

EASTER SUNDAY

April 9, 2023

ST. JOHN'S HOLY HOUR

Holy Hour at St. John's is every Thursday from 2:30 – 3:30 pm. Beginning April 13th, Holy Hour will be held in the Eucharistic Chapel rather than the main church. Everyone is welcome to participate in this time of quiet, contemplative prayer.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you have a family member who is sick, hospitalized or homebound and would like Communion taken to them, in Delhi, please call St. Peter's parish office at 607-746-2503 in Walton and Downsville, please call St. John's parish office at 607-865-7394 ext. 1

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Agnes, Robert Fasanaro, Stephen Ball, Vernon Wildenstein, Greg Froehlich, Burneda Ford, Mary Jane Mehegen, Claire Hanley, George Ostrowski, Tammy Jamieson, Richie Keiser, Hillary Zujovic, Joan, Peggy Robbin, Val Vavarone, Val DiGiovanni, Diane Patterson, James O'Dell, Lynn Hoffman, Logan Cazzolla, Lori Babcock, Concetta Tomao Hoyt, Mary Lou Tomao MacDonald, John Thomas, Donna Thompson, Doris Peterson

Attention Middle and High-Schoolers

Who wants to win Money?

\$75 1st prize, \$50 2nd prize

We will be holding our annual Pro-life Oratory contest this year on Sunday April 23rd @12:15pm (following Mass) at St John's in Walton. Preregistration is required. Please call or text 607-434-5874 for more information or to register.

For those students interested in entering the Pro-Life Oratory Contest, coaching is available. Contact Katherine Gielskie for more information. 607-746-2503 or stpetersdelhiny@gmail.com

MONEY MATTERS

The general collection amounts for April 2nd & 3rd are: Holy Family, \$317.00, St. John's, \$1,287.00 and St. Peter's Church, \$1,846.00. Fuel collection: Holy Family, \$201.00, St. John's, \$918.00; St. Peter's, \$1,204.00. Thank you.

THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURES

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-42; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; 1 Peter 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated annually on the first Sunday after Easter. A Plenary Indulgence removes all temporal punishment due to forgiven sin ("Temporal punishment" is the "making up" for sin to which we are obliged after we are forgiven). A Plenary Indulgence can be applied to one's self or to anyone who is deceased. A Plenary Indulgence can be gained once per day. **Three normal conditions for gaining any plenary indulgence:** Sacramental Confession within 20 days of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16, 2023; Eucharistic Communion; Prayers for the Pope's Intentions; PLUS **One specific work required on Divine Mercy Sunday:** In any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy OR in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. "Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!"). *Jesus promised St. Faustina that "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment" (699). This Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16, take advantage of the Divine Mercy of the Father by participating in the Divine Mercy Sunday Plenary Indulgence More information can be found at diocesefwsb.org/divine-mercy-Sunday*

On Saturday, April 15th Father Golding will begin hearing confessions at 3:00 pm. There will be no reconciliation on Sunday.

On Sunday, April 16, Deacon Michael Freeman will lead the Prayer of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm in the Church of St. John the Baptist.

OFFICE CLOSED

St. Peter's Office will be closed on Tuesday, April 11th.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS by Susan Vogt

Easter has come. Hurray! We can eat sweets again and let go of "giving up." But what has Lent taught you this year? Reflect together honestly about how this Lent (or harder times in general) have taught you a life lesson – perhaps how to love each other better, warts and all.

USCCB WORD OF LIFE

"Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end' (Spe salvi 31)."

GRIEF MINISTRY

Mission Statement: To provide a listening ear, compassion and possible recommendations and/or direction for a positive life journey moving forward with the help of our Faith! For more information contact Kathy Scribani at 607-376-1633

Annual Diocesan Divine Mercy Consecration & Mass with the Bishop

Sunday, April 16, 2023 at 11 AM at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Albany. For more info.: www.rcda.org/divinemercyconsecration Livestream: www.rcda.org/livestream Strive to begin the book, *33 Days to Merciful Love* on Tuesday, March 14, 2023. Do not worry if you fall behind, simply catch up when you can.

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SOULS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PASSING

Apr 11 - Ray Aylesworth, Anthony Barber, Helen Pulski, Pauline Nicholson

Apr 12 - Ronald Ford, Kilmer Martin, Dora Raville, Joseph Simms, Rev. James Minehan, Alice Hanley, Lumina Accardi

Apr 14 - Gerda Wharton, Lindsey Mathison

Apr 15 - Father Joseph Benintende

FAITH FORMATION

The next Family Faith Formation class is Sunday, April 16th and will be held ONLY at St John's at 10:00 am. After Mass families are invited to share pizza and ice cream in Father Willis Hall. THERE WILL BE NO CLASS AT ST. PETER'S.

KNOWING YOUR FAITH

What does the 2nd Precept of the Church about Confession and Holy Communion require of us?

"To lead a Sacramental life: to receive Holy Communion frequently and the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Penance regularly; minimally, to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once a year (annual confession is obligatory only if serious sin is involved [though we are urged to confess every few months or oftener]); minimally also to receive Holy communion at least once a year, [known as 'making our Easter duty'] between the first Sunday of Lent and Trinity Sunday [but we are urged to receive Holy communion about every week].

Knowing Your Faith, Rev. Raymond B. Fullham, S.J.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

We pray for the spread of a culture of peace and non-violence throughout the world, by decreasing the use of weapons by countries and citizens. We also pray for church movements, that they will rediscover their mission of evangelization every day and place their charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Show Your Support for Moms and Babies

1. With a \$5 donation (per name), your name will be included on our full-page pro-life newspaper ad in the Oneonta-area newspaper, the Freeman's Journal. *The ad will be run for Mother's Day weekend on Thursday, May 11th.*

2. Make checks payable to the **Central New York Coalition for Life**. On the subject line, include your first and last name (or how you'd like to appear in the ad), plus any additional names you'd like added. If submitting additional names, feel free to include a note in the envelope

3. Mail your check to: *The Central New York Coalition for Life, P.O. Box 382, Oneonta, NY 13820 by April 25th.*

If you'd like to donate, but would like to do so anonymously (and not have your name included on the ad), please write "Anonymous" on the subject line of your check. Please email president.cnycoalitionforlife@gmail.com with any questions.

Thank you for your support! We look forward to seeing your names in ink in support of mothers and unborn babies everywhere!