews, Rachel Feyh, Mike Andersen, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Joe Maggio, Theresa Horton, Olivia Ross & family, Steve Barber, Anne Terzo, Eric Roll, Regina Mathewson, Vicki Czapnik, Paul McCarthy, Barbara Haynes, Jess Johansen, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Sean Granan, Charlie Washburn, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselica, a dear friend, Anne Powell, Father Peter, John Miller, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Marlena, Pat Elbrecht, Anielle (AK), Dorothy Cronin, Anthony Barber, Jr Evelyn Hitch, Asa Dema, Bonnie De Salvo
Please Note: All names will remain on our list and all will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual.

