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SUNDAY APRIL 3 2022

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M—TH: 9 am-12 pm & 1-3 pm Friday—Closed

MASS SCHEDULE Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm
Sunday: 8 am and 11 am
Weekday Masses
Monday: NO MASS
Tuesday: 9:00 am
Wednesday: NO MASS
Thursday: 9:00 am
Friday: 9:00 am
Saturday: 9:00 am
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Confession

PARISH STAFF

<u>Pastor</u>

Fr. Richard Allen

<u>Deacon</u>

Mr. Frank Hannah

<u>Director of Religious</u> <u>Education</u>

Mr. Joseph Ranelli

Director of Adult Education

Mrs. Kathy Higgins

Liturgy/Music Coordinator

Mrs. Gretchen Wagner

Secretary

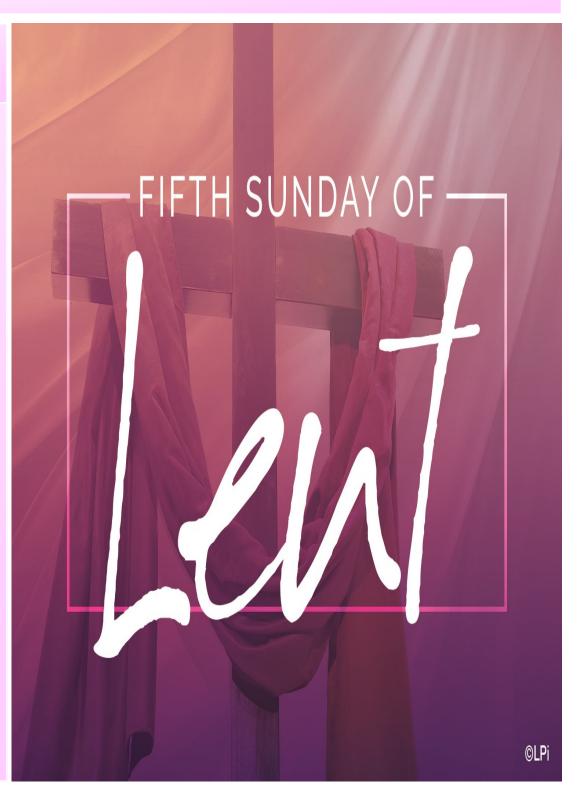
Mrs. Carrie Hannah

Religious Education Secretary

Mrs. Mary Lou Hornyak

Business Manager

Mrs. Ann Miller



WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 3, 2022

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4,

5-6/ln 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil

2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 3, 2022

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

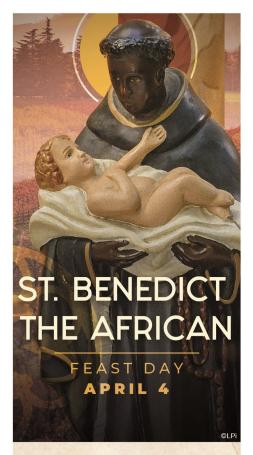
Tuesday: St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

Next Sunday: Holy Week begins; Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Mercy makes us attentive to the voice of truth. We do not know what ever happened to the woman caught in adultery, after her encounter with Jesus. It is hoped that she found what she needed to feel true sorrow. What we do know is that through his gentle and wise persuasiveness, Jesus puts the Pharisees in their place and opens the door to grace for this child of God. Being exploited and used to test and discredit Jesus, she who is publicly known to be a sinner is now the victim. Jesus never tolerates people being used and immediately rushes to her defense. As the author of mercy, Jesus became her advocate and opened the door for her to God's love. Jesus also stands between us and the harsh, judgmental, and often hurtful stance of our world. He invites us to grace, to leave the sin that binds us, and for which we are often criticized, and pursue a life of virtue and freedom.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Benedict the African (1524-1589), was born in San Fratello, Sicily to Cristoforo and Diana Manasseri, Africans who had been taken as slaves. Some accounts claim that because of his parents' loyal service that Benedict was given his freedom at birth, other sources say that his freedom was granted when he turned 18. At 21 Benedict joined a society of hermits living under the rule of St. Francis of Assisi. Eventually he succeeded his friend, Jerome Lanze, as their leader. When the Pope disbanded the independent hermit society, Benedict joined the Order of Friars Minor and he was sent to Palermo, to the Franciscan Friary of St. Mary of Jesus. There Benedict worked in the kitchens and despite being illiterate and a lay brother (not a priest), he also served as Master of Novices, and as Guardian of the Community. St. Benedict was known throughout his life as a brilliant cook under whose hands food seemed to multiply miraculously, a healer, and a spiritual leader with profound understanding. He is recognized as the patron saint of African Americans.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2022 | 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT



MON 4/4 NO MASS

TUES 4/5 9AM Christine Perry

Wed 4/6 NO MASS

THU 4/7 9AM Fritz Orben [Wife, Cynthia]

FRI 4/8 9AM Josephine Childress [Sister, Angie Leonard]

FRI 4/8 7PM Stations of the Cross

SAT 4/9 9AM Jim & Vi Sferra

SAT 4/9 4PM Hugh O'Brien [Dennis & Michelle Durkos]
SUN 4/10 8AM For the Living & Deceased Members of our

Parish

SUN 4/10 11AM Matt Perna [Ken & Gretchen Wagner]



SAT 4/9 4PM LECTOR M. Multari

EUCHARISTIC MIN.
R. Beal / S. Goclano
J. Miller / P. Thornburg

ALTAR SERVER
A. Bowser

SUN 4/10 8AM LECTOR J. Pursel

EUCHARISTIC MIN. P. Clark / R. Mentrek S. Puhl / P. Slezak ALTAR SERVER
A. Zahniser

SUN 4/10 11AM LECTOR B. Moder

EUCHARISTIC MIN.
D. Boller / D. Boller
B. McVey / O. Yoursh

ALTAR SERVER SERVER NEEDED

*ATTN VOLUNTEERS! PLEASE CHECK-IN WITH FR. ALLEN PRIOR TO MASS

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Reporting known or suspected child abuse: It is every adult's moral responsibility to report known or suspected abuse or neglect of a minor to the responsible authorities. Sexual abuse of minors is a pervasive societal problem, and only concerted and sustained efforts by all adults in every segment of society can help to protect children and youth. In the 2020 Pennsylvania state report there were 4,941 substantiated reports of child abuse in Pennsylvania. 1,932 or 39% of the substantiated reports were for sexual abuse, 1,384 were physical abuse. To report suspected abuse of a minor, call Childline at 1-800-932-0323 (anytime 24/7). For particular questions on reporting abuse, you may call: Cindy Zemcik, Coordinator for the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth in the Diocese of Erie at 814-824-1195.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Notre Dame
TUES, THU, FRI
MON, WED, FRI

9:00 AM 7:30 AM

SAT TUES 9:00 AM 6:00 pm

*9:30 AM Confessions *6:30 PM Confessions

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Notre Dame St. Bartholomew

LENT PENANCE SERVICES

Below is the list for the upcoming schedule of surrounding Catholic Churches that will host a communal penance service during LENT.

Tuesday, April 5th,

Notre Dame, Hermitage, 7:00 p.m.



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" item is **PAPER TOWELS.** The upcoming item will be canned fruit.

Thank you for your care and concern for God's needy.

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of those who have lost a loved one. Please keep in prayer those who have entered into eternal life:

Christine Perry

CHANGES IN PROTOCOLS

Eucharistic Ministers are no longer required to wear masks during the distribution of Holy Communion. They are to sanitize prior to distribution, and be vaccinated. Anyone needing / wishing to wear a mask is welcome to do so. Hand sanitizers are always available throughout the church for those who would like to use them.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR 2021-2022

Grades: Pre-K-11th / Sunday Mornings: 9:15am-10:45am

Use Grotto entrance of SJPII School
Joe Ranelli, RE & Sacrament Prep Director

Mary Lou Hornyak, Secretary

Office: 724-981-5566 / Email: Religioused@notredame-pa.org

NOTE:

Calendar is subject to change due to the ongoing COVID circumstances. We will adhere to state mandates and guidelines as they unfold concerning the virus. Our primary means of communications to convey adjustments and notices will be email. Please check your email on a regular basis. If you do not have an email address, please notify the RE office.

April

3 CLASS 10 CLASS 17 NO CLASS 24 LAST CLASS

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

Rehearsal for Mass: Thursday, April 21, 2022 / 6pm / Church

Celebration of Sacrament: Sunday, May 1, 2022 / 1pm / Church

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Living Stations Rehearsal #1: April 11, 2022 / 6pm / Church

Living Stations Rehearsal #2: April 13, 2022 / 6pm / Church

<u>Living Stations of the Cross:</u> Good Friday, April 15, 2022 / 8:30pm / Church

<u>Mass Rehearsal:</u> Thursday, May 19, 2022 / 6pm / Multi Room Candidates and sponsors. If sponsor is unable to attend, a parent may serve as the proxy.

<u>Celebration of Sacrament:</u> Sunday, May 22, 2022 / 2pm Bishop Persico presiding



Next luncheon, May 15th after the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

More information to come.

Any questions contact Ann Nicolls at 724-962-7164.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



BREAD SALE!

Bread purchases and pickup will be available throughout Saturday at the John Paul School Kitchen (located in the school gym) and before & after the April 9th and 10th Masses at Our Lady Fatima, St Bartholomew, & Notre Dame.

Traditional, Raisin, and Tri-Color \$8 or any 3 for \$20

For presale orders or pickup contact
Rich at 724-991-0116 (Phone or Text) or email at
Fleis.Rich@Gmail.com

Interested in:

[] Easter Bread Volunteer
Baking or Distribute – All are welcome,
fun family activity!

Can you braid hair?!? WE NEED BREAD BRAIDERS!

Being part of the Knights of Columbus
Making donation towards supplies

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH EASTER LOTTERY BASKETS RAFFLE DRAWING PALM SUNDAY APRIL 10, 2022 AFTER 10:30 AM MASS

Raffle to include a chance to win:

- 2 Easter baskets with a variety of 50 instant lottery tickets as well as Easter Treats
- Minner's Car Care Basket
- Cheese & Wine Basket
- Hummingbirds Basket
- Simply Sweet Chocolate Easter Basket

Tickets are \$2 each or 6 for \$10

To purchase raffle tickets, send check or money order to:

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 100 Penn Ave., Mercer, PA 16137

Please include your name, address, and phone number. We will mail tickets to you. For more information call 724-662-2999



The Notre Dame Book Club will be meeting
Thursday, April 21st at 6:30 PM in the
CONFERENCE ROOM of the JEFFERSON BUILDING
19 Jefferson Ave, Sharon PA
Located across from Sharon Regional Hospital.
Parking is in the lot adjoining the building.

We will be reading The River of Doubt By Candice Millard.

A few books will be available outside the parish office.

Please join us!



FIRST ANNUAL "FAITHFUL TO THE FINISH" 5K FUNDRAISER

10 AM - Saturday, May 7, 2022 - Linden Pointe, 3580 Innovation Way, Hermitage

HOSTED BY NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame Parish will be sponsoring a 5K Race and 1-Mile Walk at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 7 at Linden Pointe, 3580 Innovation Way in Hermitage. The "First Annual Faithful to the Finish" outing will benefit the Prince of Peace Center in Farrell.

Entry fee is \$25 for an in-person 5K run or 1-mile walk, or a virtual 5K or virtual 1-mile walk. Additional monetary donations for Prince of Peace Center will be accepted as well.

Shirts are guaranteed to all runners pre-registered by April 15, 2022. Registration and payment can only be made online at http:// www.smileymiles.com.

- Race Day packet pick-up will be at Linden Pointe beginning at 9 a.m.
- Awards will be provided for men's and women's overall 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers as well as age-group awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers in the following age groups: 0-13, 14-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60 and older.

Please join us for snacks and fellowship following the race. If anyone would like to donate snack items, please call Jessica Logue at (724) 977-0750 or Michelle Becker at (724) 699-5891.

Proceeds from the race will be used by Prince of Peace Center to provide services to strengthen families, build community and reduce poverty in the Mercer County area. Notre Dame Parish has been a strong supporter of POPC since its founding nearly 40 years ago

ST. BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH HOMEMADE PIEROGI SALE

Cost is \$8 per dozen.

Pick-up will be available: April 6th From 12:30 to 3:00 PM

St. Bartholomew Parish Center 311 W. Ridge Ave. Sharpsville PA. 724-962-7130

To place your order, call St. Bartholomew Church.

Prayer for the people of Ukraine

We fly to Your patronage,
O Virgin Mother of God.
Despise not our prayers in our needs,
but deliver us from all dangers,
since you alone are pure and blessed.
O most glorious Ever-Virgin Mary,
the Mother of Christ our God,
accept our prayers
and present them to Your Son and our God,
that for the sake of You,
He enlighten and save our souls.

-from Ukrainian prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mother.ciith century

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO IN YOUR SPARE TIME? JOIN OUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Do you like to meet new people? Plan events? Volunteer to serve? Have ideas for new parish events?

If you answered yes, we would like to hear from you! Your commitment can be as big or as small as you would like, we have many ways in which you can help. For instance, if you're available to help with our Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday after 11am Mass, we need you!

If you're interested or have any questions, please call/text

Jo @ 724-699-3340 Jeanne @ 724-854-6206 Michelle @ 724-699-5891 Staci @ 330-519-3239

Notre Dame Easter Egg Hunt Easter Gunday After 11:00am Mass



All are welcome, but please be sure to register your child(ren) either by signing up in the back of church after Mass, on Notre Dame Church Facebook event or by calling the church office at 724-981-5566.