



Our Lady of Grace

Roman Catholic Church

April 26, 2020

3rd Sunday of Easter



We change lives through the Risen Christ

By **Prayer**

Praying daily for our intentions
and the success of our mission.

By **Presence**

Joining together at Mass every weekend for
mutual support and the grace God offers.

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We Celebrate the Eucharist

Vigil of Sunday: 5:00pm Saturday Evening

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am (Children's Liturgy of the Word), 12:00 Noon (Choir)

Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8:00am and 9:00am - Saturday 8:00am

Holy Days: See inside

By **Witness**

Witnessing daily our love for God
and neighbor.

By **Support**

Sharing our gifts and
encouraging one another.

Our Parish Communion

Our Clergy

Rev. Joseph Davanzo, Pastor
Rev. Gabriel Miah, Associate
Rev. Martin Adu Gyamfi, Associate
Deacon Ricardo Garcia
Deacon Brian Miller
Deacon Irwin Saffran

Our Pastoral Staff

Jeanmarie Florio, Day Care Director
Peggy Harnisch, Faith Formation Director
Ann Kristoffersen, Parish Social Ministry
James Pisano, Facilities Manager
Terence Purtell, Director of Music
Doreen Scalise, Kids of the Kingdom/
Summer Fun Coordinator
Tischa Stanley, Angel Care Coordinator

Our Pastoral Council

Lee Abseck	Ralph Fiorillo
Mary Ellen McEntee	James Nevins
Maria Russello-Chetti	Lucy Sanchez
Kathleen Scheid	Concetta Whelan

Our Finance Council

Richard Korcz (Trustee)	Joseph Salzone
Leonardo LoCricchio	Debra Nicosia
Robert Scharf (Trustee)	Thomas Villella

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Memorials this Week: April 26, 2020



Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Elizabeth Fitzgerald

Baptism

Call the Office for more information or to schedule an appointment for a Baptism interview. This should be done as soon as practicable.

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Matrimony

Arrangements for marriage should be made as soon as possible but **not less than 18 months** prior to the intended wedding date.

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Confession/Reconciliation

Every Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45pm in the Church or call for an appointment.

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Anointing of the Sick

Every Saturday during the 8:00am Mass for those facing surgery or with major disorders. Call the Office for other arrangements.

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Initiation as a Catholic

For adults, teens, or children over age 7 who are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Communion) Call the Office.

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Regular Devotions:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mondays: 2:00pm - 9:00pm except holidays or when noted.

Miraculous Medal Novena with Rosary:

Mondays following 8:00am and 9:00am Masses.

Holy Face of Jesus:

Hour of Reparation 1st Friday after 9:00am Mass.

Padre Pio Prayer Group:

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm.

Scripture Sharing:

Every Tuesday - 9:30am (except July and August)

Parish Office Hours:

All Parish Offices are closed until further notice

From The Pastor

Pope at Regina Caeli: 'Life has the last word'

April 14, 2020; vaticannews.va

Pope Francis began his remarks before leading the Regina Caeli prayer at noon from the library of the Apostolic Palace on Easter Monday, saying "*Jesus' resurrection tells us that death does not have the last word, life does. Today, Easter Monday of the Angel, the joyous proclamation of Christ's resurrection resounds.*"

Jesus is risen!

His remarks focused on the day's Gospel reading (Mt 28:8-15) which recounts that the fearful women meeting Jesus Himself as they are running away from His empty tomb. "*Do not be afraid,*" Jesus tells them. Then He asks them to tell His disciples to go to Galilee where He will see them.

Jesus reward to the faithful women

Pope Francis said that "*With these words, the Risen One entrusts the women with a missionary mandate to the Apostles.*" This is how Jesus rewards them, with a gesture that shows "attention and predilection," he continued. Throughout his public life and passion, these women had been faithful in showing Him selfless dedication and love.

Slow to believe

These women and the disciples were slow to believe, even though Jesus "*had foretold a number of times*" that He would die and rise again, the Pope said. They were not ready yet. Their faith needed "to take a qualitative step forward." Only the Risen Jesus's gift of the Holy Spirit could have "provoked" them to take that step, Pope Francis explained.

The Good News has reached every corner of the earth

After that, Peter and many others after him, have boldly proclaimed Jesus's resurrection. That proclamation, the Pope said, "*has spread everywhere*" reaching every corner of the earth." It has become "*a message of hope for everyone. Jesus's resurrection tells us that death does not have the last word, life does.*"

Christ, my hope is arisen!

This is why our outlook can be hopeful amidst life's most difficult and uncertain moments of life, the Pope said. "*This is the Easter message that we are called to proclaim with words, and above all through the witness of life,*" he said. "*In our homes and in our hearts, may this joyful news resound: 'Christ, my hope, is arisen!'*"

Mary, silent witness

Concluding his remarks before reciting the Regina Caeli, Pope Francis invoked Mary, the "silent witness" of Jesus's death and resurrection. He asked her to help us believe in the "mystery of salvation" that, when "welcomed with faith, can change our lives." "It is this Easter wish that renews everyone. I entrust it to You, our Mother, whom we now invoke with the prayer, the Regina Caeli."



Thank you for your continued financial sacrifice for our parish.

We are grateful to all who use online giving, put their envelopes through the office door, and mail us their envelopes. This situation of virus has placed an emotional and financial burden on many of us and has greatly strained our parish budget with the potential to impact our mission. If you are able, the diocese has also developed a "***Text to Give***" option for each parish enabling you to make a weekly donation on your smart phone. To do this, text "**165parisholgrace**" to **516-271-3338**. Please continue praying for our first responders, doctors and nurses, and all those helping on the front lines. Thank you and may God bless you and your families. You are remembered in my daily Mass intentions.



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To: 516-271-3338

Please Take Note

Due to suspension of Masses in Church, the priests will celebrate all Mass intentions privately.

Happening this Week

ALL activities canceled until further notice.

Thank You for Continuing Your Church Offerings!

Thanks to those who continue to remember Our Lady of Grace with your donations during this time of pandemic. Some have mailed their donations; others have come when the church is open for prayer and put their donations through the slot on the Parish Office door. We rely on the donations to pay our bills and maintain our operations. As Vice President Mike Pence said, "*churches have made the hard choice of suspending services...churchgoing Americans should continue their donations as ministries play a vital role in the wake of the coronavirus crisis.*"

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Joe

Paschal Candle

We invite up to four individuals or families to memorialize the Paschal Candle through a \$150 donation. A beautiful way to remember your loved one. For information or to memorialize, please leave your name, phone number and name of the person/family to be memorialized with the donation at the Parish Office.



Worship This Week

Mon. Easter Weekday

Apr. 27 Acts 6:8-15 / Jn 6:22-29

8:00 Frank Martorana

9:00 John P. Salt

Tues. St. Peter Chanel and St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

Apr. 28 Acts 7:51 - 8:1a / Jn 6:30-35

8:00 Rev. Paul A. Wood

9:00 Luigi Assalone

Wed. St. Catherine of Siena

Apr. 29 Acts 8:1b-8 / Jn 6:35-40

8:00 Rev. Matthew J. Diamond

9:00 Rev. Joseph A. Cestaro

Thurs. St. Pius V

Apr. 30 Acts 8:26-40 / Jn 6:44-51

8:00 Charles Lyons

9:00 Giuseppe Mozzone

Fri. St. Joseph the Worker

May 1 Acts 9:1-20 / Jn 6:52-59

8:00 Deacon Frank Bice

9:00 Holy Face of Jesus - Living and Deceased

Sat. St. Athanasius

May 2 Acts 9:31-42 / Jn 6:60-69

8:00 Marie Liverti (B' day)

Sunday Worship - May 3, 2020

4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 / 1 Pt 2:20b-25 / Jn 10: 1-10

	Presider	Mass Intention
5:00pm	Fr. Martin / Deacon Ricardo	Rev. Joseph A. Gancila
8:00am	Fr. Martin / Deacon Ricardo	James Robert Smith
10:00am	Fr. Gabriel	People of the Parish
12:00pm	Fr. Joe	Rev. Harold Buckley

Parish Social Ministry

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Pantry: Toiletries, Hygiene & Cleaners

For those served by our Parish Social Ministry, personal hygiene products, such as toilet tissue, soap, shampoo, paper products, tissues, toothpaste and toothbrushes, combs and brushes, deodorant, talcum and baby powders, shaving products, laundry detergent, cleaning products are a blessing. Bring these any time to the food bin in the parish lobby. Thank you for your generosity!



Calendar Raffle Tickets Update

Look out for the new calendar raffle tickets which will be in the mail by the first of May. Remember that these tickets begin on July 1 and end on December 31. Good luck to all!



Pantry: Nonperishable Food Items

We need nonperishable food items for our food distribution: canned soups, pasta sauces, pasta, canned vegetables, canned tuna, canned beans, macaroni and cheese, Pasta-Roni, Rice-A-Roni, Tuna Helper and similar products, dried rice, dried beans, canned fruit, dried soup or ramen, breakfast cereal, oatmeal, snacks, peanut butter, fruit juices, jelly, powdered milk, sugar, pudding, gelatin, flour, cake and brownie mix. These can be placed in the food pantry bin in the lobby any time that the church is open. Thank you!



The Rose For Life Update

Due to the coronavirus, the delivery of the Rose for Life has been suspended until further notice. Those affected will be rescheduled at a later time.



Thank you to those who donated to help Furnish a Retreat Center in our Convent!

We need 100 - 125 chairs for the chapel and dining room at \$30 each. We also need 10 - 12 large round tables at \$80 each. Please mark your donation, "Convent," and take to it the Faith Formation Office. Another expense is upgrading the exit and emergency lighting which will cost several thousand dollars. If you are a business owner or are looking to make a charitable donation, please consider this.



Please pray for the success of this exciting new use of our convent! Updates will follow.

Any questions, call Peggy: 631-661-9353.

Please use the tear off below with your donation:

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Faith Formation – Ministries with Children and Families

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I'll be sending suggestions each week for families, children and teens!

Mass Intentions

Unannounced Mass Intentions: offered almost immediately. They do not appear in the bulletin and are not announced at any Mass. Please come to the Parish Office. Cost: \$20

Multiple Mass Intentions: offered weekly alternating between the Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass and the Sunday, 8:00 am Mass.

Memorial Opportunities to Remember or Honor Loved Ones

Sanctuary Lamp: \$10 Rose for Life: \$10 Bread and Wine: \$25 each Prayer Garden Paver: \$75

You can also donate to our Altar Fund; cards available in the Office.

For information: 631-587-5185.

Be a Winner and Support Our Calendar Raffle

\$25 ticket lasts 6 months.

4/20/20	4/21/20	4/22/20	4/23/20	4/24/20	4/25/20	4/26/20
520	384	583	324	458	513	501