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EASTER REFLECTIONS 2024

Some of you are receiving & reading this **April newsletter** as you **attended Easter Resurrection mass** or when you **get home**. Many of you will receive this **April newsletter** via **e-mail** because you are on the **e-mail mailing list** or **USPS** because either you are **out of town** or missed attending **Easter mass**.

Easter Sunday and Season in my humble opinion is the **most uplifting season** in the church's liturgical year. **Easter** is celebrated in **most years** after a **long, hard cold winter**. The **cold winter** did not materialize this year but the months of **November, December, January, February and March** can be quite **confining and boring**.

The **Easter message** offers us **hope and inspiration**. The **promise** of a **spiritual resurrection** after this **earthly pilgrimage** should be a **cause** to be a **part of God's plan**. Unfortunately, too many are **wrapped up** in **today's material world**, wrapped up in what **society** tries to **dictate**. Sad to say we see that this **philosophy** is slowly **overcoming** the **traditional church's values and traditions**. As we look at our church festively decorated with **Easter lilies** and **colorful mums**, it should **motivate** and **uplift** us after a **six week period of Lent** that had **solemn music, purple covers, altar frontals and messages**. Everything now is **bright, uplifting and hopeful**. **God will not beg anyone** to enter into **His Kingdom** after our **earthly stay**. That **destiny** is up to **God** and we will be **judged** through our **actions**.

It is **never too late** to **change** our **attitude** and **realize** the **material world** is **full of empty promises** that will **take up** our **energy and time**.

Look up the **definition** of the word **ETERNITY** - it means **timeless existence, forever, infinity**. That is what **awaits us** some day.



† PARISH FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR APRIL †

Sunday, April 7 at 9:00 a.m. - +Frank Szczepanski, offered by the late Vincent Sperski

Sunday, April 14 at 9:00 a.m. - +Fred Daszewski, offered by George Jr. & Carolyn Kolba

Sunday, April 14 at 9:00 a.m. - +Stephen & Frances Butora, offered by daughter Dolores Butora Duke

Sunday, April 21 at 9:00 a.m. - +Julie Zalaffi, offered by Ed Burke

Sunday, April 21 at 9:00 a.m. - +Mary Zevan, offered by M/M David Zevan

Sunday, April 28 at 9:00 a.m. - +John & Sophie Priestler, offered by Family

Sunday, April 28 at 9:00 a.m. - +Easter Flower Memorials

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

- ☺ to **Mark & Janine Pokrinchak Dubik** for their **\$325.00 church donation**
- ☺ to **Jay and Karen Miller Konar** for their **\$150.00 church donation** in **memory** of **father/grandfather Robert Bo Miller**.
- ☺ to **Grace Fell** for her **\$50.00 church donation**
- ☺ to **FDR and Betty** for **donating** a new **Dell Computer** and **Color Laser printer**.
- ☺ to **Robert Blakeslee Sr.** for **donating** new **computer programs** and **accessories**.
- ☺ to our **Men's Society** for **treating** the **parish family** to a **free Lenten Breakfast**.
- ☺ to **all** who **donated Easter Lilies** and **Mums** to **decorate** the **church** for **Easter**.
- ☺ **help** will be **needed** for **upcoming Rummage Sale** and **Chicken Barbecue**.

Please **remember** the **following** in your **prayers & thoughts**, with an **Easter card** or **call**:

Wanda Raychel Broczkowski, Mike Cushner, Peter Dyman III, Dolores Butora Duke, Erica & Charlotte Blakeslee, Theresa Borkowski, Annie Kaczmarek, Steven Ottman, Sally Cooper, Diane Fiacco Carolyn Kolba, Aggie Dedrich, Amy Derkowski, Lorraine Krusienki.

If you are hospitalized, please call the rectory. Privacy laws do not allow hospitals or nursing homes to inform priests of admission.

The first **takeout Chicken Barbecue** for **2024** will be served on **Saturday, April 20** beginning at **11 a.m.** until gone. If there is a **surplus**, they will be sold on **Sunday, April 21**, after mass.

The members of the **Men's Society** will have a **work party** preparing the **chickens** for the **barbecue** on **Thursday, April 18** at **5:15 p.m.**

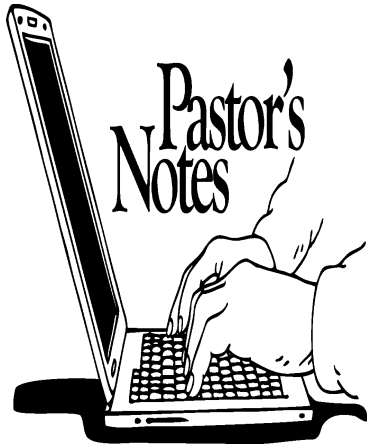
Price for a half of **barbecued chicken** will be **\$10.00**.

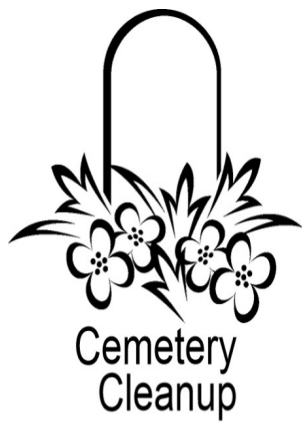
Let us remember all events that our Men's Society sponsors for the parish family and support this event.

Please **turn off** your **cell phones**, not to mention **absolutely no texting**, while in the **nave**, **parish office** and **choir loft** in **church** at **any time**. If your **phone** must be on for **emergencies** please **switch** them to **vibrate** instead of **ring tone**.

Your **phones** and **texting** is **permitted** in the **parish center** etc.

This **request** is made **not to annoy** those **around you** or **interrupt** the **church service**.





With the **Spring season** here, **winter clean up** at the **parish cemetery** has begun. Please remove all **Christmas wreaths and decorations** from the graves as soon as possible.

Top soil is available at the **cemetery** for your **planting and grave maintenance** needs.

There are **several grave stones and meditation benches** that need attention. It is the **policy of the Cemetery by-laws** that, as long as there are **surviving family members**, it is their responsibility of **maintaining their grave stone or meditation bench**. If there are **no surviving family members**, the **cemetery board** will see that **the work is taken care of**.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

The **Spring Rummage Sale** sponsored by our **parish council** will be held on **Saturday, April 20**, from **8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** and **Monday, April 24**, from **4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**, followed by **clean up and putting away tables**.

Our **Rummage Sale** and the **Salvation Army** will not accept the following items: **underwear (men/women), wigs, used hygiene products, encyclopedias, broken furniture/broken household items**.

You may begin to bring your **clean clothing** and **workable items** to the **parish center** beginning **Monday April 1**, and **every day** thereafter from **9 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

Final set up for the sale will be on **Thursday, April 18** at **5:30 p.m.** **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Please when you bring items place them on a table, if possible, thereby eliminating bending down to pick them up. Also, tables will be labeled of where things should go.

On **Sunday, May 19** at **9:00 a.m.**, the **Sacrament of Confirmation** will be administered to **two young adults** of our **parish** by the **Most Rev. Anthony Mikovsky**, **Prime Bishop of the National Catholic Church**. **Bishop Mikovsky** has visited our parish previously when he was our **Diocesan Bishop**.

It would be **very respectful** to the **Bishop** and **Fr. Ruda** if the **church pews** were **filled**.

In this **day and age** when the **church** is **not respected**, your **attendance** would be **encouraging** and a **refreshing factor** to the **confirmants** and would be a **sign of a functioning and active parish life** at **All Saints to the Bishop**.

Please **mark this date** on your **calendar** and be a **part of this celebration** in the **spiritual lives** of our **two parish members**.

"Let us put our best foot forward."





The following items from the church inventory are for sale: ✓ Portable beer cooler/machine - works hold quarter half & half of beer. Has some cosmetic dings and rust.

- ✓ Some very old tables - probably need some screws and glue.
- ✓ Old computer, keyboard, mouse, printer - everything works
- ✓ 38 inch console TV

Make an offer and see FDR or Dan Derkowski

MUSIC MINISTRY

Our choir is always welcoming new singers! Just come to a rehearsal, or contact Betty Ruda (607-759-9202) or any choir member for more information.

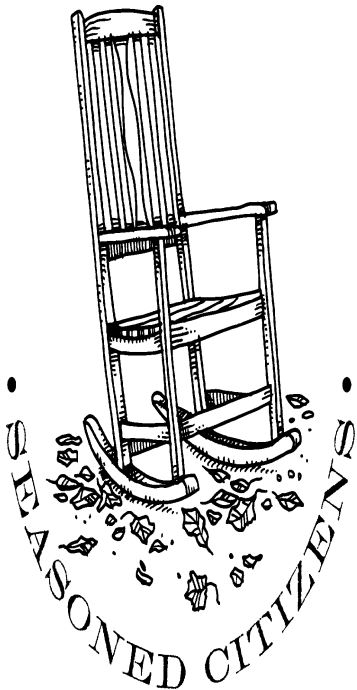
We have been busily preparing many beautiful anthems for the Easter season and beyond. We are very thankful for the dedication of all of our choir members! Currently, our rehearsals are on Thursdays at 2 PM.

God Made Music

*Music is a ministry that warms our hearts and sets us free.
Through each note of praise you play or sing,
We all rejoice in Christ our King!*

BEATITUDES

For Senior Citizens



BLESSED are they who understand my faltering steps.

BLESSED are they who know that my ears today must strain to catch the things they say.

BLESSED are they who seem to know that my eyes are dim and my wits are slow.

BLESSED are they who looked away when coffee spilled at the table today.

• **BLESSED** are they with a cheery smile who stop to chat for a little while.

BLESSED are they who never say "You've told that story already."

BLESSED are they who know the ways to bring back memories of yesterdays.

BLESSED are they who make known that I am loved, respected and not alone.

BLESSED are they who know I am at a loss to find the strength to carry the Cross.





Parish Membership

Occasionally the question of “***Why does a person have to pay a membership obligation to belong to the parish?***” is asked. The answer to that is very simple. ***When you pay your church membership, you are making a commitment to the parish and in turn the parish makes a commitment to you.***

The ***commitment of the parish*** is that you are entitled to the services of the church for your spiritual benefit and even material needs - **Baptism, Religious Education, First Communion, Confirmation, Visitation of the Sick, Burial Rights, Weddings, Funerals, use of the parish family center (if available).** However; these services and privileges can not be extended through you to your relatives and friends who are non church members.

It is **sad to say** that many **people** do not **think** of these **various services** that are available to **them** through their **membership** and do not think about it or make their **commitment** until there is a **need** and sometimes a **serious need**. Then the **pastor** or parish **council** must use the dreaded word - **NO**.


Now, **please** do not get the **impression** that **all** you have to **do** is **fulfill** the **membership obligation** and **everything** is in place. ***According to our parish by-laws there are other commitments both spiritual and material that need to be fulfilled.***

Finally, no one that I know of in our parish has ever been denied the services of the church because of a financial hardship or **honestly** cannot satisfy the membership obligations of our parish. But again, is a ***sincere effort through church attendance and participation in church activities being made even though the financial obligations cannot be made?***

Some **parish family members** might **think** that our **membership obligations** are **high**, but **many** of our **sister parishes** of our church have **membership obligations** that are **double** and even **triple** to **ours**.

Please contact Fr. Ruda in private if these **parish membership obligations** are a **financial difficulty** for you.

Your attendance, participation and concern for our parish are just as important as your financial assistance, and some times even more valuable!



I acknowledge the following who have donated either an Easter Lily or Mum:

In memory of the departed members of the +Perkins and +Mnahoncak families by Bill & Mary Perkins; **In memory of +Robert J. & Jean Blakeslee, +Judith K. Stadler** by son and fiancé Robert Blakeslee; **Deceased members of the +Baron and +Turock Families** by Gerry & Diane Turock; **In memory of +Carl Ottman** by wife Beverly and Family; **In memory of +Fred Daszewski** by wife Wanda and Family; **In memory of +John and Marie Ludka** by daughter Julianne; **In memory of departed members of the +Cooper & +Fiacco Families** by Tracy Cooper & Joe Fiacco; **In memory of +Philip & +Jacqueline Pokrinchak, +Justine Stasko, +Betty Pokrinchak, +Mark Riccio, +Mrs. Y.M. Lai** by Stephen Pokrinchak and Wai Ling Lee; **In memory of +Jane and +Bernard Parzych** by Stephen Parzych; **In memory of the departed members of the +Butler and Malchak Families** by Cliff & Barb Butler; **In memory of the departed members of the +Cushner and +Gidzinski families** by Cushner Family; **In memory of the departed members of the Kolba Family** by Family; **In memory of +Stanley and +Veronica Podkulski** by daughter Terri; **In memory of +Carl (Ed) Samuelson** by wife Jeanette; **In memory of +Joseph Borkowski** by wife Theresa; **In memory of +Chester, +Stella and +MaryLou Gorgol** by daughter and sister Betty; **In memory of +Edward & +Irene Ruda, +Katherine & +Andrew Laba, +John & +Sophie Priester** by Family; **In memory of +Bruce and +Florence Ottman** by daughter Janet; **In memory of +Emil Kotasek and +Chris Carrican** by wife and mother Barbara; **In memory of +Mickey Arcangeli** by wife Katherine; **In memory of the departed members of the +Perchinsky and +Kowalczyk families** by Joe and Karen Perchinsky Berner.

Donation for a mum and lily made by Frances Leahy Parzych and Wanda Daszewski and Family.

Mass for the above memorials will be celebrated on **Sunday, April 28 at 9:00 a.m.**



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Events at All Saints



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