

Easter Sunday – April 5, 2026

“When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.”
-Colossians 3:4



READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; John 20:1-9
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

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sat East Vigil	Apr 4	8:00 PM	Frank Riancho – Frank & Rita DeRiancho		
Easter Sun	Apr 5	9:00 AM	Eileen Devaney		
Monday –	Apr 6	12:00 PM	Helen Grick – Debra & Kevin Kloda		
Tuesday –	Apr 7	12:00 PM	Cynthia Schneider - Debra & Kevin Kloda		
Wednesday -	Apr 8	12:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Thursday -	Apr 9	12:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Friday -	Apr 10	12:00 PM	Eileen Devaney		
Saturday -	Apr 11	4:00 PM	Matilda & Jeffrey Dorman – Debbie Spickerman		
Sunday (Divine Mercy)	Apr 12	9:00 AM	Eileen Devaney		

1st Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

The great commission given to Peter and the other apostles was to go forth and preach the gospel to all- Jew and Gentile alike. In this passage, Peter is responding to Cornelius, a Roman soldier with the story of Christ’s life, death and great gift for all humankind. This is an appropriate reading for Easter Sunday since all of us are called to spread the message of Jesus Christ raised- even those of us who were once ‘outside’ the faith.

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

It is true: we are reborn in Christ, raised from the dead and brothers and sisters to the Son of God. Our heritage is eternal life, and no longer the corruption of mortality. However, understanding this reality is never fully revealed until we are with God; until then, it remains *‘hidden with Christ in God’*.

Gospel Reading: John 20:1-9

The initial reaction on the part of Mary Magdalene, as recounted by John, is one of shock that Jesus’ body had been removed from the tomb. It was only after a second look, a measure of time to consider, that John realizes that Jesus had risen *as foretold*. In a sense, this is the way the Church approaches all events in the world- with thoughtfulness informed by tradition. It is easy to react to events with fear and shock or even outrage, all human behaviors, but the Church must wait for the Holy Spirit to work its way through the events before drawing conclusions about them. At that first Easter morning, a second thoughtful consideration revealed the Truth



MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN available to pray for you or your loved ones. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-498-0760.

LET US PRAY THIS MONTH: We

remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold & family, Eileen Baessler, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Katie Calvin, Doris Carnese, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, Aiden Conklin, James Conklin, Kathleen Conklin, Odessa Cornell, Carmen Cruz, Wilma Daniels, Mary Ann DeWitt, Philip Donahue, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Phyllis Fritz, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Jane Heiser, Byron Hilgner, Billie Jackson, Kevin Jenner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Josh Landis, Shawn McGraw, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondri, Luis Muloski, Denelle Myers, Russel Nowalk, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Rocchia, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Sandra Seeger, Dorothy Sergent, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Fran Tometchko, Florence Trowbridge, Rosemarie Whalen, Gerry Washack.



PARISH FINANCES

3/29/2026

(Budget)	\$	(4,867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	3395.50

Thank you for your generosity & support!

2nd Collection: April 3, Good Friday, Holy Land



Sunday, April 5 – 9:00AM

Bernadetta Paolucci

Sunday, April 12 – 9:00AM

Albert Paolucci

Sunday, April 19 – 9:00AM

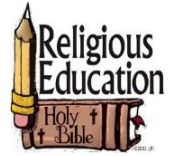
Stanely Grochal

Sunday, April 26 – 9:00AM

Bernadetta Paolucci

Become an Altar Server! Call the Rectory

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Classes began on Sunday, September 21. Classes are held in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00 AM, since Sunday Mass is at 9:00 AM. Families previously registered last year should have received a registration form in the mail. If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child, forms are available at the rectory. Also you can find a registration form on the Holy Name of Mary Church website under the pull down menu under Religious Education.

The following is the schedule for classes for Feb:

- April 5....NO CLASS...Happy Easter!
- April 12.....Regular Class
- April 19.....Regular Class
- April 26.....Regular Class
- May 3.....Regular Class
- May 10....NO CLASS...Happy Mother's Day!
- May 17....Regular Class...Last Class
- May 24....Pentecost Sunday....
- Confirmation at 9:00 Mass
- Have a great summer!**

Thank you to those parents who support their children in their Faith Formation. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Fran Calafut at (570) 396-5879.



Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement.

If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or at www.compss.state.pa.us/cwis and should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pa-cuska at 570-862-7551.



Let us pray for those who proudly serve in the military: Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Michael Pelicci, David Place, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Nancy Travis, Travis Walter



FIAT DAYS
HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

JUNE 29 - JULY 1 • LOCATION: MARYWOOD UNIVERSITY

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Travelers & Vacationers

Please remember that our parish relies on your contributions, even when you are away. Thanks!!



Altar Flowers



If you would like to donate flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion, please call the rectory.



A Portrait of Faith

An Art Auction

Celebrate parishes of the Diocese of Scranton.

Own an original piece of artwork that honors the beauty of OUR DIOCESE! The Catholic Foundation is holding a special online auction to celebrate the rich heritage and architecture of local churches. Over 20 original pieces by accomplished artist Austin Burke will be up for auction online.

All proceeds will benefit the Catholic Foundation and expand its impact on parishes, schools, and Catholic Ministries. The winning bidder and a guest for each piece will be invited to a reception at the Cathedral Rectory on May 13, 2026. Dinner and photos with the Bishop are included! Visit dioceseofscranton.org for additional info.

Online Auction takes place: April 13 - May 1
<https://catholicfoundationscranton.org>

Divine Mercy Sunday

In the Jubilee Year 2000, Pope John Paul II proclaimed that from that year forward the Second Sunday of Easter would be celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday. This was proclaimed at the Canonization Mass of St. Faustina Kawalska, who worked throughout her life to make all aware of the merciful love of God. St. Faustina (1905–1938) was born and raised in Poland. Following a vocation to religious life, she was accepted by the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy. As a member of the Congregation, she worked as a cook, gardener, and porter. In her spiritual life, her contemplation on the Mercy of God led her to develop a childlike trust in God and deep love for her neighbor.

Learn more about St. Faustina:

In her years in the convent, St. Faustina heard a call from God to make God's mercy known to the world so that the world may more fully receive God's healing grace. St. Faustina promoted the Chaplet of Divine Mercy which consists of the recitation of prayers to the Eternal Father with the use of the rosary for the sake of Christ's sorrowful passion.

The Chaplet is prayed as follows:

1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and the Apostles' Creed.

2. On the Our Father beads, recite the following:

"Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world."

3. On the ten Hail Mary beads, say the following:

"For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

4. Repeat step two and three for all five decades.

5. Conclude by reciting three times:

"Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

