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Canonized: September 4, 2016*

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APRIL 26, 2020

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday -----5:30 pm  
Sunday -----10:00 am & 12:00 noon  
Monday-Saturday-----9:00 am

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday ----- 4:30 - 5:15 pm

Holy Days -----As announced

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday -----4:00 pm  
Sunday----- 8:30 am & 1:30 pm (*Spanish*)  
Monday-Friday----7:00 am (Communion Service)  
& 12:00 noon

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday -----3:00 - 3:45 pm

## BAPTISMS

Bap. sms are celebrated twice a month.  
Please arrange for the obligatory preparation  
session by calling the Rectory.

## MARRIAGE

Engaged couples should contact the Rectory  
at least six months in advance. Diocesan  
regulations require a marriage preparation  
program for all couples.



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

**"26 Nations Joins United States in Alliance for Religious Freedom**

Aleteia / John Burger / February 7, 2020

*The International Religious Freedom Alliance will work together on problems such as blasphemy and apostasy laws.*

On February 5, 26 nations joined the United States to create the International Religious Freedom Alliance. The members of the new alliance have pledged to uphold a Declaration of Principles, solidifying their collective commitment to object and oppose, publicly and privately, all abuses or violations of religious freedom.

The nations joining the U.S. in the Alliance are Albania, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Colombia, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, The Gambia, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Senegal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Togo, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom. The United States Department of State, in announcing the group, said the Alliance is "grounded in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, dedicated to working for the right of every man and woman to believe in whatever they wish, to change faith, or hold no faith if their conscience dictates." "Everyone has a role in the fight to advance religious freedom," the State Department said. "Together, with common purpose and clear vision, we can fight to ensure that future generations everywhere enjoy a world where religious freedom is protected and advanced." The Declaration of Principles for the Alliance include a commitment to "the right to hold any faith or belief, or none at all, and the freedom to change faith."

At a dinner at the State Department on Wednesday, Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo said that "defending the right of all people to live their lives according to their conscience is one of [the Trump] administration's top priorities." Pompeo told foreign delegates to the Alliance that he recently met with leaders of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine, "who are fighting to worship freely, without interference from the Russian Government." On the same trip, he said, he visited Kazakhstan and met with families of ethnic Kazakhs detained by the Chinese Communist Party in Xinjiang. He told the gathering that more than eight in ten people in the world today live where they cannot practice their faith freely. "We condemn terrorists and violent extremists who target religious minorities, whether they are Yazidis in Iraq, Hindus in Pakistan, Christians in northeast Nigeria, or Muslims in Burma," he said. "We condemn blasphemy and apostasy laws that criminalize matters of the soul. And we condemn the Chinese Communist Party's hostility to all faiths." Pompeo announced the intent to create the Alliance at the second Ministerial to Advance Religious Freedom last July. Speaking to reporters Tuesday, a senior State Department official said the Alliance will focus on areas such as "technology and religious oppression," as well as blasphemy and apostasy laws. Pompeo said at the dinner that Poland will host the next Ministerial to Advance Religious Freedom this July in Warsaw and that Colombia will host the first regional ministerial in South America next month. "Protecting religious freedom is certainly not exclusively an American priority," Pompeo said. "Look at the diversity of other countries, organizations, and networks that are joining us here today. Our mission spans nationalities, political systems, and creeds. Together, we say that freedom of religion or belief is not a Western ideal, but truly the bedrock of societies."

**THOUGHTS FROM FATHER BILL**

Albania was once a country that denied religious freedom to eighty percent of the world, a mind-boggling statistic to grasp. The trending always starts with legal restrictions, and the madness culminates in physical persecution. "The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church." This thought from centuries ago is just as appropriate today in 2020 as it was back then. Enver Hoxha seized control of Albania during the decade of World War II, rejecting his Muslim upbringing while subjecting all religious faith groups to expulsion and torture. When he died in 1985, after four decades of atheistic control, the seeds of faith emerged once more. Older people who buried their beliefs deep in the ventricles of their heart and soul could express their convictions once again. The younger generation, never exposed to those sacred beliefs of the divine, could legally hear the sacred name of God once more. The colors of life could be observed on the streets of existence, replacing drab black and white. Churches, temples, and mosques had their door keys reopened for sacred rather than profane purposes. Airports and streets, once named after Hoxha and other communist leaders, could now be named after Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta. While the United States drifts increasingly toward the erasing of the name of God in law and culture, once pagan countries like Albania embrace Him once more. This is what I saw this past September on a Balkans trip to Romania, Bulgaria, Macedonia, and Albania. The long-oppressed citizens have found Him again, while Western Europe and North America become increasingly indifferent. Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, pray for us

Father Bill

**SACRED HEART****SECOND COLLECTION****SAINT FRANCIS**

Monday, April 27  
9:00am  
By

**Nothing to report – Masses canceled by  
Archdiocese due to Coronavirus**  
**Sacred Heart-St Francis Weekly Collection  
2020**  
1<sup>st</sup> Collection \$  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection \$  
TOTAL \$

Monday, April 27  
7:00am **Communion Service**  
  
12:00pm  
By

Tuesday, April 28  
9:00am  
By



Tuesday, April 28  
7:00am **Communion Service**  
  
12:00pm  
By

Wednesday, April 29  
9:00am  
By

**Sacred Heart Mass Attendance  
, 2020**  
5:30  
10:00  
12:00  
  
**TOTAL**

Wednesday, April 29  
7:00am **Communion Service**  
  
12:00pm  
By

Thursday, April 30  
9:00am  
By



Thursday, April 30  
7:00am **Communion Service**  
  
12:00pm  
By

Friday, May 1  
9:00am **John R Relyea Sr.**  
By Daughters Jacqueline & Lucy  
**Anna Antonelli**  
By Family

**Saint Francis Mass Attendance  
, 2020**  
4:00  
8:30  
1:30  
  
**TOTAL**

Friday, May 1  
7:00am **Communion Service**  
  
12:00pm  
By

Saturday, May 2  
9:00am  
By  
5:30pm **Renee & Emma Klengardner  
and Jennifer Hargot**  
By Pat Porvaznik  
**Charles Biasotti**  
By Family

**Mass Intentions for This Weekend  
April 25 & 26, 2020 -Sacred Heart**  
5:30pm **Michael Flannery**  
10:00am **Frank Ronsini**  
12:00pm **Carl Alfano**

Saturday, May 2  
4:00pm **John & Ellen Antonelli (50<sup>th</sup>  
Wedding Anniversary)**  
**Jen Fayo & Millie Tornatore**  
By Lastowski Family  
**Prayer & Penance, Reparation to  
the Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
Conversion of Sinners, World Peace**

Sunday, May 3  
10:00am **Antonina Chillemi**  
By Martelli Family  
12 noon **Ralph Puglielle**  
By Wife & Children

**Mass Intentions for This Weekend  
April 25 & 26, 2020 Saint Francis**  
  
4:00pm **Joan Ponesse  
Thomas L Ponesse Sr.**  
  
8:30am **Erick Nedwetzky  
Elizabeth & William Auffredou**

Sunday, May 3  
8:30am **=Adam Rehrey (39<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)**  
By Nick & Helene Stagliano

**Today**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33**

After the Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles, Peter preaches with great enthusiasm to both Jews and Christians. He recalls for them in vivid terms the miracles and wonders that Jesus performed.

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21**

Peter makes reference to the Passover, when the Jews escaped from Egypt because the blood of the paschal lamb was shed. Now they are being saved from sin by the blood of Christ, the Lamb of the New Testament.

**Gospel: Luke 24:13-35**

Jesus reveals Himself to two disciples on the way to Emmaus. After explaining to them the passages in Scripture which referred to Him, Christ "took bread, broke it, and distributed it to them." Then they recognized Christ and their "hearts burned within them."

Monday

Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday

Acts 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday

Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday

Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

First Friday

Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59 or for the Memorial,  
Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;

Mt 13:54-58

First Saturday

Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

**Please remember the following members  
of the armed service in your prayers.**

US Marines, Sgt. C.J. Kozlik - US Army

LCDR Thomas O. Mennerich – USN, LCDR Abby K.

Mennerich Lorfeld – USN, Keith O'Connor - US Army,

Sgt. Anthony Colotti - US Army, Nicholas M. Pisani - US  
Navy

Capt. Bryan Malone - US Army, Airman Matthew Cook -

Air Force, PFC Cory Ray Kretzmer - US Army

Sgt Vincent Thurston - US Marines, Pvt Francis Thurston

- US Marines, E2 Thomas Pacenza III - USAF

Pvt. Haley Pacenza - US Army, Airman Samantha Trappe

- Air Nat'l Guard, S/Sgt Grant Drumgold - Air Force

M/Sgt Theresa Castellane - Air Force, SPC Patrick

D.Ortland - US Army, PFC David Recine Jr. - US Army

PFC Matthew F. Lease USMC, If you know of someone  
deployed overseas, please let us know.

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS**

During these difficult times without being able to have our weekly Masses, we kindly ask whatever offerings you are able to make, please mail them to Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta Church, 301 Ann Street, Newburgh, NY 12550 or drop them off in the mailbox located outside the rectory door on the Ann Street side. You can also sign up for the online giving program by clicking on these links:

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**A heartfelt thank you for your continued support and generosity to our parish during this unprecedented time. May God continue to bless each and every one of you.**

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Deacon Peter Haight, Vincenza Secor, Aaron Stagliano, Maureen Kelly, Anne McClellan, Donnie Ruckdeschel, Bobbi Hull, Jim Formato, Paul Neugebauer, Catherine Fossella, Julia Vecchio, Gloria Presutti, Beulah Politi, Tom Marino, Maverick Coolidge, Carol Retuer, Barbara Wolczyn, Mary Michele Lease, Eliana Rose Mary Valenti, David Vandermaast, George Quintyne, Carol Brown, Ariana Cruz, Rina Bozzone, Jaddon Johnson, Eileen Burke, Ken Masten, John Marullo, Joann Fayo-Perry, Kathleen Bachman, Mike Fitzgerald, Samuel Cerone, Jr, Frances Marino, Joan Michalowski, Jean Mendoza, Michelle Ryan, Jamel Issa, Patricia Rifenburgh, April Carlyon, Margaret Juliano, Erin Garvey, George Sarvis, Guiseppe Gagliardo, Teresa Centeno, Cindy Cerone, Patrick Fayo, Jr., Rebecca Pacella, Janie Favoino, Bea Gruini, Carol Bourdage, Sharon Mendoza-Lindenauer, Albert Irwin, Barbara Colurciello, Joyce Diaz, Peyton Flaig, Maurena Luzzi, Mary Leoce, Arlene Sheridan, John Raszcewski, Giovanna Garrison, Jessica Pearson, Marie Cronin, Theresa Dombroski, Austin Galvin, Nancy D'Addio, Lorraine Santacroce, Adele Esposito, , Joe Coyle

**Please call the rectory (561-2264) to add / delete names from this list**



## Pope Francis's Prayer to Mary During Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to you and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.



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