

## Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

"They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." Mary of Magdala, seeing the stone rolled away from Christ's burial place, runs to tell the disciples what she thinks is bad news. The grave is empty. Jesus' body must have been stolen. Clearly, resurrection isn't on her radar. As it says at the end of the passage, "They did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." Only later, when Mary saw Jesus again face-to-face, did she come to understand what had actually happened.

We, of course, know that the empty tomb really means good news! We know that the cross was not the end of the story, that Jesus conquered death, walked again amongst his followers, and ascended into heaven where he reigns even now. Unlike the first Christians, we have the testimony of history, the record of Scripture, and the benefit of tradition at our disposal. We have more reason to believe than Mary, Peter, or John did on first seeing the tomb! We need not waste any time "running" around like they did in search of the Savior. We know that Jesus is alive, and that sin and death have met their match.

"Where, O death, is your victory?" we can now proclaim with St. Paul. "Where, O death, is your sting?" (1 Cor 15:55). Jesus has won! He is triumphant! This is the joy of Easter, based in fact and bolstered by faith. And we are the heirs of this great joy. As we sing in the Easter psalm, "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad." On this most glorious of holy days, as we gather to feast with friends and family, let us be sure to recall the reason for our celebration: Christ is risen! Truly He is risen! Alleluia!



Please pray for the elderly, the seriously ill, the dying and recently deceased members of our parish community, especially **Patrick Martin and Shirley Stolarik** May God grant them and all the faithful departed eternal rest.

**THE PARISH OFFICE** —will be closed Monday, April 21 and will reopen Tuesday, April 22 at 9:00 a.m.

### MASSES OF THE WEEK

**MON. (April 21) Monday within the Octave of Easter**

7:00 a.m. (Anniv.) Jeremy Kelleher (Family)

**TUE. (April 22) Tuesday within the Octave of Easter**

7:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Conway and Murphy Family (The Murphy Family)

**WED: (April 23) Wednesday in the Octave of Easter**

7:00 am For All Lily Memorial Intentions

**THU: (April 24) Thursday within the Octave of Easter**

7:00 am Edward Slack (Wife and Children)

**FRI: (April 25) Friday within the Octave of Easter**

7:00 am Tricia M. Sheehan (Family)

**SAT: (April 26) Saturday within the Octave of Easter**

1:00 pm *Nuptial Mass Young/McGraw*

4:00 pm (Anniv.) Daniel Rinaldi  
(Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fazio and Family)

5:30 pm Harold Barlow (The Barlow Family)

**SUN: (April 27) Sunday of Divine Mercy**

7:00 am (Anniv.) William and Rose Valenzo (Family)

9:30 am Barry Korgeski (Malia Family)

11:30am Mario Bevilacqua (Wife and Children)

5:00 pm Paul Walsh  
(Paul, Kathy, Matthew & Mara Walsh)



#### *An Easter Message from Father Doris*

*One of my favorite Easter liturgies is the Easter Vigil. The service starts by lighting the Easter Candle, and then proceeding with candlelight, throughout a darkened church, lighting everyone's small hand held candle. The darkness is symbolic of our personal and communal sin. The light shatters our sin, ever so gradually and completely, until we stand in our light (Jesus) and sing the Exsultet. The song symbolizes that Christ shatters our darkness of sin and death, and that our Savior's love is so strong, that He will not only shatter the darkness of sin, but that He will shatter the darkness of our death. By His light, Jesus will empower us here on earth, and will love us in eternity.*

*The Easter Vigil service goes on using Word, Water, and Bread and Wine as gifts God has given us — Gifts that call us to know, experience and love our life in the Risen Christ.*

*Our Easter proclamation shouts out that truly the Lord has risen; truly the Lord has shattered our darkness with the warmth of His light; truly our Lord bless us with new life, new hope, and a new beginning. This is truly the Easter Message, and our prayer is that you experience a very Blessed Easter.*

*~Father Doris*

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish**  
**Collection for the Weekend of April 12/13, 2014**  
**\$11,187.40**  
**Collection for the Weekend of April 13/14, 2013**  
**\$9,850.00**

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will take place next week, April 26/27. One way that this Appeal works to support mission dioceses here at home is by supporting seminarian formation in poor dioceses. The blessing of seminarians places a

**Our Campaign Prayer**—Our most gracious heavenly Father, as You bless us continually with the knowledge of Your abundant gifts, grant us especially the gift of a grateful heart. Help us to respond sacrificially to the challenge before us so that our Church family may move forward in its ministry of worship, education and service. Give us the faith, courage, and the desire to support this step forward in our Church life as we grow for tomorrow. In Jesus' name Amen.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**—Please make every effort to keep your pledge payments current. Pledge envelopes are the green envelopes in your envelope set. Green envelopes can also be found in the rear of the church.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PLEDGE**

We are proud to announce that at this point in our Capital Campaign, 477 parishioners have pledged \$972,678.00. There are many pledges not yet in, however, and I would ask all those who have not yet turned in their pledge to please do so. Please know that I am so thankful for your response and I do pray our Lord bless you with his kindness and generosity!

God Bless, —Fr. Doris.



**Financial Updates**

- **Second collections**—All second collections not addressed to the Missions or to the Diocese, will go to help support our cemeteries and parish related needs not covered from interest from perpetual care.
- **A Friendly Reminder**—Please make every effort to keep your offertory pledges current.
- **Online Giving**—(see below for instructions)

Click on the following URL to visit our secure on-line giving site:

URL ADDRESS:

<http://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=143>

1. Create a new account
2. Enter your payment type (bank information, if you would like your pledge automatically deducted from your account, or credit card, if you would like to use Master Card or Visa)
3. Enter your gift —You can give to offertory alone or any of the other collections.

**Capital Campaign Envelopes** can be found in the pews, in your envelope sets each month or in the back of the church.

**TIME HAS BEEN EXTENDED!**  
**GET YOUR TICKETS IN**  
**FOR A CHANCE TO WIN**  
**\$10,000**  
**ONLY 325 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD**  
**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL**  
**CHURCH**  
**EASTER RAFFLE**  
**\$100 PER TICKET**  
**(TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED IN THE**  
**RECTORY OFFICE)**  
**DRAWING MAY 11, 2014**

**1ST PRIZE \$10,000;**  
**2ND PRIZE \$1,000**  
**3RD PRIZE \$500;**  
**4TH & 5TH PRIZE \$250**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

April 20	NO CCD
April 22	1st Holy Communion Practice (Groups A&B) 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.
April 29	1st Holy Communion Practice (Groups A&B) 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.
May 3	1st Holy Communion 9:00 and 11:30 a.m.
May 4	Last CCD for this school year (Grades 6,7,8)
May 6	(May Crowning)

Important Dates To Remember

Sun.	April 20	EASTER SUNDAY No CCD Masses 7:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. (There is no 5:00 p.m. Mass)
Mon.	April 21	Parish Office closed
Tue.	April 22	3:00 to 4:15 p.m. CCD (SA) 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. First Holy Communion Practice (Groups A&B)
Wed.	April 23	3:00 p.m. Children/Youth Choir (Church)
Thu.	April 24	7:00 p.m. Adult Choir (Church)



**St. Mary of Mt. Carmel  
Mount Carmel Cemetery  
Regulations.**

Artificial Flowers, Wreaths and Grave Blankets are permitted from Thanksgiving through March. Fresh cut flowers are permitted at All Times. Potted plants are permitted on Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, and Father's Day and will be removed one week after the Holiday. *Please Note; Stones, Statues and Any Ornaments are not allowed on the gravesites AT ANY TIME. They interfere with the proper maintenance of the cemetery grounds and will be removed. Thank you for your cooperation.*

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



CDR. WILLIAM E. KELLY, MSC US NAVY  
SGT. RYAN HARBAUGH, US ARMY  
LT JONATHAN PUHALLA, US ARMY  
CPL CHRISTOPHER MECCA, USMC  
BRIG GEN CHRISTOPHER BURNE, USAF  
ENSIGN JONATHAN M. SMITH, US NAVY  
MM2 SHAWN SMITH, US NAVY  
1ST LT WILLIAM C. STUCKART USMC  
SPC SEAN FISNE, US ARMY  
CORP CHRISTOPHER DESANDO  
SPC KAILA LEWONCZYK  
SPC ERIC SLOSS  
CPT MICHAEL TODARO  
SGT MICHAEL P. WENTLINE, USMC  
LT JOHN W. GILLIGAN, US NAVY  
ENS. KATHRYN M. GILLIGAN, US COAST GUARD  
LT. ANTHONY CANTAFIO, US NAVY  
CW2 JOHN T. REDMOND, US ARMY  
COL. JAMES F. CUMMINGS, M.D., US ARMY  
AIC DARREN HUSSEY, USAF  
LT. JASON A. BUSELLI, US ARMY  
HA CONOR J. RUANE, US NAVY  
MAJOR ROBERT MCALLISTER, US ARMY  
MAJOR ANDREW SCHLESSINGER, US ARMY

*Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which face them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

To add names of active military duty personnel from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish to the prayer list, please call the parish rectory at 570-346-7429.

St. Joseph's Center Auxiliary will hold a Night at the Races on Friday, April 25 at the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Admission is \$10. Refreshments will be available. BYOB. Reservations are required and can be made by calling Katie at 570-963-1290 by April 21.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank  
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for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

Ministers of the Liturgy Schedule—Weekend of April 26/27, 2014

<u>TIME</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</u>	<u>SERVERS</u>
4:00 P.M.	Wendy Worobey	Bill & Cathy Harrington, D.Valenza	James Angerson, Anna Talutto
5:30 P.M.	Dennis Wozniak	T.Kelley, N.Kocsis, C.Hughes	Sam and Louis Hanni
7:00 A.M.	Alice Foley	Steve Eboli	Patrick Conway
9:30 A.M.	Ron Banick	M.Worozbyt, S.Schiavo, K.A. Dougherty	Shane Murphy, Michaelandrew Bonocore
11:30 A.M.	Ken Smith	L.Gatto, S.Vinskofsky, M.Roche	Eric and Jacob Gatto
5:00 P.M.	Marjorie George	Maria Kocsis	Connor Doherty



## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH

**WERE YOU THERE TO SEE** the Combined Youth Group in their moving presentation of the Living Stations? A big “thank you” goes to the students and volunteers who assisted them:

### The Living Stations of the Cross

Maria Kocsis, Director

Liz Eynon-Sottile, Music Director

#### The Cast

Rachel Beltran	Mariah Mancuso
Megan Bernotsky	Liam McDonald
Kaidyn Biko	Courtney McDonnell
Joseph Capocci	Kaitlyn McDonnell
Victoria Carden	Megan McDonough
Ryan Carey	Riley McNally
Patrick Conway	Giavanna Morris
Emma Eynon	Thomas Occhipinti
Juana Galeno	Sophia Pisano
Robert Kersavage	Zachary Pyeron
Robert Klemens	Amanda Sheehan
Jillian Korgeski	Emily Sheehan
Alexander B. Kranick	Matthew Walsh
Rachel Kranick	James Walsh
Maren Lindemuth	Mara Walsh
	Kelly Walsh

#### Volunteers

Dee Capocci	Joe Eboli
Lisa Carey	Fred Kapmeyer
Maria Kocsis	Joan Scholla
Dave Scholla	Lisa Walsh
Theresa Smith	Jennifer Smith

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Office Staff  
SS Anthony and Rocco Office Staff

**Priests:** Rev. John A. Doris  
Rev. David Cappelloni

### **Congratulations to**

**Jordan and Ashley Puhalla Reedy**

who were united in marriage recently. May God continue to be a part of their married life together.

### Wedding Banns

<b>Third Time:</b>	Roderick Young Jennifer McGraw, OLMC
<b>Second Time:</b>	Jeffrey Scanlon, St. Paul's Kathy Nealon, OLMC



**St. Mary of Mount Carmel Students donate Easter baskets to The Friends of the Poor. Bottom row: Maddy Brostoski, Gavin Kovaleski, Lillie Kochis. Top row: Fiona Walsh, Chris Wallace, Gavin Monahan, and Carter Englehardt**



Two Easter Lilies were given  
in memory of  
**Marie E. Cummings**  
by husband, Thomas P. Cummings



Thank you to **Gene and Maribeth Seamon** for donating, *in memory of their parents, Andrew and Mary Ann Seamon and Joseph and Ana Louis Ruane*, the beautiful Palm Crosses that adorn the church doors and the beautiful palm arrangements that adorned our altar.



All members of the **Parish Pastoral Council** will have an important meeting Monday, May 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory. All members are encouraged to attend. Also, on Tuesday, May 6 at 7:00 p.m. the **Parish Finance Council** will meet for an important meeting.

**FREE AUTISM PRESENTATION**—Monday, April 28, 7:00 p.m. at St. Rocco's Church Hall, 122 Kurtz Street, Dunmore, sponsored by the Combined Social Concerns Ministry of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and SS Anthony and Rocco Parishes. Reservations: 570-344-1209

**Save the Date...Designer Purse Bingo**, Saturday, May 17, 2014 at St. Mary of Mount Carmel School Doors open at 6:00 p.m. for a 7:00 p.m. start. Tickets are \$25 per person and includes admission and 20 games. For more information, call Lenore Otway at 570-650-3345.