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# Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 2024

### **Today's Scripture Readings**

<u>FIRST READING:</u> The God of our fathers has glorified his servant Jesus (Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19).

<u>PSALM:</u> Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).

SECOND READING: The way we may be sure that we know Jesus is to keep his commandments

(1 John 2: 1—5a).

GOSPEL: Jesus stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you" (Luke 24: 35-48).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION. . . In today's gospel, the Risen One appears with the greeting, "Peace be with you!" The Easter Jesus eats with the disciples in the upper room. At the funeral Mass, the community turns for spiritual nourishment to the table of the Eucharist. When a brother or sister dies, we gather to be nourished with the Bread of Life. In partaking of the body of Christ, all are given a foretaste of eternal life in the risen Lord. The priest with the community offers to the Father the sacrifice of the New Covenant and shares in the one bread and the one cup.

#### **WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR**

SUN	4/14	11:00AM St Anne's Basket Party Drawing begins at 2;30
MON	4/15	
TUES	4/16	
WED	4/17	
THURS	4/18	7:00PM Confirmation St John Gualbert
FRI	4/19	
SAT	4/20	3:00PM Confession
<b>Next Sun</b>	4/21	



#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (April 15th – April 21st)

MON	<b>4/15 7:50AM + (A) Ted Figart (5years) – (Wife, Anne &amp; Family)</b>
TUES	4/16 7:50AM + Joan Loncar - (Mary Jean & Ricardo Petrore)
WED	4/17 7:50AM + Sophie Mulvehill - (Marian Oravec)
THUR	4/18 7:50AM + Teresa Lill - (Sister, Patricia Henley)
FRI	4/19 7:50AM Sr Mary Elizabeth of the Trinity
SAT	4/20 4:00PM + Maria A Stumpo – (Bob & Kathy Woloschuk)
SUN	4/21 7:30AM + Dominec Petrore Jr. – (Carole Manganello)
	10:30AM + Sue Ellen Dadey - (Eric & Michele Stiffler)



# Sunday, April 14, 2024

**Stewardship Reflections:** During this Easter season, in addition to celebrating all that Christ did for us, we are also reminded of how His sacrifice impacts our lives. The knowledge of His sacrifice should not only affect our minds but also our hearts, changing how we live.

Through sin, we betray Jesus once again. It is like saying, "crucify Him!" Sometimes we deliberately turn away from Jesus out of pride and selfishness, and other times, we are not even aware of the gravity of our sin. Whether we know our weaknesses or are ignorant to them, let us ask God to reveal the areas of our lives in which we are betraying Him — maybe through addiction, materialism, and how we spend our money or time and putting things above God. And let us ask for the grace to repent and change our ways.

As we are still in the midst of this Easter season, let us take some time to think about what Christ did for us and the changes we should make in our daily lives to help us grow closer to Him.

# LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS (March 30th & March 31st, 2024)

Weekly	 . \$ 3,817.00
Building Fund	 . \$ 616.00
Easter	 . \$ 71.00

Thank you and May God Bless you for your continued support of St. Therese Church.



#### WELCOME!!

The St Therese's Community would like to welcome our newest member, Kai Thomas Reese, son of Seth & Andrea who was baptized Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Welcome Kai and may you grow in God's love and grace.

<u>Sincere Condolences</u> - The St. Therese Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Kathryn Gorczycki** who was called to her eternal reward this past week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Kay** and peace and consolation to her family.



<u>Sincere Condolences</u> - The St. Therese Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Domenick Kurtz** who was called to his eternal reward this past week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Domenick** and peace and consolation to his family.

### RITE OF SENDING

Today we celebrate the Rite of Sending to our Confirmation Students, and ask God to Bless them as they continue on their journey in faith.

Chase Pollino – Saint Anthony Aubrie Shingler – Saint Alexandra



# The St Therese Christian Mothers Spring Flea Market.

The times to drop off flea market items are 9AM - 12PM, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup> at the Social Hall. Please make sure all items are clean and in good condition. Thank you!

Flea Market Days: Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 9-12 Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 9-12



Raffle Tickets - Once again we are asking that each family please consider purchasing or selling at least 10 raffle tickets. Please stop

in the vestibule to pick up your tickets. Tickets are \$2.00 apiece. Drawing will be held at the Summer Basket & Burger Bash July 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### St Anne Christian Mothers Basket Party

Sunday, April 14, 2024 Held at St.
Therese Social Hall -

Admission \$10 -- includes a lite lunch
+25 chances on over 100 baskets!
Addition basket tickets -- \$5/for 25
chances Tickets on Large Prizes also available to
purchase

Doors open at 11:00AM - Drawing will begin at 2:30PM

Soft Walk Through - Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:30PM - 7:00 PM - No Meal

# Summer Basket Bash

The Summer Bash has been set for July 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> 2024. We are asking again for Themed baskets at least \$25 in value. The next meeting is Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 6PM. Anyone interested in helping plan or working the Bash please attend the next meeting. This is a Church Fundraiser; we will need as many hands as possible. It is your chance to Get Involved!

**REGINA CAELI** – The Regina Caelis is said beginning Easter Sunday until Pentecost. It is said standing:

- V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice! Alleluia.
- R. For He whom you merited to bear, Alleluia
- V. Has risen, as He said, Alleluia
- R. Pray for us to God, Alleluia
- V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!
- R. For the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia. Let us Pray: O God, who through the resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has given joy to this world; grant, we beseech You, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the same joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen

## Catholic Ministries Drive

Encountering Christ. Thank you to all the families who have pledged to date a total of \$7,485.00 towards our target amount of \$24,902.00. Through it, your sacrificial gifts of prayer and treasure will make an immediate impact on Ministries that care for the poor, strengthen family life, nurture our youth, and provide leadership development for clergy and laity. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge according to your means so we will be able to reach that target. You have until Dec 31st 2024 to pay your pledge in full. All funds over our target will be returned to St. Therese Parish.



Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formaation and saramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal.

### Community News & Events



Drive By Spaghetti Dinner
Church of the Transfiguration in Conemaugh is hosting a Drive thru Spaghetti Dinner TODAY
Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from 10-1:30PM. Dinners are only \$8.00, which includes Spaghetti, 2 meatballs, bun, salad, and dessert. Enjoy and thank you for your support.



St. Anthony of Padua, Windber, will have a Take-out Italian Chicken Dinner on Saturday, April 20th, from 3:00-6:00 PM and Sunday, April 21st, from 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. Meals are \$12 and include Italian Chicken, Parsley Potatoes, Green Beans, and Salad.





## Military Share Food Distributions

In partnership with Veterans Leadership
Program and the Greater Pittsburgh Community
Food Bank

All veterans in need of food are welcome Johnstown Military Share 12PM April 29<sup>th</sup>, May 31<sup>st</sup>, and June 24<sup>th</sup> 727 Goucher St. Johnstown



#### Lower Yoder Volunteer Fire Dept.

Bingo 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday
Doors open at 5:30PM a first game called at
6:30 No entrance packets will be sold after the
1<sup>st</sup> number is called.

The \$20 entrance fee includes a 6face 20 paper packet. Extra entrance packets and daubers will be available for purchase. We run 4 -special games throughout. Each Special is a single card for \$1. Hope to see you there!



May 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, Annual West End Pickers, Trash to Treasure indoor yard sale, here st St Therese Social Hall 8AM-1PM Proceeds from this sale go towards our projects- surveilance cameras, garden/ flower boxes, and community events.