

Divine Mercy Sunday – April 11, 2021

"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." – John 20:22-23



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

Mon: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tue: Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15

Wed: Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21

Thu: Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36

Fri: Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15

Sat: Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	April 10	4:00 PM	John & Evelyn Berda (The Berda Family)
Sunday –	April 11	9:00 AM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners
Monday –	April 12	12:00 PM	John & Evelyn Berda (The Berda Family)
Tuesday –	April 13	12:00 PM	John & Evelyn Berda (The Berda Family)
Wednesday –	April 14	12:00 PM	John R. Castrogiovanni (John & Jean Castrogiovanni)
Thursday –	April 15	12:00 PM	John & Evelyn Berda (The Berda Family)
Friday –	April 16	12:00 PM	John F. & Alice M. Grenell & Margaret Hurley (The Alice M. Grennell Estate)
Saturday –	April 17	4:00 PM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners
Sunday –	April 18	9:00 AM	John F. & Alice M. Grenell & Margaret Hurley (The Alice M. Grennell Estate)

1st Reading: Acts 4:32-35

The emphasis here is on community. As Catholics, community has always been stressed: *in the sacraments, in the liturgy, in our sense of what it means to be a Christian*. In fact, we believe that our faith community forms us and without it we are lacking in the essential ingredients that make us true to our understanding of Christ and of our calling. The earliest expression of what it means to be a Christian is reflected here in this passage. Our faith is not found in a collection of individuals, but in community. There is a difference.

2nd Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

John here is focusing on baptism and crucifixion as the basis for, and expression of, our belief. And it is through these two that we can confidently overcome any secular notions of our faith as superstition or blind obedience to antiquated religion. Jesus overcame the world, and we as children of God overcome the world with him.

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-21

Thomas believed in Jesus, otherwise he wouldn't have been sharing quarters with his fellow disciples of Jesus. His problem was that he didn't trust what his friends told him about what they saw; *he didn't trust his friends, his companions, or his community*. Not a single person since the ascension has seen Jesus- not even Paul who only heard Jesus on the road to Damascus- and yet Christianity still flourishes around the world. The legacy, the truth, of Jesus Christ has been entrusted to the Church, and it is through the community of believers that we first learn of and then trust in Jesus Christ. When Jesus blesses those who have 'not seen yet believe', he is recognizing and blessing the community that holds Christ's sacred trust of Faith, Hope, and Love for all generations to come. The Body of Christ is the Church and we are its members. Faith isn't just about belief in Jesus; it is about believing what our friends- our Church- teaches us.



MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN are available to pray for you or your loved ones in need of prayer. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-278-4590.

LET US PRAY THIS MONTH:

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold, Richard Arnold, Frank Bayer, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Tanya Calafut, Katie Calvin, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Jeanne Falk, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Brandy Golden, Brenda Hector, Wayne Hibbard, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Rosemary Kelly, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Nancy Landes, Sue Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Barry Markow, Charlene McMahon, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sargent, Caesar Siedlecki, Edith Siedlecki, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Fran Tometchko, Florence Trowbridge, Ruth Vandermark, Jesse Wells, Rosemarie Whalen.



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, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

PARISH FINANCES

4/4/2021

(FY18/19 Budget) \$ (4867.00)

Sunday Collection \$ 8,049.00

Thank you for your generosity & support



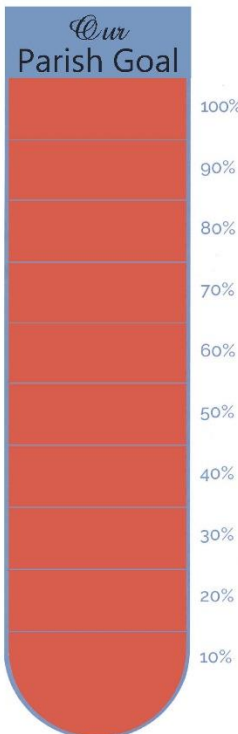
Please remember that during these difficult times, Holy Name of Mary is relying on your continued support to meet our financial obligations. Thank you!!

Thank You for your support!

Thanks to your generous gifts, our parish has reached its goal for the 2020 Diocesan Annual Appeal



For anyone still looking to contribute, gifts can be made at www.AnnualAppeal.org



ALTAR SERVERS NOT NEEDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Would you like to become an Altar Server? If so, please contact Pam Tometchko at 570-278-0497 or speak to Fr. Philip directly.



Pure love... knows that only one thing is needed to please God: to do even the smallest things out of great love - love, and always love.

— Mary Faustina Kowalska —

PARISH EVENTS

April 25th – Second Collection: Catholic Home Mission Appeal

2021 Catholic Women's Conference

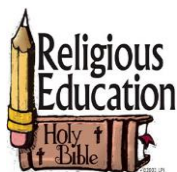


For more information, see Page 4+ of the bulletin and visit www.cwcnepa.com.



Little White Books of daily reflections for the Easter season are available in the back of the church for you to take.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Thank you to all the families who picked up their Unit 4 Gospel Weekly materials. We appreciate your continued support and participation in the Religious Education program.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Fran Calafut at (570) 396-5879.



Please consider donating flowers for our altar for 2021!

This is a wonderful way to honor Our Lord, the Holy Spirit, and Our Blessed Mother. It is also a special way to honor beloved family members who have predeceased us, or to recognize a significant family event such as an anniversary or birthday.

This does not have to be an expensive endeavor! Consider purchasing inexpensive bouquets from the grocery store. We will be happy to arrange them for you! You can even simply place an envelope with your intention and a monetary donation in the collection basket labeled "Flower Donation".

All intentions will be announced in the bulletin. Please help us continue to keep Holy Name of Mary looking beautiful! Please call the rectory (570) 278-1504. Thank you!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2021 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 6 at the Cathedral of St. Peter. The Mass will begin at 2:30, and attendance will require advance reservation.

To register for the celebration click [here](https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/community/marriage/enrichment/wedding-anniversary-mass-june-6-2021/) or follow this link: <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/parish-life/community/marriage/enrichment/wedding-anniversary-mass-june-6-2021/>. For questions or concerns, or if there are issues registering online, please reach out to Jen Housel, Director for Community and Family Development, (jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org, 570-207-2213 x 1104).



Catholic Women's Conference Saturday, June 19, 2021

Marywood University*

\$40 In person/\$20 Virtual

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Chris Alar



Sister
Virginia Joy



Music
Taylor Tripodi



Hostess
Jeannine Lesante

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Stephanie Westington, Treasurer

Refresh Your Faith Conference

P.O. Box 202, Dunmore, PA 18512

*Outdoor tented seating with social distancing protocols in place