

Welcome to the Church of Saint Richard of Chichester

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April 4, 2021 Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of the Lord

The parish plans to continue live-stream and recording Sunday, Holy Days, and other special liturgies on the parish's YouTube channel as indicated by the “* “ in the weekly liturgy schedule.

Parish YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5YO_SqC1KeZsyFjO4vvpw3Q

Mon. 4/5, No Mass

Tues. 4/6, No Mass

Wed. 4/7, No Mass

**Thurs. 4/8, 6:00pm—Thursday
Within the Octave of Easter**

Donald & Kathryn Evans by Susan & Dan Baddick

Fri. 4/9, 8:00am—Friday Within the Octave of Easter
Jerome Tracy by wife Pat Tracy

Sat. 4/10

Confessions @ 3:30pm

Vigil Mass @ 4:00pm

Paul Krukas by Duke & Joan Demko

***Sun. 4/11, Second Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)**

Mass @ 8:30am

(Also continued to be Live-Streamed)

Deceased members of the Weber & Kowalick Families
by the Family

Sun. 4/11

Mass @ 10:30am

People of the Parish

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are usually celebrated after the 10:30am Sunday Mass. Parents need to be registered parishioners and attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic for a valid reception of Baptism and also obtain a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays @ 3:30pm in the vestibule or call the rectory to schedule an appointment.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday ~ 9:00am—12:00noon

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:
Ms. Wendy S. Krisak (800) 791-9209
victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org

Diocesan Secretary for :
Youth Protection & Catholic Human Services
Office of Safe Environment
P.O. Box F
Allentown, PA 18105-1538
(610) 871-5200 ext. 2204
prusso@allentowndiocese.org

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at least one year prior to the proposed wedding date to begin pre-nuptial instructions before making any arrangements. Please call the parish office for more information and schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

Sponsor Eligibility:

Certificates of Eligibility for Baptism and Confirmation require the sponsor to be a registered & active member of the parish. Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service:
If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service @ www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited & encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more info about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, & Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org & click on “Youth Protection” in the upper right hand corner of the page.



SCENES: Top row: Annunciation, Nativity, Visit of the Three Magi, Flight to Egypt, Baptism of Christ, Raising of Lazarus , Entry to Jerusalem, Last Supper. Middle row: Washing of feet, Agony in the Garden, Arrest of Christ, Trial before the Sanhedrin, Trial before Pilate, Flagellation. Bottom row: Ecce homo, Carrying the cross, Christ falls, Crucifixion, Deposition from the cross, Harrowing of Hell, Resurrection.

Dear Parish Family,

As we celebrated Palm Sunday and the Passion of our Lord at the beginning of Holy Week and later this past week the Paschal Triduum - The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, The Passion of Our Lord on Good Friday and Easter Sunday, I would like to share with you some background to the sacred image whose central image is the Crucifixion of our Lord included in the bulletins during Lent and Holy Week.

The sacred image that I have included in the bulletin is called, "Stories of life and passion of Christ," fresco painting, 1513 by Gaudenzio Ferrari in the Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie (Church of St. Mary of the Graces), Varallo Sesia (VC), Italy. Every time that I gaze at this sacred image of the "Stories of life and passion of Christ," I am mesmerized and drawn into contemplating sacred mysteries of our Lord's life and passion.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches the following about sacred images: "1159 The sacred image, the liturgical icon, principally represents Christ. It cannot represent the invisible and incomprehensible God, but the incarnation of the Son of God has ushered in a new "economy" of images: Previously God, who has neither a body nor a face, absolutely could not be represented by an image. But now that he has made himself visible in the flesh and has lived with men, I can make an image of what I have seen of God ...

and contemplate the glory of the Lord, his face unveiled.²⁷ (St. John Damascene, *De imag.*)

1160 Christian iconography expresses in images the same Gospel message that Scripture communicates by words. Image and word illuminate each other: "We...preserve intact all the written and unwritten traditions of the Church which have been entrusted to us. One of these traditions consists in the production of representational artwork, which accords with the history of the preaching of the Gospel. For it confirms that the incarnation of the Word of God was real and not imaginary, and to our benefit as well, for realities that illustrate each other undoubtedly reflect each other's meaning.(Council of Nicaea II (787): COD 111.)"

May you and your family enjoy the sacred art of Gaudenzio Ferrari's "Stories of life and passion of Christ." I hope and pray that all of you, our parish family have a blessed Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior.

Yours in Christ,
+Father Eric Tolentino

Readings for Sunday Mass, April 11th:

Acts 4:32-35; Ps118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6;
Jn 20:19-31

Responsorial Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Sunday Collection: Regular: \$4,442 ~ Candles: \$39

Second Collections:

4/2~Holy Land Shrines/Good Friday; 4/3~Feast of St. Richard;
4/4~Easter, Monthly Supplement; 4/11~Parish Utilities;
4/18~Parish Utilities; 4/25~Parish Utilities

2020 Contribution Statements: Anyone wanting to receive a copy of their 2020 Contribution Statement for tax preparation can call the office during business hours.

2021 Offering Envelopes: The remaining offering envelopes were mailed. If you did not receive yours, please call the parish office. Thank you.

Parish Drop Boxes: There are 2 drop boxes located on the Parish Rectory porch. The larger box is for anything that comes directly to the office, the smaller box will be for all fundraising returns. Both these boxes are marked accordingly and locked and will be opened by office personnel. Thank you.

From the Parish Office: In observance of the Easter holiday, the office will be closed from Friday, April 2nd through Tuesday, April 6th. The office will resume normal business hours on Wednesday, April 7th @ 9:00am.

Guideline Reminders:

1. The faithful who attend Mass will be required to wear masks and maintain social distancing. Family groups may be seated together.
2. Sunday Mass attendance will be limited to 80 people in the church proper (50% of the church seating capacity) and 30 people in the lower church hall for the overflow Mass.
3. Sunday Mass attendees may enter the church using the ramp door only, 30 minutes before the scheduled Mass.
4. Holy Communion for people attending Mass will be distributed immediately at the end of Mass in the Church only. After the people, who attended Mass, receive communion in the church, please exit using the ramp door of the church.

Religious Education:

CCD/Prep classes have resumed with in-person instruction. Masks must be worn.

- Grades 5 through 7
Sunday, April 11th @ 6:00 pm in the hall
- Grades 1 through 4
Sunday, April 18th, 9:30 am in the hall
- Grades 5 through 7
Sunday, April 25th @ 6:00 pm in the hall

Lottery Calendars: We are doing a lottery calendar for the month of May. Two calendars were sent out in the mail. We kindly ask if you would participate in taking your two lottery calendars. The cost is \$5.00 for each calendar.

****If you cannot participate in this fundraiser, please either mail them back to the church, place them in the weekend collection basket or put them in the fundraising box on the rectory porch.****

It is important that the unsold calendars be returned as soon as possible so they may be recirculated for sale. We are also looking for sellers. For every 5 calendars sold, you will receive 1 free. If you have any questions, please contact Joann at 570-640-1034 and leave a message. Thank you.

Soup Kitchen Cooks/Servers Needed: Provide a welcoming, respectful environment for the homeless and those in need. Both individuals and parish groups of 6-8 volunteers are needed to serve a meal at the Pottsville Area Kitchen once a month. Meals are served Monday through Thursdays from 5:00pm to 6:00pm and Sundays at 12:00. Currently, we are providing grab and go meals and follow CDC guidelines. All volunteers must complete background checks, training and forms. For more information, please contact Terry Alexander @ (570) 617-2957 or Bob Olney @ (610) 435-3541 ext. 327.

Marian High School Enrollment: An exception education rooted in faith, family, and tradition. Currently enrolling for the 2021-2022 year. Financial aid and transfer grants available. For more information or to schedule a tour, please contact Mary Milosh @ (570) 467-3335 ext. 116 or email at mmilosh@mariancatholic.org.

The Celebration of a Living Legend: Friday, April 30, 2021, Marian High School will be celebrating the life and impact of Jack Malarkey. There will be a fundraising campaign focused on the gymnasium that will be named after him. For more information, please visit their website at www.mariancatholic.org.

The Angelus

V. The angel spoke God's message to Mary,
R. and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.
Hail, Mary

V. "I am the lowly servant of the Lord:
R. let it be done to me according to your word."
Hail, Mary

V. And the Word became flesh
R. and lived among us.
Hail, Mary

V. Pray for us, holy Mother of God.
R. That we may become worthy of the promises of Christ.

Priest: Let us pray.

V. Lord,
fill our hearts with your grace:
once, through the message of an angel you revealed to us the incarnation of your Son;
now, through his suffering and death lead us to the glory of his resurrection.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: Even though we are leaving the church after receiving Holy Communion, it is very important in our spiritual lives for us to pause and recognize Christ's Eucharistic presence within us. We invite you to take that time before leaving the church parking lot.

I. Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus, hear me.
Within Thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me.
And bid me come unto Thee, That with all Thy saints,
I may praise thee Forever and ever. Amen.

II. May Your Body, O Lord, which I have eaten, and Your Blood which I have drunk, cleave to my very soul, and grant that no trace of sin be found in me, whom these pure and holy mysteries have renewed.

III. Who live and reign, world without end. Amen. We humbly beseech You, almighty God, to grant that those whom You refresh with Your sacraments, may serve you worthily by a life well pleasing to You. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns, world without end. Amen

Please Lift Up in Prayer those in need of Healing and Encourgement:

Ann Balas, William Bednar, Jim Bialek, Mark BeYoung, Joe Bones, Bob Bonner, Steve Chakan, Marge Coassolo, Paul Curley, Nina Day, Pat Firkal, Eddy Freer, William Godanis, Jr., Mike Grigalonis, Peg Grigalonis, Bob Harvan, Dee Harvan, Dr. Francis Kane, Francis Keiser, Joseph Klatka, George Koval, George Kufrovich, Linda Light, Theresa (Tess) McManus, Dan Metzger, Bonnie Morgan, Bobby Moucheron, Joel Rivera, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Gene Soutl, Dominic Streisel, Edward Surfild, Mary Ann Thompson, Marilyn Tolan, and Celia Zukoski.

Intercessory Candles

Blessed Virgin Mary: Special Intention by Duke & Joan

In Loving Memory of my Al, Love Fran
Rest in God's Peace Jer, Love wife Pat

Special Intention for good treatment results & health
Special Intention by Sue & Jay

Christ the Lord is Risen Today 523

1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
All on earth with angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, O heav'ns; and, earth, reply, Alleluia!

2. Lives again our glorious king, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today 540

1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!