

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT ~ April 2, 2017

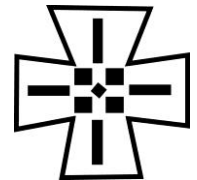


**Sunday Scripture Meditation: Ezekiel 37:12-14; Romans 8:8-11; John 11:1-45**  
 Raising Lazarus from the dead was one of the most amazing miracles Jesus performed. Jesus says Lazarus will rise, but Martha doesn't believe it can happen now. When Jesus asks Martha to open the tomb, she hesitates. Finally she gives permission and the tomb is opened. Jesus calls Lazarus forth and Martha comes to believe. Jesus brings us along to take another step forward in faith.

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### CELEBRATION OF MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat.	Apr 1	4:30 PM	+BARBARA PAVLUVCIK, <i>Anniversary ~ Cousin, Dolores Mihalik</i>
Sun.	Apr 2	7:30 AM	+GEORGE M. FUCHS & +BERNARD GONO ~ <i>Dorothy Fuchs &amp; Daughter, Gail</i>
		9:00 AM	+MARK PINTO ~ <i>Jo, Michael &amp; Kathy Dogali, Anthony, Celine &amp; girls, Mike &amp; Matt</i>
		11:00 AM	+JOHN MINO ~ <i>George and Marta Suchyak</i>
Mon.	Apr 3	7:30 AM	+KRYSTYNA KMETZ ~ <i>Daughter, Anna Leszczynski &amp; Family</i>
Tues.	Apr 4	7:30 AM	+ALFRED BUDA ~ <i>Grandson, Hank Burke, Jr. &amp; Family</i>
Wed.	Apr 5	7:30 AM	+DIANE BUDA, <i>Eleanor Buda Burke</i>
Convent Chapel		<u>12:00 PM</u>	+FR. JOSEPH A. PISARCIK, <i>Pastor HNJ 1936-1956</i>
Thurs.	Apr 6	7:30 AM	+SYLVAIN FAMILY ~ <i>Catherine Ciacci</i>
Fri.	Apr 7	7:30 AM	+ANTHONY PUCCI, <i>Anniversary ~ Betty Pucci &amp; Family</i>
		<u>7:00 PM</u>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>
Sat.	Apr 8	8:00 AM	+COMMUNITY MASS
		4:30 PM	+THERESA PRIHODA & +MARY PRIHODA ~ <i>Marge Prihoda</i>
Sun.	Apr 9	7:30 AM	+HELEN & +FRANK NOVOBILSKI ~ <i>The Family</i>
		9:00 AM	+IRENE DEMOVICK ~ <i>Michael and Stephanie Dunn</i>
		11:00 AM	+BETTY KARCSINSKI ~ <i>Margaret Patrick</i>



### FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH ~ WEEK OF 3-26-2017

Operating Costs – Weekly amount needed to meet expenses of all five buildings ----	\$9,975
Sunday Collection .....	\$ 4,895
Other Collections: Annual, Monthly, Holy Day...	\$ 1,102
TOTAL WEEKLY INCOME.....	\$ 5,997
SHORTFALL	\$ 3,978

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE OVERVIEW Operating Costs Year to Date \$9,975 x 39.....\$ 389,025  
 Actual Weekly Income Year to date \$ 362,815 Shortfall \$ 26,210

**I will put my Spirit within you**



**and you shall live**

**PRAYER CORNER:** Your prayers are requested for the sick and the suffering, those in ongoing treatment and/or rehabilitation and those whose lives are heavily burdened. Please pray for the good health of: **Arline Barber, Jay Behan, Betty Jane Berchem, Ted Bielen, Enrique Borromeo, Caterina Caruso, William Charney, Mark Charney, Ray Clarkson, Fr. Robert Maty, Richard Miller, Dottie Millo, Helen Mino, Michael Nevells, Janet Onze, Peter Panicali, Jo-Ann Petreycik, Charles Rader, T.J. Recupido, Roger Silhavey, Jennie Tesla**

**Youth Choir News:**  
 Rehearsal is held on Wednesdays from 5:15 PM to 6:15 PM in the church choir loft.



**Our Parish Nurses will be available This weekend, April 1 and 2** to take blood pressure readings and answer any medical concerns. The nurses will be in the Church Vestibule - Confessional Room following all the weekend Masses.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - April 2** ~ Religious Education Classes/ Children's Liturgy ~ K through 8. Confirmation Class in Convent. **April 9 ~ Palm Sunday** ~ No Religious Education Classes/ Children's Liturgy ~ K through 8. No Confirmation Class

#### CONFIRMATION CLASS:

**Monday, April 3 ~ Dinner and Interviews** at Parish Rectory 5:30 PM.  
**Rehearsal, Wednesday, April 19, 7:00 PM-8:00 PM** (Our Lady of Grace School), Candidates and Sponsors. *(if sponsor is unable to attend, with parent.*  
**Confirmation, Friday, April 21** at 7:00 PM (aprox. 1 ½ hours) Candidates and Sponsors meet at OLG School 6:20 PM.  
**Confirmation Recognition Day, Sunday, April 23** – 9:00 AM Mass at Holy Name. *Family and Sponsors are encouraged to attend.*

**The Altar Sanctuary Candle for the Month of April** is given in **Loving Memory of Richard Sokolowski** from wife Veronica and Family



**The Guild of the Mother of Jesus will meet on Wednesday, April 5 at 7:00PM for a "FUN NIGHT of BINGO."**

*\*\* Please note: this is a revised date from the original calendar date of April 12.*

The business meeting will follow to finalize plans for the Guild's Annual May Crowning on May 10. Refreshments will be served and members are asked to bring a new item for the small raffle table.

**New members always welcome!**

**The Holy Name Men's Society Meeting will take place Thursday, April 6 at 6:30 PM** in the parish Hall.

**The Holy Name Men's Society is sponsoring a PIEROGI and POTATO PANCAKE DINNER on Friday, April 7 from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall** featuring Pierogi, Potato Pancakes, Applesauce, Dessert, Coffee, Tea and Soda. Free~Will Donations gratefully accepted. **Take-Out Dinners are \$6.00 and Frozen Pirogi \$4.00 a dozen.** Questions, please call Paul Scioletti at 203-377-2397.

**Our next Community Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, April 8 at 8:00 AM.** If you would like to have your loved ones remembered at this Mass, please call the parish office at 203-375-5815 by Thursday.

*In this most holy season of Lent let us hear the words of scripture from Mark 12: 28-34. "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, with all your strength. You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Please help us on Wednesday, April 12 of Holy Week by participating in the Lord's Kitchen, a feed the needy effort held at Christ Church, Main Street Stratford. You can help out by volunteering to help prepare the meal from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM or serve the meal from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM. If you choose to make a monetary donation please mark the envelope Lord's Kitchen and place in the offertory at Mass. Your prayers for our success pave the way to truly love our neighbors as our self. Thank you and please contact Armand Majewski at 1-203-521-5915 if you can help.*



**Calling all youth and young adults! Bishop Caggiano would like to know your thoughts on faith, your prayer life, and more.**

Visit [tellsbishopfrank.org](http://tellsbishopfrank.org) and share your thoughts anytime between now and April 15. The survey is open to anyone between 12 and 29 years old.

**HNJ Tag Sale – June 10 & 11. Currently we are looking for donations of JEWELRY.** If you have **jewelry items** to donate, please place them in the box located in the sacristy hallway. Other items will be collected at the end of May. Watch the bulletin for future updates on donations.

**EVANGELIZATION CORNER** Out of the depths of our souls, we call upon the Lord who raised Lazarus from the dead. May He give us the confidence of Martha in the life-giving power of Jesus. May we see our mortality not as a curse but as our gateway to eternity.

**LENTEN SCHEDULE: This Wednesday afternoon Mass** is celebrated at 12:00 Noon in the Convent Chapel.

**This Friday night– Stations of the Cross** are held at 7:00PM in the church.

**Why Pray the Stations of the Cross?**

**8 Reasons from Pope Francis, (continued) 7. They Give Us The Certainty Of God's Love For Us** "What has the Cross given to those who have gazed upon it and to those who have touched it? What has the Cross left in each one of us? **You see, it gives us a treasure that no one else can give: the certainty of the faithful love which God has for us"** **8. They Guide Us From The Cross To The Resurrection** "O, Our Jesus, guide us from the Cross to the resurrection and teach us that evil shall not have the last word, but love, mercy and forgiveness. O Christ, help us to exclaim again: 'Yesterday I was crucified with Christ; today I am glorified with Him. **Yesterday I died with Him, today I live with Him. Yesterday I was buried with Him, today I am raised with Him**"."

*Address, Good Friday, 2014 focusoncampus.org*

**An invitation to all Extraordinary Ministers of Communion to attend the Holy Thursday Mass, April 13,**

**7:30 PM.** Holy Thursday Mass commemorates the Last Supper of Jesus Christ, when he established the sacrament of Holy Communion before his arrest and crucifixion. It also commemorates his institution of the priesthood. **We invite all Eucharistic Ministers to join in the beautiful, solemn procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the altar of repose.** *Sing, my tongue, the Savior's glory, of His Flesh, the mystery sing; of the Blood, all price exceeding, shed by our Immortal King, destined, for the world's redemption, from a noble womb to spring.* Pange Lingua ~ St. Thomas Aquinas



**The Holy Name Men's Society will sponsor their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Classic Car Show on Saturday, June 17 from**

**11:00 AM – 2:00 PM. All Cars Welcome!** Car donation \$10.00 and free admission for walk-ins. There will be music and food. **In honor of our veterans we will be making a donation to the "Wounded Warrior Project".**

**Also on this Saturday, a Rent A Table Tag Sale will be held from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.**

**\$25.00 per table and must be paid for in advance.** For more information call Larry Wells 203-375-2836 or

[lawman56@optonline.net](mailto:lawman56@optonline.net) **Rain date for Car Show and Rent A Table Tag Sale is Saturday, June 24.**

