EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD  
April 9, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

April 9, Easter Sunday of Resurrection of the Lord
8:00AM Parishioners and Benefactors
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5:00PM No Evening Mass
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church is at 11:30 AM

April 10, Monday within the Octave of Easter
12:00PM+ Stevie Pellegrine (Marie & Sharon Yanchik)
April 11, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
12:00PM+ Tiberio Scarfone (Jerry & Rita Kibler)
April 12, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
12:00PM+ Norberta Wagner (Dave & Maureen Hanekamp)
April 13, Thursday within the Octave of Easter
12:00PM+ Albert Evangelisto Jr. (Beverly Home)
April 14, Friday within the Octave of Easter
12:00PM We Are One Body Listeners (We Are One Body Radio)
April 15, Saturday within the Octave of Easter
12:00PM+ Norberta Wagner (Dave & Maureen Hanekamp)
Vigil: Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday
5:00PM+ Charles Scott (Jim & Mary Kelly)
April 16, Sunday of Divine Mercy
8:00AM+ Patrick Duffy (Paula & John Paul Duffy)
10:00AM+ Peter Rossi (R.C.I.A. Team)
5:00PM Pro Popolo/For the People
Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church is at 11:30 AM

Contribution Reports

Contribution reports for income tax purposes may be obtained by calling Paula at the Parish Office: 944-4603.

Readings for the week of April 9, 2023

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
(24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10
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
Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18,
19-21/Mk 16:9-15
(1)/Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-3

The Lord is truly risen, alleluia! At a time when so many things seem to be artificial, digital, and virtual, the Church boldly believes and proclaims that Jesus is truly risen! Because of the resurrection, Jesus is really present with us. We experience Him most intimately and personally at Eucharist. He also acts through the community of believers, the Church, an Easter people of joyful hope and loving service.

May you and your family encounter the Risen Lord more deeply during the season of Easter. He truly wants you to know how much He loves you.
Msgr. Stan Carson

Easter Water/Holy Water
A limited number of bottles of blessed Easter Water will be available this weekend following the Easter Vigil for use in the home. At this time, please take just one per household. Easter Water is a refreshing reminder of our baptism. It is also a powerful sacramental, capable of providing spiritual protection and healing.

A NOTE OF THANKS
The seasons of Lent and Easter require the valuable assistance of liturgical, choral, and music ministers. Thank you. A sincere word of gratitude is also extended to our parish volunteers who clean and decorate the cathedral and help prepare for our liturgies.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
Sunday, April 2, 2023, $ 10,550.92
Thank you for your financial and spiritual support.

Cathedral parish will host Confirmations on Tuesday, April 11, Thursday, April 20, Tuesday, April 25, and Tuesday, May 9. Our parish’s candidates will receive the sacrament on the 20th of April.

In spite of frequently unpleasant weather, this year’s Lenten Fish Luncheons were extremely popular. Gratitude is extended to the coordinator, Butch Winkler, our Social Committee, and the parishioner and non-parishioner volunteers: Tony Eckenrode, John Murphy, Matt Koeck, Paul Luke, Randy Isenberg, Lee Truby, John Fischer, Jim Dixon, Mike Kuny, Chris and Kim McNeils, George Gluscc, Mark and Carol Sanker, Donnie Rabine, Mike Kasun, Beth Moorre, Linda Yetks, Debbie Ball, Bobbie Dixon, Peachy Medley, Jean Koury, and Marissa and Kelli from Senion Life. 2,550 lunches were served.

You may return your Catholic Relief Rice Bowl at collection time or bring it to the parish office. Thank you for participating in this important Lenten almsgiving effort.
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“When Jesus had risen, early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had driven seven demons.” (Mark 16:9)

Popular Catholic piety sometimes posits that the newly risen Jesus appears first to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a happy thought, but it’s simply not what the scriptures report. We are told quite directly that he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, “out of whom he had driven seven demons.”

Why would the gospel writer remind us of this unsavory detail of Mary’s past? Historians tell us women were not qualified to give legal testimony. On top of that, to be possessed by not just one, but seven demons, is unsavory and terrifying. What damage had they done to her? What did she do to allow herself to be home to such evil? It doesn’t seem to matter. Jesus chose Mary Magdalene to be the first one who saw him risen from the dead. He decided she was qualified.

Do you think that you are disqualified from seeing and announcing the risen Jesus because of your past demons? Maybe they are the demons of despair, confusion, self-hatred, pride, addiction, failure, boredom, laziness, or other sins. Well, don’t. In the light of the Risen Jesus, all other sins. Well, don’t. In the light of the Risen Jesus, all

The 2023 Catholic Ministries Drive target for the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament is $42,000. The target is calculated as 10% of our regular offertory averaged over the previous three years (2020-2022). Dollars raised over our goal will be returned to the parish.

The 2023 Catholic Ministries Drive campaign---TOGETHER WE SERVE---supports 14 ministries which people in our Diocese are accompanied on their faith journey. There are so many gifted and generous laypersons who share their time and talent to support our Catholic ministries. Without their help and our help, we could not fulfill our mission. This year, more so than others, our world, our nation, our communities, our parishes, and our families need tangible expressions of hope.

The diocese provides a tremendous amount of financial support to the Cathedral parish. It is important for us to do our share in supporting diocesan sponsored ministries.

The Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 2, was a great success. Gratitude is extended to Katie Mangiacarne and our parish’s Communication and Community Outreach Committee. A thank you is also extended to those who donated candy and filled the eggs. The visit of the Easter Bunny thrilled the children and provided a terrific photo opportunity.

From Monday to Friday from 7:45 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., you are asked not to park in the spaces reserved for Catholic Charities. Those spaces are needed for staff and clients.