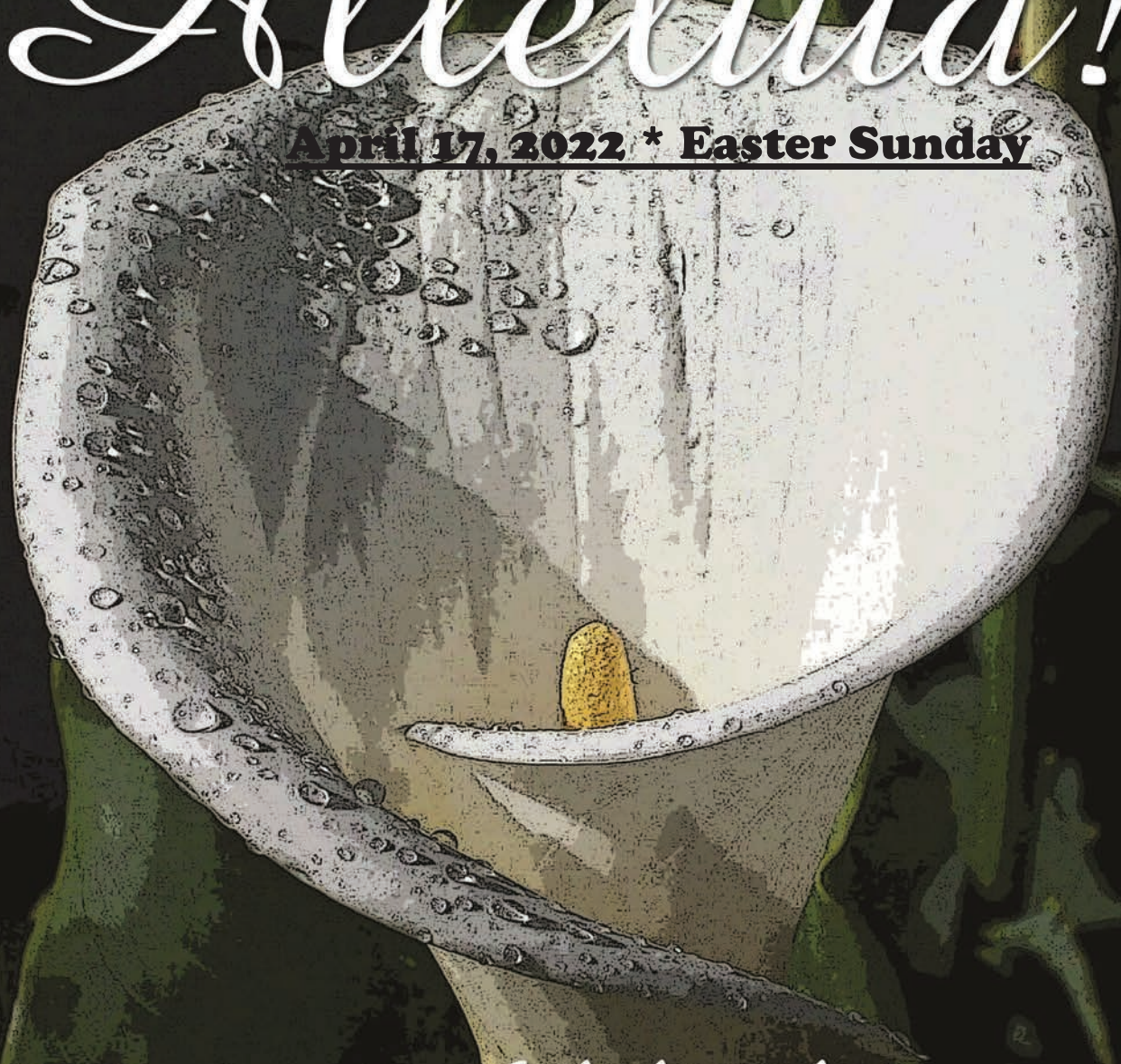


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Alleluia!

April 17, 2022 * Easter Sunday



Alleluia!

Happy Easter!

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A Letter from Father Sheldon

Alleluia!

That's one word that describes the whole event of Easter Sunday. Suffering is over. New life begins. The glory of resurrection of Jesus is for us all to celebrate and share.

As a pastor, it also means the busiest week of the year is over. Alleluia!

Things somehow went well the three days of the celebration. It was because of the sincere participation of all of you. Your observance of the Lenten obligations even at home and at work during those days meant you are a part of the whole Church on the journey. Special thanks to those who helped in preparation and took special part in the celebration: Our Altar servers, musicians and choir, the ushers, the "apostles", the Sisters and our parish and school staff. There are few who contributed their talents and time, using their own resources in the background.

Whether we seriously journeyed through Lent or just took it lightly, I am sure you gained some spiritual benefits. With great gladness, we can all sing: "alleluia!"

Happy Easter!



The Sacrament of Marriage

Holy Matrimony is the covenant a man and woman make to one another and to God to work as partners for the rest of their lives. The woman and man marry one another before a witness of the Church and representatives of the community.

Are you prepared, as you follow the path of Marriage, to love and honor each other for as long as you both shall live?

You must be actively registered for 6 months to schedule a marriage preparation meeting at least 1 year in advance of the wedding date.

Anyone interested in receiving the Sacrament of Matrimony, please contact Patty Carvalho at 848-466-0807 to book a wedding date and for additional documentation and paperwork that will need to be completed.

More information regarding Sacraments can be found under the Sacrament link @ www.ladyofhopeparish.org

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Have you been asked to be a GODPARENT? Have you been asked to SPONSOR someone ready to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, or for an adult in the RCIA program?

It is an honor and a privilege to be asked. You are seen as someone that a family, child, teenager, or adult looks up to as living a strong, Christian Catholic faith. You model that behavior in the way that you live your life.

To receive a sponsorship form signed and sealed by the Pastor, please keep the following in mind:

- I am age 16 or older.
- I am registered in the parish.
- If married, the marriage is recognized by the Catholic Church.
- I attend Mass on a regular basis.
- I contribute to the support of the Church, as best I can. (Attendance is taken by the envelopes in the collection basket).
- I receive Sacraments according to the Laws of the Church, and I fulfill the requirements listed above.



The Church takes very seriously the role of being a sponsor. Choosing a sponsor would be based on the person's dedication to the faith and regular practice thereof. **Please do not ask us to sign if you do not meet criteria above.**

Saint Jerome Church

Mass Intentions		
Saturday, April 16	7:30 PM Vigil	Living and Deceased Parishioners
Sunday, April 17 Easter	7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners
Wednesday, April 20	8:30 AM	Marion Karbowiak Irene Ciarla William Stanton Irene Ciarla Corazon Perez Our Lady of Hope Parish
Friday, April 22	8:30 AM	Mary Karbowiak Irene Ciarla
Saturday, April 23	8:30 AM	Rose Puglisi Rosemary Finnegan
	5:00 PM	Ivanna Portillo Her parents Catherine L. Mandica (Happy Birthday in Heaven) John & Kitty Mandica
Sunday, April 24	7:30 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Jeanne Chandler Greg & Terri Bordiuk
	11:00 AM	Frank Bulzis Doreen & Mark Bulzis Marie Hausser Robert Hausser

Flowers in front of the Blessed Mother Statue week of April 16/17



In Loving Memory of Rosemary Loeffler and deceased family members

Given by Richard Loeffler

The "Our Lady of Hope Rosary Altar Society," invites everyone to reserve flowers in front of the Blessed Mother and Sacred Heart Statues at St. Jerome Church. The donation is \$15 each and can be for loving memorials, birthdays, anniversaries, or any special intentions. Please contact Robin Stillings for available dates at :

908-309-2976 or email: gymwrat51@gmail.com

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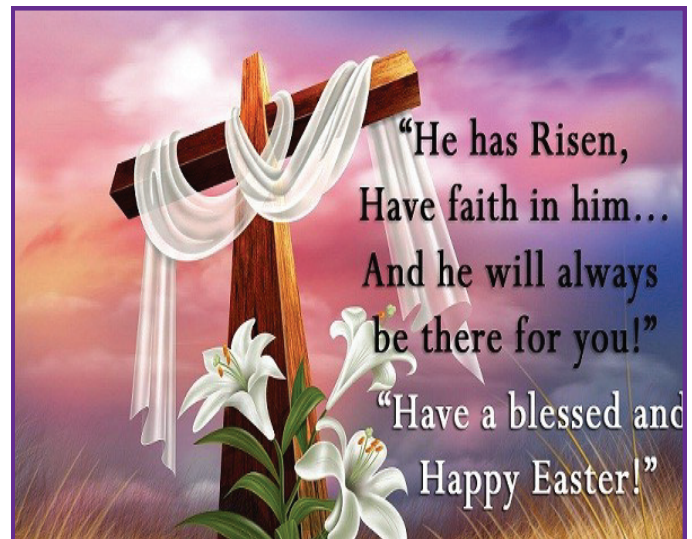
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Week 1: Sam B., Bernice Cobb, Frank Marsico, Carol Mueller, Rob Norman, Regina Roche, Frank Signorelli, David, Maureen and Myra Walther, Sammi Yanni

Week 2: Robert Burney, Howard White

Week 3: Peter Bernhardt, Karen Daly, Bob and Joan Day, Pat Serafino, Jim Shanahan, August Wreiole

Week 4:

Also, we continually keep in our prayers all those who are serving in our Armed Forces and the people of Ukraine.

****The names will be listed for four weeks unless you contact the rectory office at office@ladyofhopeparish.org or call 732-222-1424 to extend ****

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Saint Mary of the Assumption Church

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 16	7:30 PM	Easter Vigil at St. Jerome Church
Sunday, April 17 Easter	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners
Monday, April 18	9:00 AM	Mary Kelly Lillis Ann Flanagan & family
Tuesday, April 19	9:00 AM	Thomas Morressey Fr. Makin Bob & Donna Scally Norma Adamitis (Happy Birthday) Joann & Pat
Wednesday, April 20	9:00 AM	Kathy Weiner (Happy Birthday) Mom
Thursday, April 21	9:00 AM	L.J. Wengler John Wengler
Saturday, April 23	5:00 PM	Bernardino Tiaga Lucas Eugene Dello
Sunday, April 24	8:00 AM	Frank & Frances Regulski
	10:00 AM	Michael Berzansky Howard & Carole White Betty Lou Westron



This Easter take time to
remember all those who
sacrificially serve others, the
armed forces, the
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others who never count
the costs of blessing others.
Say a special prayer for them and ask
God to bless them
and their loved ones.
Happy Easter.

All donations, contributions, and payments to the parish , including special envelope collections, In-terfaith Neighbors collection and Mass cards should be made payable to:



The Parish of Our Lady of Hope

Here's One Positive Encouragement

Written by a fellow parishioner

New Beginnings, New Beginnings, are there really New Beginnings, or are they the old beginnings morphing into the next evolution that God has for our body and especially our soul? Two thousand years ago, Mary Magdalene started out at the beginning of a new day to minister to the body of a friend and rabbi, someone she and others believed to be the prophet that was going to free them from earthly tyranny. They believed Jesus was here on earth as the Son of the Almighty God who had granted Him the gift of the Holy Spirit after his baptism to perform events that could only be deemed miracles. Jesus had the characteristics of the one whom John the Baptist and the other prophets of old, said the Redeemer would have. Yet, the New Beginning the people had expected was lying dead in a tomb. Mary ran back to summon Peter and the others saying that the body was stolen. They all ran back to the tomb. Peter entered and discovered the two burial cloths, one of which was folded. Peter questioned if robbers would have folded the cloth or was Jesus alive. Some could not accept that he had died, some were hoping he was not dead, others were worrying how would they continue to spread the word without their leader. None realized at the time that this was truly a New Beginning for them and humanity. They did not realize they were to spread the words that Jesus preached and were to continue His teachings through their new ministry. Was this truly a New Beginning for humanity, Jews, and non-Jews? Was this the religion of Moses, that of one true God with Ten Commandments as a way of living and serving God on earth so to share his glory in heaven? Did God morph his commandments using Jesus's teachings to obtain a truly New Beginning and understanding for men? To be one with God in heaven we must experience what the one He called His son Jesus experienced? We not only need to follow God's commandments, but we also need to follow the examples and legacy that Jesus left us. Sometimes sacrifice and hardship must be endured to profess God's commandments. HOPEFULLY, this springtime of Easter may be the New Beginning of our chosen ministry to others.

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for April

Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



To Our Dear Parishioners,

Easter is one of the most important holidays for Christians. Easter Sunday commemorates the Resurrection of God's Son, Jesus Christ from the dead. May our lives be touched by the true meaning of Easter. May you be filled with the happiness, hope, life, love, and peace of the Risen Lord this Easter and every day! Rejoice, be glad, shout Alleluia! The Lamb of God is risen from the grave.

During this very joyful time of Easter, we take this opportunity to thank you all for your support during these challenging times. We pray that you and your loved ones have a very blessed Easter! We continue to keep you in our thoughts and prayers. We are extremely grateful for all you do to make SJS the best! May the Risen Lord bless you now and forever.

Happy Easter to All of You!

Easter Blessings,

Sr. Elizabeth Seton Dalessio, MPF

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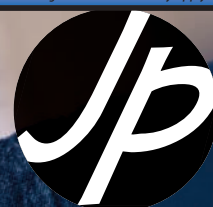
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