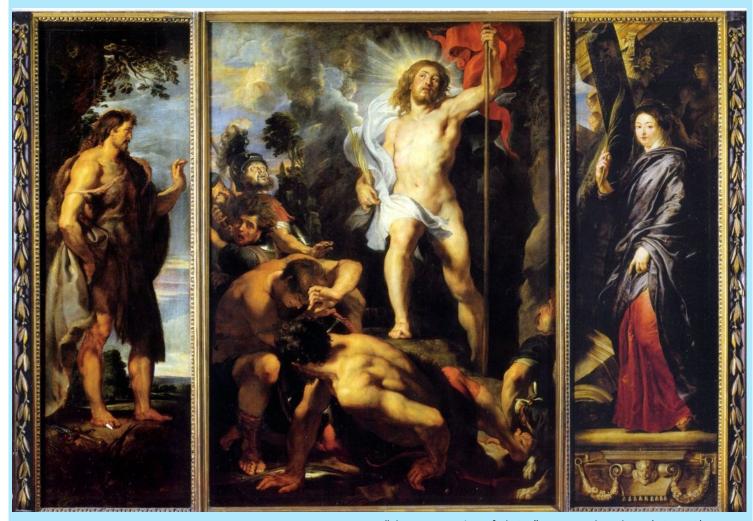
# Easter: The Feast of the Resurrection of the Lord April 12, 2020



"The Resurrection of Christ," Peter Paul Reubens (1611-12)

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Sunday at 9:30AM
Holy Days of Obligation: 8:00AM

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Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil at 5:30PM



# Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity Partners in Faith & Mission



#### April 12, 2020 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

When we awoke this morning, we found ourselves blessed with another day. It is Easter Sunday. As that thought crossed our minds, did we find ourselves saying "so what" or "alleluia"? For many, today is truly a day of alleluia. For others, it is just another day of "so what." Faith makes a huge difference. It not only makes a difference in how we understand today and the significance of what we celebrate, it also makes a huge difference in terms of how we understand ourselves.

Life keeps us busy. We are always connected, distracted, occupied, and working. For many of us, an agenda awaits us before we even start our day, and unfinished stuff is brought with us when we retire at night. Make the best of life and "find your own road to happiness are messages we all too easily believe. The "so what" response to the new life of resurrection is often the result of believing that life is only what I make it. What God has to say isn't important to me securing my next raise.

Sadly, we live as if the grave is the end. While we may give the wonder of heaven a blink now and then, its glory really doesn't impress us or matter all that much. It's all about the here and now and what I need to do today to get where I want to be tomorrow. We tend to put off considering the one significant "tomorrow" that will come the millisecond after we take our last breath. When that happens, will we want to be thinking "so what?" or "alleluia"?

There is only one Jesus, one mission, and one resurrection. There is also only one of us. Have you ever pondered what one solitary, humble human life can do? Faith, not our world, tells us how special we are. We are not robots. We are not replaceable. We have one shot. There are no do-overs. Love is at our core and unites us together as one with the God of love who so desperately wants us to be with Him forever. This may not match our secular agenda, but it ought to make our true inner agenda leap for joy. There doesn't need to be an end. I can live forever. Alleluia!

#### **WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES**

Readings for the week of April 12, 2020

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-24/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9 [Easter Sunday]

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-11/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-22/Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-9/Lk 24:13-35 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2-9/Lk 24:35-48 Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118: 1-4, 22-27/Jn 21:1-14 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

**Sacrament of Baptism**: Sacramental preparation is required of the parents who desire to share the Catholic faith with their children and are held monthly throughout the City of Erie. Call the parish office to register to schedule your preparation. Godparents must be Confirmed and practicing Catholics with a letter of recommendation from their pastor to serve as a sacramental sponsor.

**Religious Education, First Holy Communion, and First Reconciliation** programs are hosted at Saint Luke's Church for all eastside Erie parishes. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.825.7105).

**Confirmation** preparation for all eastside Erie parishes is hosted at Saint John's Church. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.454.2873).

**Sacrament of Holy Orders**: God calls all people to holiness. Some men are called to fulfill this vocation as priests. If you are interested in the priesthood, or have questions about it, please contact a parish priest or our Diocesan Vocation Director, Fr. Michael Polenik, at 1.800.374.3723.

**Sacrament of Matrimony**: Before a date can be scheduled, a priest must be contacted at least six months in advance to complete the required documents.

Sacrament of the Sick: Communal celebrations of Anointing the Sick are scheduled periodically. The sacrament can also be requested by any parishioner who is seriously ill or in danger of death. *Please note*: Federal law no longer permits hospitals or nursing homes to contact churches when a parishioner is admitted. It is important that family members notify the parish office if a loved one needs a visit, desires to receive Holy Communion, or needs to be Anointed.

**Leave A Legacy**: Consider Saint Stanislaus and Holy Trinity as you meet with your attorney or financial planner regarding your estate planning. Remember the needs of your parish family and leave a legacy of faith for future generations with your generous remembrance.

**Bulletin Information Deadline**: Please submit information to be included in the weekend bulletin by noon the Monday prior. Holiday bulletin announcements must be received by the parish office two weeks in advance.

#### "PRAYER, CARE, AND CONCERN" MINISTRY

Those who participate in this ministry express the care and concern of our entire parish community to those who are ill, hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing facilities, through birthday and holiday cards, visits, and prayers. To request prayers, or to participate in this ministry, contact Rose Marie at 814.923.4438.

#### **"PRAYERLINE" MINISTRY**

These ministers devote themselves to prayer for any needs made known to them and any special intentions. To participate in this ministry, or to request prayers for a particular need, contact Kay (825-7328) or Shirley (452-3395) from Saint Stanislaus, or Kathy Benes (898-1091) or Kathy Smith (392-8974) from Holy Trinity.

#### **PCEP (Parish Catholic Education Program)**

Parishioners of Holy Trinity can receive a parish grant to assist with the cost of tuition for families who wish their primary or secondary school age children to have a Catholic education. To be eligible, families must participate in the program, attend Mass regularly, and be involved in the parish community. For more information, contact the parish office.

#### **LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

Parishioners interested in serving our worshiping community as an altar server, lector, Eucharistic minister, or music minister, please let one of your priests know.

#### **"PRAYER SHAWL" MINISTRY**

The enjoyment of knitting, crocheting, and sewing are uniquely combined with prayer to offer a deeply personal and meaningful spiritual ministry. Shawls are prayerfully made and freely given away to those suffering bereavement, those recovering from illness, the elderly, homebound, and those in nursing facilities. To join us in this ministry, please contact Linda at 814.864.8476.

#### **THE "ZABAWA COMMITTEE"**

Held on the parish grounds of Holy Trinity, Zabawa is the largest Polish heritage celebration in the region, drawing tens of thousands of people to our neighborhood. The Zabawa Committee organizes the festival through food preparation, donation solicitation, food and beverage service, and so on. The committee always welcomes any help they receive. If you would like to offer your time, and experience hands-on learning about these rich cultural traditions, contact Ray Luniewski at 882-1032.

#### **PROLIFE COMMUNITY**

This ministry advocates through for the protection of all human life from conception until natural death through prayer, education, and action.

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# Saint Stanislaus Parish Community

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon., April 13th, 8:00AM - Martin & Stella Radomski Family

Tues., April 14th, 8:00AM - Gabriella Wlodarczyk (Care & Concern Cmt.)

Wed., April 15th, 8:00AM - Stanley Markiewicz, Jr. (Family)

Thurs., April 16th, 8:00AM—Donald Ewiak (Family)

Fri., April 17th, 8:00AM - Rose Ragen (Steve & Sandi Ford)

Sat., April 18th, 4:00PM - Theresa & Ben Wycech (Family)

Sun., April 19th, 9:30AM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (Pro Populo)

#### LIMITED HOURS OF OPERATION

Our Parish Office is operating under limited hours. The Office will be open from 9:30AM - Noon. If you need to stop by, we ask that you call in advance. We are attempting to minimize interpersonal contact, as advised by the CDC. We prefer to conduct most business by phone, or by using the mailbox for pick-up or drop-off.



Our sanctuary candle burns in memory of **HOWARD & ANNA MAE MEYERS** (gifted by Jack and Kathy).

#### **LOTTERY NOTICE**

The Holy Name Society tickets for the "1st Day of the Month" lottery will no longer be available. Many thanks to those who supported this fundraising endeavor over the years. The Holy Name Society has decided, instead, to continue the "31 Day Lottery," as they did in January. The next lottery will take place in May. Tickets are now available for \$5. See a member of the Holy Name Society to purchase yours, or pick one up at the Parish Office.

# May we never again take for granted

Friday nights with friends birthday celebrations the roar of a stadium mornings at the gym packed dance floors coffee with a friend crowded concerts happy hours life itself

# A Prayer for Encouragement

"Thank You, Jesus, for walking this earth and for experiencing the brokenness of our world so that You can meet us in compassion and empathy in times when we feel down."

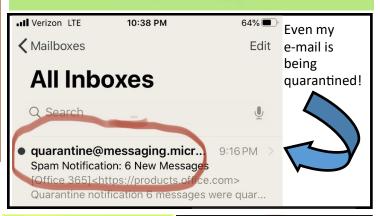
#### **SPRING FLING - POSTPONED**

Along with all other parish activities, the Annual Spring Fling will be postponed. Tickets you may have already purchased will still be valid on the date it is rescheduled.

#### **SHARE YOUR MEMORIES**

While home in your self-isolation, keep Bobby Sulecki in mind. He continues to catalogue peoples' memories and photographs from people who grew up at Saint Stan's or any of the other east side parishes. If you are wondering what to do with all of your extra time, peruse through some of your memory boxes and see if you may have something to contribute to Bobby's collection. More information about his work can be found in the vestibule.

# Anyone else's car getting 3 weeks to the gallon at the moment?





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Mon., April 13th, 8:00AM - The Souls in Purgatory
Tues., April 14th, 8:00AM - Marilyn Maciulewicz (Lillian & Family)
Wed., April 15th, 8:00AM - Intention of the Priest
Thurs., April 16th, 8:00AM - The Souls in Purgatory
Fri., April 17th, 8:00AM - Msgr. Daniel Arnold
Sat., April 18th, 4:00PM - For the People of Holy Trinity Parish
Sun., April 19th, 10:00AM - May Ann Toohey (Jane, Dave, & Helen)



The sanctuary candle burns in memory of **TRINITY PARISH & FOR THOSE WHO WE REMEMBER ON OUR FLOWER LISTING.** 

People keep asking me, "Is COVID-19 REALLY that serious?" Listen y'all, the casinos and church's are closed. When Heaven and Hell AGREE on the same thing, it's probably pretty serious.

Friends, it's ok if the church building is empty at Easter. The tomb was empty too!!

(You are the church.)



#### The Case of the Empty Tomb

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. John 20:1 (NIV)

Based on John 20:1-18 (NIV)



but you open our eyes, To see your glory revealed through your son Jesus Christ, Who died and rose again, to lead us into life. God we are deaf. but you unstop our ears, To hear the power, of your resurrection story, Once we were dead, but now in Christ we are alive. God we are dumb. but you release our tongues, To rejoice and sing, with all the hosts of heaven, Holy, holy holy is the one, who redeems and renews. all who respond. Holy, holy holy is the one, through whose power, all creation is being made new. Holy, holy, holy is the one who transfigures our world

with the Spirit of life.

God we are blind,

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I THOUGHT THE DRYER MADE MY CLOTHES SHRINK. TURNS OUT IT WAS THE REFRIGERATOR

# News for Our Partnership

<u>ALL</u> PARISH MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND GATHERINGS ARE <u>CANCELED OR POSTPONED</u>
UNTIL AT LEAST APRIL 30th. WE APPRECIATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND ENCOURAGE
YOU TO LOOK AFTER ONE ANOTHER DURING THESE UNPRECEDENTED TIMES.

# COVID-19: Five steps to look after yourself and others



Take care of yourself and stay healthy



Call, chał, check



Be Kind. Think of others.



Get online to stay in touch



Share accurate advice and information



During this time of social isolation and non-public celebration of the Eucharist, be aware that daily and weekend masses are televised on the following:

Channel 3 - Sunday at 10:00AM

Channel 11 - Sundays at 8:00AM

Channel 16 - Sundays at 8:00AM & 12:00PM
Daily (Monday - Saturday) at 8:00AM,
12:00PM, & 7:00PM

Or visit www.TheSundayMass.org

#### ONLINE GIVING UPDATE: EVEN EASIER!

During this period of non-public celebrations of the Mass, many people may find difficulty getting their weekly offertory to our churches. Thanks to the Catholic Foundation, you can now do so online. Now, you can simply go to the parish website and cling on the link "PARISH OFFERATORY SUPPOT - DONATE NOW" in the banner and it will take you directly to the contribution page.

There is **NO ADMINISTRATIVE OR SERVICE FEE** from the Catholic Foundation; there is a *minimal fee taken from your donation by credit card agencies* (unless you opt to cover that fee along with your donation).

You support for our parishes is vital during this time. Thank you, in advance, for your ongoing generosity of time, talent, and treasure!

Fr. Dan and I want to wish all of you, your families, and your loved ones a most Blessed Easter! In these uncertain and unprecedented times, our faith remains strong and our spirits resilient. These past three days remind us that the Cross, though a heavy burden, is but temporary; Resurrection and New Life is eternal! We both await the New Life that will be breathed back into our communities once we can gather publicly again. Please know that your are sorely missed and ardently prayer for!

- Fr. Jason



#### PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot receive you at this moment sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself

wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

## **NEW DATES IN PA**



**PRIMARY ELECTION** 

NEW DATE: JUNE 2, 2020



NEW DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1, 2021



DRIVER LICENSES

NOW EXPIRE: MAY 31, 2020



INCOME TAX

NEW FILING DEADLINE: JULY 15, 2020



#### **THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS**

4/13) Deacon Tom Matusiak and Shirley & Stan Widomski; 4/14) Julie Slomski & Katherine Krainski; 4/15) Dorothy & Mead Carlson, Nancy & Art Kujawinski, & Carol Clark; 4/16) Corinne Dyakon, Mary Jo Sulecki, & Kay Stankiewicz; 4/17) Dave Slubowski; 4/18) Pearl Wisniewski; 4/19 Bill Dyakon

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL PRIESTS WHO HAVE MINISTERED IN OUR PARISHES

#### Sunday, Apr 12, 2020

SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (EASTER SUNDAY)

#### What do you see?

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9 "Everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins..."

Once more, we arrive at the most significant void in sacred history: that empty tomb of Easter. What we see in this space defines the shape of our destiny. Do we view nothing or everything in this place? Is Jesus simply gone or restored to glory? Is death the end of us, or the start of something everlasting? Are we God's cherished children or just another expression of nature's capriciousness? Most of all, are we prepared to call Jesus Lord and to follow him through death into life? Or do we have other plans?

## Monday, Apr 13, 2020 MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

#### Put the Resurrection to work

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Matthew 28:8-15 "Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went away quickly from the tomb, fearful yet overjoyed."

Do we bravely race from the tomb toward new life as Mary Magdalene and Mary did, or burrow into timid cover? Consider the example of Henri Perrin, born this day in 1914. He was part of the French worker-priest movement where priests went to work in factories to bridge the abyss between the working class and the church. The Vatican grew alarmed by the political activism of the priests on behalf of labor, and stopped the experiment. The concerns of worker-priests were given new life in the Vatican II document *Gaudium et Spes*, "On the Church in the Modern World," and later by Pope John Paul II, who demanded of priests that the "fumes of incense mix with those of industry." Reflect on what worker-justice concerns you can give new life.

#### Tuesday, Apr 14, 2020

TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

#### Our star witness

Acts 2:36-41: John 20:11-18

"Mary went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord..."

Mary of Magdala was first to witness and testify to Jesus' Resurrection. She is called "apostle to the apostles" for good reason. Mentioned by name in the gospels more often than most apostles, Mary traveled with Jesus and helped support his ministry financially. The question is, how do we witness to resurrection in our own life and times? In a world too often bent on destruction and death, how can we witness to hope and to life? Let "the Magdalene" be an inspiration!

#### Wednesday, Apr 15, 2020

WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

#### Call for backup

Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35

"Peter said, 'I have neither silver nor gold, but what I do have I give you: in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean, rise and walk.' "

The miracles of Jesus did not end with Jesus' earthly sojourn. Today's reading from Acts describes Peter and John healing in Jesus' name. What confidence that must have taken, to try healing a man lame from birth! The word *confidence* means "with trust." A nice way to understand the power of faith. Be a healing presence in the world, with the trust that Jesus has your

#### Thursday, Apr 16, 2020

THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

#### Eat, drink, and take heart

Acts 3:11-26: Luke 24:35-48

"Touch me mand see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones."

Where would Catholic culture be without food and drink? In today's gospel Jesus reassures his disciples that he is not a ghost by eating a piece of baked fish. Food is simple, basic, and necessary. It is natural that we eat and drink together at the Eucharist, at parish dinners, at family meals. Every bite of baked fish can remind us of our Savior. Savor your next meal with fellow believers and let it drive out fear as it opens you to love, the way it did for Jesus' disciples 2,000 years ago.

#### Friday, Apr 17, 2020

FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

#### No need to hide your solidarity

Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14

"Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish you just caught.""

However did the fish symbol—two intersecting arcs—come to be associated with Jesus? Because his disciples were fishermen? Because of the miracle of the loaves and fishes? Because Catholics eat fish on Fridays? The letters of the Greek word for fish, *ichthys*, are an acronym for "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior." It was a secret symbol used by the persecuted early Christians. What outward sign of solidarity can you make with those who are persecuted for their faith today?

#### Saturday, Apr 18, 2020

SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

#### The news is still good

Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15

"She went to announce the good news to his followers."

Do you ever think about how the followers of Jesus must have felt after his death? We see their situation through the lens of the Resurrection, but they thought his death was the end of everything. Those grief-stricken men and women were lost and afraid. Imagine their disbelief when some among them began to report that they had seen Jesus. Disbelief began to feel like hope as he continued to show up and even eat with them. That was the

