

Church of the Blessed Sacrament

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Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Americas

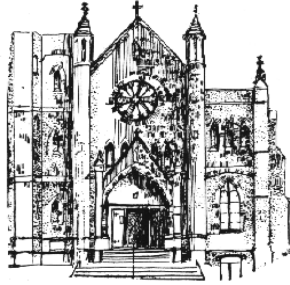
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Over One Hundred Years of Faith and Tradition



Established 1902

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Food Pantry Coordinator: Sr. Patricia Lynch
Parish Secretary: Rebecca Hanson
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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 5, 2019

Procession: Alleluia, Let The Holy Anthem
Rise – Gather #425
Glory to God: Music Card #1
Responsorial Psalm: **This is the day** – Gather #114
Gospel Acclamation: **Easter Alleluia** – Gather #424
Offertory: **Christ The Lord Is Risen Today**
– Gather #437
Holy, Holy: “**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God
Of Hosts...**”



Mystery of Faith: “**When we eat this Bread and
drink this Cup, we proclaim your
Death, O Lord, until you come again.**”
Great Amen: Gather #168
Lamb of God: Gather #171
Communion Music: **Look Beyond** – Gather #843
Recessional: **Sing A New Song to the Lord**
- Gather #521

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

I need to share with you a change in our Bishop's Appeal timing. I spoke with you at last weekend's Masses about the Appeal, planning to have our Commitment Weekend this weekend. A little Post Office matter has gotten in the way! None of you have received the letter (and Bishop's Appeal envelope) I sent you... before Holy Week. The letters have been traced... to Springfield, Massachusetts. You should be receiving them sometime this week.

Can we have our Bishop's Appeal Commitment Weekend next weekend? Thank you for your patience! I appreciate your generous support in past years. I ask for your support for this year's Appeal. If you picked up a blank envelope at Mass last weekend and would like to make your Bishop's Appeal gift today, please place your envelope in the collection basket.

Some Bishop's Appeal envelopes are available at our entrances today. Please feel free to take one home for your family's consideration this week.

Peace, Fr. Joe



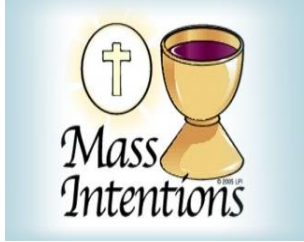
TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS: Acts 5:27-32; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

COLLECTION NEWS: Our offertory collection for April 28, 2019 was **\$7,563**. Thank you for your generous Easter gifts for Blessed Sacrament. *Your continued stewardship makes all things possible.* If you were away for Easter, or just coming back from some time away with your children, or if you're back from a few months in Florida, please remember to bring your old envelopes. Your support sustains our parish ministries and, on a practical level, helps us pay the bills. Easter gifts are welcome this weekend and next weekend... in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office. Many thanks for all you do!

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND If you are currently visiting the homebound on behalf of Blessed Sacrament parish or if you would like to join this service ministry, please meet Fr. Joe O'Brien in the Parish Office on Wednesday, May 8th at 1:15 pm.

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: Blessed Sacrament School will be hosting an **Open House for prospective families this Thursday, May 9 from 6 to 7 pm. Maximize Your Child's Potential!** Come discover Blessed Sacrament School. We are now accepting applications for Nursery through 8th grade. We offer a faith-filled, loving, nurturing environment, after-school care available until 5:30 p.m., and a wide variety of extracurricular activities. Please share this information with your friends and neighbors! Additionally we would like to invite you to come to Blessed Sacrament School's Spring Concert on Monday, May 20th in our school gym! All are welcome to attend.



Saturday 5/4/2019 4:00 Rev. Matthew Cyvas Betty Iglar (7 th anniv.) Kathy Maguire Bob Maguire, Jr.	Monday 5/6/2019 7:00 <i>Intentions available</i> 12:00 Anthony Lattanzio (2 nd Anniv.) Kathy Esposito (on her 18 th birthday)	Wednesday 5/8/2019 7:00 <i>Intentions available</i> 12:00 Katie Lynch Farrell Casey Ryan Farrell John & Mary Lynch	Friday 5/3/2019 7:00 Helen Zakens 12:00 Teresa DaSilya Helen Mikrut
Sunday 5/5/2019 9:00 For the People 10:30 Wladislawa Stach Naancy Groat 12:00 Esther Nast	Tuesday 5/7/2019 7:00 <i>Intentions available</i> 12:00 Louis Morrette	Thursday 5/9/2019 7:00 Frank Cirrincione Helen McGinty 12:00 <i>Intentions available</i>	

6:00 p.m. Mass on Sundays, in Urdu, for our Pakistani Parishioners.

CONFESSIONS EVERY SATURDAY FROM 3:00 - 3:30 PM.

SCHOOL BUCKS PROGRAM: is coming to an end! Purchases can be registered in the name of our school within 60 days of purchase. Receipts are collected from Aug – June. School Bucks completed forms & receipts can be turned in Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:30pm in the Management Office, located on the First Floor at the end of the hall between Sephora & Justice. School Bucks Drop Box is now located at the desk by the escalator between Menchie’s & Five Guys. Please complete the itemized form. Place the form and receipts in the envelope and drop it in the box (*when using the School Bucks drop box your receipts will not be returned*). **You have helped us win in the past and we appreciate your support!** Invite others to help us. If you would like to have a volunteer register your receipts, please put them in the collection or leave them at the rectory in an envelope with your name and address on it. You can register receipts from **all stores and restaurants in the Center, as well as the Post Office**. Please help the school again; ask others to help us. We are grateful for your support. *From now until the end of the program we are offering TRIPLE POINTS for purchases made at these stores: American Eagle, Bose, Cinnabon, Christopher & Banks, Glennpeter Jewelers, and Super Taco.*

FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUTH: The wonderful celebration of Mother's day is approaching. Our Faith Formation program has put together a beautiful **Mother's Day basket** to raffle off before and after masses this weekend, May 4 and 5. Raffle tickets are one for \$3 or two for \$5. The basket includes lotions, perfumes, jewelry, books, home decor, a gift card and much more. The raffle will be drawn and announced Sunday, May 5th. All proceeds will benefit our Faith Formation and Youth Ministry programs. Many thanks to all our families, Catechists and volunteers for their donations. **First Eucharist is Sunday May 19** at noon with a **mandatory rehearsal with parents on May 18 at noon** in the church. Please continue to check your emails for updates and service opportunities. Please contact Kelly Hession or Shannon Crisafulli if you have any questions.

GROW A GARDEN: It's springtime and that means the Sister Maureen Joyce Soup Kitchen will be planting our garden again. We are hoping to plant May 13th. Our garden helps us prepare salads, stir fry and soups for our community lunches on Mondays and Thursdays. We are in need of 10 celery and 15 collard plants this year. If you would like to donate any plants please contact Renee Wendover at 518-577-3915. From all of us at our center thank you and have a blessed day.



CAMP SCULLY: Camp Scully is a day and overnight camp for all children ages 5-16, which is located in North Greenbush on Snyder's Lake. Camp runs from **June 30 to August 16, 2019** with one-week sessions. The overnight camp includes cabins for 70 children who reside at the camp from Sunday afternoon through Friday evening. All day and night campers will partake in swimming, hiking, sports, canoeing, arts and crafts, challenge course, archery and peer socialization. Registration can be completed fully online by visiting www.campscully.camp and clicking the Register Now button. If internet access is a problem please call 518-512-3577 and our registrar can help you. There are a number of full scholarships available for low-income families.

OVER FIFTY CLUB: The Over 50 Club will meet Monday May 6th at 12:30 downstairs in the church hall. Kate Dudding, an award winning storyteller, will share stories that may restore your faith in human goodness. Bring your lunch and a dessert to share. All are welcome.

HOLY NAMES SOCIETY: Our next monthly meeting is on May 6th at 7 pm. 50/50 tickets are available in the Sacristy after all Masses. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Come pray the Rosary on the first Tuesday of each month after the Noon Mass.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: Prayed the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tues each month after noon Mass. Prayer cards will be available.

LEGION OF MARY: Meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the Forman Room.

THRIFT SHOP: The Shop is open on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 am-1 pm. Please bring your donations during hours of operation only.



NEW TO THE PARISH? Welcome! Please sign below and drop in the collection. You may also use the form to receive envelopes and/or "The Evangelist". Check the appropriate boxes.

Name: _____ () I am new to the parish
Address: _____ () Send me "The Evangelist"
Phone: _____ Email: _____ () Please send church envelope