

Rejoice!

He is

Risen





Welcome to St. George Church

A Parish with Spirit and Life!

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Week of March 27, 2016

Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection

From the Pastor's Desk

Did you notice how often witnessing or testifying appear in today's readings? Peter calls the disciples witnesses, commissioned to testify that Jesus is the one appointed by God. The prophets are said to witness God's forgiving love. Mary is the first to witness the empty tomb. After she goes to tell Peter, and the beloved disciple, they need to see with their own eyes. Seeing, they believe. Mary, Peter and the beloved are witnesses to the Resurrection. They did not see Jesus rise. They did see that the tomb was empty. All that remained were the burial cloths, and the cloth covering Jesus' head was separate, which implies an intentional act, not a body snatching. The first preacher of the Resurrection, Mary is named apostle to the apostles and patron of the Order of Preachers.

We are also to witness the Resurrection. We did not see Jesus walk the earth like Mary, Peter, or the beloved disciple. However, because we experience the effects of the Resurrection, we see hope where others see despair. The forgiveness in Jesus dying and rising brings light where others see darkness. Death-dealing realities like disease, divorce, addiction, or loss give way to acceptance, healing, survival, and recovery. When we admit that we are powerless, and that our lives are hidden in Christ (*Colossians 3:3b*), living sincerity and truth lessen the power of malice and wickedness (*1 Corinthians 5:8*)

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad." Review your life since last Easter. Name where you found new life because of your faith in the resurrected Lord. Testify to that truth. Witness the Resurrection so that others may come to see and believe through you.

Thank you for raising your Son Jesus from the dead, dear God. Let our words and deeds sing "Alleluia" in gratitude for this gift of new life.

- How has your faith in the Resurrection made a concrete difference in your life?
- Who is a living witness to the power of faith in Jesus Christ for you?

Shalom! Bona Pasqua (Happy Easter)!!

Fr. Pat

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Holy Saturday	8 pm	Winnifred, Ethel & Otto Martzloff, by the Estate
Easter Sunday	8:30 am	Dan Pietrzak, by Mary Ann Pietrzak
Easter Sunday	11 am	Michael Harrigan, by Mary Alice and family
Monday, March 28	8 am	Communion Service
Tuesday, March 29	8 am	Communion Service
Wednesday, March 30	8 am	Communion Service and Novena
Thursday, March 31	8 am	Communion Service
Friday, April 1	9 am	First Friday (Chapel) Souls to be remembered from All Souls' Day
Saturday, April 2	5 pm	Souls to be remembered from All Souls' Day
Sunday, April 3	8:30 am	Art Marracino, by Chuck & Lisa Schneider
Sunday, April 3	11 am	Souls to be remembered from All Souls' Day

The next First Friday Mass is April 1st at 9:00 am in the Chapel.

Confession: Saturday from 4:00 - 4:30 pm

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-INS, especially: Doris Ellis, Peter Brady, Maryanne Mueller, Michael Schafer, John Branicky, Marsha Shuler, Dorothy Knaier, Louise Zelonis, Gina Reger, Richard & Antoinette Pucillo, Joe Arcara, Lou Williams, Jeanette Dipiano, Judy Zielinski, Sr. Mary Dee, Jill Janik, David Dobson, Colette Longboat, Kathy Grover-Castro, Jim Moeller, Linda Bettinger, Mario Nunez, Sarah Friedhaber, Jason Estabrook, Crystal Oats, Margo McClelland, Dave Isbrandt, Mike Slawinski, Bill Henning, Don Murray, Faith Smith, Grace Finch, Heather Nichter, Joan Kazmierczak, John Nichter, Nora Vogel, Diane Washburn, Kara Stoughton, Charlotte Byrne, Delight Carlson, Tom Donner, Linda Rich, Jim Burgio, Ginny Dejonghe, Diane Marts, Dottie Gottstine, Ann Marie Price, Barbara Weeks, Robert Songin, Carl Robinson and Steve Rollins.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY is **Sunday, April 3rd. Saint Faustina**, in an entry in her diary, stated that those who participate in the Mass and receive the sacraments of Confession and the Eucharist on this day are assured by Jesus of full remission of their sins and punishments. **Divine Mercy Chaplets are available at the church entrances for you to take home to prepare for the feast of Divine Mercy. Learn more at wikipedia.org/wiki/Divine_Mercy_Sunday.**

There will be an **OUR LADY of the SACRED HEART** reunion and **Father Rich Memorial Mass** on **Sunday, May 1st at 5:00 pm** at the **Bread of Life Outreach Center** in Colden. **Father Jim Wall** and **Father Rich's family** will celebrate with us. All are welcome to attend and enjoy the celebration with song, remembrance and friendship, and a pot luck dinner following the Mass. For more info or to RSVP, contact **Pat Thoman, 863-9892** or **thopat333@aol.com**, or **Kathy Kita** at **kckita2@gmail.com**. Come back home to this sacred space that is filled with wonderful memories.





Happy Easter and Shalom to you and yours!

Father Pat, Father Dan, and all the Staff

Welcome to all who are visiting our Parish this Easter! We are blessed by your presence—please join us again each weekend. We also warmly welcome new parishioners Michael and Susan Steinwachs, and Stephen and Joy Paluch and sons Ryan and Tristan!

May you find friendship and happiness here with your St. George family.

OUR MISSION OF MERCY We ask our St. George family to be generous as possible, so we can fulfill our mission of mercy as we journey in faith together. Last weekend's offerings totaled **\$2,468.00**. *We sincerely appreciate your continuing generosity!*

OUR ANNUAL HAITI BREAKFAST will be held **Sunday, April 24th** from **9 am – 1 pm**. Join us for a delicious French toast and sausage breakfast with basket raffles and a money raffle. The cost is **\$7.00 per adult** and **\$4.00 per child**. Proceeds will support our ongoing projects for our twin parish in Coq Chante, Haiti. **Tickets may be purchased on April 16 - 17, as well as the morning of the breakfast.**



Thank you to all who participated in Living the Eucharist during the season of Lent. We hope the experience helps you to participate more fully in Holy Week. **Share the Good News of Jesus' resurrection and God's gift of new life for all!**

YEAR OF MERCY: The Spiritual Works of Mercy are works of mercy directed toward the needs of the soul. Today let's consider how we can **Bear Wrongs Patiently**.

- Let go of bitterness about wrongs done against you. Place your hope in God so that you can endure the troubles of this world and face them with a compassionate spirit.
- Frustrated with someone? Step away from the situation, take a few deep breaths, pray the Our Father, asking God for patience.

Think about how you might perform a Work of Mercy this week!

(Excerpted from www.usccb.org.) *Learn more at www.yearofmercy.org.*



REMINDER: THE TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY gathering for coffee and needlework in the kitchen will resume **Tuesday, March 29th at 9 am**. All are welcome!

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Easter challenges us to see and witness the Resurrection through lives of self-sacrifice, bringing new life to others. In March, your gifts enabled the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to help the poor celebrate the joy of Easter. **Please pray to Blessed Mother Theresa, who will be canonized on September 4, 2016.** Mother Theresa felt that you would see the face of Christ in the face of the poor. As Christians, we must help those less fortunate than us, without judging them. God Bless all and have a Blessed Easter.





Becoming Who You Are!

A Day of Reflection for Adults

guided by

Fr. Ryszard Biernat

Come, explore and discover!

Saturday, April 23rd

12:00 - 6:00 pm

Begins with Luncheon at 12:00 pm

Concludes with Mass at 5:00 pm

Sign Up begins April 2

Easter Flower Offerings

Honoring our Family and Friends:

Dziulko & Ruhland Families; LaValley & Brueckman Families; Robert Habicht; Christine Habicht; Weeks & Malek Families; Norm & Meta Conway; Anthony & Jean Sojka; Patrick Conway; Price & Chrobak Families; Gertrude Hayden; Holden & Kraus Families; Jane Tuttle; Mary & David Rieman; Grant & David R. Rieman; Robert Prehoda; Howard Parker; Clarence & Esther Ling; Howard & Mary Jean Ling; Joseph & Helen Peplin; John & Adam Sikora; John Peplin, Sr.; Richard C. Hartman; Al Puff; Art & Helen Fox; Martin & Dorothy Kondziela; Nemecek & McGrath Families; Rosemary Schneider; Mary Schneider; Betty McElheny; Diane Moudy; Florence Kolis; Stan Kolis; Dan Pietrzak; Anna & George Stotz; Marion & Elmer Bauer; Patricia Biegaj; Joseph F. Saiia, Jr.; Raymond Gottstine; Paul & Dolores Hertel; Rose Denesha; John Caliano; Debra Schichtel; Janetta Kulik; Arthur Hider; Vincent Mazurczyk; Agnes & Bill Mazurczyk; Monte Reinhardt; Jeannie Serafini; James Kasprzak; Christine Marie Habicht-Kujawa; Thaddeus Peter & Paul John Kujawa; Schuster & Lindsley Families; Lewis & Teresa Gottstine; Robert Gottstine; Raymond Gottstine; Dorothy Hartmetz; Richard Hartmetz; Catherine & Jim Righter; Katie & Gerard Oehler; Jim Hilburger; Charlie & Cindy Redmon; Connie & Ken Henning; JoAnn Fleckenstein; Dengler, Molloy & Van Tassel Families; Dolie & Herb Smith; Alice & Lucian Dombrowski; Suzie Nuwer; James and Tillie Wagner; Daniel Wagner; John & Ruth Kreutzer; Ken & Lucille Fierle; Robert Wagner; Jimmie Wagner; Kenny Fierle; Jo Ann Brady; Jeff Smith; Bill & Joan Tompkins; Mr. & Mrs. John J. Coyle; Mr. & Mrs. John T. Coyle; Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Lester; Pat & Robbie Combes; Eunice Vitale; Anthony Vitale; Robert Bull; Charles (Chuck) Knight; Giallella & Lukitsch Families; Michael Harrigan; Christine Habicht Kujawa.

Thank you for your generous offerings
to beautify our Church this Easter season.