

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2017
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
PLEASE CELEBRATE THE ENTIRE EASTER SEASON FOR FIFTY DAYS TO PENTECOST

Most Catholics realize that Lent is a Season – an extended 6 week season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We say to one another, “What are you doing for Lent?” “How are you doing with your Lenten resolutions?”

Most people, not just Catholics – are very conscious of the Christmas Season – or the Holiday Season as the secular world calls it. And we’re all familiar with its very elaborate presence in our lives.

But what about Easter? What about the Easter Season? In the Church this unique, glorious Season from Easter to Pentecost Sunday, this 50 day celebration of Christ’s Resurrection, is the most important and glorious Season of all the Seasons. But this is so different in our everyday perception *because our secular culture does not recognize the Easter Season at all*. An outsider in our country might easily interpret Easter Sunday as Lent’s dramatic finale rather than the beginning of the greatest Season of the entire Church year. Once Easter comes spring is here and our culture turns its attention to many other things. Practically speaking, in our country, Easter is now gone, over and already done with. **But for us believers this must not be true in our Christian culture.**

Christ is Risen, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! We proclaim this, we celebrate this, and we must do our best to understand this and what it means in our lives for the seven beautiful weeks of the Easter Season. We need the entire Easter Season. It takes more than just a day, or even a week to recognize ourselves and each other as Easter people.

Jesus has lived, suffered, died and rose from the dead all because He loves and saves us as Our Lord and Redeemer. And we, as a church, need to take this entire Easter Season to absorb and to be formed as a people by this overwhelming saving reality. What Jesus does gives meaning and hope to the world and to our own lives in the face of so much evil and despair in the world and even sometimes in our own lives. Every year this Easter Season is Christ’s answer to hopelessness – as long as we clearly recognize it as a real “Season” and consciously celebrate it for all of these 50 days right up to Pentecost Sunday.

As Christ’s disciples today, He calls upon us to be proclaimers of the Easter Gospel of Life. We stand up for life and for the dignity of every human life, because Jesus loves every human being and gives immeasurable dignity to every human person. Our late Holy Father, Saint John Paul II told us that we – Christ’s disciples – are in a great struggle with a culture of death. We proclaim Christ’s Easter Gospel of Life to a world fascinated by death – abortion, later term partial birth abortions, assisted suicide, capital punishment, and terrorism – all forms of killing that are supposed to make the world better for everyone. We are struggling in a frightening war of terror with people who are committed to destruction and mass killing, genocide! But death only begets more death and life begets life. Pray that we live the Easter Gospel of Life!

Christ and His Church ask us to celebrate life throughout this Easter Season so that we will receive the strength, courage and ongoing hope to live and spread His Gospel of Life all year. Every Sunday of the year echoes Easter Sunday, the great Sunday. Every Sunday Jesus nourishes us here with His Body and Blood in Holy Communion. Every Sunday He feeds us with His word in the sacred Scriptures. Each and every Sunday Jesus expects us to be with Him here at Church.

Here and now we are worshiping Jesus during the 7 great weeks of Easter as we sing “Alleluia” to His triumph over death. Please celebrate this Easter Season every day. Please enjoy this entire Easter Season. Please embrace Christ as Our Way, Our Truth, and Our Life forever. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

God Bless, Fr. Herb

WORDS OF TITHING:

From the Pastor: In this Easter Octave, I am full of joy and gratitude because of your response to God’s call. Tithing has improved our weekly income, and, even more importantly, I believe, we parishioners grow stronger in placing more trust in God. We are Moving Forward and Growing Stronger Together. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Words of Tithing from the Pews: Tithing has intensified my trust in God. It helps me to think more and to turn my thinking into prayer. And tithing is no longer a burden for me.

Sunday Collections This March (4Weekends): \$77,282.00
(Because Palm Sunday & Easter were in March last year and April this year, we will compare both March & April combined at the end of next month.)

Faith Direct Parishioners: 105

Thank you for your Tithing sacrifices!

MASS ATTENDANCE

Mass attendance for April 15/16: 2758

OUR EASTER COLLECTION GIFT

TO OUR RISEN LORD AND SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST

Easter is the most important and joyful day of the year. Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, is the sign of eternal life in the Kingdom for all of us. On Easter Sunday, with the whole community, we renew our baptismal commitment to Jesus, rejecting sin and embracing anew our belief in Jesus, His way of life, the forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

Hopefully our sacrificial Easter collection gift to our parish gratefully reflects our complete commitment to our Risen Savior. He does everything for us, and we give Him back our very best offering in this joyful Easter collection. Our parish relies heavily on our Easter collection and our Christmas collection to responsibly balance our budget every year. Thank you so much for your extra help at Easter!

If you are away for Easter, please put your Easter envelope offering in the collection basket sometime in the next few weeks.

SCRIPTURE READINGS APRIL 24-30

MONDAY Acts 4: 23-31
Gospel: John 3: 1-8

TUESDAY 1 Peter 5: 5b-14
Gospel: Mark 16: 15-20

WEDNESDAY Acts 5: 17-26
Gospel: John 3: 16-21

THURSDAY Acts 5: 27-33
Gospel: John 3: 31-36

FRIDAY Acts 5: 34-42
Gospel: John 6: 1-15

SATURDAY Acts 6: 1-7
Gospel: 6: 16-21

SUNDAY Acts 2: 22-33
1 Peter 1: 17-21
Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

SANCTUARY LAMPS & FLOWERS



You may have the Sanctuary Candles in the Church, Chapel or Adoration Chapel burn in memory of a loved one (\$10.00 donation), roses at the Tabernacle (\$10.00 donation), or flowers at the altar (\$50.00 Donation). Please call or stop into the rectory office.

April 23-29, 2017

Sanctuary Lamp in the Church is for Christopher Arayata

Sanctuary Lamp in Mary's Daily Chapel is for Gene Seugling

Sanctuary Lamps in the Adoration Chapel are for The Lemos Family, Christopher Arayata & In Thanksgiving

Tabernacle Roses are for Edgardo Herrera

Altar Flowers are for Christopher Arayata

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - TODAY - APRIL 23RD-2:30 PM

We are celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday today at 2:30 PM in the Church. The Novena which began on Good Friday with the Divine Mercy Chaplet help us prepare for this celebration of our Lord's tender mercy. Please try to come

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION - THIS WEEKEND

Happy Easter! Thank you, our faithful parishioners, for your continued generosity to our Food Pantry. Our April Food Pantry collection is this weekend, **April 22/23**. We need the following items: juice condiments, coffee, cookies, cold cereal, prepared spaghetti sauce, side dishes, jelly maple syrup, shampoo and conditioner, toothpaste & toothbrushes, cleaning products, laundry detergent and paper products. Monetary donations are always welcome; just put your donation in an envelope marked "Food Pantry" and put it in the regular collection basket. Thank you very much!

CRS RICE BOWL-THANK YOU

Our community changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say thank you! Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl at the Rectory or put it in the collection basket.

ROSARY SOCIETY'S 5TH ANNUAL MEGA GARAGE SALE JUNE 3 - 9AM-3PM



Please save the date for our Rosary Society's 5th Annual Mega Garage Sale on June 3rd from 9:00AM - 3:00 PM. Eight (8) foot table - \$25.00. Book now while they last. Call Lynn at 973-432-4807 to reserve your table.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 24-30

MONDAY, April 24th-St. Francis of Sigmaringen. Priest & Martyr
6:45AM - People of the Parish, Connie & Al Uricoli, Rose Ann, Grace, Tommy Picone, Louise Consiglia & Lucy Renga
8:00AM - Ireneusz Sokolowski, Joseph Milano, Peg & Nick Brady, Linda & Mike Franchino

TUESDAY, April 25th-St. Mark, Evangelist
6:45AM - Special Intention for Warren & Barbara Leshner, Connie & Al Uricoli, In Thanksgiving
8:00AM - Christopher Arayata (2nd Anniv.) Molly & Louise Renga

WEDNESDAY, April 26th
6:45AM - Connie & Al Uricoli, In Thanksgiving
8:00AM - Msgr. Vincent Molloy

THURSDAY, April 27th
6:45AM - Beverly & James Wren
8:00AM - Eugene Seugling

FRIDAY, April 28th-St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr, St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest
6:45AM - Florian Sanchez
8:00AM - Roy Miller (4th Anniv.), Ron Luciano (1st Anniv.), Michael R. D'Aries (11th Anniv.)

SATURDAY, April 29th-St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
8:00AM - Placido Victorio
5:30PM - Gladys Moran, Catherine Slater, Marge Maturro
7:00PM - Romero Villa, Nancy Ramirez, Mateo Ferrer Joffre, Special Intention for Carmen delaPaz

SUNDAY, April 30th-Third Sunday of Easter
7:30AM -Liz Nason (1st Anniv.), Peter Browne, Joseph Begasee
9:00AM -Jacqueline Joan Zeliff, Christopher Arayata, Kevin Lenahan, Loretta & Arthur Clemens
10:30AM - Rosemare Schmidt, Robert Miller, Celedonia Isidor Flores
12:00PM - Josephine Barone, William W. Cauch, Richard Gabriecl
7:00PM - Antony Samy, Arockia Mary, Arockia Samy, Arturo Ramirez, Carman Mrozinski

CELEBRATING OUR 80TH ANNIVERSARY AS A PARISH IN 2018 GROWING OUR COMMEMORATIVE BRICK WALKWAY

We are happy to offer another wonderful opportunity for you to purchase an engraved paver for our commemorative brick walkway in front of the church. Remember that bricks are available in two sizes: 4" x 8" and 8" x 8". These bricks are available for purchase with your personalized engraving. See the form on our parish website, saintpetertheapostle.org, or pick up a form at the Rectory. Your engraving can commemorate a blessed occasion in your life or in the lives of your family (think Baptisms, First Holy Communion, Confirmations, Marriages) or the engraving can memorialize a deceased relative or friend or parishioner of Saint Peter the Apostle. The engraving can celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or even the 80th anniversary of our parish! Take a reflective walk along the path as the weather gets nicer and maybe get some ideas!

We need all the forms returned to the Rectory with payment by this June 30th to have all the bricks engraved and installed for our Parish's 80th Anniversary next year in June 2018. Thank you!



THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH APRIL 23-29

SUNDAY, APRIL 23rd - Divine Mercy Sunday

Antioch Continues – School

Blessing of Expectant Parents

Food Pantry Collection - Narthex

9:00AM – Children’s Gospel Program – Church Hall

2:30PM – Divine Mercy Celebration – Church

5:30PM – Bingo – Parish Center

MONDAY, APRIL 24th

4:15PM – Monday CCD – School

6:00PM – Diocesan Children’s Choir – Church Hall

7:00PM – Funeral Ministry Training - Church

7:30PM – S.I.N.E. – Spanish Room

TUESDAY, APRIL 25th

10:00AM – Peanut’s Playgroup – Church Hall

11:00AM – Care One Prayer Service – Deacon Peter

1:30PM – Parish Finance Meeting - Rectory

8:00PM – CYO Coach’s Basketball – Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26th

7:00PM – High School Basketball – Parish Center

7:00PM – Boy Scout Troop 72 – Cafeteria

7:30PM – Spanish Bible Study – School

7:30PM – Bible Sharing – Church Hall

THURSDAY, APRIL 27th

7:00PM – First Communion Practice – Church/Church Hall

7:30PM – Spanish Choir - Chapel

7:30PM – Adult Choir – Church/Church Hall

8:30PM – Men’s Basketball – Parish Center

FRIDAY, APRIL 28th

6:00PM – ASA Middle School Dance – Parish Center

6:00PM – Girl Scout Troop 95735 – Second Grade Classroom

7:30PM – Spanish Prayer Group - Chapel

SATURDAY, APRIL 29th

8:30AM – Polish School – School

11:00AM – First Communion – Church/Church Hall

4:00PM – Penance – Church

7:30PM – AA – Church Hall

8:00PM – Indian Community Sports – Parish Center

MOUNT ST. DOMINIC OPEN HOUSE – APRIL 26

Mt. St. Dominic Academy located at 3 Ryerson Avenue in Caldwell, will conduct an Open House for girls in the 6th, 7th and 8th and their families on April 26th at 6:30 PM in the Performing Arts Center. Please call 973-226-0660, ext. 1122 with any questions.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

We need adorers for the 12 Noon on Saturdays & Sundays and 4:00 PM on Wednesdays. Please consider spending time, being with Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. Substitutes are also needed. The spirit of sacrifice is the spirit of Christianity. Jesus sacrificed everything. Will you make a sacrifice of your time for Him? Call Kim at 973-886-6334.

ST. ANN GOLF OUTING-MAY 15TH-11:00AM

St. Ann Church, Parsippany, is hosting its 33rd Annual Golf Outing on Monday, May 15th at the Knoll Country Club West. Brunch – 11:00AM, a relaxing day of golf, Cocktail Hour & Dinner at 6:00PM with raffle drawings and presentations of Special Golfers’ Prizes. For information/reservations/tickets go to golf.saintann@gmail.com. Price: \$175/person. All Are Welcome!

MARTHA MINISTRY- FRIDAY, APRIL 28 – TEAM 3

Claudette Pavel, Anne Monahan,
Florence Gerould, Aurora Arayata

For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven...

...a time to born

...a time to die

Janice Salvatore, Grace Salvatore

Flora Intiso, Frederick Abline, Jr.

...a time to heal

Fr. Leo Carey, Fr. Ron Sordillo, Noah Lorencovitz

Ellen Jane Coyle, Albelardo Garcia,

Sara Reinhardt, James Wellman, Annette Barnes

...a time to love

“...and a time of peace.” Ecclesiastes 3:11

SAINT PETER’S GOLDEN AGE-MAY 1ST-AT 11AM

Saint Peter’s Golden Age will meet at the Community Center on **Monday, May 1, 2017** at 11:00 AM – All are welcome!

MOVING FORWARD

GROWING STRONGER TOGETHER PROGRAM

Our parish’s increased offertory giving program is just about complete. We thank our faithful parishioners who spoke at the Masses about our parish and its ministries. Gino Blanco spoke at all 5 Sunday Masses while Terry Smail spoke at our Saturday 5:30 PM Mass. Miguel Ferrer and his wife, Maritza, spoke at our 7:00 PM Spanish Mass on Saturday evening. We thank them for their beautiful witness about our parish and its important place in their lives.

Please continue praying to our Lord Jesus and to His Mother Mary, for sustained good results in this effort to increase our parish collection income so that we can Move Forward and Grow Stronger Together as a parish.

Please remember that we have asked you to increase your own collection offering every week only if you possibly can. We re-emphasize this – **ONLY if you possibly can**.

If you have already made your commitment and increased your weekly collection offering, please do this every week. Thank you so much.

If you participate in our electronic giving program with Faith Direct and you are increasing your collection offering, please call 1-866-507-8757 or email Faith Direct at info@faithdirect.net using our parish code **NJ745** to notify them of your increased collection offering so that they will make the change exactly as you have decided. Thank you.

If you haven’t turned in your Commitment Card, and you still want to participate, please mail the Card to our parish, put it in the collection basket or bring it to the Rectory.

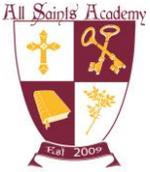
Thank you for all your generosity to our parish, for your participation in our parish ministries and for your constant prayers. We ask Our Risen Lord to always keep our parish “Moving Forward and Growing Stronger Together”.

BIBLE SHARING – APRIL 26TH-7:30PM

Our next Bible Sharing will take place on Wednesday, April 26th at 7:30 PM in the Church Hall. All are invited to attend.

**MORRIS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE
MAY 7TH – 2-4 PM**

Morris Catholic High School will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, May 7th from 2-4 PM. Tours will be given and questions will be answered on how to take the next steps to your Morris Catholic Experience. To register, please go to www.morriscatholic.org and click on the link, or email Mrs. Faith Sanson at fsanson@morriscatholic.org. This Open House is open to students of all ages, not just potential freshman and transfers.



ALL SAINTS ACADEMY CORNER

ASA – An Extension of Our Parish Community
Like our parish, All Saints Academy is a diverse community that celebrates the benchmarks of faith and practice traditionally found in the legacy of Catholic education. As a school in the Diocese of Paterson, All Saints Academy’s *AdvancEd*

Accreditation and STEM Certification provide a standards-based educational framework, setting a path for continuous improvement in instruction, 21st century learning and student performance. The very important presence of faith education truly makes All Saints Academy an extension of the mission of our Catholic parish. All parish families are welcome in our school. Pope Benedict XVI said, “No child should be denied his or her right to an education in faith, which in turn nurtures the soul of a nation.” This is the time to consider All Saints Academy for your child’s faith-based education – an experience that will foster a lifetime.

Contact our principal, Mrs. Judith Berg, at 973-334-4704, for more information about admission and scholarship opportunities at All Saints Academy. Find us on Facebook: www.allsaintspar.org

BINGO RETURNS TODAY SUNDAY – APRIL 23, 2017

**POWERBALL #1 \$500 – POWERBALL #2 \$331
TEAM C – MARY ANN CISTARO**

SAINT PAUL INSIDE THE WALLS – MADISON

Catholicism from Scratch – Making Sense: Questions about the Eucharist: A course in basic Catholicism for those who need a brush-up, those who missed it the first time around, or those who never heard it before. Fr. Paul Manning, presenter. Saturday, April 29 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Being Single, Being Faithful (35+): Whether single by choice or by circumstance, we must live every “single” day to the fullest. We can find fulfillment in Christ and His Church by embracing the opportunities in the church for spiritual growth, meaningful service and a sense of community. Saturday, May 13 – 10AM – 12PM.

Speaking of Faith with Dr. Brian Beyerl, a Deacon at Assumption Parish, Morristown and Chief of Neurosurgery at Morristown Medical Center, about his encounter with and response to God and the integration of faith into work and life, Wednesday, May 17th from 7:30-9:30PM.

ACADEMY OF ST. ELIZABETH OPEN HOUSE MAY 7TH

The Academy of St. Elizabeth will host an Open House for 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls and their families on Sunday, May 7 at 1:00 PM. Registration is not necessary. The Academy also invites any 7th and 8th grade girls to spend the day at the Academy on Thursday, May 11th from 8:00AM to 12:30PM. For information, call 973-290-5225 or 973-290-5200. Visit on line at aosenj.org.

COLUMBIETTES FUNDRAISER – APRIL 24TH-7PM

The Columbiettes are hosting a Pampered Chef Fundraiser Party on Monday, April 24th at 7:00 PM at Saint Ann’s Church Hall on Smith Road. If you cannot attend but would like to help, go to www.pamperedchef.com/go/columbiettes. Orders will be shipped directly to you. Proceeds will go to their various causes.

ALTAR SERVERS APRIL 29/30, 2017



5:30PM – Go, Sevilla, Colantoni
7:30AM – Jutchenko
9:00AM – Arnold, Patane, Terhune
10:30AM – Mersing, Mersing, Ramirez
12:00PM – Paraan, Abrenica, Manappuram
7:00PM – Wilson, Wilson, Lim

QUO VADIS - WHERE ARE YOU GOING?-JUNE 27-29

Vocation Discernment for young men 15-25 – “Quo Vadis – Where are you going?” Where is the Spirit acting in your life? Where is the Lord encouraging you to go? Quo Vadis Days is a time of recreation, fellowship and prayer to help you explore the Lord’s call in your life. Activities will include prayer, Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Liturgy of the Hours, rosary, games, sports, talks, great food and discussions. It is a time to share our faith and meet other young men seeking God’s will. Quo Vadis Days will be held June 27-29 at the Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Newton, NJ. There is no cost. For more information and/or registration, contact the coordinators, Fr. Edgar Rivera and Fr. Luis Hernandez in the Vocation Office at 973-777-8818, ext. 711, by email: fredgar@patersondiocese.org.

OUTREACH CORNER

A woman on Vail Road needs a ride to the 12:00 PM Mass.
Another woman needs a ride to church.
Do you have an old Verizon Smart Phone that you can donate to a parishioner?
If you can help with any of the above, please call the Rectory at 973-334-2090



Please visit www.facebook.com/spayouthministry

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS – MAY 11 – 7:30 PM

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents will be meeting on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at Saint Christopher’s Church, 1050 Littleton Road, Room 101. The Program will be: “Coping Strategies for Stressful Times (Holidays, Remembrance Days, Mother’s Day, etc.)”. For more information, please call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164.

WELCOME TO SAINT PETER’S

Help us welcome Mr. & Mrs. Mark Battaglia and Mr. & Mrs. Peter Chin to the parish community of Saint Peter the Apostle Church.

Hablando español en San Pedro Apóstol

23 de abril de 2017

Segundo Domingo de Pascua Domingo de la Divina Misericordia

Horario de las Misas:

lunes a viernes: 6:45 y 8:00 a.m.

sábado: 5:30 y 7:00 p.m. en español

domingo: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12 m y 7:00 p.m.

Confesiones: sábado: 4:00 a 5:00 p.m.

Intenciones de las Misas: Por favor, notificar a la oficina parroquial (973-334-2090) con una semana de anticipación. El donativo para las intenciones es de \$10.00.

Mensaje del párroco:

Por favor celebre los 50 días del tiempo de Pascua hasta el Domingo de Pentecostés

La mayoría de los católicos se dan cuenta que la Cuaresma es una temporada – 6 semanas de oración, ayuno y limosna. Nos preguntamos unos a otros “¿Qué estás haciendo para la Cuaresma? ¿Cómo vas con tus resoluciones Cuaresmales?”

La mayoría de la gente – no sólo los católicos - son muy conscientes de la temporada de Navidad, o los días festivos como el mundo secular los llaman. Y todos estamos muy familiarizados con su presencia muy elaborada en la mayor parte de nuestras vidas.

Pero ¿qué pasa con la Pascua? ¿Qué pasa con el tiempo de Pascua? Para la Iglesia este tiempo único y glorioso desde la Pascua hasta el Domingo de Pentecostés, esta celebración de 50 días de la Resurrección de Cristo, es el tiempo más importante y glorioso de todos los tiempos. Pero nuestra percepción es bien diferente, **porque nuestra cultura no reconoce la temporada de Pascua en lo absoluto.** Una persona ajena a nuestra tierra, fácilmente puede interpretar el Domingo de Pascua como el dramático final de la Cuaresma, y no el principio de la temporada más grandiosa del año entero de la Iglesia. Una vez que viene la Pascua, la primavera está aquí y culturalmente nuestra atención se dirige a muchas otras cosas. Prácticamente hablando, en nuestro país, la Pascua se ha ido y ya hemos terminado con ella. **Pero para nosotros los creyentes, éste no debe ser el caso en nuestra cultura cristiana.**

Cristo ha resucitado, ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! Proclamamos ésto, lo celebramos y debemos hacer nuestro mejor esfuerzo por entenderlo durante todas estas siete preciosas semanas del tiempo de Pascua. Necesitamos toda la temporada de Pascua. Toma más de un día, o incluso una semana para reconocernos unos a otros como gente de la Pascua.

Jesús vivió, sufrió, murió y resucitó de entre los muertos porque El nos ama y salva como nuestro Señor y Redentor. Y nosotros, como Iglesia debemos tomar todo este tiempo de Pascua para absorber y formarnos como pueblo por la abrumadora realidad redentora. Lo que Jesús hace le da significado y esperanza al mundo y a nuestras vidas, ante tanto mal y sufrimiento en el mundo y muchas veces también en nuestras propias vidas. Cada año, este tiempo de Pascua es la respuesta de Cristo a la desesperanza – siempre y cuando lo reconocamos como una verdadera “temporada” y conscientemente celebremos por estos 50 días previos al Domingo de Pentecostés.

Como discípulos de Cristo hoy, El nos llama a ser proclamadores del Evangelio de la Vida Pascual. Defendemos la vida y la dignidad de

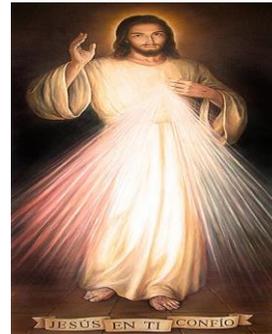
toda vida humana, porque Jesús ama a todos los seres humanos y da infinita dignidad a cada persona. Nuestro Santo Papa Juan Pablo II nos dijo que nosotros – los discípulos de Cristo – nos encontramos en una gran lucha con una cultura de muerte. Proclamamos el Evangelio de la Vida Pascual de Cristo a un mundo fascinado por la muerte, - el aborto, los abortos tardíos de nacimiento parcial, el suicidio asistido, la pena de muerte, y terrorismo – todas las formas de matar que están supuestas hacer un mundo mejor para todos. ¡Estamos luchando en una aterradora guerra de terror con personas que están comprometidas con la destrucción y la matanza en masa, el genocidio! Pero la muerte solo engendra más muerte y la vida engendra vida. ¡Oremos para que vivamos el Evangelio de la Vida Pascual!

Cristo y Su Iglesia nos piden que celebremos la vida a lo largo de este tiempo de Pascua, de modo que recibamos la fuerza, el coraje y la constante esperanza para vivir y difundir Su Evangelio de Vida durante todo el año. Cada domingo del año, se hace eco el Domingo de Pascua, el gran domingo. Cada domingo Jesús nos nutre con su Cuerpo y Sangre en la Sagrada Comunión. Cada domingo nos alimenta con Su palabra en las Sagradas Escrituras. Todos los domingos Jesús espera que estemos con El aquí en la iglesia.

Aquí y ahora, estamos adorando a Jesús durante las tremendas 7 semanas de la Pascua, cuando cantamos “Aleluya” a Su triunfo sobre la muerte. Por favor, celebre este tiempo de Pascua todos los días. Por favor, disfrute la temporada entera de Pascua. Por favor, acepte a Cristo como nuestro Camino, nuestra Verdad y nuestra Vida eterna. ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!

Dios los bendiga,

Padre Herb



ORACIÓN DE LA MISERICORDIA DIVINA

¡Oh Dios de gran misericordia!, bondad infinita, desde el abismo de su abatimiento, toda la humanidad implora hoy Tu misericordia, Tu compasión, ¡Oh Dios!; y clama con la potente voz de la desdicha.

¡Dios de Benevolencia, no desoigas la oración de este exilio terrenal! ¡Oh señor!, Bondad que escapa nuestra comprensión, que conoces nuestra miseria a fondo y sabes que con nuestras fuerzas no podemos elevarnos a Ti, Te lo imploramos: Adelante con Tu gracia y continúa aumentando Tu misericordia en nosotros, para que podamos, fielmente, cumplir Tu santa voluntad, a lo largo de nuestra vida y a la hora de la muerte. Que la omnipotencia de tu misericordia nos escude de las flechas que arrojan los enemigos de nuestra salvación, para que con confianza, como hijos Tuyos, guardemos la última venida (día que Tú solo sabes). Y esperamos obtener lo que Jesús nos prometió a pesar de nuestra mezquindad.

Porque Jesús es nuestra esperanza: A través de su Corazón misericordioso, como en el Reino de los Cielos.

SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE CHURCH

Divine Mercy Sunday

APRIL 23, 2017 – 2:30 PM – CHURCH



Jesus, I Trust In You!

The Hour of Great Mercy

Our Lord asked for special prayer at the hour that recalls His death: “At three o’clock implore My mercy, especially for sinners; and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion...This is the Hour of Great Mercy...In this hour I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of my Passion.”

(Diary, 1320)

The Feast of Mercy

Jesus also requested that the Sunday after Easter be officially established in the Church as the Feast of Mercy: “On that day, the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those who approach the fount of My Mercy.

(Diary, 699)

*THIS FORM WILL UPDATE OUR
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY MEMBERS
PAST, PRESENT AND POTENTIAL MEMBERS*

*Name:*_____

*Address:*_____

*Phone #:*_____

*E-mail:*_____

*Birthday Month:*_____ *Day:*_____

*Are You A Member Now:Yes?*_____ *No?*_____

*Would You Like To Join And Become A Member?:Yes?*_____ *No?*_____

*Please fill out the above form and put it in the collection basket or bring it to the
Rectory during regular business hours. Thank You!*



THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosary Confraternity is one of the oldest societies in the Catholic Church and is enriched with indulgences and privileges.

Blessed Alan, a Dominican preacher, was the first to propose it in 1470.

Fr. Jacob Spenger in the Dominican Church in Cologne Germany said the primary purpose is to “praise and honor the Blessed Virgin Mary” and to secure her patronage by the recitation of the Rosary for the mutual spiritual benefit of all the members throughout the world.

The secondary purpose is to sponsor or support activities and events and to participate in all the ministries and services offered by the parish.

The main requirement for membership is to pray the Rosary, at least one decade each day, with meditations on all 20 mysteries of the Rosary: **Glorious, Joyful Sorrowful and Luminous**

EVENTS SUPPORTED BY THE SOCIETY INCLUDE:

PARISH FOOD PANTRY

ALL SAINTS ACADEMY
GRADUATION AWARDS

SAINT PETER’S YOUTH MINISTRY

CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION FOR
CHILDREN & AGING

PARISH CHURCH EVENTS

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We have monthly meetings with Mass and the Rosary from September to June on the third Tuesday of the month

Some projected plans for the year include:

Ice Cream Social

Day of Reflection

May Crowning

St. Patrick & St. Joseph Night

October Annual Communion Breakfast

We want to continue our beautiful and long heritage so would you consider attending one of our ROSARY meetings? You would be welcome.

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