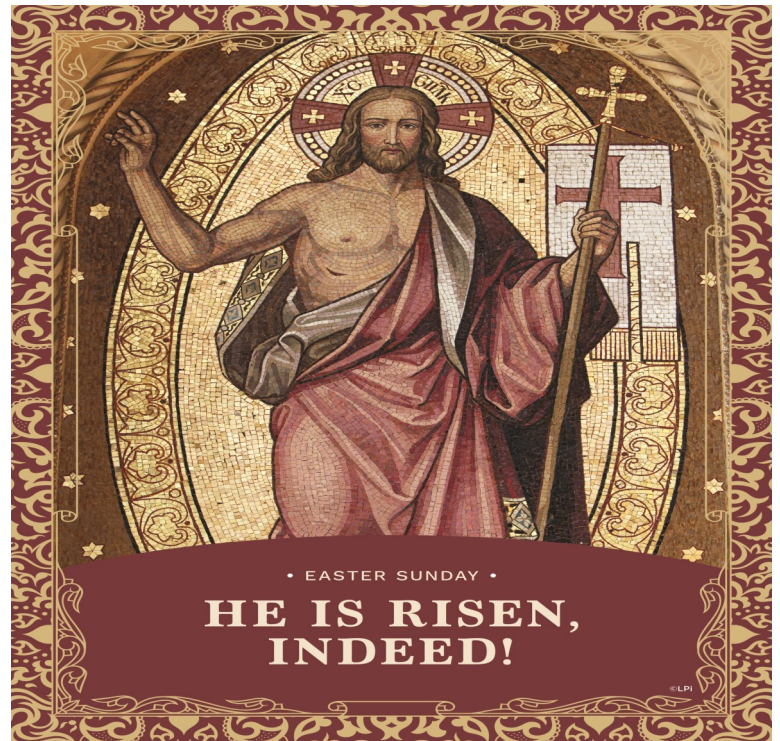


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13 Marwin Street
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April 5, 2026



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M, W, Th, F 9am– 2pm

Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekend Mass Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM
 Sunday 9:00 AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation **
 Confessions will be offered **Thursday** 4:30pm –5:30pm

Sacrament of Baptism

We joyfully welcome all into our Church Family through this sacrament. Parents are asked to call **Victoria@ 315-527-7247** to make arrangements to attend preparation meetings.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married are asked to schedule an appointment with the Parish Priest at least 6 months before the desired date. One of the parties being married and/or their parents must be registered members of St. Mary's

Sunshine

For a card of get well, support or cheer, call Peggy Jury at (315)922-7007

New Parishioners

We welcome new Parishioners! Please contact us @ 315-853-2935 so we can share all we have to offer.

Prayer Line...If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, Please call:
Margaret* 315-853-5280, or **Karen *** 315-853-6355

Bulletin Deadlines will be Friday by 12noon please. Please let me know if there is something you would like to see in the bulletin, I am open to suggestions. 315-853-2925



Dear Friends,

“Resurrexit sicut dixit” - “He has risen as He said.” These words were spoken by the angel to the faithful women at the empty tomb of Jesus on that first Easter morning. Actually, what the angel said was: “Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for He has risen as He said. Come and see the place where He lay.” (Matthew 21: 5-6) Those remarkable words of hope spoken to the women nearly 2,000 years ago are spoken again to us today.

Given all that is happening in the world around us, I’m sure many of us today share in what the faithful women were feeling when they went to the tomb of Jesus: sadness, fear, confusion, anxiety. The message of Easter is an Eternal message: suffering leads to glory, the cross leads to the empty tomb, death leads to life. The world around us may be in turmoil, everything may seem to be changing, but one thing remains constant: God’s love for us made manifest in the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus. In the Resurrection, Christ destroyed the worst of what the world has to offer us. The battle may still continue, but ultimately we know that the powers of sin, darkness, and death have been defeated. God is victorious!

Easter isn’t going to bring an immediate end to the sufferings and challenges in the world today, but it should help us to face those challenges confronting us with a new sense of Hope. “Be not afraid” the angel said. Why? Because Christ has Risen! Inspired by that central mystery of Faith, we can confront any challenge this world places before us with a sense of peace in our hearts, with hope, and with the strength that is ours as the recipients of God’s love.

The greatest challenge that we face today is that too many of our sisters and brothers are trying to cope with all that is happening without the strength of Faith. We must share with them the message of Easter, the hope of the Resurrection. There was more to the message of the angel to the women at the tomb. He also said, “Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him.’” The message of the Resurrection of Christ wasn’t a personal gift offered to them; it was a message to be shared. So it must be with us. As we draw strength in the knowledge of the Resurrection, let us seek to share the glorious news with all those around us: the tomb is empty, He is not there, He has risen as He said!

I would like to remind you of a tradition that we started last year of celebrating Easter Monday. To continue our celebration of the Lord’s Resurrection, we will once again gather for Evening Prayer with Benediction followed by an ice cream social. St. Patrick/St. Anthony’s will be hosting Easter Monday this year. Evening prayer begins at 6:30 in the Church immediately followed by the ice cream social in the Church Hall. I hope and pray that you will join us for this time of prayer, community & Easter Joy!

You are all in my prayers; please remember to pray for me.

In the Peace, Hope and Love of the Risen Lord,
Fr. Dan



THE COUNTRY PANTRY

Wishing you the peace and joy of the Risen Christ. Have a blessed and peaceful Easter. Thank you for your generosity.



From the families of the Country Pantry

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| Sacrificial Giving | 3/29/26 | 4/5/26 |
| Thank you for your generosity! | | |
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| TTLs will be in the 4/12/26 bulletin | | |

Congratulations to St. Mary's Parish! **We did it!!**
 We made our Goal for Hope Appeal!!! Our final numbers aren't in yet but we are over our goal and that is FANTASTIC!!



Easter is the most important celebration in the Catholic Church because it commemorates the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, marking his victory over sin and death. It is the foundation of Christian faith, validating Jesus's divinity and providing hope for eternal life. Easter confirms that Christ's death redeemed humanity, offering a path to new life.



Reminder for Monday!!

Join your Brothers & Sisters in Christ

As we continue our **tradition** for St Mary's & St Patrick's/St Anthony's
 To celebrate Jesus' victory over death!



MONDAY, APRIL 6th
Evening Prayer with Benediction
In the Church at 6:30 PM
St Patrick's/St. Anthony's
 3364 Oneida Street
 Chadwicks, NY 13319

Followed by an Ice Cream Social in
The Church Hall

Don't miss the FUN!!

Mass Intentions

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| Sat | April 4th | 8:00pm | Holy Saturday |
| | Maj. Mark Demarest & all deployed soldiers | | |
| | By: | Rita Demarest | |
| Sun | April 5th | 9:00am | All Parishioners |
| Wed | April 8th | 12:10pm | Timothy Hogan |
| | By: | Family | |
| Fri | April 10th | 12:10pm | All Parishioners |
| | buried in Parish Cemetery | | |
| Sat | April 11th | 5:30pm | Eugene Walker |
| | By: | Rita Demarest | |
| Sun | April 12th | 9:00am | Laurie Madonia |
| | By: | Barbara Meelan & Don Darling | |

Liturgical Ministers

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|-----------------------|-------------------|
| April 11th | April 12th |
| 5:30pm | 9:00am |
| H S. Christiansen | M. Leising |
| H E. Micciche | K. Brewer |
| L C. Pascucci | J. Leising |
| C R. Pascucci | K. Lane |
| Altar Servers: | |
| TBD | TBD |

If interested in becoming an alter server, please reach out to Elizabeth Bently by email thebentleys777@gmail.com

Prepare for Next Sunday Devine Mercy

A good prayer practice to get into, is to reflect on Scripture readings for the upcoming Weekend!

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| First Reading: | Acts 2:42-47 |
| Psalm | 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 |
| Second Reading: | 1 Peter 1:3-9 |
| Holy Gospel: | John 20:19-31 |

Easter Blessing

Dear Lord,
Where there has been death, bring new life!
Renew and redeem the sorrow in our stories
with Your goodness and grace. Bless our
hearts and homes this Easter and always.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES -

Readings for the week of April 5, 2026

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Col 3:1-4

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

Observances for the week of April 5, 2026

Sunday: Easter Sunday

Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter

Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter

Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

April 5, 2026
Easter Sunday
John 20:1-9

Zander Price was the fastest kid at my grade school. He won every race on Field Day. To me, his swiftness meant he was the greatest. Zander was the best.

It's the same with the speediest Apostle on Easter morning. John tells us he **“ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first.”** (John 20:4) But only *after* Peter entered did John go in, see the burial cloths, and believe. Here is a symbol of two dimensions of the Church. John, the beloved disciple, represents the contemplative, mystical life: affection, prayer, intimacy. Peter, the rock, represents the Church's institutional life: steady, authoritative, structured...but slower.

Of course, John runs faster! Love is the heartbeat of Christian faith, so love will always arrive first. Peter's role is, in a sense, secondary. He arrives later, but is still very much needed. John waits for him. The Church must be built, balanced, protected, and led. Love without structure can vanish; structure without love becomes lifeless.

This dynamic is not just historical — it is personal. In you, there is a John who longs to run to the tomb in love. Let him run! Pray, sing, love Jesus. There is also a Peter, who eventually gets to the tomb and takes charge. The Risen Christ wants both. Remember: if you want to get to the mystery of Jesus' resurrection *fast*...love him, for love is best.



The Chaplet of Divine Mercy Prayer –explained

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is an intercessory prayer invoking God's mercy on the world, utilizing words drawn from the text of The Diary of St. Faustina Maria Kowalska. St. Faustina was a Polish nun who received visions of Christ imploring her to spread the message of his Divine Mercy, specifically through the recitation of this chaplet.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed using an ordinary five-decade Rosary. To begin, make the Sign of the Cross, then pray one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and the Apostles' Creed. On each of the large beads (where the Our Father is said), pray: “Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.” On each of the 10 smaller beads (used for the Hail Mary), pray: “For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.” This pattern is repeated for all five decades of the Rosary. To conclude the chaplet, pray three times: “Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.”

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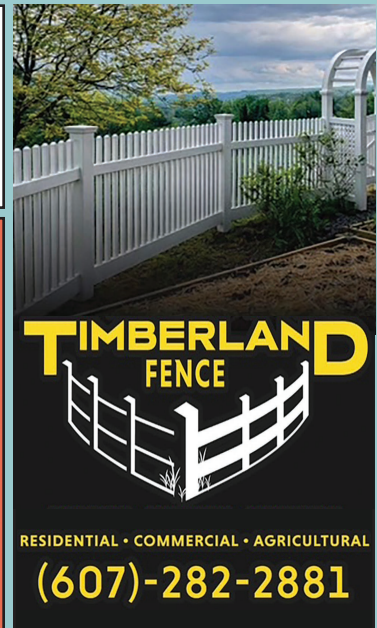
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