

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 1, 2018



ALLELUIA, THE LORD IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD. There is no other Christian feast that tops this one! Various foods and treats characterize Easter time – decorative baskets filled with an array of chocolate “bunnies”, sweet-tasting marshmallow chicks, coconut eggs, and the ever popular jelly bean. Some people still make sure that they are donned with a new Easter outfit, although Easter parades, that went with the new clothes, are not as culturally prevalent these days. I remember in my mother’s day there was always an Easter parade down the main street of the neighborhood – the Easter bonnet for ladies and the trendy hat with ribbon and maybe a feather, were the crave of the event. The great banquet of the day included both a delicious ham and the seasonal roast lamb, with its specialty fixings’ set-out beautifully on an extended kitchen table; the bright spring sun shining through the slightly wind-blown sheer window curtains, freshly washed and pressed for the occasion. Even a hearty tray of lasagna was included on the menu. One thing that, like Thanksgiving, was always a part of the celebration was the prayer that preceded the meal. We realized that all the fun and flare of the day was centered on one glorious mystery – THE RESURRECCION OF JESUS. We didn’t understand the mystery, but we sure did believe in it.

As we gather around our Easter tables with family and friend this year, let us not forget that glorious mystery as we offer a prayer that the food we share and the daily lives that we will continue to live will be strengthened by our faith, enlivened in hope, and shaped by love for one another:

*God of glory, the eyes of all turn to you as we celebrate Christ’s victory over sin and death.
Bless us and the food of our Easter meal. May we who gather at the table of plenty continue to celebrate the joy of His Resurrection and be admitted finally to His heavenly banquet. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

HAPPY EASTER TO ONE AND ALL.

Fr. Nick

“We conceive desires to do great things for which, perhaps, no opportunity may ever come to us, and meantime we neglect the small which the Lord puts into our hands.”

St. Francis de Sales



In your charity, please pray for all the deceased of St. Anthony’s.

Monday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/2 FRANCIS ROBERT MATZ	Easter Monday CHILDREN
Tuesday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/3 ANTHONY CAMPESE	FAMILY
Wednesday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/4 SILIO & CAMILLA VOLPE	FAMILY
Thursday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/5 PATRICIA OGONOWSKI	AUNT MARY, NANCY & BRUCE DIBASO
Friday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/6 C. NATALIE & BART L. MERIGGI	DAUGHTER
Saturday, 6:45 AM 5:30 PM	4/7 MICHAEL ANDREOLI PAUL DI SABATINO	FAMILY JOHN MCCLEMENT
Sunday, 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	4/8 PARISHIONERS IRMA MALONE J. BRUCE BRUNOZZI	FAMILY FAMILY



Next Sunday’s Readings

1st Reading:

Acts 4:32-35

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

2nd Reading:

1 John 5:1-6

Gospel:

John 20:19-31

“God’s Plan for Giving”

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 03/25/18

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$13,165.43
Budget:	\$11,361.51
Actual vs. Budget This Week:	+\$1,803.92
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 15.9%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$5,479.95

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Mateo Ahumada
Roger Chao
Thomas DiGuglielmo
James Ganey
Mark Johnson
Kelly Panella
Larry Silvestri
Annmarie White

Nancy Brown
Mary T. DiBiao
Tommy DiVirgilio
Richard Jakotowicz
Grace Marie Mataleno
Charles Rosenberg, Sr.
Albert Vietri

Marianne Calvarese
Judi DiFrancesco
Christopher Ganey
Bonita Della Rocca Jodz
William J. Nardo, Jr.
Jimmy Silicato
Robert Walton

...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.

Catholic Forum

Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM and www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, April 8th, tune in to learn about this year's Annual Catholic Appeal, when Ms. Deb Fols, Director of Development for the Diocese of Wilmington is the guest. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, podcasts and more, "like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/catholicforum. Listen to past episodes of Catholic Forum online at cdow.org/communications or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple Podcasts or iHeartRadio podcasts.

A Great Night Out!

Come join us for the last of our Phil Rendina Discretionary Education Fund benefits! The evening begins on April 14th with a 5:30 Remembrance Mass followed by a fabulous "Flash back to Little Italy" celebration of Phil's favorite things from Little Italy. Come see pictures of the parish and grade school from times gone by as well as other "famous" places. Want some Gerardo's Pizza? We'll have it...along with some Casapulla's, Capriotti's, Bernie's Water Ice....we'll have it all along with the infamous DJ Ralph Giofre. All proceeds benefit St. Anthony's Grade School. For tickets: call Skeeter (Steve) Morabito [302-530-0573](tel:302-530-0573) or email Pam Morabito at pamtrego5499@gmail.com.

Vocations

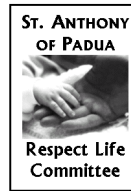
By His resurrection Christ won for all who would follow Him eternal life in the Kingdom of God. Priests, deacons, religious brothers and religious sisters spend their lives and exercise their ministries as a way of witnessing to that new Life. Is God calling you to join their way of life? If you think so, call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/Vocations

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!

Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage.

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? **Retrouvaille** can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. **There is a program coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA: April 13-15.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

Respect Life: Fact of Life



"I've noticed that everyone who is for abortion has already been born."

Ronald Reagan

Second Collection

Next weekend, April 7th and 8th, there is no scheduled second collection.

BINGO - BINGO - BINGO

Friday APRIL 13 \$20 ticket
St. Anthony's Holy Name Society
1812 Howland St, Buck Serio Lounge
Doors open at 6PM - Bingo starts at 7PM
Door Prizes and 50/50. Lite food provided, cash bar
Reserve a table now!
Call the club - 302-651-0101

Book Offer

"Catholic Priests of the Diocese of Wilmington" by Fr. Tom Peterman is now available to order as a great gift for Easter, birthdays, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and more. New low price of \$30 includes shipping and handling. To order and pay, petermanpublication@gmail.com or mail your check for \$30 to Rev. Thomas Peterman, 2505 Centerville Road, Wilmington DE 19808.

Get the Word Out!

Our Parish Bulletin is an excellent & affordable way to advertise your business. Each week, we reach over 600 families in 4 States. Call 1-800-883-4343 and ask for the Advertising Department.

Twilight Retreat for Professional Young Women

The Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia are sponsoring an evening of prayer on Sunday, April 8, 2018, from 3 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. for young professional women (ages 18-35) to be held at Our Lady of Angels Convent, 609 S. Convent Road in Aston, Pennsylvania (near Neumann University). The theme is the Canticle of Creation by St. Francis of Assisi. A light dinner will be provided. There is no fee for this event. **Reservations need to be made by April 3** with Sr. Christopher Marie Wagner, OSF, at (610) 588-6789 or cwagner@osfphila.org. Bring a friend and have a relaxing, prayerful evening. We look forward to meeting you.

Easter Monday

Please note that the Parish Business Office is closed Easter Monday.

Parish Calendar

Thursday

7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal

Saturday

10:15 AM, First Sacraments

Registration/PREP

Re-registration (Ballad Room)



Monday, April 2

through

Sunday, April 8

(All events listed in the Parish Calendar are in church unless otherwise noted.)

Grade School Calendar

Wednesday

8:00 AM, Classes Resume

Friday

8:00 AM, Grade School Mass



Saint Mark's Nature Camp

What's in Your Backyard!

June 18-22, 2018

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Ages: 12-13 (Grades 6 and 7)

Cost: \$300

Contact: Wynne Esbitt

wesbitt@stmarkshs.net

Saint Mark's High School Middle School Band Camp

When: June 18-22 2018, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Who: Students who will be in Grades 6, 7, or 8 in September, 2018

Cost: \$110.00 per camper

Why: The purpose of the camp is to keep students playing during the summer months and to build on the skills they have learned at their schools during the school year.

Questions??? Please contact Mr. Art Bookout at 302-757-8781 or abookout@stmarkshs.net.

Visit: www.stmarkshs.net/page/news--events/summer-band-camp to register!

Jesus House

Tuesday, April 24, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm Day of Reflection:

Ignatian Discernment: Understanding God's Call with Fr. Nicholas Amato. You and your friends are invited to a

day of recollection focusing on how we might better discern God's will for us. Learn to better understand where, through the events of your life, God is drawing you. Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center, 2501 Milltown Rd, Wilmington, DE 19808, 302-995-6858.

Cost is \$15 per session. Please visit our website (jesushousecenter.org) or call our office for more information, weekly topics or to register.

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal "Disciples of Christ, Witnesses of Faith"

In the Resurrection of Jesus we find hope in the prospect of everlasting life in heaven. But to obtain eternal life, we must accept the Lord's invitation to follow Him by imitating His love and compassion for others.

During the weekend of April 14 & 15, our parish will participate in the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal – a campaign conducted each year throughout the Diocese of Wilmington. Funds generated through the Appeal help provide critical financial support to nearly forty pastoral, charitable and educational programs and ministries.

As Christian stewards we are called to a lifelong conversion to the ways of Jesus. Each of us is asked to examine the blessings we have received from God and to discern how best to use them for others. We do this cheerfully and sacrificially and with faith in God's love for us, knowing that He will provide for our earthly wants.

You can learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal by reading the campaign insert in this week's *Dialog* or visiting the diocesan website at www.cdow.org; click "Giving" then "Annual Catholic Appeal."

Thank You!

St. Anthony of Padua Church would like to thank all who participated in the separation of palm branches, for Palm Sunday Masses.

