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EASTER 4-Good Shepherd Sunday **April 30, 2023**

Change of address or phone number, for parish registration, hospital visitations and sacramental needs, baptism and wedding arrangements (six months in advance), please contact the Parish Office by calling 412.276.5562 or 412.678. 0566. Office **Hours:** Fridays 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Evenings by appointment. **Bulletin announcements** should be received by Wednesday for Sunday publication either by phone or E-mail at bsleczkowski@aol.com

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Christ Has Risen; Christ has Risen Indeed!

Marian Devotions

Tomorrow begins our Marian devotions with a Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin with the crowning of Mary at 7:00 P.M. Every Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. we will be praying the rosary with Marian Litany. Please make every effort to participate. Holy Mother pray for us.

Mother's Day Breakfast

The YMSR Branch 70 will host a continental breakfast for all the women on Mother's Day. There will be only one Mass celebrated so everyone can be present and celebrate together.

This Week

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Holy Mass

+**Mack Mastrovich** (22nd Ann.) Int. Carol Davelli and Family; +**George**

Jugan Int. PNU District 6

SOCL

Holy Mass

Easter 4

9:00 A.M.

10:15 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

Monday, May 1, 2023

Bell Choir Rehearsal

Opening of Marian Devotions Mass and Crowning

6:30 P.M.

7:00 P.M.

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

Frederic Chopin Choir Rehearsal

6:00 P.M.

Rosary and Litany of the BVM

7:00 P.M.



Sunday, May 7, 2023

Easter 5

Holy Mass

9:00 A.M.

+**Thomas Muse** (5th Ann.) Int. wife Karyn Muse;

+**Phillip Kotulsky** Int. Kotulsky Family

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SAMBS meeting

Holy Mass



10:15 A.M.

10:15 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

YMSR Annual Men's Retreat June 14-17, 2023

Theme "Christ the Same"

Hebrews 13:8 "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever"!

All parish men should consider attending, so mark your calendars. Registration forms are available in the Narthex or contact Fr. Bruce.

The 2023 Buffalo-Pittsburgh Diocesan Youth Retreat

The diocese would like to reestablish our annual youth retreats and a call is going out to all youth and young adults, ages 8 -20. Parents should consider sending their child. Holy Family parish helps to subsidize the costs. The retreat will be held Sunday, July 30-August 2, 2023 at the Camp Harmony in Hooverville, PA (check out the website www.campharmony.org) Deadline to register is June 25th. Don't let your child or grandchild miss out on this opportunity.

May the Month of Mary

The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pay to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance."

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the mother of the Church and therefore the example, as well as the guide and inspiration, of everyone who, in and through the Church, seeks to be the servant of God and man and the obedient agent of the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

In our observance of the Marian month, we should consider the season of the liturgical year which largely corresponds with the fifty days of Easter. Our pious exercises could emphasize Our Lady's participation in the Paschal mystery and in Pentecost with which the Church begins. The pious exercises connected with the month of May can easily highlight the earthly role played by the glorified Queen of Heaven, here and now, in the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

Come join in honoring our Holy Mother by attending tomorrow's crowning and Mass and on Wednesdays, praying the Rosary followed by the Litany of Mary.

The Word This Week

This Sunday is traditionally called "Good Shepherd Sunday", because of the Gospel references to Jesus as the Good Shepherd. It is also the day of prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood. On this Sunday we hear one of the great "I am" statements of Jesus from Saint John's Gospel today "I am the gate of the sheepfold". Through Jesus we enter life and safety, and we go through Jesus, the gate by baptism. This image is implied in all today's readings: the people listening to Peter find this gateway and enter through it: Peter writes to remind us that we have come back to the Good Shepherd, who heals us by his wounds.

