

MASSES FOR APRIL 19-25

Monday, 19	8:30 am	(SF)	Phyllis Zeigler (<i>Wendel & Mary Lou Taggart</i>) Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday, 20	8:30 am	(SJ)	Michael Bodnar (<i>Bill & Cindy Fisher</i>) Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday, 21	8:30 am	(SF)	For the People Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday, 22	8:30 am	(SJ)	Fred & Connie McGinnis (<i>Peggy Clark</i>) Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday, 23	8:30 am	(SF)	Grace Paris (<i>CWC of Toronto</i>) Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday, 24	5:00 pm	(SF)	John Romey (<i>Jeff & Andrea Romey</i>) Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69 (Daily Readings)
Sunday, 25	9:00 am	(SJ)	Helen Grimm (<i>Wanda Hughes & Family</i>)
	11:00 am	(SF)	William & Mary McCloskey (<i>Tom & Mary</i>) Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

WEDNESDAY: Parish School of Religion – 6:00pm (SJH)
SATURDAY: **No Confessions**
 Miller/Schmidt Wedding – 2:00pm (SF)

As of 04/13/2021: Trinity West;; Trinity East: **Marcia Bishop**. Please remember to pray for all our sick, shut-ins, and those in nursing homes. If you or a family member becomes hospitalized, please be sure to contact the rectory.



Catholic Home Missions Appeal: Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your support for this appeal eases the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.



Church Hall Use: We have had a few requests over the past month regarding the use of the Church Halls. At this time, we are unable to let the halls be used for prolonged gatherings of any size. Until the Pandemic is over and we are given clearance by the Diocese of Steubenville, the halls will remain closed. As soon as that changes, we will notify the congregation. Thank you for your understanding.



The Banns of Marriage is announced for the third time for Christopher Schmidt and Elizabeth Miller.



To my parish family. I want to thank you for all the cards and best wishes for my 91st birthday. They were all greatly appreciated. ~ **Paul Trudics**



CHURCH SUPPORT: **St. Francis:** Adult: \$3,137.00; Loose: \$57.00; Candles: \$57.00; Easter: \$73.00; Building: \$584.00. **St. Joseph:** Adult: \$1,524.00; Loose: \$0.00; Candles: \$28.00; Easter: \$320.00; Building: \$194.00. May God bless you for your goodness to His Church! **Weekly Mass Attendance for April 11th:** Saturday 5:00pm: 66; Sunday: 9:00am – 72 11:00am – 72.

MEMORIALS: To **St. Joseph Church** in memory of **Beni Hirjak** by Greg & Gloria Zamborsky; to **St. Francis Church** in memory of **Dave Smith** by Tim & Agie Rock; Greg & Gloria Zamborsky; in memory of **Ralph Miller** by Tim & Agie Rock; in memory of **Rose Yanik** by Greg & Gloria Zamborsky; Dave & Mary Ann Huff; in memory of **Ralph Noonan & James Maple** by Greg & Gloria Zamborsky.

 Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Dave Smith**. We extend our deepest sympathy to the Smith family. May Dave live in the eternal light of Christ.

**Third Sunday of Easter
by The Faithful Disciple**

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

GROW: In each of our lifetimes, we can look back to a time when we witnessed history. Depending on our generation, it's likely we remember exactly what we were doing the day JFK was assassinated, on 9/11 or, more recently, when our school or workplace shut down because of the coronavirus pandemic. Even these far-reaching events pale in comparison to what the disciples witnessed when the risen Christ appeared to them. Assuring them he was not a ghost, Jesus "opened their minds to understand the Scriptures," and reminded them that they were witnesses to a different kind of history – salvation history: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name." Let us pray that we, too, may have our minds open to the eyewitness accounts in Scripture and our hearts open to repentance, so that "[our] sins may be wiped away."

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

GO: I'm struck by the disciples' reaction when they realized Jesus really was in the room. They were "incredulous for joy" and "amazed." After this encounter with Jesus, they could not help but share the Good News. Just as the disciples in the early Church testified to Christ's resurrection, today's readings challenge us to share the Good News in a similar way. For many Catholics, this isn't at the top of our skill-set. However, in a 2019 gathering on the New Evangelization, Pope Francis reminds us not to fret over finding the right words. "The joy of the Gospel comes from the encounter with Jesus," he says. "When we meet the Lord, we are inundated by that love of which he alone is capable." This love transforms our whole life, and "the need to announce it arises spontaneously, it becomes irrepressible." The pope's words challenge us first to deepen our relationship with Jesus, then to allow it to transform us, and finally to share Christ's love through our words and actions.

STUDY: The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has a short document on its website from St. Paul Street Evangelization titled "Taking the First Step: Keys to Sharing Faith Person-to-Person." Give it a read: uscbb.org.

Thought for the Week:

"Attitude is a choice.

Happiness is a choice.

Optimism is a choice.

Kindness is a choice.

Giving is a choice.

Respect is a choice.

Whatever choice you make makes you. Choose wisely."

— Roy T. Bennett, The Light in the Heart