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<b>R: O Lord, you have probed me and you know me; you know When I sit and when I stand, Alleluia.</b>	
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<b>R: This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.</b>	
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 5:6-8
SEQUENCE	All recite
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C: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.	
<b>R: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.</b>	
C: Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.	
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*"We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over Him. Alleluia"*

Romans 6:9

## EASTER SEQUENCE

*To the Paschal Victim let Christians offer a sacrifice of praise.*

*The Lamb redeemed the sheep, Christ, sinless,  
reconciled sinners to the Father.*

*Death and life were locked together in a unique struggle.*

*Life's captain dies, now he reigns, never more to die.*

*Tell us Mary, "What did you see on the way?"*

*"I saw the tomb of the now living Christ.*

*I saw the glory of Christ now risen,*


*I saw angels who gave witness, the cloth too  
which once had covered head and limbs.*

*Christ my hope has arisen. He will go before his own in Galilee."*

*We know that Christ has indeed risen from the dead.*

*Do you, conqueror and King, have mercy on us. Amen. Alleluia.*

### Closing Hymn-**"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"**




Christ the Lord is Risen today, Alleluia  
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia  
Sing, ye heav'ns and earth reply, Alleluia.

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia  
Where O death us now thy sting? Alleluia  
Once He died, our souls to save, Alleluia  
Where's thy victory, O grave? Alleluia.

Love redeeming work is done, Alleluia  
Fought the fight, the battle win, Alleluia  
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia  
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia.

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia  
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia.  
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia  
Ours the cross, the grave the skies, Alleluia.



**THEME:** Lord, Give Me New Life

To the question, “What is life, there are probably as many answers as there are living persons. But St. Paul touches the heart of the matter in a single word: Life is Christ! For us, National Catholics, Jesus Christ is the new life because He alone conquered the destructive power of death and rose to live in a people. We are that people, living Jesus’ life though Baptism, and eating and drinking with Him in the Eucharist now that He is raised from the dead.

Newsweek’s cover story this week is “The decline and fall of Christian America. Why is that? Our country was founded on Judeo-Christian foundations. These foundations are crumbling under the new religion, secularism. No longer is it “In God We Trust” but “Trust Me Only.” When we take God out of life’s equation, well just look at the headlines. Our aim as National Catholics is to be caught up in Jesus that we see, think, feel and act as Christ; that we become other Christs. We do not compromise God’s truths because it is unpopular in society, but we show God’s truths to be the true way of life. Some say, religion is a chain to keep us downtrodden, quite the contrary; religious uplifts us up to better things, a Way, a Truth, and a Life; from slavery to freedom. God created us and only He can make the rules. He is the beginning and the end, the Alpha and the Omega. No one else is. Christ has died, Christ has risen, and Christ will come again. Alleluia.

**Sunday Ministry Schedules**

**This Week**

**7:00 A.M.**

Lectors	D. Nemeč, A. Popović, D. Parknavy, M. Parknavy
Greeters	J. Gibala & C. Trumpe
Ushers	YMSR
Acolytes	All Servers

**10:00 A.M.**

Lector	B. Zaucha
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**Next Week**

**9:00 A.M.**

**11:30 A.M.**

Lectors	Yellow Team	B. Zaucha
Greeter	T. Gibala	A. Fioravanti
Ushers	D. Crouch & J. Lawrence	J. Wagner
Acolytes	All Servers	All Servers

## This Week

### Resurrection Sunday, April 12, 2009

Mass of Resurrection with Procession

2<sup>nd</sup> Mass of Resurrection

+Edward Ghetian (40<sup>th</sup> Ann. of Wedding) Int Wife, children & grandchildren.

**Easter**

7:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

### Easter Monday, April 13, 2009

Holy Mass

10:00 A.M.

### Easter Thursday, April 16, 2009

Parish Council Meeting

7:30 P.M.

### Easter Saturday, April 18, 2009

First Communion Class

10:00 A.M.

### Low Sunday, April 19, 2009

Holy Mass

**Easter 2**

9:00 A.M.

+Leo Gibala Int Mr. & Mrs. T. Gibala; +Barbara Hall Int Mr. &

Mrs. T. Kleckner; +Tom Tondera Int Kay Tondera.

Nursery School

9:00 A.M.

SOCL

10:00 A.M.

Holy Mass

11:30 A.M.

Wesołych Świąt Wielkiej Nocy  
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Happy Easter



The United Choir of the Southern Deanery will be performing the cantata "Once Upon a Tree" on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M. in Washington, Pa. Rehearsals: Washington; April 5<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 P.M. Washington; April 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 P.M. (Dress Rehearsal) Washington. For more information call 724.2585.



CPR & AED Training-Thursday, April 23, 2009 @ 6:00 P.M. \$5.00 processing fee for Certification for Parish Members. All others, \$15.00. Dr. Dariusz Wolman will be the instructor. This is open to all people in the parish and community.

First Holy Communion, Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup> during 9:00 A.M. There will be only one Mass celebrated that Sunday.

SAMBS SubCentral Meeting, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Holy Trinity Parish, McKees Rocks, Pa. 3:00 P.M.

Tri-Church Flea Market, May 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00 A.M.-12:00 Noon. St. John the Baptist and the Hungarian Reform Church will be participating together. More Information will be forthcoming.

Golf Outing, June 7<sup>th</sup>, Butlers Golf Course \$80; 8:00 A.M. Tee Off. There will be a special golfers Mass Saturday at 5:00 P.M. to meet Sunday obligations.

Diocesan Youth Retreat, July 5-9<sup>th</sup>, Wesley Woods Methodist Camp. Ages 8 and above are eligible to attend. Friends are also invited.

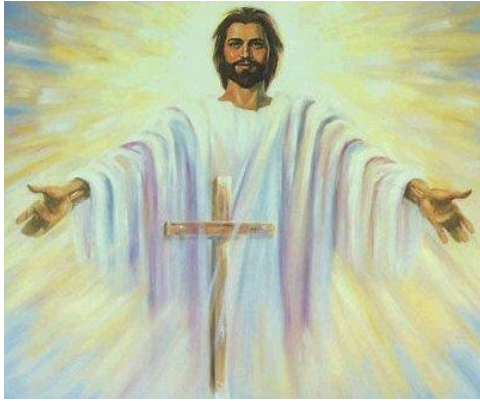
Spojnia District 5 & 12 Family & Children Picnic, July 25<sup>th</sup> Idlewild Park, Ligonier, Pa.

### **Lenten Coin Boxes**

The special Lenten Boxes can be placed in the collection basket if not already been returned. SOCL students should return their Lenten Boxes to their Teachers. Please write your name and envelope number on the box for stewardship recording. Thank you to all who participated in this Lenten Almsgiving and the gifts received will be applied to the new organ keyboard.

## **Easter Thank You**

As we celebrate the Resurrection today, we really began on Ash Wednesday and throughout Lent. There are many thank you to parish people and organizations that gave much time during the season. We thank all who participated during the joint Bitter Lamentation Services between Saint Mary of Czestochowa Parish and Holy Family building a bridge between our parishes as Fr. Ed so eloquently spoke about. We also thank the WEDO Radio Station for recording and playing on the air the Gorzkie Zale. Thank You to all who attended the Lenten Devotions each week. Many churches are eliminating these services due to lack of interest, may it never come to that in our parish. We thank the TriCounty Teen Chorale for presenting the Passion Play, "Why Must He Die?" in our parish. Those who attended are still talking about how spiritually filled they became and how much they cried during the presentation. We thank our Frederic Chopin Choir under the direction of Dr. Mushalko and the Annunciation Bell Choir under the director of Mrs. Blotzer for the inspiring music during all of Lent, Palm Sunday and today. We forget how hard they work and the time given to rehearsals each week to make our liturgies inspiring. We thank the SAMBS for taking care of the altars and preparing the many altar changes that occur during the Lenten Season and their participation during processions. We also thank the YMSR for their fine work in preparations during Holy Week and ushering the faithful during Holy Mass as well as carrying the Paschal Symbols throughout the Church. We cannot forget the SOCL Children and Teachers who also participated during our Processions and Youth Stations and did a great job. We thank the Moms of the PTO for this year's Sarris Candy Sale and Palm Sunday Breakfast. We had over 150 people gathered to enjoy the fellowship. Also to Melissa and Jonathan Parknavy for putting together the children's Easter Egg Hunt. Also to the Easter Bunny for coming to our parish again this year. Thank You to those who represented the Apostles on Holy Thursday to recreate the events of the Last Supper. Thank you to the Acolytes and our Sacristans who assisted Father during Mass and Lenten Devotions. Also to our Lectors. Your assistance is beyond measure and hopefully you recognize the importance and privilege of being by God's Altar each week. Lastly, thank you Holy Family Parish as we continue building our faith. Yours in Christ, Fr. Bruce



## **SOLEMNITY OF EASTER SUNDAY: RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

(Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Psalm 118; 1 Corinthians 5:6-8; John 20:1-9)

**KEY VERSE:** "He saw and believed" (v 8).

**READING:** In the garden of the resurrection, the night was over and the morning light of the

new creation was beginning to dawn. Mary Magdalene came to the tomb while it was still dark, grieving over the death of her beloved Lord. When she discovered that the stone covering the entrance to the tomb had been rolled away, she feared that the body of Jesus had been stolen and taken away. Mary ran to tell Peter and John (the "disciple whom Jesus loved," Jn 20:2), and the two disciples raced to the tomb to see for themselves. John arrived first and peered into the empty tomb. The shroud was still there; the body had not been stolen. John was convinced of Christ's resurrection, and he allowed the elder Apostle to enter the tomb first and see for himself. Peter was slow to understand the meaning of the empty tomb, but John "saw and believed" (v 8). Just as Jesus was born from the virgin womb of Mary, Jesus was reborn from the virgin tomb in which he was laid.

**REFLECTING:** Where will I discover the risen Lord today?

**PRAYING:** Risen Lord, thank you for bringing your light into the darkness of our world.

*Following an ancient tradition, the Church regards the eight days (an octave) from the Paschal feast to the Second Sunday of Easter as a single unit of celebration. The preface for Easter day is prayed again on the Second Sunday of Easter even though it is a week behind us: "We praise you with greater joy than ever on this Easter day." The celebration of the liturgy is full of joy at the close of the octave of this greatest feast! The Easter season of 50 days continues through the Ascension of the Lord.*