

**EASTER SUNDAY
MARCH 27, 2016**

FROM FR. KUNKEL

Today's Readings
Easter Sunday
Acts 10: 34, 37-43
Col 3: 1-4 or 1 Cor 5: 6-8
Jn 20: 1-19 or Lk 24: 1-12

Readings for 4/03/16
2nd Sunday of Easter
Acts 5: 12-16
Rv 1: 9-11, 12-13, 17-19
Jn 20: 19-31

MASS INTENTIONS March 28TH TO April 3, 2016

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Francesca Knauer
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Anne Cooper
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Camille Kiedrowski
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Stewart Family
Saturday	4:00 p.m..	Guerriero Family
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Mary Smith Camille Kiedrowski John H. Bachmann Jr.

(SI) Special Intentions (B) Birthday (A) Anniversary (H) Health

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Please notify the Church office if you are in need of prayer, so that we can include you in our Prayer List. Please pray for: Michael Barlow, Lawrence Boden, Roy Broyles, Loretta Butt, Aaron Carter, Kemper (Scoop) Cline, Ginger Corvin, Kathleen Douglas, Steve Ferguson, Don Green, Jill Hoffinger, Janet Jourdan, Baby Kellan, Kelly Lally, Candace Webb Lee, , Katherine Miller, Jim Mixon, Churk & Susan Pace, Mack Palmer, Genelia Peagler, Holly Ritchie, Barbara Schroll, William Staab, Jeanne Berg Stith, Shirley Suggs, Linda Webb, Michael Webb, James W. Webb, Kimberly Weidner, Marie Weller, Jim & Bev Wilson, Barbara Wunner.

SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND OF 4/03/16

Ministry	Sat 4 pm	Sun 8 am	Sun 9:30	Sun 11:15
Priest	HK	HK	HK	HK
Lectors	D Logan	R McGraw	C Yost	S Alasandro
EM	M Demski	A Chaney	J Bowman	G Dumer
	D Phillips	S Dieter	M Scraff	S Friedman
	J Poole	T Dieter	N Yost	D Friedman
	J Kuski	M McGraw	K Kiedrowski	M Rudell
	M Washburn			
Server	C Sealy	A Engel	L Mahns	P Bittner
	E Sealy	A Engel	R Mahns	M Kujawa
			S Usselman	C Lawrence
Sacristan	B Stewart		A Usselman	J Smith

Easter is a fantastic time! It is truly a special day for the heart! We can explain what the implications of our belief in Easter are, but we cannot really explain the event itself. Easter is something we feel. Theologians and Scripture scholars have written volumes trying to explain Easter. Unfortunately, explaining something so fantastic as someone rising from the dead cannot be proven or explained. This goes far beyond our intellects.

In the Easter Gospel, we discover that coming to believe is not a "lightning-bolt event." The Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday morning speak only of an empty tomb. There was real terror for some of the disciples and confusion for some of the others. Nevertheless, with a little help, there was also faith. Slowly, recognition came to each of them. The disciples on the road to Emmaus even argued about the event and what it meant. Recognition came slowly - but when it came, life changed!

We want our lives to change also! So, what does Easter say to us? Easter says that there is hope. Easter tells us that God is bigger and more powerful than we can ever imagine. Most importantly, Easter tells us that there is always tomorrow! No matter how bad things may seem today, there is tomorrow! God has given us the Resurrection! No matter the pain, the loneliness or the suffering, there is always tomorrow! We can endure.

We can even do more than merely survive. We need to believe this. If we are to survive a world of sin and death, we must believe this. This is our ultimate hope: that there is indeed life after death! And how do we come to an Easter faith, a faith that promises hope and joy? Again, our Easter Gospel contains a clue. No disciple came to believe on his or her own, or in isolation. Faith always came in the company of other people. This is especially true of the faith of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. They came to believe in the breaking of the bread. They remembered what Jesus said: "Wherever two or three are gathered in my name, there I am."

Why do we come to church on Easter Sunday, and why should we continue coming every Sunday? We simply have to! Here is where the disciples are gathered! Here is where we discuss our lives along the road of life! It is here in this context that Easter really begins to be believable. Faith comes when we are with other people, sharing with them their sorrows and pain, their fears and their sufferings. It is here, too, that we remember what Jesus said to us. With Easter in mind, we listen to all that He said. We begin to grasp the horror of sin as we bring with us our own sinfulness. We begin to experience the reality of another tomorrow as we encounter others who have had a share in our particular problems. They live again, and so will we! It is here, with other disciples, that we feel the reality and the power of the Resurrection, of hope! **MAY THE RISEN CHRIST TRULY FILL YOUR HEARTS WITH HOPE AND JOY!! HAPPY EASTER!!**



**SUNRISE
COMMUNION SERVICE**

St. Mary's offers a Communion Service every Wednesday at 6:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend. For more information please contact, Mike Dodson @ 717-382-4756

CELEBRATIONS & CONGRATULATIONS!!

Happy Birthday-80's and over

Vilma Baldwin	86	Apr 8
Ellen Bauer	85	Apr 13
Shirley Gill	90	Apr 17
Eugene Marsiglia	84	Apr 22
Francis Miller	86	Apr 26
Charles Sieck	82	Apr 26

Happy Anniversary--25th, 50th & over 50

Henry & Patricia Lindeman	63	Apr 11
David & Elizabeth Marsiglia	25	Apr 13
John & Joan Kusik	56	Apr 14
George & Helen Ramsburg	53	Apr 27
David & Nancy Shade	25	Apr 27

If you do not want your name(s), and/or your age in the bulletin please notify Barbara, Ext. 22

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY **(THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER)** **April 3, 2016**

The Divine Mercy Novena will begin on Good Friday, March 25, 2016. Divine Mercy Sunday celebration will be held on Sunday, April 3, 2016 at the 11:15 a.m. Mass. Liturgy will include Mass, Eucharistic Exposition, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Talk and Benediction.



Remember: If you go to confession during the Lenten or Easter Season you fulfill the obligation for confession for Mercy Sunday. (Pamphlets on the history and novena of the Divine Mercy are available in the vestibule of the church.)

HAVE A BLESSED EASTER

St. Mary's Respect Life Ministry wishes all of you a blessed Easter full of the joy of new life!

While you celebrate the re-birth of our Savior among your family and friends, remember in your prayers those whose opportunity for life was ended before they had a chance to enjoy it.



For the 15th year, St. Mary's Respect Life Ministry has set up the "Field of the Innocents" display of small white crosses representing the staggering abortion statistics in the United States.

Each of the 139 crosses displayed represents a pre-born child killed by abortion every hour of every day in this country.

Over 50 million pre-born infants have died "legally" since 1973 in this country alone. To put this figure into perspective, this means that there were more American victims of legal

abortions in 2015 than there have been American casualties in the Revolutionary War, the Civil War, World Wars I and II, the Korean Conflict, the Vietnam War, the Gulf War, and the current war in the Middle East – combined.

Please reflect upon the crosses of the innocent young ones – for whom Christ died as much as He did for those of us fortunate enough to have been allowed to be born -- and resolve to pray with us for an end to abortion.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

"Treasure" – March 20, 2016

The treasure update for March 20th offering will be in the April 3rd bulletin. As always, thank you for your generosity.

- The message of stewardship is that God's gifts, *shared*, will always be enough. Thank you for continuing to share your gifts with the parish, others and the Lord. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.
- Please consider remembering St. Mary, Pylesville **in your will**. Catholics of generations to come will thank you for your thoughtfulness and remember you in prayer.
- *Embracing Our Mission Campaign Payments: Payments should be mailed directly to the Archdiocese of Baltimore.*

Offerings for Next Weekend – April 2nd & April 3rd

Weekly Offering: Provides a regular predictable source of funding so the Church can meet its practical responsibilities; cost of facilities, administration, worship, salaries/benefits, religious education subsidy, ministries, and miscellaneous expenses. **(We encourage all envelope users to please use your envelopes. This will assist in decreasing the posting time.)**

Chaplain at Upper Chesapeake: All Harford County parishes will provide a portion of the salary, housing and benefits for a chaplain to attend to the patients, to anoint the sick, hear confessions and visit the sick at the Upper Chesapeake Medical Center. This "**Special envelope**" can be placed in the regular offertory collection along with your weekly offering envelope.

Poor Box: "Little Sisters of the Poor": The Little Sisters of the Poor have been serving the vulnerable aged in our Archdiocese without interruption since 1869. They humbly beg to fill the gap between what is provided by the residents and/or government and truly what is needed for the residents to have the dignity they deserve.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Rachel Bittner - Youth Minister

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410-879-4015 ext. 23

JOINT EVENT FOR
MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Hannah Bittner – Coordinator

717-380-7443

St. Mary's Young Adult Ministry provides a safe and welcoming environment for young adults in the parish by offering social events, trips and various outreach projects to help young adults stay involved in the parish. Any young adults out of high school ages 18-30 are eligible to participate in events pertaining to young adult ministry.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 22- Movie night in the Youth Room from 7-10pm. We will have popcorn, pizza and refreshments. I hope to see more of you young adults in the future and hope you will come out and participate in our program.

PARISH ACTIVITIES



ST. MARY'S LUNCHEON BINGO TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2016

Join in for a relaxing day of bingo and lunch. Doors open at 10:00 a.m. and the low price of \$9.00 include admission, lunch and a regular bingo packet of 16 games, 3 cards to a sheet. For a small additional fee special games and extra bingo packets can be purchased. The Menu for April 5th is:

Parmesan Encrusted Baked White Fish
Hash Brown Casserole
Green Beans
Applesauce Cake

Progressive Jackpot for April 5, 2015
is \$100.00 in 55 numbers or less.



The Book Club's next meeting will be on April 13th at 12:30 p.m. We will be reading "Nine Words" by Allen R. Hunt, a study from the book of Galatians. Please note this meeting is on a Wednesday. For more information, please contact Leslie Kline at 410-688-0574 or safetyles@yahoo.com.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Monday, March 28, 2016

.....Parish Office Closed
7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus

Tuesday, March 29, 2016

5:30 p.m. CFF

Wednesday, March 30, 2016

5:30 p.m. CFF
7:00 Cont. Music
7:00 p.m. Parish Activity Mtg.

Thursday, March 31, 2016

7:00 p.m. Called & Gifted

Saturday, April 2, 2016

.....Casserole Pans Distributed
.....Sign up Chicken Dinner

Sunday, April 3, 2016

.....Casserole Pans Distributed
.....Sign up Chicken Dinner
9:30 a.m. Mass 1st Communions
12:15 p.m. Divine Mercy Sunday
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts

BELLES OF ST. MARY'S BINGO – APRIL 19TH



The Belles will host a Bingo and Luncheon. Doors open at 10:00 a.m. at the low price of \$9.00 which includes admission, lunch, and a regular bingo packet of 16 games, 3 cards to a sheet. Extra regular game cards and specials will be available. The Jack-pot game is \$100.00 in 55 numbers or less. The lunch menu is:

Stuffed Shells, Salad,
Bread and Dessert

Beverages will be available. For more information call Lou Hall at 410-452-8512.

ST. MARY'S WEBSITE

St. Mary's has a new redesigned website with lots of new features. Be sure to check it out!



Ministry leaders if you wish to have a page on the website or wish to change the content please contact John McCarty @ 1096cop1@comcast.net.

OUR ANNUAL FRIED CHICKEN DINNER APRIL 30TH, 12:00 NOON TO 6:00 PM.

We will need approximately **300 stewards** to volunteer and as always we must ask our parishioners to give of your time, talent and treasure. Please sign up if you are going to work the dinner. It helps prevent a lot of headaches and keeps our stress level at ease.

Time: 4 hrs at the most but 8 hrs would be great.

Talent: Volunteer for any of the many positions to be filled.

Treasure: Buy a dinner ticket (it helps the cause).

Valuable is the work you do.

Otstanding is how you always come through.

Loyal, service and full of good cheer,

Untiring in your efforts throughout the year....

Notable are the contributions you make.

Trustworthy in every project you take.

Eager to reach your every goal.

Effective in the way you fulfill your role.

Ready with a smile like a shining star,

Special and wonderful--that's what you are.



Sign up will be after all the Masses as follows: April 2nd & 3rd / April 9th & 10th / April 16th & 17th / April 23rd & 24th or call – Barbara Ext. 22 / email -- barbara_stmarys@yahoo.com
Thank you in advance for giving of your time and talent, signing up early and for your continuous support of our parish.



RELIGIOUS ARTICLES NEEDED

The Health Care Ministry is in need of clean, usable religious articles to be distributed at the Chicken Dinner in April. If you have any religious articles someone else may like to have,

please bag them and leave them in the back of church marked Health Care. And stop in to see our display of FREE Religious articles when you come to the Chicken Dinner.

42-39=36x3=108

This is not some new variety of Math – but it is the results of the Bloodmobile Thursday, March 3rd. We had 42 donors schedule and 39 of those came in. Thirty six of those 39 were able to donate and Red Cross collected 36 units of blood.



Each unit has the potential of helping three people in need of a transfusion so that means 108 patients were helped. Their gratitude may not be audible in Pylesville but be assured it is there.

Thank You to the 22 donors who have already signed up to donate again on Thursday, June 16th. There are still many appointments available from 2 to 6:45 p.m. Make an appointment for your desired time by calling in MD Theresa Driesen at 410-457-0451 and in PA Janice Bowman at 717-382-4198.

Again – Thank You to all you wonderful donors. What a great Easter gift you have given to those patients.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

BOY SCOUT TROOP 730 BULL ROAST, SHRIMP & OYSTERS FEAST

WHEN: Sunday, April 24, 2016
WHERE: Towson American Legion,
125 York Rd., Towson, MD
COST: \$45 per person
catered by “Bill’s Seafood”
Dance Masters Entertainment

**BENEFITS SPECIAL NEEDS BOY SCOUT TROOP 730
FOR TICKETS CALL 410-665-1934**

JARRETTSVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY HANDBAG & BASKET BINGO



When: Friday, May 6, 2016 at 7 p.m.
Where: 3825 Federal Hill Rd (Rt 165)
Jarrettsville Md
Tickets: \$15 each in advance or \$18 at
the door. Contact Wendy Morey 443-655-
1403 or Melissa Proctor 410- 692-

5911 for more information.

WOMAN’S SPIRITUAL FORMATION

2016 Maryland Catholic Woman’s Conference – Witness of Mercy, We Are Called! will be held on October 7-9 at Mount Saint Mary’s. Keynote Speaker is Fr. Chris Alar, Director of the Association of Marian Helpers. Registration will open soon at www.MarylandCatholicWomen.com

2016 Archdiocese of Philadelphia Catholic Women’s Conference – Mother of Mercy, Make Our Hearts Like Yours! Will be held Saturday, October 29th from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, Pa. Register at www.catholicwomensconference.org.