3rd Sunday of Easter – *April 14, 2024*

"The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread." -Luke 24:35



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Mon: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29 Tue: Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35 Wed: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40 Thu: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51 Fri: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

Sat: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	April 13	4:00 PM	Victoria Rayappan (John & Sally McGrath)
Sunday –	April 14	9:00 AM	Cynthia Schneider (Lynn Kissel & Family)
Monday –	April 15	12:00 PM	Pro defuncto
Tuesday –	April 16	12:00 PM	Pro defuncto
Wednesday –	April 17	12:00 PM	Pro defuncta
Thursday –	April 18	12:00 PM	Pro defuncta
Friday –	April 19	12:00 PM	Pro defuncta
Saturday –	April 20	4:00 PM	Walter & Louise Luzniak (Oleh & Margie Posnachiwsky)
Sunday –	April 21	9:00 AM	Joan Gant Host (Host & Flanagan Families)

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1st Reading: Acts 3:13-19

The 'Acts of the Apostles' was originally written as part of the 'Gospel of Luke' and as such was authored by the same person (or group); it was separated prior to compiling the final canon. The intention here is to point out the prophetic tradition of describing the coming messiah, expressed throughout the Old Testament. Luke's message here and in the Gospel passage carries the same intention. Note the description of Christ as having to suffer in order to become the 'righteous one'.

2nd Reading: 1 John2:1-5a

The message here is being clarified for anyone confused: 'if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world.' Christ's righteousness, following his death and resurrection, makes expiation of a sinful world possible. He is our advocate.

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:35-48

Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of God's plan as described by the prophets, the psalms, and the Law of Moses; this is the message being expressed here. This message lends credibility to the Gospel for those who would be hearing it, particularly within the Jewish world. But it is also worth noting here that Jesus has a physical body that can be touched and that can even eat the same food as before his death. This is no small matter. If Jesus is resurrected in both spirit and body, then we too will be raised up physically as well as spiritually. There was much controversy over this notion in the first century, and this scriptural passage provides a clear defense for physical resurrection.



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.

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold & her family, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Katie Calvin, JoAnne Catlin, Becky



Cole, Aiden Conklin, David Conklin Jr., Debbie Conklin, Kathleen Conklin, Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Mary Ann DeWitt, Philip Donahue, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Jane Heiser, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Shawn McGraw, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondi, Luis Muloski, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Dorothy Sergent, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Florence Trowbridge, Rosemarie Whalen.

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LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PROUDLY SERVE IN THE MILITARY:

Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

PARISH FINANCES		4/7/2024
(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(<u>4867.00)</u>
Sunday Collection Thank you for your ge	\$ nerositv	3,779.00 & support

Travelers & Vacationers

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









Sunday, April 14th – 9:00AM
Albert Paolucci

Sunday, April 21st – 9:00AM
Lee John Sullivan

Sunday, April 28th – 9:00AM
Bernadetta Paolucci

Sunday, May 5th – 9:00AM
Isaiah Torres

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

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-HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

PARISH EVENTS

<u>April 27th/28th</u> – Second Collection: Catholic Home Missions Appeal <u>April 27th/28th</u> – Loose Change Weekend

Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Scranton

The Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Scranton has been created. The Catholic Foundation will provide a trusted way for individuals to provide meaningful and lasting impact to sustain Diocesan parishes, schools and agencies for years to come. Donors may contribute cash donations, estate gifts, IRA contributions and gifts into endowment funds that will provide long-term support for the work of the church. Endowment funds will be invested to earn revenue. The principal value of an endowment fund is kept intact, while the investment earnings are distributed for charitable purposes as determined by donors. The new Catholic Foundation will give people an opportunity to support our Catholic faith in perpetuity. Gifts of any size are welcome. The Foundation offers many benefits to you, including assistance and advice tailored to your needs and giving interests and tax advantages of various types of gifts. The Catholic Foundation assets are separate from diocesan funds. No one can appropriate funds from the Foundation for any purpose other than those specified by the donor. Catholic Foundation staff is happy to help you design a gift that meets your personal needs and charitable goals. They can be reached at info@catholicfoundationscranton.org, or (570) 207-2212.



Please return Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl donations

to the rectory as soon as possible. Thank you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Religious Education Classes are held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00AM, after the 9:00AM Mass.

If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child, forms are available at the rectory, as well as online on the Holy Name of Mary Church web site under the Religious Education portal.

Religious Education Schedule:

April 14 – Regular Class

April 21 – Regular Class

April 28 – Regular Class

May 12 – NO CLASS ... Happy Mother's Day!

May 19 – Regular Class, Last Class;

CONFIRMATION MASS

June 2 – Graduation Mass for Religious Education Seniors

Confirmation Corner

The following service hour projects have been arranged for Confirmation Candidates. They can participate in any or all of the hours in the area that they may need service hours in. Service is always encouraged beyond the required number of hours. Details about the following hours has been emailed home to parents.

Service hours....Church

Sunday, April 28....11 to 12

Service hours....Community...making Blessing Bags

- 1. Sunday, April 7...11 to 12
- 2. Sunday, April 14...11 to 12
- 3. Sunday, April 21...11 to 12

DATE OF CONFIRMATION MASS IS ... Pentecost Sunday, May 19 at the 9 AM Mass.

BISHOP'S YOUTH AWARD RECIPIENTS





Congratulations to Isaiah Torres and Bernadetta Paolucci for being nominated for and receiving the Bishop's Award on Sunday April 7th at a Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton. Isaiah and Bernadetta also served at this Mass for Bishop Bambera and it was a great honor that they were asked to participate in this Mass. They so justly deserve to receive this honor and award for the dedication they have demonstrated to their Catholic Faith all these years. Not only have they given of their time in service to Holy Name of Mary church since Third grade as altar servers among other involvements....but also they both have attended Religious Education classes since Kindergarten all the way through 12th grade! That is quite an achievement! Isaiah and Bernadetta were also nominated for and received the Bishop's Award in 8th grade. They honor Holy Name of Mary Church. They honor their families. And they honor their community! We are so proud of you both and it has been a pleasure to see you grow into such beautiful examples of your Faith in action. May God continue to bless you in all that you do!