



April 27, 2025 2nd Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 26 ~ Second Sunday of Easter/Vigil
 5:30 PM Lena & Al Ferrara, Anna & Dave Barbuti

Sunday, April 27 ~ Second Sunday of Easter
 9:30 AM Bernice Murphy

Monday, April 28
 9:00 AM Diane Hriniak/healing

Wednesday, April 30
 9:00 AM The People of the Parish

Friday, May 2
 9:00 AM

Saturday, May 3 ~ Third Sunday of Easter/Vigil
 5:30 PM Rose Wall, Charlotte Zupetz

Sunday, May 4 ~ Third Sunday of Easter
 9:30 AM Diane Hriniak/healing

Ministers of the Word

Saturday, May 3 ~ Third Sunday of Easter/Vigil
 5:30 PM Joe Herschel

Sunday, May 4 ~ Third Sunday of Easter
 9:30 AM Alice Cross

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, May 3 ~ Third Sunday of Easter/Vigil
 5:30 PM Brandon Kennedy(a), Kathy Fayol(c)

Sunday, May 4 ~ Third Sunday of Easter
 9:30 AM Liz Klimczak (a), Seema Cristallo (c)

Pray For Those Who Serve

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)
 Juan Gonzales (Navy)

Kaila McGowan (Marines) Joseph Ruize (Navy)
 Robert Pape-Laucella (Marines)

Pasko Shkreli (Army) Carissa Tironi (Army)
 Nicholas Turner (Army) Elliott Weidel (Marines)

Pray For the Infirm

Marion Andersen, Bridget Auer, Joanna Bach,
 Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, S.C., Brian Cross,
 Nicole Dawson, John & Lorraine DiCicco, Anna DiMare,
 Marie DiMare, Marie Elena DiMare, Michael DiMare,
 Walter Earl, Anna Gallo, Rocco Gallo, Margaret Hale,
 Diane Hriniak, Nicole Langer, Fr. Joe Komonchak, Mark,
 Bob Mangieri, Julia Oparski, Marianna Oparski,
 Carol Orlando, Frank Orlando, Sal Rappo, Richard,
 Helen Ryan, Fran Salewski, Arthur Seaman,
 Deacon & Fran Trapani, Kevin Uffelmann, Terry Waterson

Pray For Facility Residents

Barbara Ceriale, Brad Ceriale, Gina Lempka,
 Rosemary Osborn, Regina Parthesius, Sue Schmaus,
 Fran Salomone, Elissa Zahn, Vicky Zedda

Looking Ahead

A.A. Meetings
 Thursday 6:30 PM Sunday 3:30 PM

Tuesday, April 29
 Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, April 30 ~ 1:30 to 3:00 PM
 "Journey Through the Grief of Aging
 as Pilgrims of Hope"
 Session #1 of 6

Friday, May 2
 Confirmation (being held at Our Lady of Mt.
 Carmel Church, Middletown) ~ 5:00 PM

Tuesday, May 5
 Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, May 7 ~ 1:30 to 3:00 PM
 "Journey Through the Grief of Aging
 as Pilgrims of Hope"
 Session #2 of 6



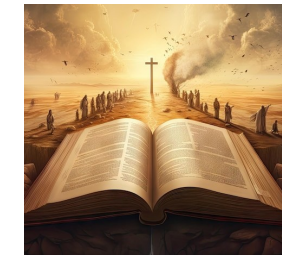
Sunday, May 11 ~ Mothers Day
Mothers Day Breakfast
 served in the Parish Hall
 immediately following the 9:30 AM Mass

Monday, May 12
 Parish Council Meeting ~ 7:00 PM

Tuesday, May 13
 Final Class for Religious Education
 6:30-7:30 PM
 Classes Will Resume in September

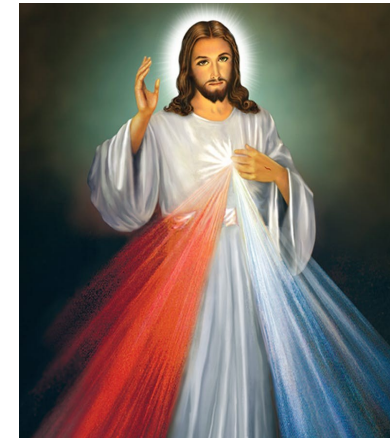
Today's Scripture Readings

Acts 5:12-16
 Revelation 1:9-11a,
 12-13, 17-19
 John 20:19-31



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Divine Mercy



In recent years, the Sunday after Easter, which used to be called "Low Sunday," is now referred to as "Divine Mercy Sunday." This change emerged from the recognition of the great mission entrusted to Saint Faustina Kowalska to make more widespread a devotion to the Mercy of God revealed by Christ Jesus. He shows us this Divine Mercy by accepting his Passion and Crucifixion. Although he was completely innocent, he accepted the punishments meted out to a criminal and even sought forgiveness towards his persecutors. God's mercy is vast and endless.

Yet even before Saint Faustina was born, there was a Carmelite nun who gave witness to Divine Mercy during a time when people stressed the sinfulness of humanity and the punishments of Divine Justice. Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, the Little Flower of Lisieux, wrote extensively about Divine Mercy in her book, *Story of a Soul*. She composed the last portions of the book as she was slowly dying from tuberculosis and upon the very last page she wrote:

"I have only to cast a glance in the Gospels and immediately I breathe in the perfumes of Jesus' life, and I know on which side to run. I don't hasten to the first place but to the last; rather than advance like the Pharisee, I repeat, filled with confidence, the publican's humble prayer. Most of all I imitate the conduct of Magdalene; her astonishing or rather her loving audacity which charms the Heart of Jesus also attracts my own. *Yes, I feel it; even though I had on my conscience all the sins that can be committed, I would go, my heart broken with sorrow, and throw myself into Jesus' arms, for I know how much He loves the prodigal child who returns to Him.*" (Emphasis added.)

May the Divine Mercy fill us with hope and peace!

Still Time to Register to Attend

What is your experience of aging? What causes you stress or grief? What brings you joy and is life-giving for you? Where is God in your experience? We would like to invite you to participate in our "JOURNEY THROUGH THE GRIEF OF AGING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE" beginning this Wednesday, April 30 and continuing through 5 additional consecutive Wednesdays from 1:30PM until 3:00PM. If you are interested, please let us know – a sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Area. Questions? Please see Gary Texter.



Christ is Risen!



**He is Risen Indeed.
 Hallelujah!**

What a glorious Holy Week we experienced here at Our Lady of the Assumption. From Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, to the glory of the Easter Triduum including the great sadness of Jesus' death on the cross, and culminating in His Glorious Resurrection. We are reminded once again of the awesome gift God gave us in Jesus and all that had to take place to prepare us for the ultimate gift: total expiation of our sins and an opportunity to life following the teachings of Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

Our grateful thanks to Fr. Paul, Fr. Marlon and Fr. Pablo for their shepherding and witness to their own faith and spirituality. We are blessed at OLA with a dedicated and prayerful life. Let us go forward sharing His love with our entire community.

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