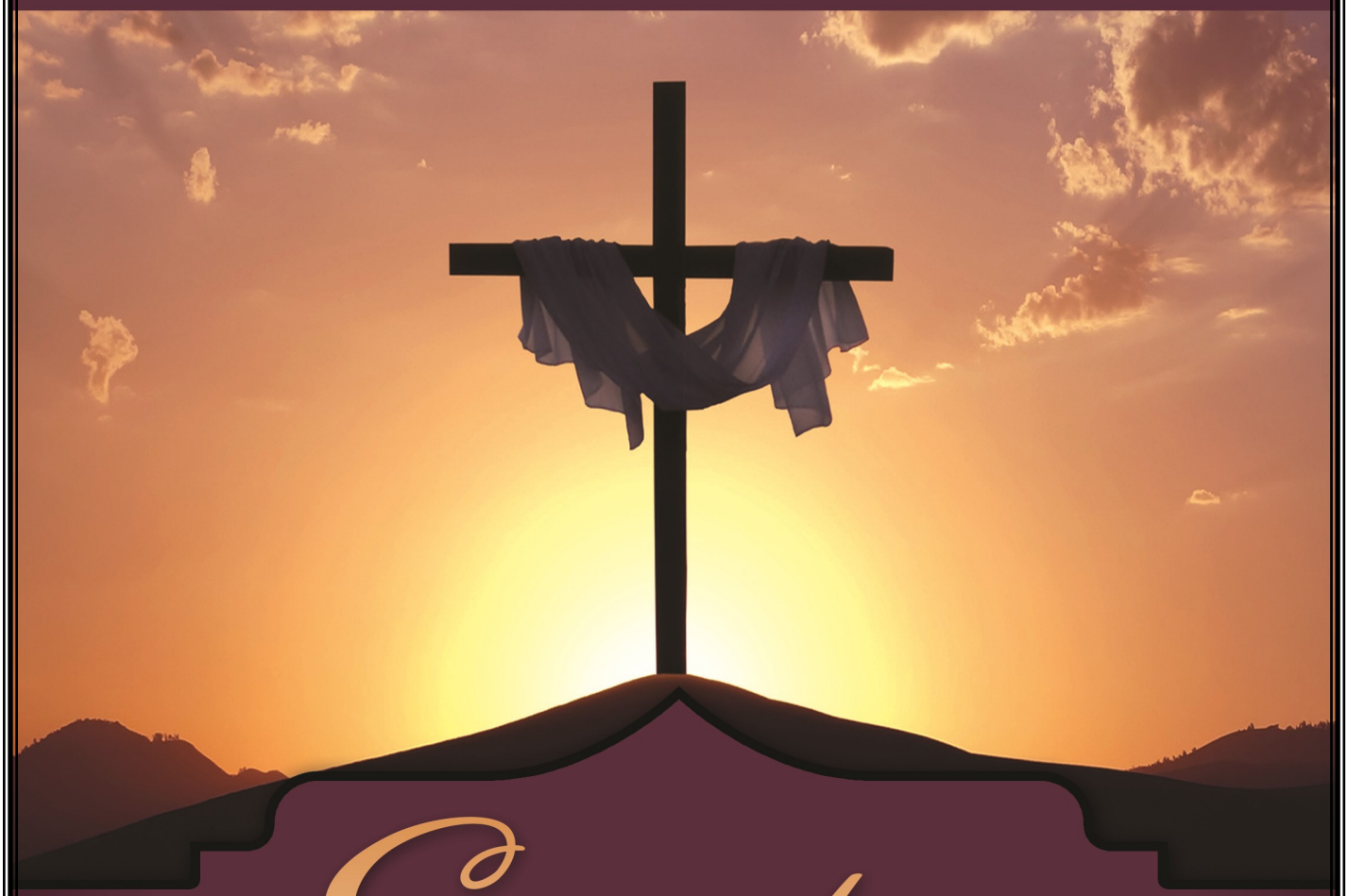

Easter

SUNDAY

APRIL 4, 2021

Our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed.
Therefore, let us celebrate the feast.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

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Saint Mary Parish

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Rectory: 440-243-3877 · FAX: 440-891-9417 · Website: www.stmaryberea.org

Mission Statement

St. Mary is a faith community which worships together, follows the teachings of Jesus Christ in our everyday lives, evangelizes others by our lives and actions, gives generously of our time and resources in service to others, shows compassion and love towards one another, provides religious education and works for social justice for all.

Parish Pastoral Staff

Reverend John P. Singler, Pastor
Reverend Thomas E. Stock, Parochial Vicar
Reverend Robert J. Cole, Retired, In Residence
Deacon Thomas A. Cully, Pastoral Associate
Mrs. Angela Kovic, Music Director

Parish Support Staff

Mr. John Mastandrea, Adult Faith and Education Coordinator
Mrs. Johanna Garr, Religious Education Coordinator

Parish Office Staff

Mrs. Janel Abraham
Mrs. Lorri Masie

School Administrative Staff

Mr. Andrew Carner, Principal
Mrs. Sandi Ziegler, Program Coordinator
Mrs. Nancy Kaesgen, Director of Development

School Office Staff

Mrs. Mary Beth Hennessy
Mrs. Diana Zjaba

Parish Mass Schedule

Weekday:	9:00am Monday through Friday
Weekend:	4:00pm Saturday Vigil 7:30am, 9:30am, & 11:30am
Holy Day	Consult Bulletin

Sacramental Ministries

Baptisms:	On Sundays After 11:30am Mass
Reconciliation:	Saturdays 3-3:30pm Seasonal Celebrations
Marriage:	Contact Parish Office
Anointing of the Sick:	Contact Parish Office Seasonal Celebration
Communion Calls:	Contact Parish Office

*Celebrating **168 years** of Pastoral Service to the Catholic Community of Berea*

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 4, 2021

For he is the true Lamb who has taken away the sins of the world; by dying he destroyed our death, and by rising, restored our life. Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise.

-Preface of Easter

At long last – 40 days plus 3 days and here we are celebrating the Resurrection of the Lord! Happy Easter everyone! He is Risen! Alleluia!

I do hope and pray your Lenten days have been days of renewal as we step into the light of this Holy Feast of Easter! The desert of Lent reveals the lushness of springtime and the promise of new life! Yes, Christ the Lord is risen today and he raises up our hearts and minds and spirits as we renew our baptismal promises and are sprinkled with these holy waters of new birth!

The 40 Lenten days of prayer, fasting and almsgiving now open the way for our 50 Easter days of savoring the joy and wonder of His Resurrection and the Sundays of this Season will reawaken us to walk boldly and with purpose in His ways! Yes, we still need to pray. Yes, we still need to fast. And yes, we still need to give but now our prayer, fasting and almsgiving is in a spirit of gratitude for the passion, suffering, death and resurrection of the Lord! Now we do all this because He lives!

Artist Bill Gaither wrote the lyrics to a popular hymn, ***Because He Lives*** and his words are so appropriate to our Holy Day:

God sent His son, they called Him, Jesus;
He came to love, heal and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior Lives.

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone,
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living, Just because He Lives!

How wonderful to see so many of you with us on this **Easter morning**! It has certainly been a long and arduous road for all of us and I know how difficult it has been. We have truly been through a lot and now, more than ever, we need to maintain our health and keep vigilant and mindful of each other as we do our best to stay strong. Pray and then pray some more that the end is near! *Happy Easter everyone! Alleluia!*

Staying connected has possibly been among the bigger challenges we have faced as a church family. But I have heard words of appreciation and gratitude for the MANY WAYS we have offered to BE together – Live Streaming of Masses, Full of Grace Video Series, Men's and Women's Faith Groups, Bible Study, Weekday and Weekend Masses, website recitals and prayer services, Reconciliation and Forgiveness Prayer events, talks and the parish emails and letters of encouragement, the parish website and on and on. I pray in a spirit of thankfulness that you have welcomed these as ***a new way of being church***!

So many of you have stepped up and offered your financial support by EFT and this has been a MAJOR SOURCE of financial strength to and for the parish! How can I ever say thank you. WE – YOU – have done GREAT THINGS to sustain our services and ministries and savings! THANK YOU. And of course, I am going to put in the *nudge* – let's keep up the good and faithful work – time, talent and treasure! THANK YOU. Just click on the parish website (www.stmaryberea.org) Vanco sidebar and it's that quick, SAFE and easy!

THANK YOU for your continued and EXTRA gifts and to so many of you who have helped to **PUT ON** all of the events of Holy Week and Easter celebrations – Angela Kovic and the ENTIRE Music and Choir and School ministers, Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors, Art & Environment and planning groups and Memorial Flower Gift Donors, Office and Personnel, Maintenance and Service, Fr. Fr. Fr. and Deacon and Deacon Candidate for your preaching and teaching and ministry as well as our **WONDERFULLY** capable technology "*masters*" in keeping us HERE (connected) – while THERE (apart)!

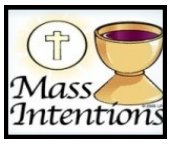
Thank you to **EVERYONE for EVERYTHING** – It is truly is a gift to be a part of St. Mary Parish! *Happy Easter All!*

Fr. John

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Weekend of April 4 **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

8:30pm	For All St. Mary Parishioners	
7:30am	For All St. Mary Parishioners	
9:30am	For All St. Mary Parishioners	
11:30am	For All St. Mary Parishioners	
Monday	**April 5** **Monday within the Octave of Easter** *Acts 2:14, 22-33 / Mt 28:8-15 (261)*	
9:00am		
Tuesday	**April 6** **Tuesday within the Octave of Easter** *Acts 2:36-41 / Jn 20:11-18 (262)*	
9:00am	Connie Schramek	Malloy Family
Wednesday	**April 7** **Wednesday within the Octave of Easter** *Acts 3:1-10 / Lk 24:13-35 (263)*	
9:00am	Dr. Kenneth A. Savinsky	Jane Savinsky
Thursday	**April 8** **Thursday within the Octave of Easter** *Acts 3:11-26 / Lk 24:35-48 (264)*	
9:00am	Norb Harnegie	Jan Phillipp
Friday	**April 9** **Friday within the Octave of Easter** *Acts 4:1-12 / Jn 21:1-14 (265)*	
9:00am	Dennis Burke	Family
Saturday	**April 10** **Saturday within the Octave of Easter** *Acts 4:13-21 / Mk 16:9-15 (266)*	
4:00pm	O'Sullivan Family	Ron & Betty Thery
Sunday	**April 11** **Second Sunday of Easter** *Acts 4:32-35 / 1 Jn 5:1-6 / Jn 20:19-31 (44)*	
7:30am	Al Checovich	Fr. John
9:30am	Tom Goebel	Dale & Cheryl Lange
11:30am	Christopher Jackman	Family



2021 Mass Book – OPEN

FOR SCHEDULING YOUR MASS INTENTIONS.

WEEKEND & DAILY MASSES AVAILABLE

CONTACT THE OFFICE TO SCHEDULE OR SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST IN WRITING – PLEASE INCLUDE A PHONE NUMBER IN CASE WE NEED TO CONTACT YOU. WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO ACCOMMODATE YOUR REQUESTS.

Offertory Collection

Due to early submission of The bulletin—Collection Will be available in next Weeks bulletin.

Anniversary Wishes

If you will be having a wedding anniversary in the month of **APRIL** and would like your names listed in the bulletin, please call the parish office (440) 243-3877 or email jabraham1@stmaryberea.org

Bulletin Prayer List

Please remember in prayer all who are ill or homebound, especially the following:

Jackie Ball
Michael Baran
Patricia Beekman
Christine Burrell
Hilda Denk
Kathleen Dorsey
Sharon Fisher
Nancy Grau
Raymond Hritz
Dorothy Hunter
Rose Marie Jocke
Stefanie Krese
Marcel Liberge
Chet Talarczyk
Donald Ziehn

To add a name to the Prayer List, please call the Rectory Office: (440) 243-3877 or email: jabraham1@stmaryberea.org

CRS RICE BOWL

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we rejoice because Christ is risen! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us as we begin the Easter season to share the joy of having a loving God that is alive and accompanies us always. Let's do the same by being present to our global family by caring for their material and spiritual needs. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl at the Catholic Relief Services Table on or before the weekend of April 10 -11 or donate online at crsricebowl.org/give.

We are an Easter People and Alleluia is our song!

---St. John Paul II

Wedding Banns

Oziel Barajas & Emma Vichill

April 10, 2021

Ministry Schedules

Second Sunday of Easter - April 11th

Mass	Lector	Cantor	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
4:00pm	D Canepari	A Kovic	(H) R Sillasen, B Sillasen, C Causey	
7:30am	M Dole	K Zanotti	(H) V Dober, M Dober, L Madzy	
9:30am	Deacon Tom/ M Mucic	Pat W	(H) K Laneve, Deacon Tom, R Laneve	
11:30am	Deacon Tom/ M Mucic	D Kovic	(H) P Hickey, Deacon Tom, D Hickey	

Music Ministry & Liturgy Notes

By Angela Kovic, Director of Music and Liturgy

EASTER ACCLAMATIONS

Happy Easter to everyone! Alleliua! Whether you are joining us in church or are celebrating from home, Happy Easter to you all! Jesus has risen from the grave, and with his rising he forgives our Original Sin so that we may join him in heaven when we are ready. Thank you so much to all of our cantors and vocalists who helped to make the celebration so wonderful. We have been due for some happy times, so enjoy the beautiful weather of springtime as you gather safely with friends and family for this glorious, holy day! Alleluia!

Contact me via phone (440.243.3877 ext. 27) or email (musicministry1@stmaryberea.org) for anything involving our Music!

Mother Teresa

Be In Paradise Right Now

We wait impatiently for the paradise where God is, But we have it in our power to be in paradise with Him, right now; being happy with Him means:

To love as He loves
To help as He helps
To give as He gives
To serve as He serves

Excerpted from: Love: A Fruit Always In Season - Daily Meditations by Mother Teresa (Ignatius Press, San Francisco 1987)

Pope Francis Proclaims "Year of St. Joseph"

From the moment the angel revealed to Saint Joseph that he was to be the father of the Messiah to when he took his final breath in the arms of Jesus and Mary, Saint Joseph zealously defended Jesus. Saint Joseph zealously defends you. The paternal mission of Saint Joseph is not finished. Saint Joseph no longer needs to watch over and protect Jesus. You, however, are not yet in heaven. You need the protection of Saint Joseph. Your spiritual father knows what is harmful to your soul, and he wants to watch over you and help you arrive safely home. Saint Joseph will never abandon you. Your role is to entrust yourself to his diligent care and never look back. Blessed William Joseph Chaminade – [Saint Joseph] "has in his kindness deigned to accept us as his children and to permit us to call him father." Saint Joseph will increase your zeal for Christ. Saint Joseph will help you be a zealous witness to the truth of Jesus Christ. Your defense of Christ must be great. To defend the Church is to defend Christ. You must resemble your spiritual father always willing to sacrifice yourself for the love of truth. Like Saint Joseph, you too, can bring many souls to Jesus.

Excerpts from: "Consecration to Saint Joseph", Father Donald Callloway, MIC

St. Mary Catholic School News Corner

Educating the Mind, Nurturing the Soul

Dear SMS Parents and Parishioners:

This year, as we end the season of Lent, we turn our thoughts to Easter and the joy and hope it represents. Without Easter, without the Resurrection, we would face a future of darkness rather than the promise of eternal life. Easter is truly a time of celebration! As we see signs of renewed life all around us in nature, we realize that we can share in that renewal.

What a sign of God's love we experience with the Resurrection. Together, as parents, grandparents, teachers, and SMS friends, we face the future – with all of its challenges and all of its opportunities – with renewed faith and hope as we proclaim our joyful "Alleluia".

A Blessed Easter to One and All,

The SMS Faculty & Staff

Important Dates:

04/2 – 4/9/21 - Easter Break / No School / No Ext. Care
04/13/21 - Student Council / 8:00 AM

Monday, April 12th – 7:00pm
VIA Zoom – Bishop Roger Gries,
Bishop Emeritus of Cleveland
Topic: Understanding Religious Orders

Benedictine, Carmelites, Dominicans, Jesuits, Franciscans… and this barely skims the surface of the religious orders. We've heard the names, but if someone asked you to explain who they are or what the difference is, could you answer? Well, we've asked Bishop Gries to help us unravel what the religious orders are and why there are so many different orders. Join us for this enlightening evening with Bishop Gries. We can't wait to see you there!

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Register in advance
www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west

Memo: Confirmation & 1st Communion Support Letters/Cards
To: Parish Community
From: Johanna Garr; Parish Catechetical Administrator
Contact Info:
reoinformation@stmaryberea.org

Our Confirmation Candidates and 1st Communion Candidates are celebrating very special Sacraments this year. As part of their experience, we want them to know how much they are loved and prayed for as they enter more fully into their Catholic faith. They all have an opportunity before making their Sacraments to receive and read "Support Mail" letters. Please take a few minutes to write a letter of congratulations, encouragement or well wishes for our candidates on their most important day.

During their experience, the candidates have been told that many people have been praying for them on their journey to Confirmation and 1st Communion. It would be great for them to read your words of encouragement before their special day.

Please have all 1st Communion & Confirmation support letters/cards turned into the office by Wednesday, April 21. Letters can be mailed, dropped off at the Rectory, or dropped in the collection baskets at church.

REO: SUPPORT LETTER

1st Communion Candidate OR

Confirmation Candidate

250 Kraft Street

Berea, Ohio 44017

Thank you for your prayers,

Johanna Garr

2021 Easter Flowers
Thank You

Donor	In Memory of
Rose Marie Aiken	Jim Aiken
Marlene Dole	Deceased Dole Family
Steve & Nancy Doutt	Neil & Joann Doutt ~ George & Margaret Hudak ~ Elizabeth Terepka ~ Bruce Roda
Tom Drabik	Fr. John Garrity
Jack & Barb Draves	In Loving Memory of our Deceased Family & Friends
Theresa Everiss	George & Jeff Everiss
Clyde & Georgiana Fenstermaker	In Memory of George Hawran ~ Helen C. Hawran ~ Helen M. Purcell
Renee & Rick Gareau	Wills & Gareau Families
Kathy Gharrity	Deceased members of the Gharrity, Giuliano, Agostin, Bobroski & French Families
Jackie & Maureen Gilmore	Eileen & James Gilmore ~ Rita & Bud Brady ~ Marie & Mike Bodman
Pat & Sharon Hayes	Walter Mog ~ John & Mary Hayes
Kevin & Mary Beth Hennessy	Paul & Mary Ann Hennessy & Leonard Moore
Rita Hirsch & Family	Joseph Hirsch
Tom Innocenzi & Kathy Zanotti	Armand & Esther Innocenzi ~ Pierina Zanotti
Linda Kerekes	John Kerekes
Joe & Lynn Konecny	John & Ruth Darmstadt ~ Joe & Albina Konecny ~ Fran Konecny
Mari Ann Lang	Jerry Lang ~ Mary Lang ~ Marie Putzbach ~ James Putzbach ~ Millicent Arko ~ Gladys Thomson
Debbie, Angela, Valerie, Elliott, Leo & Tony Malloy	Dan Malloy ~ Simpson, Isaacs, Malloy & Thomas Families
Mary Grace Maul	Deceased members of Maul and Barrett Families
Miodragovic Family	Bob & Dot Carroll ~ Jack & Fran Chrostowski ~ Mike Miodragovic ~ Ingeborg Mueller ~ Debbie Siebert ~ Dave Brisky ~ Tom Maley
Mary Ellen Nichols	Mike Nichols
George & Sue Palisin	John & Marge Cindric ~ George & Anna Palisin
Tom & Valerie Poirier	Deceased members of the Grey and Poirier Families
Rose Schweda	John C & Thomas C Schweda
Walt & Fay Sliwa	Robert & Phyllis Leek ~ Walter & Veronica Sliwa ~ Jonathon McMillen ~ Judy Dunbrack ~ Rose & Joe Pawal ~ Jonell Rolen McMillen ~ Robert Leek Jr.
Richard Spahr	Sue & Chrisie Spahr
Bill & Penny Spanfellner	Joe & Virginia Spanfellner ~ Norb & Lucille Reffert ~ Richard Reffert
Cheryl Spanulo Family	Norma Milby
Bill & Peggy Stockdale	Brennan & Stockdale Families
Bernard Synk	Bernard C Synk ~ Lois M Synk
Consolina Templeman	Charles & Frances Templeman
Irene Verbiak & Family	Steve Verbiak
Family	Steve Wesbecher
Natalie Woelfle	Richard Woelfle
John J. Zajacz	Anna M, John & Michael Zajacz
Dean & Joan Ziehm	Ziehm & Emerick Families