✠ ♦Easter Sunday ♦April 5, 2026♦ ✠

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.
The Lord is risen, ALLELUIA ALLELUIA
He is risen indeed, ALLELUIA ALLELUIA

Everything went fast, too fast, sadly too fast from Thursday to the fatal Friday. During the Sabbath's rest, Mary Magdalene and the disciples were all under the shock of the drama of what happened. Jesus disappeared. He is gone. They killed Him. All that are left are tears. Everything was empty, who would have thought of an ending like this? Who would have imagined this type of scenario? Jesus is not there any longer; even His dead body is in prison. What a drama! Friday at 3 pm, everything was over. Only Joseph of Arimathea (with Pontius Pilate's permission), with Nicodemus' help, with no procession, no crier, no disciple, succeeded to embalm and buried Him (with about 16 pounds of myrrh). Did the Father abandoned them, as He seemed to abandon Jesus? As soon as the legal break (Sabbath) was over, Mary Magdalene wanted to make Him an ultimate homage and anoint Him. What a shock! What a shock when she got to the burial place! Running back in a haste to Peter and John in order to ask them to track the one who stole Jesus's body (so she thought), they will go through another shock, the one that Jesus announced many times, His Resurrection. Mary Magdalene, along with John, understood with the eyes of their spiritual hearts. With the light of Easter, every Christian can say: He is risen! He will come again! **ALLELUIA ALLELUIA**

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

Thank you to all Parishioners who sent cards, wishes, and goodies to the rectory and Parish Office for Easter. Also, a special thank you to all who were financially generous to the Parish. We also thank those who gathered to decorate our churches. We can't finish without thanking those who work hard for the Parish and those who pray daily for the Parish to stay open. May God reward you for your Time, Talent, and Treasure. HAPPY EASTER.

WELCOME

To all who are visiting our church and for all who are passing by, you are most welcome in our midst and know that our Parishioners cherish you. Please, come again.

QUEEN OF HEAVEN

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.
V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.
R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.
V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.
Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATION

The Celebration will be at Our Lady of the Abingtons Church on Sunday April 12. Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament is at 2:45 pm, followed by The Divine Mercy Prayer at 3pm (with confessions meanwhile), then Benediction. This year there will be no Mass at 4pm.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA AT SML

The Divine Mercy Novena prayers will be recited at 3pm every day at SML starting on Good Friday April 3 and ending on Saturday April 11. All are welcome.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER OF INDULGENCE

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is love and mercy itself. Amen

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS THANK YOU

Many thanks to all the parishioners who supported the Knights of Columbus' Easter Flower Sale fundraiser. The proceeds directly support our parish activities and local charitable services.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Pastoral Council and Coordinating Teams will meet on Tuesday April 14, 2026, at 6:00 in the OLA Hall.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS / LECTORS SCHEDULE

April 11 & 12

Eucharistic Ministers
4 pm (OLA) Nikki Weisenfluh
9:00am (SML) Carmel Williams
11 am (SP) Cynthia Singer

Musicians
4 pm (OLA) Maria Fay
9:00am (SML) Danny Williams
11 am (SP) Maria Fay

Lectors
4 pm (OLA) Jud Zipay
9:00am (SML) Bob Andrews
11 am (SP) Barry Singer

Altar Servers
4 pm (OLA) – Margaret Jones, Kevin Jones
11am (SP) – Kali Harvatine
Shadow – Wyatt Phillips, Nolan Phillips

UPCOMING MEETNGS & EVENTS

Apr 9 – First Communion Retreat at SP, 4:45pm
Apr 9 – Prayer Shawl Ministry at SML, 5:30pm
Apr 9 - Bingo at SP, Doors open at 5pm, Bingo 6pm
Apr 13 – Altar & Rosary mtg. at SML, 5:30pm
Apr 14 – PPC meeting at OLA Hall, 6pm

SP/OLA FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Donations needed - please consider donating for our end of the year party for the students of SP/OLA family faith formation program. We are in need of treats for the kids, gift cards are welcome for our team to pick up goodies, and end of the year awards. Any assistance is greatly appreciated.
Julie Harvatine – jwharv03@gmail.com.
4/12/2026 – Class
4/19/2026 – Class -4th grade mass participation 11am
4/25/2026 – First Penance OLA 2:45

SML FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Kerry Pieretti – redlightgreen343@gmail.com
April 9 Retreat First Holy Communion students
April 12 Class
April 19 Class

CONGRATULATIONS

It is truly a blessing to have Tracey and Andy joining our Parish Community this Easter.
To you Tracey and Andy: Congratulations on your journey of faith. Welcome in our midst. May The Risen Lord bless you abundantly. As Saint Augustine said: "… with you, we are Christians…" Let's walk together, pray together, and sing God's praises together.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday (April 7) Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
8:00am (OLA) Casmir Haduch
By Bob & Andrea Walsh

Wednesday (April 8) Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
8:00am (SP) Gene Hoch
By Janet Motyka

Thursday (April 9) Thursday within the Octave of Easter
8:00 am (SML) Yvonne Snyder
By Altar & Rosary Society

Saturday (April 11) The Vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday
4:00 pm (OLA) MaryAnn Koch
By Mr.& Mrs. Leonard Kruczak

Sunday (April 12) Divine Mercy Sunday
9:00 am (SML) Christine Marlin
By Rick & Mary Lou Franko
11:00 am (SP) Pat & Bill Webster
By A Friend

The Pascal Candle at St Patrick's Church
Donated in memory of Joan Peters by Barbara Kelly

Sanctuary Candle at SP
Burning this week – Peace in the World & an end to the war in Ukraine
By Joan Kupetsky

WEEKLY OFFERINGS (COLLECTIONS)

SP Weekly $ 3,323.00 Loose $ 116.00
OLA Weekly $ 1,211.00 Loose $ 38.00
SML Weekly $ 1,138.00 Loose $ 188.00
May the Lord reward your generosity

THANK YOU

We thank the donors who paid for the Pascal Candles for our churches this year. May God reward you for your generosity.

ST. PAT'S CLOTHES CLOSET CHALLENGE

The 40 Days…40 Items challenge is coming to a close this week. You can bring your items to the clothes closet door on the lower level of St. Pat's Hall beginning on May 1.

OUR SAINTS AND THE EUCHARIST

Servant of God, Edvige Carboni: She received Holy Communion from Our Lord Himself, as well as from several Saints, including St. John Bosco and his humble student, St. Dominic Savio.