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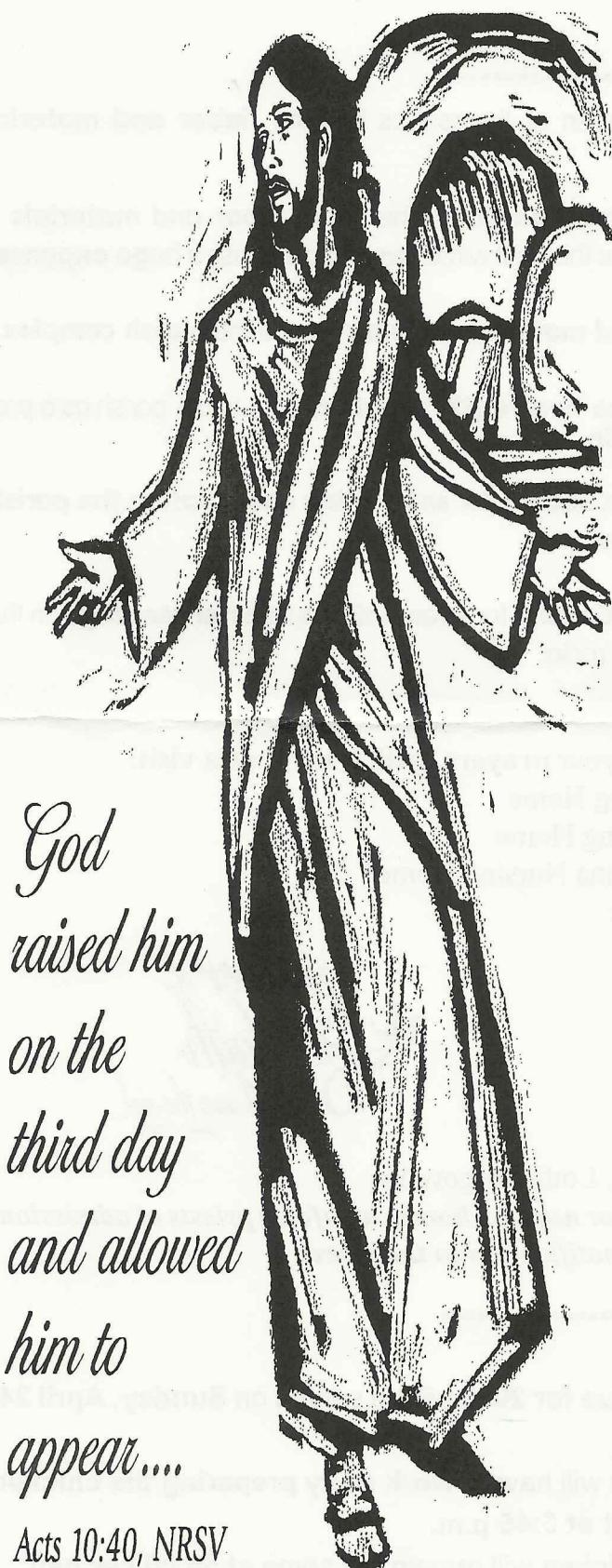
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WHY THE RESURRECTION?



Acts 10:40, NRSV

The truth regarding the Resurrection of Jesus Christ three days after His death by crucifixion has been taught by the Christian Church from the moment of its inception. The four Gospels bear witness to this extraordinary event, and the principal symbols of Christianity - the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed - proclaim this eternal truth to the people of the world.

The Christian Churches of the world differ on many articles and matters of faith, **but all, even though separated, teach and proclaim the Resurrection truth - that Jesus Christ, who died on the cross outside of the city of Jerusalem on the first Good Friday, gloriously returned to life on that first Easter Sunday, when His soul reunited with His lifeless body.**

Right from the beginning, people had difficulty accepting this truth, for to many it seemed to defy human reason, but, on the other hand, we are not discussing human reason; we are speaking about a divine act of God. Even today, we may find that some still do not accept this truth, because they are unable to comprehend how it could happen. I guess if you question people of the past regarding the transplanting of hearts, kidneys, orbiting space stations, men on the moon, and so forth, they too would have thought it ridiculous to discourse about these things, and many would have surely denied even their possibility.

Man is a pilgrim in this world, and what has been accepted in the past as true was often rejected in the future as false, and what was often accepted as an absurdity or a ridiculous and impossible idea has often become a reality of the future. **What we may not understand today may be clear to the people of the future.**

God will cause our personal resurrection to happen, and we believe this because Jesus has shown us through life our ultimate end. **"I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die."**

May you have a most blessed and happy Easter Sunday and season, may you experience the Resurrected Christ in the Easter Liturgy and in Holy Communion at mass this day.

Article by the Most Rev. Emeritus John Swantek

† PARISH FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR APRIL †

Sunday, April 3 at 9:00 a.m.
Sunday, April 10 at 9:00 a.m.
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Sunday, April 17 at 9:00 a.m.
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Sunday, April 24 at 9:00 a.m.

+Leo Bilsky offered by daughter Rita Yeates
+Karen Rose Blanford, offered by Joseph Kot
+John Priester, offered by Family
+Stephen and Frances Butora, offered by daughter Dolores Duke
+Philip Pokrinchak, offered by Bill and Mary Perkins
Easter Flower Memorials



A Word From Our Pastor

I acknowledge the following who have given of themselves in **time, labor and material offerings** to our **parish**:

- ☺ to **George Kolba Jr./Kolba Construction Co.** for his **time, labor and materials - salting and plowing our parish complex** this past winter **saving our parish a huge expense.**
- ☺ to **Fred Kocan** for his **time, labor and materials helping** around the **parish complex.**
- ☺ to **Red's Kettle Inn** for **donating the twelve (12) Lenten Meals** to our parish as a part of our **Sunday Offering Envelope raffle.**
- ☺ to our **Sunday School PTA and Men's Society** for **sponsoring and treating the parish family to a night of hockey** at the Arena.
- ☺ to **John Ciotoli/Ciotoli Heating and Cooling** for **sponsoring our Easter Message** on the **Bill Flynn Polka Show** on Cool 106.7 FM radio.

Please remember the following in your prayers, with a card, or a visit:

Joseph Nosal at Bridgewater Nursing Home
Jennie Kolba at Willow Point Nursing Home
Jacqueline Pokrinchak at Susquehanna Nursing Home
Emil Kotasek at Ideal Living Center
Edward and Vicky Ambrose
Jean Chapin
Florence Ottman
Barb Kotasek
Patricia Butora
Pam McKiernan
Mae Raychel, Genevieve Lupinsky, Lottie Rogowski
*Privacy laws do not allow hospitals or nursing homes to inform priests of admission.
Family members must make this notification to the priest.*

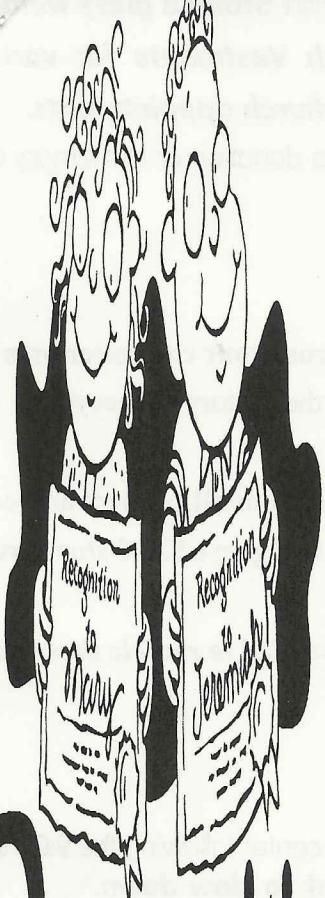


The first takeout Chicken Barbecue for 2016 will be served on **Sunday, April 24, from 10:00 a.m to 11:30 am.**

The members of the Men's Society will have a work party preparing the chicken for the barbecue on **Thursday, April 21 at 5:45 p.m.**

Price for a half of barbecued chicken will remain the same at \$6.00 per half.

Recognition of Sunday



It is hard to believe that we are at the point of the 2016 year where our **Sunday School Program** is winding down for another year. Our **Sunday School** and **activities** began on the **Sunday** after **Labor Day** and will continue through **April**. As positive as one tries to be, **society and sport activities** make it very difficult to continue the **school year** into the month of **May** and beyond. So, our **Sunday School Closing** will be held on **Sunday, April 24**, after another successful **2015/2016** year. Children will participate during mass singing a special anthem and will receive their **Certificates of Achievement**.

We are very fortunate to have a dedicated staff of **Sunday School Teachers and Assistants**: *Terri Kozloski, Teacher; Shirley Michno, Teacher; Amy Derkowski, Teacher; Kaitlyn Creller, Teacher; Mary Perkins, Crafts; Betty Ruda, Music; Tracy Cooper, Treasurer; Missy Creller, Assistant.*

Also, a **thank you** to our parents who **see the need** for their children to attend this **religious education program**. Also, to our **parish family members** and **non-parish family members** who support the **fund raisers** for the **Sunday School** making it **self sufficient** and **non taxing** upon the **parish general treasury**.

Classes for the **2016/2017 school year** and **First Holy Communion classes** will begin on **Sunday, September 11, 2016**.





There are several items available as Memorial Gifts to the parish: **Stained glass window, Carillon Music Programs, Sanctuary Banners, Church Vestments for various occasions, altar frontals, outdoor statue and other church appointments.**

If you are interested in donating any of the above, either as a donation or in memory of a departed loved one, please contact Fr. Ruda for more information.

What do you do with your empty ink or toner cartridges from your computer printer, copy machine or fax machine? Tired of mailing them back to the factory for recycling and getting nothing in exchange?

Our parish is collecting these empty cartridges (**all brands**) from all printers and copy machines. With each returned cartridge, Staples Office Supply will give a \$2.00 store credit to the church toward our future purchases.

Bring them to the parish office in a plastic bag and we will be glad to recycle these items for you.

Coffee fellowship is held every Sunday in the parish family center following the 9:00 a.m. mass. It is a time of "**fellowship, conversation and a moment to slow down.**



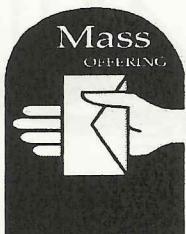
Coffee, Hot Chocolate and Tea are provided at no charge. All we ask is that if you would like goodies to go along with your coffee, please sign the sheet and volunteer your baked goods. We will be ending this fellowship for the 2015/2016 school year on the last Sunday of April (read Sunday School Closing article on why) and resume on September 11 with the start of the new Sunday School year.



The parish council requests that if you are the last person leaving the church basement, Sunday School rooms, restrooms, parish family center or center basement to please turn off the lights and help conserve energy and cost.



Father Ruda has prepared a **welcome pamphlet and packet** to give to people who are looking for a spiritual home. If you know of someone who is searching for a church, **please contact Fr. Ruda** and he will give you a packet to give to the individual or family.



From time to time people ask "**What is the proper offering for a mass to be said**". In ancient times offerings consisted of food, milk, poultry etc. But in this modern time of the church the **offering is a minimum of \$10.00** according to the individual and their financial conditions. For the sacrifice of the mass to be celebrated, the following elements are needed: 1. A priest to offer it to God. 2. An altar on which it is offered. 3. A visible gift.

Our Men's Society and Sunday School PTA will host a Social Night Out on Friday, April 1 at 6:00 p.m. at Jonathan's Restaurant on Hooper Road in Endwell, NY.

This will be an evening of fellowship and socializing.

Men's Society members and Sunday School PTA members will be free of charge and through the generosity of these two church societies there will be no charge also for the food and non-alcoholic beverages for non-society members from the parish. This event is not open to parish children or teenagers.

In a few months some of you will be at your camp sites having and enjoying your evening camp fires. At our parish cemetery there is an enormous amount of seasoned downed trees, limbs and branches on our property in the wooded areas for your camp fires.

Help yourself! But please be **careful** in the process.

For those of you who listen to the **Bill Flynn Polka Show** on Sunday mornings, the time of his broadcast has changed to 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on 106.7 fm radio. Bill has been a strong supporter and church attendee of our parish for over 30 years and still is very helpful advertising and announcing our parish events.

MUSIC MINISTRY

"*O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things!*" - Psalms 98:1

Our weekly choir rehearsals are on Thursdays at 6:45 PM. We welcome anyone who would like to join us. If you like to sing for God and can carry a tune, just come to a rehearsal. Comfortable seats - good view.

The adult choir has been rehearsing music for all the way through the end of the summer. We have many new and inspiring (and exciting) anthems for the congregation to enjoy! You may listen to most of our Sunday anthems at www.jwpepper.com.

Our Sunday School students have been enthusiastically rehearsing for their performance with the adult choir on Youth Sunday (May 1). They're sounding great!

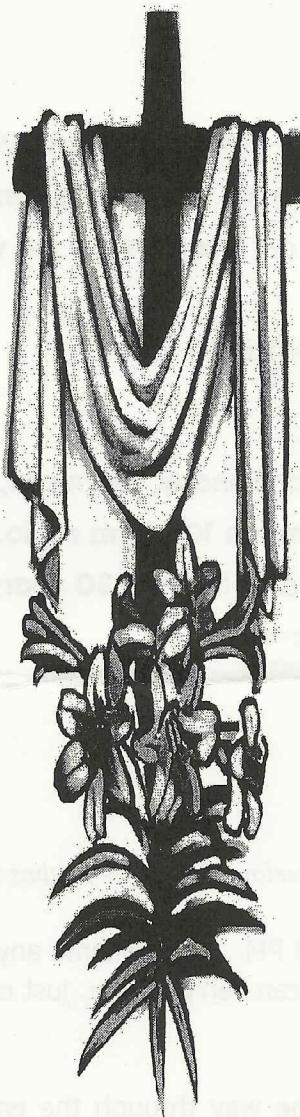


ADD YOUR VOICE!

MUSIC DONATIONS

Please contact Betty Ruda if you'd like to donate a piece of music, either from yourself, for a memorial, or for an acknowledgment of a special occasion. There is a list of pieces of music from which you can choose to donate. Cost is \$25 each. Your name will be printed on the front of each piece, in the monthly newsletter, and on the weekly Mass music program. You will also receive a copy of the music to keep. Phone 607-797-8357, text or call 607-759-9202, or email liz@stny.rr.com.

EASTER FLOWER



THANK YOU!

Thank you to the following who have made Easter flower donations in memory of departed loved ones or given a donation for Easter lilies and mums:

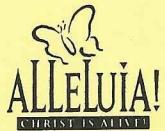
In memory of +Carl Ottman by wife Beverly; In memory of the deceased members of the +Baron & +Turock Families by Diane and Gerry Turock; In memory of +Raymond, Anna, Raymond Jr., Ernie & Julie Zalaffi by Peter Zalaffi; In memory of +Rod Fell, Rose Chuck, Tony Winik, Frankie Heubach, Larry Rivenbark by Grace Fell; In memory of +Chester Sr. & Stella Socha, Joseph & Nellie Kot by Chester Socha Jr.; In memory of +Michael Cushner Sr., Kathryn Gidzinski, Diane Gidzinski Smith, Edward & Eddie Gidzinski, by Debbie & Mike Cushner; In memory of +Stanley & Veronica Podkulski by daughter Terri; In memory of +Bernard & Mary Wnuk, offered by Ed & Jeanette Wnuk Samuelson; In memory of +Joseph Borkowski by wife Theresa; In memory of departed members of the +Sperski & Drozdowski Families & Madison Keefe by Vincent Sperski; In memory of +Walter Raychel & Edward Broczkowski, by Mark and Wanda Broczkowski & Mae Raychel; In memory of + Karen Topa, Fred & Rose Marie Kocan, Kathy Ross, by Mary & Fred Kocan; In memory of +Edward Yeomans & Bill Mezick, by Tim & Kelley Yeomans; In memory of +Michael, Helen, Rob and Andrew Mnahoncak by Bill & Mary Perkins; In memory of +Carl & Ruth Perkins by Dave & Missy Creller; In memory of +Beverly & Edward Sr. Nowakowski, Ruth Campbell by Yvonne and Edward Nowakowski Jr.; In memory of the +departed members of the Novak Family by Annie Kaczmarek; In memory of the +departed members of the Bagan Family by Genevieve Bagan Lupinsky; In memory of + Laura & Elmer Cooper by Tracy Cooper; In memory of +John & Jean Borowski by daughter Carole; In memory of +Joseph & Verna Strzalka by daughter Laura; In memory of +Philip Pokrinchak & Dolores A. Dubik by Mark & Janine Pokrinchak Dubik; In memory of +Chester & Sadie Jablonoski by daughter Donna and son Eugene; In memory of +Bruce Ottman by daughter Janet; In memory of +Kay & George Perchinsky by Karen & Joe Perchinsky Berner; In memory of +Ed, Anna & Joe Kozloski by Karen & Joe Perchinsky Berner; In memory of +Frank Szccepanski by sister Alice.

The following donated either an Easter Lily or Easter Mum:
Debbie & Jack DeNinis, Cliff Sr. & Barbara Butler, Cliff Jr. & Kim Butler, Rev. Richard & Jean Chapin.



April 2016

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