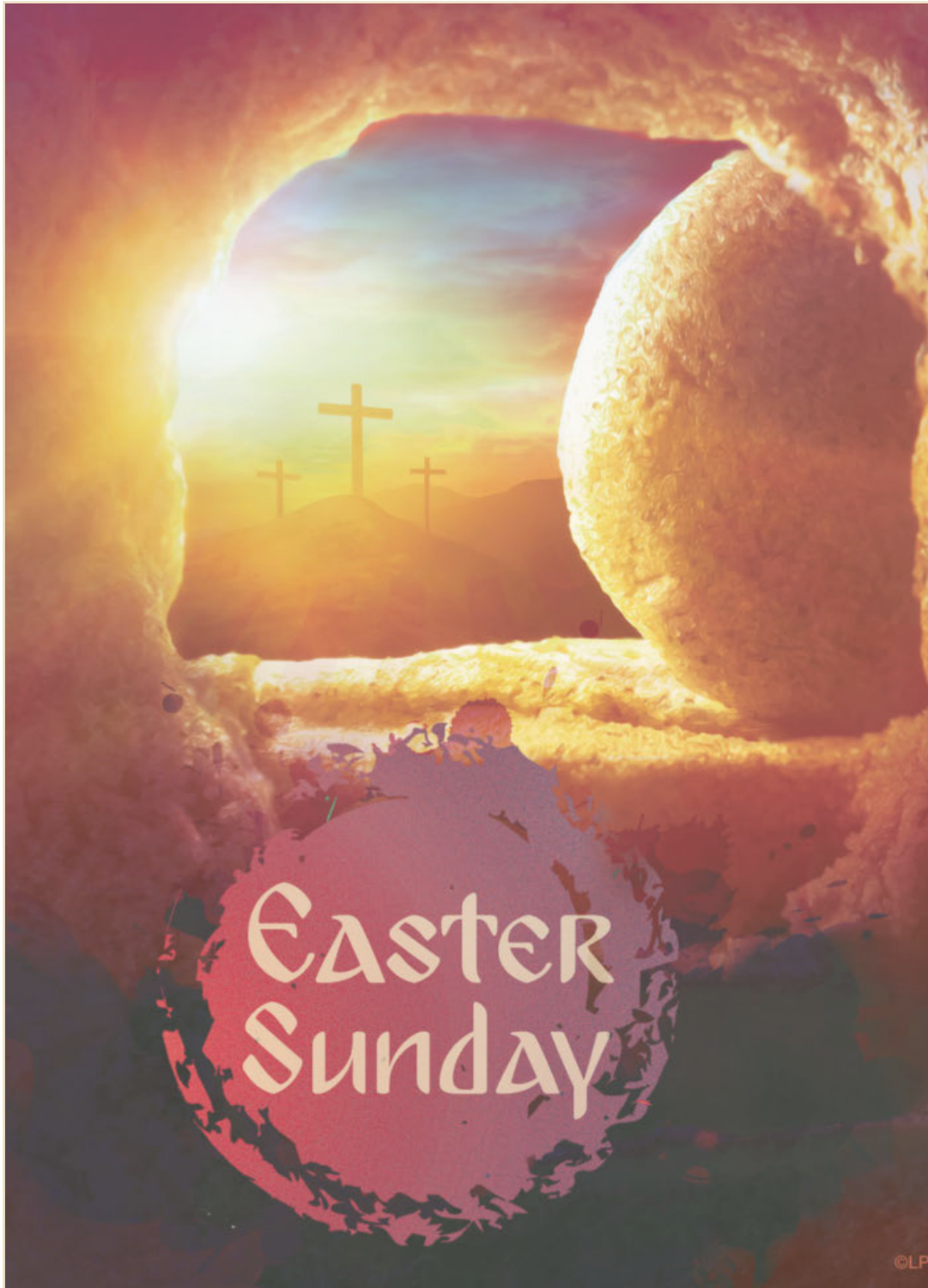


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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | APRIL 09, 2023



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS

Monday & Tuesday:

8:30 am

HOLY DAY MASSES

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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

The readings for today will be somewhat anti-climactic if you attended the Easter Vigil, on Saturday evening. Nevertheless, the joy of this great feast is evident in all the readings. We should be overflowing with joy and enthusiasm knowing that our salvation and redemption have been accomplished through the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thus, all the readings assume that we know what has just happened in Jerusalem 2000 years ago. So put yourself into the picture and become one of those in the celebration.

In the First Reading, from the Acts of the Apostles (10:34-43), Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit and a renewed sense of confidence, stands up boldly before a large crowd in Jerusalem and retells the story of Jesus' public life and death and what it means to all mankind. **We should read this everyday of our lives and give thanks to God for His love which made it possible.**

The Responsorial Psalm (118:1-23) is an important liturgical poem sung at the Jewish Seder or Passover Meal. It recalls how the Israelites implored the God of Israel for help during a time of suffering and how God came to their rescue. The Psalmist then goes on to offer praises of thanksgiving, acknowledging God's benevolence.

In the Second Reading, from St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians (3:1- 4), Paul is speaking about our Baptism being a form of spiritual death and resurrection where we die to all forms of sin and arise with Christ to a new life — the Christian life. Think of this as if you have just put on a new suit or dress. You don't go out and work in the garden or clean the garage in a new suit or dress. Instead, you want to be seen in some festive way, alive and joyful. **The "Christian Way of Life" is special and we should protect it from the dirt and grime of sin.**

The Gospel Reading for Easter Sunday is from the Gospel of John (20:1- 9). This, as we said before, might be anti-climactic; however, it tells us that even the Apostles had a difficult time in understanding and accepting something so great and unique as the Resurrection of the person they called "Lord." And so it is with us today. Often we might be tempted to doubt this or some other great event in the life of Jesus Christ just as Thomas and some of the other disciples did. However, don't let doubts linger. These are opportunities to learn. Ask the Holy Spirit to make things clear and understandable. Then, when the light of understanding comes on, the Spirit of Jesus will arise in your heart just as He did for the Apostles on that first Easter Sunday.

In addition to celebrating this great Day of the Lord with family and friends, set aside a few minutes to spend with Jesus in prayer thanking Him for His love and the great gift of the Resurrection. Something to think about during your prayer time this week! **A happy and blessed Easter to all!**

Rev. Edward J. Smith

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APRIL 09, 2023

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 pm or by appt.

BAPTISM

At least one parent must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling the Office.

Baptisms will be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month

MARRIAGE

At least one member of the couple must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling.

Couples need to make arrangements *at least 6 months in advance.*

No date may be reserved until discussion with the pastor of the parish.

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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. (*Acts 10:40-41*)

PSALM: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (*Ps 118*)

SECOND READING: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (*Col 3:1*)

GOSPEL: For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. (*Jn 20:9*)

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass



The Resurrection OF THE LORD

Easter Sunday - April 9th - Resurrection of the Lord

10:00 am - †David Lesiecki & Richard Garcia, Sr.
Requested by: Diana Lesiecki

Monday - April 10th - Weekday Mass

8:30 am - †The Living & Deceased of the Marian Guild
Requested by: Members of the Marian Guild

Tuesday - April 11th - Weekday Mass

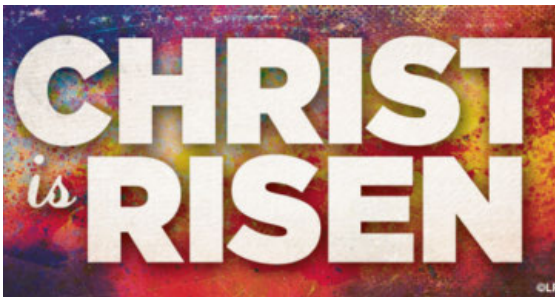
8:30 am - †Steve Haller
Requested by: Carol Potter

Saturday - April 15th - Sunday Vigil Mass

9:00 pm - †George & Ellen Meyer
Requested by: Denise Butti

Sunday - April 16th - Divine Mercy Sunday

10:00 am - †Leonard & Richard Gilles
Requested by: Joe Rizzo



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

APRIL 9, 2023

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31



**May the Risen Lord
give us new life & a renewed
hope as we continue our
journey, nourished by
His Body & Blood.**

*Fr. Smith, Fr. Ken, Fr. Thomas,
Deacon Paul & the St. Anthony
School & Parish Staff*

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, April 15th at 4:00 pm

Lector: Laura V.

Eucharistic Ministers: Carol B., Karen B., Patty R.

Servers: Needed

Sunday, April 16th at 10:00 am

Lector: Celia F.

Eucharistic Ministers: Anna S., Anna A.

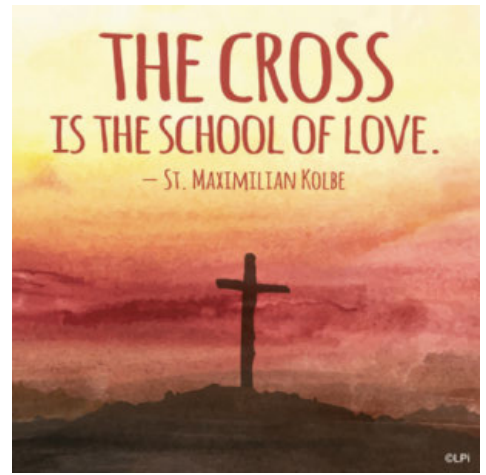
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OFFERTORY REPORT

Amount Budgeted Weekly..... \$6,240.00
 Sunday Collection (3/12/2023)..... \$5,502.00
 7/1/2022 to Date +/- Budget..... (-\$36,868.50)

MY GIFT TO GOD REFLECTS HIS GENEROSITY TO ME.

If you are unable to contribute, please submit your envelopes all the same as it is our most clear indication of active participation for Mass.



MANY PRAYERS & SYMPATHY

to family & friends, upon the death of **Felicia Arroyo**.
 on March 23, 2023 at 95 years old.

May Felicia's soul & the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Life is changed, not ended.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gloria Badillo	Lindsey Marie Ballas	Janet Baxter	Joanne Bilancini	Maryann Boylan	Tim "Swampy" Burton
Tom Christopher	Lynn Coscho	Ann DiFrancesco	Evelyn Donovan	Jerry Donovan	Anna Mae Ebinger
Denise Ellis	Deacon Jose Flores	Norma Jean Flores	Scott Friges	Bea Giacobbe	Virginia Glass
Barbara Glick	Brian Grace	Dan George	Renee Golowenski	D'Arie Gonzalez	Delores Gonzalez
Jose Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez Jr.	Juan Gonzalez	Dawn Smith-Hathaway	Nancy Hartman	Tim Haupt
Vicky Herrmann	Clara Hodorowski	Kevin Holley	Phyllis Holomuzki	Jennifer Humphrey	Baby Jackson
Al Jacobs	Devin Jarvis	Colleen Jasinski	Sylvia Johnston	Johnna Kuhar	Jacqueline Kuhn-Rankin
Deacon Luis Maldonado	Dean Martin III	Rita McConley	Dolores Melley	Sandra Merkly	Jen Mitterholzer
Ellen Morgan	Mary Nazario	Luci Payne	Jeanne Provenza	Elizabeth Raddell	Emily Raddell
Rob Salkowitz	Amy Schmidt	Patricia Smith	Sheila Strauser	Jack Tocchi	Audali Torres
Rosa Torres	Nanette Truffin	Peter Uies	Stacie Velasquez	Nick Vivens	Sherri Wedgeworth
Velma Weichman	Cathy Weston	Paul Winkler	Bob Wisner	Doris Zgola-Whitka	

Call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to this list. Please notify us when to remove the name.

Call the "Prayer Line" for immediate prayer requests, **Georgianna: 440-288-1644**

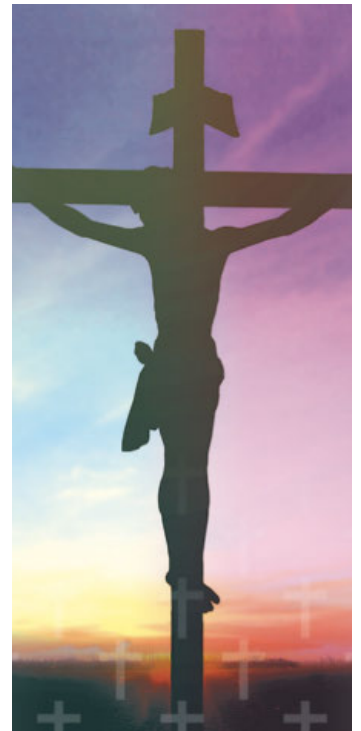
ADORATION CHAPEL

"What an incomparable beauty is His. In Him, is the splendor of the love that He offers which made Him food for souls in the Eucharistic gift and His Humanity: Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, life that He offers to enliven the soul and make it rejoice. The veil of the white Host which concealed Him is now cleared like a curtain opening on a marvelous scene. It is the Eucharist of Paradise: the Body is offered, the Soul embraces, the Blood enlivens, the Divinity exalts. What a marvel of love is Paradise."

~*The Afterlife: Purgatory and Human Explained*, Fr, Dolindo Ruotelo

"In the Eucharist, adoration is directed to the Body and Blood of Christ in the mystery of His Real Presence. In the Cross, we have a sign of our redemption; of the sacrifice of redemption; of the central act of salvation history. That is why the Christian sign par excellence is the cross, but the Cross with the corpus (not empty as the Protestants have it) to underline the human reality of the Incarnation and Passion of the Lord. We adore this sign because it brings us back to the sacrifice of our Redemption. That is why, on Good Friday, we genuflect before the crucifix; a gesture also reserved for the act of adoring the Eucharist."

~*The Catholic Mass*, Bishop Athanasius Schneider



Divine Mercy Meditation - Complete Pardon

I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy.

Then He said to me, **My daughter, fear nothing. I am always with you, even if it seems to you that I am not. Your humility draws Me down from My lofty throne, and I unite Myself closely with you**

(Diary, 1109).

My Prayer Response:

Lord Jesus, draw all souls, especially poor sinners, to turn to Your mercy on the Feast of Mercy and receive complete pardon!

Help us to fear nothing and place our trust in You. Amen.

PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK - DR BERNARD NATHANSON ON WHY HE STOPPED DOING ABORTIONS

"I ran the largest abortion clinic in the world for 2 years. I had no conflicts whatsoever at the time I was doing the abortions. I changed my mind because the new scientific data which we were getting from advanced technology persuaded me that we could not indiscriminately continue to slaughter what was demonstrably a human being."

Interview with Bernard Nathanson, M.D., 1986 (the most famous abortionist in history)

"In its seventh week [the unborn baby] bears the familiar external features and all the internal organs of the adult...The brain in configuration is already like the adult brain and sends out impulses that coordinate the functions of other organs....The heart beats sturdily. The stomach produces digestive juices. The liver manufactures blood cells and the kidneys begin to function by extracting uric acid from the child's blood....The muscles of the arms and body can already be set in motion. After the eighth week....everything is already present that will be found in the full-term baby."

OFFICES AND ADORATION CHAPEL CLOSURES FOR EASTER

The School Office will be closed **until Sunday, April 16th.**

School will resume on Monday, April 17th.

Both the Parish Office & Adoration Chapel will be close on Monday, April 10th & Tuesday, April 11th.

The Parish Office & Adoration Chapel will resume normal hours on Wednesday, April 12th.

Thank you for your understanding. Happy Easter!

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM - APRIL 14TH

The First Friday Forum of Lorain County will present **Sr. Rita Harwood speaking on Immigration on Friday, April 14th.** Lunch begins at 11:30 am & speaker at Noon at the Spitzer Conference Center of Lorain County Community College. RSVP's are needed by 6 pm on Mon., April 10th. Call 440-213-2132 or email fflorain@gmail.com. **Cost is \$25.**

CCA MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS - APRIL 16TH

Catholic Cemeteries Association provides free monthly grief support groups both in-office & virtually on Zoom. Meetings are open discussion, surrounding a monthly topic or whatever is on your heart. **The next meeting is April 16th with in-office at 3 pm & virtual at 5 pm.** *The topic is "Mother's Day and Grief".* Come & be present with those who understand at St. Joseph Cemetery in Avon, 32789 Detroit Road at 3 pm in the Main Office Building OR Sign-up for the Virtual Meeting via Zoom at 5 pm. You can sign up at <https://bit.ly/ccavirtualgriefsupportgroup> or call Rhonda, 216-930-4866.

Visit <https://www.clecem.org> for the most updated schedule of events.

CALVARY CEMETERY – PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on **Wednesday, April 19th, at 5:30 pm at Calvary Cemetery 555 N. Ridge Rd. Lorain.** Please join us to learn about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and a savings certificate. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event at 216-641-7575 ext. 6. or email Bob DeJohn at bdejohn@clecem.org.

SENIOR SOCIABLES MONTHLY MEETING - APRIL 20TH

Happy Easter! **St. Anthony Senior Sociables will meet on April 20th at 12:30 PM.**

The meeting will be held at **Sugar Creek Restaurant** on Detroit Rd. in Sheffield Village.

Please call Karen Less at 440-949-2934 with your reservations no later than 4/17.

Hope to see you there!

SPRING BBQ REVERSE RAFFLE & 50/50

The St. Anthony of Padua Parent Advisory Committee and Pogie's Catering invite you to a **Spring BBQ with a reverse raffle and 50/50 on Saturday, May 6th from 5-8 pm at St. Teresa Parish Life Center, Abbe Road.** Come enjoy food, fellowship and a cash bar. **Cost is \$25 per person. Menu includes: Grilled Boneless Lemon Herb Chicken Breast, St. Louis Style Ribs, Baked Beans, Coleslaw & Potato Salad with roll and beverage. Tickets must be reserved by Friday, April 28th.** Call the School Office, 440-288-2155, for more information. All profits will be used for a fun Field Day for our Students.





ARISE!!! Jesus is Risen. He is truly Risen.

As we celebrate the joy of Easter,
Christ wants to fill our hearts with the radiant Light and lasting joy.

As you make your family plans for the summer, join us on Sunday, August 6, 2023 for The FEST. It's an inspiring day of faith, family and fun – all for FREE. It's a great way to celebrate the Joy of Christ with thousands of family and friends from across our Diocese.

This year we are blessed to welcome the best Contemporary Christian artists: Chris Tomlin, Jeremy Camp, Big Daddy Weave, and Katy Nichole. Their music, along with the inspiring displays and engaging activities, will fill your soul with the Light and Joy of the Lord.

Invite everyone you know to join you for this amazing day held at the Center for Pastoral Leadership (28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe, OH). It's the perfect one tank-trip and, even more, it's an inspiring and fun-filled family day.



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