

April 22nd – May 5th, 2019

M: St Mary • J: St Joseph • Rc: rectory chapel

Our bulletin covers several weeks!

Apr 23 6pm • M **No Mass**

Apr 24 9am • J Rc **No Mass**

Apr 25 9am • J Rc † Albert & Marie Salvaterra

r/o Mike & Judy Dziak

Apr 26 9am • J Rc † John Sartori r/o Ed & Angela Kania

Alleluia

April 27th/28th • 2nd Sunday of Easter •

3:30pm • J † Tony Valanty r/o wife, Alice

5:15pm • M † Edward & Sally McNamee

r/o Ringtown American Legion Ladies Auxillary

8:15am • J † Albert & Marie Salvaterra r/o Mike & Judy Dziak

Baptism of Liam Thomas Loftus

10:15am • M † James & Mary Ambrose

r/o Stan & Marie Piaskowski & family

Apr 30 6pm • M **No Mass**

May 1 9am • J Rc **No Mass**

May 2 9am • J Rc **No Mass**

May 3 9am • J Rc **No Mass**



May 4th/5th • 3rd Sunday of Easter •

3:30pm • J † dec'd of Reese & Starr Families

r/o Michael & Jane Reese

5:15pm • M † John Zakavage r/o wife, Dolly

8:15am • J † George Mehalick r/o Helen Mehalick

10:15am • M Tom & Margaret Krupilis (50th Wedd. Anniv.)



❖ **STEWARDSHIP: M:** 3/31:S: 1388; 4/7:S: 944; 4/14:S: 1295;

Dues: 669; Easter Flowers: 75; BF: 80 • **J:**4/7:S: 1310; 4/14:S: 1310;

Dues: 434; Easter Flowers: 10

▶ **HOPE Ministry:** If you or someone you know in our community could use some temporary help with meals, errands, rides to church or appointments HOPE Ministry can help. HOPE Ministry is also seeking volunteers to help serve those in need. Call Nancy 215-801-5797 or Arlene 570-590-5810

❖ **Divine Mercy:** We offer candle intentions for the Feast! The candles are \$10. Envelopes are at Church.

Divine Mercy Sunday 4/28: The Church would like to encourage the parishioners to pray the **Divine Mercy novena** starting Good Friday and concluding on Divine Mercy Sunday. Copies of the Novena can be found at the entrances of both Churches.



⇒ Office will be closed Monday, April 22nd for the Holyday holiday.

A Note from Fr. Tolentino

Bible Study *Rescheduled until after Easter

1st Class – Thurs. May 9th 6:30-8pm

2nd Class – Thurs. May 23rd 6:30-8pm

"Disciples of Christ Living The Gospel: Bible Study for Beginners Part I"

Are you interested in actively living your life as a disciple of Christ living the Gospel? Would you like to know the Word of God better through Catholic bible study and deepen your prayer? Join the "Disciples of Christ Living The Gospel: Bible Study For Beginners Part I" with Father Tolentino at St. Joseph Rectory.

* Call or email the parish secretary at the parish office to sign up in advance. *

You will need the following books for class (You are welcome to attend the first class even if you do not have all of the required books yet):

1. New American Bible Revised Edition (recommend: NABRE - New American Bible Revised Edition, Publisher: Saint Benedict Press; New American Bible Revised Edition edition (March 15, 2010) Paperback ISBN-10: 9781935302599, ISBN-13: 978-1935302599; Imitation Leather version: ISBN-10: 9781935302575; ISBN-13: 978-1935302575)
2. Bible Basics for Catholics: A New Picture of Salvation History by John Bergsma, Publisher: Ave Maria Press; Revised edition (October 2, 2015) ISBN-10: 1594713472; ISBN-13: 978-1594713477; (available from CatholicProductions.com, Amazon.com, etc.)
3. Catechism of the Catholic Church Second Edition (Publisher: Double Day; 2nd edition (March 4, 2003 ISBN-10: 0385508190, ISBN-13: 978-0385508193)

❖ **Prayer List Permission Form:** Names are placed on the prayer list, unless otherwise notified, for 60 days.



After that time, a permission form must be re-submitted.

❖ **Pray for:** Fill out the forms, even if you're healthy & would like to be prayed for in times of need! •Victor Yanuskiewicz • Joe Tomtishen Sr. • Phil & Shirley Kennedy • Elizabeth Kroh • MaryLu Popalis • Fr. Jim Torpey

❖ **Birthday Blessings:** Richard Grabosky, Ruth Milosh: 4/25; Zachary Pental: 4/26; Valeria Matejick: 4/28; Diane Cistaro, Joseph Krupilis: 4/29; David Brown Jr.: 4/30; Sadie Kosar, Christopher Redanauer, Joanne Schlauch: 5/4; Thomas Irwin, Kathy Lorah, Ashley Motil, Aaron Piaskowski: 5/5

If your birthday was missed, call the office to update your information.

❖ **Baptism/First Communion:** Through the Easter Season, we've plenty to "celebrate". Baptisms, First Holy Communion: Easter Hope & Joy! Let's use the celebrations to renew our baptismal faith in the Catholic Family of Faith



❖ **Congratulations to the family of Liam Thomas Loftus,** to be baptized Apr. 28th @ St. Joseph's.

Congratulations and welcome to the family of faith!

❖ **Communion Prayer Partners:** We begin praying for our Holy Communion youth. (J) **Lily Norkus** • (M) **Cameron Jones**. We're offering prayer cards see Fr. as you leave mass. 1st Holy Communion will be celebrated Sunday, May 19th at St. Joseph's Church.



❖ **Memorial @ J:** Roy Gius: \$175

❖ **Holy Thursday Flowers:** @ J: IMO Albert & Marie Salvaterra & Mike & Rose Dziak, by Mike & Judy Dziak



From the Pastor's Desk:

Dear Parishioners,

The weekend of May 5th we kick off the **2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA)**. I am so grateful for your continued generosity to this important diocesan fundraising initiative. The Bishop's Annual Appeal funds the annual budget that offers vital services like Catholic Charities, care for our retired and infirmed priests, education of Seminarians and Deacons, Catholic Schools and support for our centers for special learning. I encourage you to join me in making your gift to the BAA and support these important ministries. Together we will make a difference in the lives of many people. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. To make your gift, please return the pledge form that you will receive in the mail or visit the Appeals website at:

www.FaithHopeCharityGives.org or

call the Appeal Office at 800-831-4443

With gratitude,

Fr. Tolentino

● **FYI:** The Diocese of Allentown is alerting parishioners about an apparent scam. In the last week a number of people from several different parishes have notified the Diocese that they received a text message on their cell phone from someone pretending to be a Diocesan priest asking them to purchase gift cards for him. These are not legitimate requests and are not from a Diocesan priest. No Diocesan priest will ever solicit funds by text message. The Diocese is not aware that anyone has fallen victim to this scam. But it does want to remind everyone if you are concerned about a text message you receive, always verify it before you take any action.

❖ **Blessed Palm from Last Year:** bring them to church, in the box/baskets provided (please, keep your plastic bag as the palm is burned for ashes on Ash Wed.)



❖ **K of C Happenings:** next meeting April 28th.



@ **SM: Fri/Sat: June 7th/8th**

We are seeking your help once again for our basket auction for St Mary's block party. We had a great response last year thanks to your

generosity and great ideas! Our baskets will again be valued from \$25-\$50, \$50-\$100 over \$100 will be in the grand prize group. Please be sure to let us know what the value of your basket is so we do not estimate it incorrectly. We appreciate your generosity. If you would like to donate and do not want to put a basket together, put the donation in an envelope and mark "BASKET AUCTION", and put it in the collection basket. We will be glad to put one together for you. We will be putting the baskets together the week before the block party and we are asking for you to have all the baskets in by June 5 (Popular basket ideas include lottery tickets, food items such as Italian dinner basket, Household items, toy baskets for boys and girls, gift cards, kitchen tools, Christmas items, country decorations, bath towels, baby needs, garden tools, Art and craft supplies for the kids) If you have any questions, please call Arlene Sachleben at 570-590-5810, Marie Piaskowski 570-889-3825

► **Tickets for our cash drawing** for our Block Party are on the table at the back of church. There is an envelope for each family. We are asking for you to please buy or sell these books of tickets. Any tickets you cannot sell please return them as soon as possible. This is our major fundraiser so please help if you can.

Protecting God's Children for Adults: Almost everyone who attends a session of *Protecting God's Children for Adults* leaves able to identify one or more of the warning signs that risky adults exhibit when interacting with children. They remember that touch should be Public, Appropriate, and Non-Sexual and that it is important to interrupt adults who seem to always be alone with children, or one or two of the warning signs. In the days, weeks, and months to come, participants can begin to notice various warning signs of a potential problem and perhaps even intervene when it is present. Sometimes they are reminded, in a particular moment, that something is not right and they can alter the situation or change their own behavior to adjust.

► **Vespers for Healing:** On Monday, April 29 at 6:30pm there will be *Vespers for Healing* for those who have experienced trauma. All are invited to join in an evening of prayer with The Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert as presider and homilist at **Holy Ghost Church, 417 Carlton Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18015.**

Following Vespers there will be a Holy Hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and the opportunity for confession. The evening will conclude with Benediction at 8:00 PM.

► **BERKS/READING 9TH ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE**

"Unique From Day One - Pro-Life is Pro-Science". All are welcome to participate in the March for Life being held on **Sunday, May 5, 2019** at Berks Catholic High School Auditorium, 955 E. Wyomissing Blvd., Reading. Speakers begin at 2:00pm followed by the March at 3:00pm.

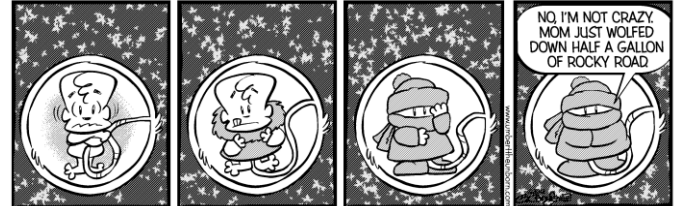
Families and people of all ages are encouraged to attend as we celebrate the beautiful gift of life and our united stance in the fight for the rights of the unborn. Food and beverages will be available for sale at the event. Hope to see you there!

❖ **SCRIP:** We've: \$25 & \$100 Amazon, \$25 Applebee's, \$25 Apple itunes\$, 10 Bath & Body Works, \$25 Bed Bath & Beyond, \$25 Boscov's, \$25 Cabela's, \$25 Cracker Barrel, \$25 CVS, \$10 Dairy Queen, \$25 Dunham's, \$25 & Dunkin' Donuts, \$25 Gap/Old Navy, \$25 & \$50 Giant Foods, \$25 Home Depot, \$10 Long John Silvers, \$25 & \$100 Lowes, \$25 Macy's, \$25 Michael's, \$25 Olive Garden, \$10 & \$25 Panera Bread \$25 PetSmart, \$10 Pizza Hut, \$25 Regal Cinema, \$10 Regal Cinema (Admit one), \$25 Sheetz, \$50 Sunoco, \$25 Target, \$25 TJ Maxx/Marshall's, \$25 Walmart/Sam's, \$100 Walmart/Sam's, \$25 Weis, \$100 Weis. Thank you to all who support this fund-raising program by purchasing scrip cards for gifts as well as for their everyday purchases! *We're taking orders/sell @ St Joseph's after mass. Contact the parish office to place an order!*

❖ **Redner's Save-A-Tape:** Save your receipts, put them in Sunday Stewardship. (M) benefit 1%. For your receipts to count toward the church you must sign up at Redners service desk!

Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi



❖ **Outside Events: John Anczarski Memorial Scholarship:** Applications at NSHS & St. John's Office, Ringtown. NS Sr's. Deadline: 4/30 @ NS Guidance Office or mail to address on application • **Ringtown's Pastors' Association:** Helen Roulin Foundation established as a perpetual memorial fund: Given to Ringtown Area girls completing grades 9-12 for their involvement & leadership in community activities. Apply for this \$100 scholarship by completing the application by 5/12. Applications are at the entrance to church or by calling 889-3074 • **St Paul' UCC:** Kauffman's Chicken B-B-Q, 4/23, \$9.50. Take-out only. For tickets contact Janice Hoffman 889-3494, June Gowdy 889-5912 or Pastor Craig 889-3074 • **Trinity Academy:** SOLD OUT: Victorian Spring Tea Party Fundraiser. Registrations to attend Trinity are now being accepted for 2019-2020. Call 570-462-3927 or request a tour or registration packet. • **St. John's Ringtown:** Roast Pork Dinner, Sat. 4/27 4-7pm. Tickets are available from any council member. Advance tickets required. Take-outs available.