

WELCOME

TO OUR VISITORS

We're blessed because you're here!

All Saints Cathedral Parish is a community of the Polish National Catholic Church that welcomes and serves the spiritual needs of all people who wish to follow Christ in the Catholic tradition.

Mass begins on the page of the Mass book in your pew as indicated in the music booklet in your bulletin. Additional mass instructions, scripture readings, and music for congregational singing are included in the booklet inside our bulletin.



Those who have received their First Holy Communion and believe in the presence of Christ in the Eucharist are welcome to receive. Bread and wine are administered on the tongue. To receive bread only, please cross your arms across your chest.

As you leave after Mass, please introduce yourself to our clergy and sign our Guest Book in the vestibule.



We welcome you to join us after Mass for coffee and cake in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level (an elevator is available).

We hope you return and join our parish community again in our celebration of God's presence among us.

Good Shepherd Sunday

April 22, 2018

9:00 am – Holy Mass

Scout Sunday

LECTOR: Diane Hughes
CANTOR: Judie Szydowski
GREETER: Gary Kurzynski
COUNTERS: Julia Smolka / Janet Schumacher

Lessons Acts 4:8-12
1 John 3:1-2
GOSPEL Saint John 10:11-18

- We shall acknowledge the Girl and Boy Scouts in our congregation this morning.
- School of Christian Living and Catechetical classes
- Cathedral Youth Group monthly meeting
- Branch 37, PNU, holds its meeting this morning



WEEKDAY MASSES, SERVICES, ACTIVITIES

Monday, April 23 –

- *PNCC Bishop's Meeting and the Meeting of the International Catholic Bishops Conference,. Holy Mother of the Rosary Cathedral, Lancaster, NY*

Tuesday, April 24 –

- *Meeting of the Church Supreme Council, day 1 Holy Mother of the Rosary Cathedral, Lancaster, NY,*

Wednesday, April 25 –

- *Meeting of the Church Supreme Council, day 2 Holy Mother of the Rosary Cathedral, Lancaster, NY,*

Thursday, April 26 –

- *Chicago Circle Choir meets to rehearse for the June concert*

Friday, April 27 –

- *Mission and Evangelism Workshop, "UnConference", All Saints Parish, Carnegie, PA, Day 1*

Saturday, April 21 –

- *Mission and Evangelism Workshop, "UnConference", All Saints Parish, Carnegie, PA, Day 2*

For the Western Diocese Ladies Retreat:

We are looking for "Altoid" mint boxes for our October Retreat. If you have any, please see Elaine Rowinski.

We would need them by August to complete our project.

Easter 5

April 29, 2018

9:00 am – Holy Mass

LECTOR: Christopher Bogzevitz
CANTOR:
GREETER: Judie Szydowski
COUNTERS: Bryan Kurzynski / Lauren Fisher

Lessons Acts 9:26-31
1 John 3:18-24
GOSPEL Saint John 15:1-8

- School of Christian Living and Catechetical classes
- Cathedral Youth Group monthly meeting
- *Mission and Evangelism Workshop, "UnConference", All Saints Parish, Carnegie, PA, Day 3*

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS! SHARE YOUR GOOD NEWS!

This space reserved for "YOUR GOOD NEWS"

Maddie Gradowski recently competed in the IHSA (Illinois High School Association) Vocalist Solo & Ensemble competition. She sang "Caro Mio Ben", which is an Italian Aria. Maddie received a Division 1 score which is the highest score a judge can award!

Reported by the proud Mom and Dad

**Future Direction Subcommittee of the Supreme Council
Polish National Catholic Church**



April 1, 2018

Dear Bishops, Very Rev. and Rev. Fathers, Deacons and Faithful of our Holy Church,

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! As we celebrate the most important day of the year we thank Fr. Dr. Scott Lill for preparing this month's Future Direction message: ***The Paschal Mystery: The Past, Present and Future Life of the Family***

Although no one would argue that Christmas easily wins in terms of how much time and energy we put into preparation, Easter is unquestionably the most solemn and important celebration for Christians. Finally, after fervently praying, diligently fasting and generously giving to those in need for the 40 days of Lent, we can celebrate the fact that the worst things this life can possibly throw at us have been utterly defeated through Christ's sacrificial Death, wondrous Resurrection, and glorious Ascension, all of which together we call the *Paschal Mystery*. It is these events which alone provide ultimate meaning to human existence by not only healing the depths of humanity's wounded past and promising a glorious future, *but also by setting the course for our lives in the present.*

We all recognize Easter as a time to reflect back upon the historical Death and Resurrection of Christ, and to contemplate the eventual resurrection of all God's faithful at the end of time. But, what does the Paschal Mystery mean for us right now? In a word: everything! The Death and Resurrection of Jesus mean *everything, every minute of every day* to Christians in all times and places. The Paschal Mystery--the transforming power of which was first given to us in

Baptism--completely defines who we are, reestablishing and sanctifying our relationships to God, to other people and to the whole of creation. It is our source of grace and strength *every day*. St. Paul teaches this in his Letter to the Romans when he asks: "...are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life." St. Paul doesn't just mean new life at the future general resurrection, but true newness of life *now*.

We come into direct and immediate contact with the Death and Resurrection of Jesus when we gather for Holy Mass and celebrate the Sacraments. Through the sanctifying and prophetic ministry of the Holy Church, we receive the grace to overcome those very same enemies that Jesus conquered: sin and its many terrible consequences, the worst of which include the loss of hope in the face of sickness and suffering and even the fear of death. When we attend and participate at the Holy Mass and worthily receive the Holy Sacraments, we tap into the inexhaustibly rejuvenating power of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, so that we can then live this "newness of life" through Him. All of this holds profound ramifications for the family, which we Polish National Catholics continue to contemplate in a special way this year.

The Paschal Mystery, as made present and effective during the celebration of the Eucharist, provides both the authentic form of the family's inner life and its fortification against the many external enemies that each family must face down in our world today. As each individual family member becomes more and more like Jesus, the family unit grows in holiness, unity and beauty, more capable to collectively live together as Christ's disciples. Family joys become even more joyful; family sorrows become more bearable; and family life truly becomes *new*.

This is why all the families within the Church should reaffirm their commitment to participate in the Holy Mass every Sunday and on other holy days: by regularly participating in the Eucharistic celebration together, the family more fully becomes itself.

When we speak of the inner family life, we are considering the relationship between the members. Our own experiences teach us that family members are called by God to sacrifice self-interest for the sake of the others' good—spouses for each other, parents for their children, children for their brothers and sisters and even children for their parents. After all, this is the love modeled by the Lord Himself on Good Friday; it is the love which He commanded us to have for each other (John 13:34-35). But, this is not always easy! In fact, it's frequently a challenge and sometimes it seems utterly impossible. We don't always feel like being sacrificially loving and sometimes the others in our families...well, they aren't exactly lovable.

However, it is especially at these times that we need to draw upon God's power made manifest within the family. For when we break free from our selfishness

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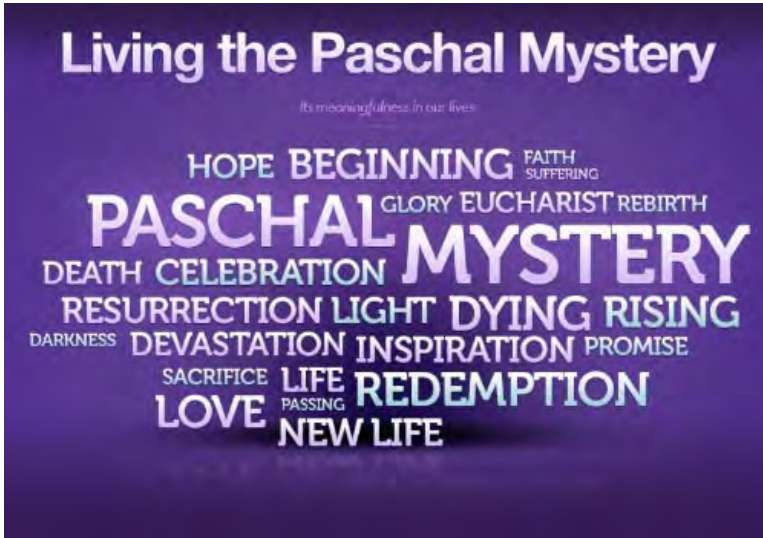
stand together firm in faith and serene in hope to confront sickness, suffering or even death itself with the knowledge that Jesus has conquered them all for us, it is then that we all die to our old selves and rise from the tombs of our past with Jesus to walk as people who gratefully acknowledge that they have begun to be transformed.



Then, with each member in loving communion with one another by virtue of their mutual Communion with the crucified and risen Lord present in the Eucharist, the family is more fully equipped to defend itself against the many assaults it must endure today. These include forms of entertainment and ideas promoted through social media which legitimize falsehood, division and infidelity between spouses, or which glorify immoral conduct in the lives of our children; ideologies which promote a vision of the human person not in accord with our understanding of such as revealed by God and consistently taught by the Church; a growing collective disrespect for the dignity of the human person which creeps into the garden of family life, so to speak, sowing the corrupted seeds of abuse and neglect at home which start as a certain indifference toward others but then grow into callousness, bullying and violence in our schools; the scourge of drug addiction from which the threat of which no member of any family seems immune today; or the very real temptation to place any aspect of family life--as exalted and praiseworthy as it may be--in the place that rightly belongs only to God.

Through the power of Christ's Death and Resurrection, the family can not only defend itself against these attacks, it can assume its actively unique role in the mission of the Church. If all of creation has been assumed into the radically restorative salvation made available through Jesus' work that first Holy Week and Easter, then this is especially the case for the family. As the crowning achievement of God's original work of Creation, it is now commissioned and empowered to be a potent instrument of societal sanctification and a mighty vehicle for evangelization within *the New Creation* that was inaugurated through the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. Each family that is changed and

strengthened by the Paschal Mystery as made present to them through the Eucharist at Mass becomes a living link to the past and a radiant witness to the historical work of Jesus that first Holy Week, even as it points to the future, foreshadowing the resplendent glory to be revealed in the Church when the Lord returns to bring his work of redemption to completion. As for the here and now, such a family would display the irrepressible joy, profound peace, and collective grateful contentment that shows the world what it really means to walk in newness of life through Jesus Christ.



Together, then, let us thank Almighty God "who in His great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for those who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time (1 Peter 13-5)."

Rejoice! Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed...and so are we. Through the prayers of the Holy Mother of God and St. Joseph, let us live out our family life accordingly.

Here is the April prayer calendar for your prayerful consideration.

Have a blessed Easter Season and with your families share with Christ as we celebrate the joy of His Resurrection.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

PNCC Supreme Council Future Direction Committee

Most Rev. Anthony A. Mikovsky, *Prime Bishop*

Very Rev. Robert M. Nemkovich Jr., *Chairman*

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Once again, we turn to the parish family and ask for assistance in the liturgical and parochial tasks we share as a community:

Altar Servers - this ministry is open to all who have made their First Holy Communion. If you would like to begin training for this ministry, please give your name to Bishop Stan.

Lectors - this ministry is open to all adult members of our parish, including those who have made their Confirmation. Additionally, if you would like to enter into this ministry, please give your name to Bishop Stan.

Women's Society for the Adoration of the most Blessed Sacrament. Parent-Teacher Organization, Parish Choir. SoCL Teachers and Substitutes - we are always looking for more of our parishioners to join these long-standing organizations.

We thank the members thus organized for their ministry in the service of our Lord and to this parish. Please consider this invitation.

Invitations have come to the parish:

- May 17-20 are the dates for the Men's Retreat sponsored by the YMSR. We shall meet at Spójnia Farm in Waymart, PA Deadline soon!

- June 8-10 are the days for the National Bowling Tournament in Waymart, PA. Deadline for registration is 31 March. Any member of the PNCC may bowl. Youth between the ages of 13-17 have their division
Deadline soon!

PRAYER REQUESTS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES are extended to the following parishioners who are celebrating their birthdays this week:

Irene Kneeland

04/24

David Catinella

04/26

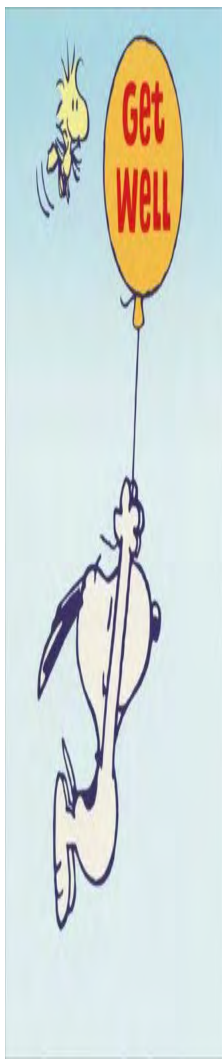
May God bless you and grant you all
a very Happy Birthday!

PARISHIONERS: Bishop Stanley Bilinski, Mary Andersen, Jim Mueller, Charles Scott, Adeline Kozak, Cathy Milbrandt, Lorraine Fanslow, Robert Maycan, Joan Maluchnik, Gerald Maycan, Bernardine Mrozek, Rose Papish, Diane Hughes

FAMILY & FRIENDS: Rosemary Petrosky, Luz Reygosa, Emma Freshwater, George Jugan, Carmen Cordero, Andrew Bear, John Miroslaw, Kinsley Nicole Mack, Wayne Wright, Dan McWeeny, "Sonny" Collinet

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: Dave & Dorothy Catinella, Harriet Jablonowski, Joseph Kosowski, Michael Kosowski, Dorothy Krzysko, Ted Bednarowicz,

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR TROOPS DEFENDING FREEDOM but especially for: Martin Venegas (USAF)



PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cursory Histories of the Saints celebrated this week:

4/22 - Soter - After the death of Pope Anicetus in the mid-second century, Soter was elected to this dangerous office. His influence was widespread, partly because of his charity. This kindness did not mean that Pope Soter looked kindly on error. During his pontificate, a number of Christians, known as Montanists, were preaching that the heavenly Jerusalem would soon descend near Phrygia. These Montanists condemned their fellow-Christians as far too lax; they did not fast enough; they should never marry again if one partner died; they did not prophesy enough, for they lacked the gift of the Holy Spirit. The movement was dividing the church and causing violent quarrels among the faithful, and Soter did not hesitate to condemn its leader, sending round an encyclical outlining their errors. He died - possibly martyred - in 174.

4/23 - George - The legend of St George tells how this knight was riding through Libya and came to a city called Sylene. In a swamp lived a huge beast which terrorized the citizens unless they fed it. After they had fed the beast all the animals they began casting lots for human food. As George rode up to the city, the king's daughter was about to be sacrificed. George promised to slay the dragon if the whole city would accept Jesus as Lord and be baptized. The citizens agreed and the saint killed the beast with his lance. Four ox-carts were needed to carry the beast away. And fifteen thousand persons or more were baptized. So strange are the legends of St George that skeptics have argued that even more that he never existed at all. When religious persecutions were rampant in the Roman Empire, George led the movement against them. When George saw a copy of an edict stating that Christian clergy were to make offerings to pagan gods, he tore it down. He was imprisoned, tortured and put to death. George suffered martyrdom in 303.

4/24 - Ivo - Ivo was a Persian bishop who enjoyed great honor and luxury in his own land, but he yearned for a more disciplined and arduous life, and, together, with three companions, came to England. They settled in a remote, whole freeland in Huntingdonshire. There they died, and would have been forgotten had not a holy well sprung up, at which many miracles were performed.

4/25 - Mark - Many scholars think that the second Gospel was actually the first to be written. If this is so, then its author was an exceptionally brilliant Christian, since he was the first person to write a Gospel and must be said to have invented this remarkable form of religious writing. Ancient tradition says that although Mark had not been one of Jesus' own disciples, he was the mouthpiece of Peter. This means that Mark's gospel must reflect the views of the great apostle, probably more than any of the other three. This ancient tradition is supported by a phrase in the first letter of Peter, when the writer speaks of "my son Mark." A Mark was also a companion of St Paul, Paul and Barnabas both worked with Mark, but for a time Paul grew to distrust their fellow-missionary and did not wish him to come on a second journey. Barnabus, for this reason, left Paul and went to Cyprus with Mark. Paul and Mark must have become friends again, for we know that when Paul was a prisoner in Rome, Mark supported him and stayed with him. Mark's Gospel starkly sets out the demands of Jesus on his followers. Jesus had suffered, says Mark. His followers will suffer similarly. Indeed, Jesus had explicitly warned the disciples about this. But it is also clear that those who can endure such sufferings will be greatly regarded, for what Mark claims to be bringing is "good news", as the very first verse of his Gospel so states.

4/26 - Anacletus - Anacletus was elected pope in 76, second successor to St Peter, and like Peter fated to be a martyr. He divided Rome into twenty-five parishes, and was put to death under the Emperor Domitian in 91.

4/27 - Zita - Zita, the patron saint of servants; Italian, died 27 April 1278.

4/28 - Vitalis - There are two second-century saints called Vitalis, but the one who is commemorated on this day was a rich man who lived in Milan. He was happily married with at least two children. His only crime was that he became a Christian. Another martyr was to be executed and Vitalis stood by him, urging him not to lose his faith in the face of this final trial. The authorities were enraged. They stretched Vitalis on a rack and then buried him alive. His wife too was attacked by vicious pagans and died of her wounds. All this took place outside Milan when Marcus Aurelius was Emperor.

Saints of God, pray for us!



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

APRIL

ITEMS OF THE MONTH



STUFFED ANIMALS

“When I lifted the lid on my purple plastic shoebox, the first thing I saw was a stuffed dog. I was filled with exuberant joy! I just remember hugging it.” –

Yuliya, Central Asia

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND
GENEROUS DONATIONS**

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

April is Cemetery Preparation Month.

Please remove all winter decorations as soon as weather permits. Also note that no plastic arrangements should be placed for the rest of the grass/shrubbery growing season.

If there are any questions, please come to the office and review the *Rules and Regulations* for the Cemetery.

We would like to continue to have pride in the presentation of the final resting place of our dearly departed loved ones.

All those involved appreciate your consideration of this request.



Jesus the good shepherd - The Purpose

Jesus the good shepherd's purpose is to give life and protect from destruction. You may be asking yourself why Jesus needed to give His life for our protection. We all have sinned! By our sin, we are lost to the eternal life God has for us. We will not enter heaven if we don't accept Jesus the good shepherd. Jesus' blood was shed as payment for our sins. But He was resurrected; He lives as our shepherd today!

When we accept this gift, when we believe that He did this for us, we are saved from paying the debt ourselves. Romans 6:23 says: "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord." John 6 says that Jesus is the true bread from heaven. John 6:33 says, "The true bread of God is the one who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." Have you accepted the life He offers?

UPCOMING EVENTS



Please mark your calendars for the upcoming events listed below and watch future bulletins for more information –

April 22 – Boy Scout and Girl Scout Sunday

April 27-29 – National Mission and Evangelism Workshop, Carnegie, PA

May 6 – Conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation

May 13 – Mothers' Day

May 14-16 – Western Diocese Clergy Retreat

May 17-20 – 1st Annual Men's Retreat, Waymart, PA

June is Sacred Vocations Month

May 20 – Solemnity of Pentecost – SoCL Commencement

May 27 – SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY TRINITY

June 2 – Western Diocese Council meets at Our Savior Parish in Dearborn Hts., MI

June 3 – Conferral of the Sacrament of First Eucharist

May 31 – The Solemnity of Corpus Christi

Procession to the Four Altars

June 17 – Fathers' Day/ "Donuts for Dads, by ASCUYA

June 29-July 1 – Diocesan United Choirs

Convention and Concert

June 30 – July 7 – "KURS" 2018

July 4 – Independence Day

July 23-27 – Convo 2018 – University of Scranton

August 6 – Solemnity of our Lord's Transfiguration

August 12 – Summerfest 2018

August 15 – Solemnity of our Blessed Mother's Dormition

August 26 – Youth Sunday

All Saints on the Web

Tell others about our web site and Facebook page, and let us pray they come to find a spiritual home with us!

Web site: <https://www.ascpncc.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ascpncc/>



One Call Now is the system we use to send our weekly In Touch Email Bulletin as well as the automated phone calls. If you would like to receive emails and/or phone calls, or make a change to your current setup, contact Judie at info@ascpncc.org.

Online Giving

Online Giving from Our Sunday Visitor is a convenient, secure way to donate. You can set up regular contributions, pay your membership dues, or make an occasional donation to your favorite cause.

Sign-up is easy!

Just go to the website and follow the instructions; or contact Financial Secretary Jean Kurzynski for assistance.

CHECK OUT OUR PARISH WEBSITE:

www.ascpncc.org

*Tell others about our website,
let us pray they come to find a spiritual home with us!*

Bible Study for Easter (Bright) Week 4 –

4/22 – Acts 19:8-41 – What do I do with my hands? with the things I make with my hands? What is at the center of my life?

Prayer starter: *Risen Jesus, help me to use my hands as you used yours, to comfort, to heal, to support, to feed others who are in need.*

4/23 – Acts 20:1-38 – When I must take leave of a loved one, do I permit myself to feel my emotions? Do I express them?

Prayer starter: *Spirit of consolation, enable me to be present to others in time of suffering and loss as a sympathetic and comforting presence.*

4/24 – Acts 21:1 – 22:29 – Am I able to accept suffering with the graciousness that alone makes it life-giving?

Prayer starter: *Risen Lord, raise my awareness of your presence in and through those who suffer for truth, justice, and mercy in our world.*

4/25 – Acts 22:30 – 23:35 – What are my thoughts here? Am I “knowledge-equipped” to engage in this discussion today?

Prayer starter: *Holy One, sometimes I find myself struggling interiorly with the question of spirit. Is it real? Is it an illusion? Strengthen me. Reassure me.*

4/26 – Acts 24:1-27 – Where am I at in regard to the Christian way of life? How seriously do I take its ethical demand?

Prayer starter: *Jesus, you know well the difficulties of trying to “walk the talk” in human life. I want to be good; I want to live with integrity. Help me.*

4/27 – Acts 25:1 – 26:32 – How real is the hope of life after death for me?

Prayer starter: *Holy, ineffable One, help me to do the work I need to do to build my self and my life on this sober truth.*

4/28 – Acts 27:1 – 28:10 – Do I value the language of gestures, particularly at times when words fail?

Prayer starter: *Lord, make me rich in gestural language. There are so many who cannot really speak any other way.*

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

9:45 AM, Every Sunday (September thru May)

Superintendent: Margaret Rowinski (630-307-2990)

YOUTH ASSOCIATION (Youth 8 & up are welcome)

Next Meeting: Sunday, May 20, after SoCL Commencement

Advisor: Bishop Stanley Bilinski [interim] (847-698-0578)

MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Next Meeting: TBA

Chair: Judie Szydowski (630-222-0334)

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Next Meeting, TBA

Chair: Phillip Smolka (773-380-7131)

PARISH COMMITTEE

Next Meeting: 7:00PM, Tuesday, 15 May

Chair: Gary Kurzynski (630-924-7504)

PARENT - TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Next Meeting: May 20, after SoCL Commencement

President: Doug Scott (312-623-6825)

WOMEN'S SOCIETY FOR THE ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Next Meeting: TBD

President: Theresa Heath (224-858-7480)

POLISH NATIONAL UNION OF AMERICA

BRANCH #37 President: Robert Maycan (847-318-7975)

Financial Secretary: Teri Heath (224-858-7480)

Meeting: TBD



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Cemetery Visiting Hours: 8:00AM - 5:00PM
Spring & Summer Decorations April 1 - September 30
Fall & Winter Decorations November 1 - February 28

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE: 9:00AM

DAILY MASSES are held as announced in the weekly bulletin. Intentions may be offered at most Masses. To make arrangements for an intention, please contact the Pastor.

HOLY DAY MASSES are held as announced in the bulletin.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Arrangements should be made with the Pastor as soon as possible or at least 30 days prior to the ceremony.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

EMERGENCIES, SICKNESS AND DEATH should be reported to the Pastor immediately.