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VERY EARLY WHEN THE **SUN HAD** RISEN, ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, THEY CAME TO THE TOMB ... (Mark 16:2)

To our visitors... If you are just passing through, we are glad you chose to worship with us. If you are seeking a new church home, please know there is always room in our pews and a place in our hearts for you.

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MON-THU 8:30am-noon / I-4pm FRI 8:30am-Ipm

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SUN, APR 7, 2019 STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

| IMMACULATE CONCEPTION | | | |
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| Adult\$5,122.00 | | | |
| Loose | | | |
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| Lent\$10.00 | | | |
| Easter Flowers\$1,134.00 | | | |
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| Adult\$4, I | 65.00 |
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| Children/Young Adults · · · · · · · · · | 12.00 |
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| Good Friday ······ | \$5.00 |
| Easter ·····\$ | 20.00 |
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St. John

| Adult ····· | \$2,683.00 |
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| Loose Collection · · · · · · · | 218.00 |
| Maintenance ····· | |
| Total: | ·\$3,283.00 |
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| Cemetery ····· | \$20.00 |
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ST. RITA

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| Loose Collection ····· | 383.00 |
| Maintenance | ····· <u>401.00</u> |
| Total: ····· | \$5,941.00 |
| Cemetery ····· | \$35.00 |
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FINANCIAL CORNER

Easter Flowers ····· \$560.00

ORDINARY INCOME VS. ORDINARY EXPENSES
FOR MARCH 2019

 IC
 St Rita
 St John
 St. Aloysius

 \$26,444.69
 \$22,637.77
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Colossians 3:1-4 NEW NEIGHBORS

Today we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. He has entered a new neighborhood, and he has made room for us. After three days in the tomb, Jesus rose again to display his power over death - all death, his and ours. The resurrection is a sign of God's power and of human hope. We have nothing to fear. We trust God's complete desire to end all misery and to raise us up in glory.

The Letter to the Colossians says, "If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above....
Think of what is above, not of what is on earth."

With the resurrection of Jesus, we have moved into a new neighborhood. We no longer live in a place of sin and suffering. We live in hope and glory. We sustain this happy life when we seek what is above, not what is on earth. We contemplate the life of prayer, charity and peacefulness, and not the life of greed, selfishness and hatred. We live in a new place away from the addictions of old.

This Easter day brings immense rejoicing. It also brings expectations. It expects that we who are privileged to live with the risen Christ will keep up the neighborhood. We will have all the help we need from the Spirit who dwells within us. This Easter, let us joyfully think of what is above and place ourselves at the service of the One who will raise us up in glory.

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| \$38,133 | \$26,715 | \$18,319 | \$34,301 |
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<u>Pledged</u>

\$12,970 (71%)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

<u>Pledged</u>

\$34,755 (91%)

MON: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15

TUE: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

DIOCECAN LENTEN ADDEAL

<u>Pledged</u>

\$24,356 (91%)

WED: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

THU: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

FRI: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14

SAT: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15

SUN: Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19;

In 20:19-31



Boundless Compassion book study has been extended, and will continue on THUs in St. Rita's Bucci Hall from 1:30-3pm.

Molli's Bible study on FRIs after 8:30am Mass at St. Al continues in the social hall.

St. Al's needs someone to trim the cemetery. If interested, please call the Brady Centre at 277-4236.

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors are needed for SAT 5pm Masses at St. Aloysius. To volunteer, please call the Brady Centre at 277-4236.

Our Lady, Queen of the Yough Catholic Community Children's Choir will rehearse on SAT, APR 27 at I I am in IC's Sciberras Hall.

Children in grades 3-6 are eligible to join the choir. In addition, 7-8th graders and senior high students may join as cantors and leaders of song.

St. Rita Christian Mothers will be making cavatelli in Bucci Hall, on TUE, APR 23 and THU, APR 25, at 8:30am, for St. Rita's Street Fair (JUL 11,12,13). They will bag them on WED, APR 24 and FRI, APR 26.

Donations are being accepted to help defray food costs. Cash, or checks payable to St. Rita and marked "Food Fair Donation" can be dropped in the collection basket or given directly to Rita Pratt. Next Youth Group for grades 6-12 will be THIS WED, APR 24, in the former CAPS building from 6-8pm. Dinner will be served.



Congratulations to PAT & ANN TRIMBATH, who celebrated their 60th anniversary on APR 11.



Father Bob and Connellsville Mayor Greg Lincoln will be teaming up to help raise money for a great cause! The duo will challenge Director of Evangelization Mary Sampey and Armstrong Cable's Rick Fike to a Lip Sync Challenge at the Pleasant Valley Country Club on Friday, April 26th from 7-9pm. Armstrong will also be filming for the event.

All proceeds will go toward the ANGELA PHILLIPS MEMORIAL FUND, which has recently been created in memory of Mary Sampey's sister Angela who passed away in December 2016. Every penny the fund receives this year will go to Connellsville Community Ministries, to benefit the Porter Theatre in Connellsville.

There is no cover charge or tickets needed. 50/50 and basket raffles will be sold. Come enjoy the beautiful banquet room, appetizers and drinks as you watch the fun!

The Connellsville Police Department will also be joining in on the festivities!

You may even form your own lip sync team for \$25 (please contact Mary if you are interested). Karaoke will also be available! Angela's daughters will be competing as well!

If you wish to donate to THE ANGELA PHILLIPS MEMORIAL FUND, you may do so by putting your donation in the collection basket or bringing your donation to the office. Checks may be made payable to the Community Foundation of Fayette County with the ANGELA PHILLIPS MEMORIAL FUND on the memo line. We hope to see you April 26th! Thank you for your support.

The St. Aloysius Calendar Party is set for SUN, OCT 13, beginning at 1pm. Work on the event is already beginning, so if you'd like to help, or if you have a donation for the Chinese auction, please call the Brady Centre office at 277-4236 and let them know.



Please remember EUGENE ONUSKO and JAY S., the newest additions to our prayer list.



CHURCH IDLEWILD PICNIC SAT, JUN 22.

SUN, APR 28 is the deadline to turn in reservation forms.

TO ALL OUR VISITORS: THANK YOU FOR COMING TO WORSHIP WITH US!

My name is Mary Sampey, and I am the Director of Evangelization for the Our Lady, Queen of the Yough Catholic Community. What that basically means is that I am here to challenge our parishes to "lead ALL whose lives we touch into a living relationship with the person of Jesus Christ." I am writing you today to make you aware of all of the amazing opportunities we have here in the "Jewel of the Yough."



As a mother of three young children, I understand that your lives are very busy. It can be very difficult to make time for everything being offered. Our Church is here to help you and be there for you! Our Church is here to make your life easier, not more difficult. Our Church is here to introduce you to the person of Jesus Christ, who loves you more than you could ever imagine.

We can teach someone everything there is to know about the Catholic faith, but if having a relationship with Jesus Christ is not at the center, then what we have taught means nothing!

Maybe you have been inactive in the past. Maybe you have not been faithful in being involved, or you are not sure how to start. That is alright! I myself had been away from the Church for many years. Although I had grown up Catholic, I never knew that having a personal relationship with Jesus was important; I didn't even know that

Jesus WANTED to have a relationship with me; but it was because someone loved me back into the faith that I am here, and it is now my responsibility to meet others where they are and gently lead them to the truth of the Gospel through love. I also have the pleasure of being married to a Protestant, who constantly challenges me to bring the BEST of the Protestant Church (welcome, hospitality, personal relationship with Jesus) into the Catholic realm. This has been a real blessing to me and to our community.

I am constantly in a state of gratitude that we have Fr. Bob, Fr. Dan and Fr. Julius who create a non-judgmental and welcoming Church environment! Whether you are an active parishioner, or visiting us for the first time, you will always be greeted with open and loving arms. Having been here for only 5 years, I can honestly say that I have NEVER experienced such a strong sense of family and community like our 4 partner parishes!

Here are some ways that YOU can encounter Christ in our Church family...

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH: Each month we come together to encounter Christ and each other. Through dinner and table fellowship, small group discussion, and powerful witness talks, we hope to develop authentic disciples of Jesus Christ who possess a true sense of family and community. This endeavor is for the entire parish; including babysitting, Pre-K-5 break out groups, and all adults.

Mission 119 AND BIBLE DISCOVERY PACKS: A new way to encounter the Word of God at home. The adults use an App, while children take "packs" of crafts and activities home to make the Bible come to life.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: At the Saturday 4pm and Sunday 9:30am and 11:30am Masses, we engage our youngest

members to learn more about the Word of God. Our youth also take a children's bulletin home. We also have a library in 3 of our churches where children can check out books. **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Save the date for July 22-26th from 6-8pm at

YOUTH GROUP: Grades 6-12 meet twice a month in the former CAPS building. This is not merely a "fun" meeting; it is a safe-haven where our youth actually want to go to learn, pray, and grow spiritually in community

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with one another.

Young Adults: We engage this age group (18-39) by being a real presence in the community, as our faith is so much more than our physical church buildings. Through community outreach we not only serve others, but build friendships and relationships along the way. Being a young adult myself, often times evangelization simply means going to Bud's and talking about the love of the Lord over pizza and beer...and there is nothing wrong with that! Please contact Andrew Shroyer for more information.

RCIA: Interested in becoming Catholic, or just learning more about the Catholic faith? We would love to speak with you. Reach out to myself or Molli Vassar, our RCIA Coordinator.

There are many other opportunities to get closer to Jesus here in our Catholic Community, and I pray that you will take that first step and contact us to get to learn more! I can speak for myself, Fr. Bob, Fr. Dan, and Fr. Julius in saying that we are ALL readily available to you through a phone call, email, text, or even Facebook message! I thank you for ANY small part you allow me to play in your journey of faith.

Christ's peace and our Mother Mary's love, Mary Sampey



Congratulations and welcome to our newest members of the Catholic Church who were initiated at the Easter Vigil. Alleluia!

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JESSICA GAFFNEY
RUBY GEYER

LISA JONES
TOM JONES
ADAM MORGAN
AMY VINOVERSKI
HOLLY ZAVATCHAN

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| EMAIL | | |

We are in the process of updating ALL 4 of our parishioner databases and need current email addresses. After you complete the cut-out form, please place it in the collection basket, or bring/mail it to the DeVivo or Brady Centres.

If you don't have email, please complete the form and write "NONE".

Thanks to all of you who have responded so far.

the repose of the souls of ROBERT BYBEL, ROBERT COLLINS, WILLIAM LANE, DAVID LOGAN, FRANK MALINZAK (father of Dale Malinzak), IRMA STUCHELL (sister of Mary Ann Micklus) and JOHN PARTRIDGE (companion of Carolyn Bufano), who died recently. May their souls and the souls of the

faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in eternal peace.

I I am: Outdoor Mass with Bishop Malesic, & music by the Diocesan Youth Honors Choir.

please

12-3pm: DJ, parish food vendors, children's tent, teen café, obstacle course, trackless train bounce house, spin art, balloon artist, face painting



New this year: #FindJesusRocks' You can register your child online NOW at FamilyFestGreensburg.org for this rock painting extravaganza and get a free #FindJesusRocks t-shirt!

2pm: Indoor Bingo - cash prizes, basket specials



The Greater Uniontown Chorale will present a concert "Wondrous Love plus selections from the Beatles", at St. Rita Church on MON, APR 22 at 7pm. There is no charge for the concert, but a free-will offering will be collected.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Annunciata #260 will meet on TUE, APR 23 in St. Rita's Bucci Hall at 6pm. Catholic women from all parishes are welcome. For info, call 628-7553.

NO Nar-Anon meeting WED, APR 24.

Bishop Malesic will lead an outdoor service and Eucharistic procession for Divine Mercy SUN, APR 28, at 3pm in St. Clair Park, Greensburg. In case of inclement weather, the service will be moved to Blessed Sacrament Cathedral.

The Ladies Guild of St. Joan of Arc, Farmington, will host the National Day of Prayer Community service THU, MAY 2 beginning at 7pm.

All are welcome. Refreshments will be served afterward. Call 329-4522 with any questions.

A Candlelight Dinner for Married Couples will be held on THU, MAY 2 at Mt. St. Macrina House of Prayer, 6:30-9pm. Experience a lovely evening of music, dining, a basket auction, and a heartwarming presentation by Deacon Michael and Lorri George. Offering is \$70/couple. You may register by calling 438-7149 or by emailing hpmsm@verison.net. Reservation deadline is FRI, APR 26.



Fr. Bob, Fr. Dan, Fr. Julius, and the Connellsville and Dunbar ministry and office staffs.





Attention all ministers: If you cannot serve in MAY/JUNE, please contact Chris Sparks ASAP at 628-7510 or crsparks1@zoominternet.net

| St. AL MINISTRY SCHEDULE | | | |
|--|---------------------------|--|--|
| SAT, APR 27- 5PM | | | |
| ALTAR SERVER C Baldwin C Baldwin J Trimbath | LECTOR T Nedrow | EX MINISTER P Herron S Lincoln Volunteer | |
| SUN, APR 28 - 9AM | | | |
| ALTAR SERVER A Mongell N Mongell F Vinoverski | LECTOR G Heller | Ex MINISTER T Dull S Smith A Trimbath | |
| ROSARY SCHEDULE | | | |
| SAT, APR 2 P Herron | 7 | SUN, APR 28 B Klotz | |

11:30am

St. John

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS MON, APR 22 MONDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER St. Rita Greg Beucher (Family) 8:00am Cecilia Neighbors (Karen, Tina, Linda & Bobby) TUE, APR 23 TUESDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER 8:00am St. John Margaret Dursa (Mary Petzel) Michael & Violet Nelis (Dolores & Warne Rankin) 6:30pm St. Rita St. Anthony Novena WED, APR 24 WEDNESDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER 8:00am St. Rita Margaret Shmigalsky, Walter, Gertrude & Barbara Kasunic (Louis Maiese) After 8am St. Rita Adoration until 4:30pm Mass 7:00pm St. John In honor of Fr. Julius' 13th Ordination Anniversary (Conn-Area Catholic School Family) Conn-Area THURSDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER THU, APR 25 8:00am IC John T. Micklus (Wife, Mary Ann Micklus) Msgr. J. Edward McCullough (Dennis & Rita Martin) FRI, APR 26 FRIDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER Brent Blake (Patty & Ted Crable) 8:00am St. Al Virginia & Bianeto Calinao, Milagros & Carmelita Armas (The Calinao Family) St. Al Divine Mercy Chaplet After 8am Mass SAT, APR 27 SATURDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER IC Jessica Rankin & Mary Ann Herman (Ronald Herman) 8:00am Vigil William Ferencuha (Wife, Shirley, Daughters, Chris & Lisa) 4:00pm St. Rita 5:00pm St. Al Esther Watson (Don & Mary Jane D'Amico) (New Have Hose Co. attending in memory of Àngelo Alesantrino) IC 6:00pm Pro Populo SUN, APR 28 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY / SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER St. Rita Marie "Carmie" Rozell (Frank & Valeria Merendino) 8:00am 9:00am Beatrice Guynn & Son (John & Ruth Tabaj) St. Al 9:30am Alex & Florence Sabo (Donna & Andrew, Daughter IC & Son-in-Law)

| IC, St. John, St. Rita Ministry Schedule | | | | |
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| | ACOLYTE | EX MINISTER | CROSS BEARER | LECTOR |
| APR 27 SR-4pm | Z Zimmerman K Daniels | G McDermott M Pieczynski | H Specht | T Shal |
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| IC-6pm | H Bechtold | J Colvin | E Pleva | B Colvin |
| | M Grimm | J Villa Neuva | | |
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| APR 28 | M Waggett | C Waggett | E Kozel | E Long |
| SR-8am | E Bohinski | L Kozel | | |
| | | B Bielecki | | |
| IC-9:30am | A Keller | S Reagan | D DePaul | S DeSimone |
| | R Keller | B Molitor | | |
| | | l McKenna | | |
| SJ-11:30am | J Bielstein | N Holonich | B Bielstein | E Knizner |
| | L Colland | P Daniels | | |
| | | J Speeney | | |

Frank & Leona Forys (Daughters)



BRIGHT WEEK: The days from Easter until the following Sunday are known as the Octave of Easter. (Octave, as surely you can deduce from the Greek root oct, means "eight days.") In Liturgy class in Saint Vincent Seminary we learned that this ENTIRE WEEK is meant to be celebrated as Easter Sunday. Why? Because the Resurrection is something that can't be contained in a single 24 hour day. Thus we are called to celebrate that one day, that most glorious day, that MOST important of all days in the entire history of the cosmos, not for a mere 24 hours but for a full 92 hours. And after an eight day Easter "day" we continue celebrating until Pentecost; 50 days, nearly one seventh of the calendar year. Add in the 40-odd days of Lent that precede and one quarter of every year is specifically dedicated to the mystery of Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection. Of course that should NOT come as a surprise. The Paschal Mystery IS at the heart of our Christian faith after all!

In the Christianity that arose out of the ancient Patriarchal See of Constantinople (the Eastern Orthodox and Byzantine Catholic Churches) the days following Easter up to and including the following Sunday (named "Thomas Sunday" after the Gospel of "doubting Thomas" proclaimed in both East and West on that day) are collectively called Bright Week. I'm sure no explanation of that nomenclature is necessary, but just in case, the term "bright" refers

to the fact that the light of the Risen Lord has shone through the darkness of a world imprisoned in sin and death. And because of that BRIGHTNESS we celebrate and CELEBRATE and CELEBRATE! As an AD 692 Church Council in Constantinople decreed:

...from the holy day of the Resurrection of Christ our God until New Sunday [i.e. Thomas Sunday] for a whole week the faithful in the holy churches should continually be repeating psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs rejoicing and celebrating Christ, and attending to the reading of Divine Scripture and delighting in the Holy Mysteries [Mass]. For in this way shall we be exalted with Christ; raised up together with him.

So what does all this historicalslash-theological gibberish have to do with the Our Lady, Queen of the Yough community? Since Easter Week (as stated in the Wikipedia article "Octave of Easter" ... I know, a GREAT theological resource) "is considered to be one continuous day" I have always insisted on "doing it up right." The rest of the world might move on to the "next big thing" the next day, but - GOSH DARN IT! - in the Catholic churches here in Dunbar-Connellsville we are going to STOP and IMMERSE ourselves in Easter JOY!!!!!

In practice, this means that the celebration of Mass each morning for the entire week will be celebrated just like the Easter Mass with the entire panoply of smells, bells, and joy-filled song. In my dream world the attendance would likewise replicate Easter morning crowds, with all who are not otherwise engaged at 8am coming and "delighting in the Holy Mysteries" as the seventh century Council in Trullo envisioned.

Maybe **YOU** can help my dream world inch a bit closer to reality this year. If the 8am hour finds you free from work or family obligations, why NOT continue **YOUR** celebration of Yeshua's Resurrection by "delighting in the Holy Mysteries"? And lest you be scared off by the length of Mass Easter morning, rest assured - the Bright Week liturgies will be well under an hour!

I want our Bright Week to be a united COMMUNITY celebration, thus there will be only ONE Mass each morning, at 8am, as follows (please note that there will be a Saturday morning Mass):

Monday - Saint Rita
Tuesday - Saint John
Wednesday - Saint Rita
Thursday - Immaculate Conception
FRIDAY - SAINT ALOYSIUS
SATURDAY - IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

I pray that **YOU** will not cut short the JOY and let *your* Easter end today! He is Risen, Alleluia! Indeed He is Risen, Alleluia!

COVER PHOTO: Since I didn't have any recent pic that was "just right" for the Easter cover I went searching through pics I had taken around Easters past. It didn't take long before I happened upon a - at least in my opinion - a PERFECT shot. This picture was taken in the back yard of Waters House on Easter Sunday 2017. Although it was taken in the evening as the sun was setting, with no directional clues present it could just as easily be early morning. (In fact, until I checked the photo's time stamp I thought it was a morning shot.) The Lord's tomb having been in a garden, the scene immediately brought to my mind the opening words of the Evangelist Mark's Resurrection account.