

# Easter SUNDAY

APRIL 4, 2021



Copyright © J.S. Pauch Co., Inc. - Photos © Reinata Seemakova/Adobe Stock  
Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass: 2001, 1985, 1997, 1965, 1979, CCD

Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified.  
He has been raised; he is not here.

Mark 16:6

## Saint Teresa of Avila Parish

LOVE GOD. LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR. MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS.

### PARISH CLERGY

Reverend J. Jerome Wild, Pastor

Deacon Francis C. Lally, Permanent Deacon

Deacon David J. Matour, Permanent Deacon

Reverend Richard M. Jacobs, Sunday Asst.

Reverend Kail C. Ellis, OSA, Sunday Asst.

### LITURGY

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:15 PM

**Sunday:** 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

**Daily Mass:** 10AM Mon., 7AM Tues., Wed., Fri.

**Confession:** 3PM to 3:30PM

Saturday, in the Chapel

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation is being celebrated in the Chapel, not in the Reconciliation Room. We are asking visitors to the Church to please wear a face mask and maintain social distancing in accord with the government directed protocols for entering public space.*

Website: [www.stteresaofavilaparish.com](http://www.stteresaofavilaparish.com)



### PARISH STAFF

**Gina MacDermott**, Admin. Asst. to the Pastor  
**Ursula Lawrence**, Parish Secretary/Receptionist  
**Sarah Stong**, Adult & Children's Choir Director

**Office Hours:** Mon.-Fri. 9 AM - 3PM

**Telephone:** 610-666-5820 ~ **Fax:** 610-666-7511

**Email:** [starectory@verizon.net](mailto:starectory@verizon.net)

### DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Gina MacDermott: 610-666-5820, [staprep@verizon.net](mailto:staprep@verizon.net)

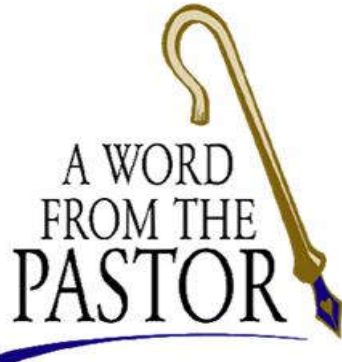
### MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

405 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406

**Principal:** Christine Pagan

**Phone:** 610-265-2323

**Website:** [www.MTCschool.org](http://www.MTCschool.org)



Dear Parishioners,

The empty tomb is not proof of Jesus' resurrection, but an invitation to faith. The tomb invites us to believe that goodness will ultimately triumph over evil, that Christlike behavior such as patience, nonviolence, compassion, and so on *does* ultimately defeat evil no matter what form evil takes. We can, however, let ourselves be perpetually scandalized by the seeming triumph of evil, pain, and suffering in our world.

God's silence can forever scandalize us: in the Jewish holocaust, in ethnic genocides, in brutal and senseless killing and wars, in the earthquakes and tsunamis which kill thousands of people and devastate whole countries, in how unfair life can be sometimes. Where is God in all of this? What is GOD's answer?

God's answer is the resurrection of Jesus in the perennial resurrection of goodness within life itself. But resurrection is not necessarily rescue. God doesn't rescue us from the effects of evil, or even from death. Evil does what it does, natural disasters are what they are, and selfish people can cause great harm even as they feed off life's sacred fire.

This feast of Easter affirms that GOD's final judgment is *RESURRECTION*. What the Resurrection is saying, more than anything else, is that love is stronger than death. Jesus walked through both life and death with love, which becomes an infinite life, a participation in GOD.

So to be a Christian is to be inevitably a person of *HOPE*. GOD, in Christ is saying: "This is what will last --- my life and my love will always & forever have the final word."

Happy & Blessed Easter,

*Father Jerry Wild*



**Offering Totals:**

**March 21, 2021 \$5,290.00.**

**As you know, the vitality of our parish depends on your faithful stewardship and generous support.**



**GIVING HOPE TO ALL**

The Catholic Charities Appeal is a time for our Parish to come together to extend our love, generosity, and concern to those who need it most. Your support will provide education, food, shelter, and medical assistance.



**WAYS TO GIVE**

The Catholic Charities Appeal is recognized as a non-profit institution. As such, all gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. It has its own Employer Identification Number (EIN) and receives a separate financial audit. Besides gifts of cash, donors to the 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal may contribute in many other ways, each offering tax advantages according to their circumstances

- \* Pledge Gift
- \* Gifts of Cash
- \* Matching Gifts
- \* Electronic Fund
- \* Transfer (EFT)
- \* Gifts of Security
- \* Planned Gifts

For more information about the ways you can support CCA, please call 215-587-5650 or email [cca@thecfcp.org](mailto:cca@thecfcp.org)

STA BIG (Brothers In God) is looking for a few good men.

- Who yearn for Catholic Fellowship as Brothers
  - Who yearn to Journey with God's Word
  - Who yearn to Discern and to Listen and Learn
- Come and See every Wednesday at 7pm.

Either on Zoom or in the Parish Youth Group Room (COVID-19 Dependent).

For information, email Deacon Dave at [matourd@verizon.net](mailto:matourd@verizon.net)



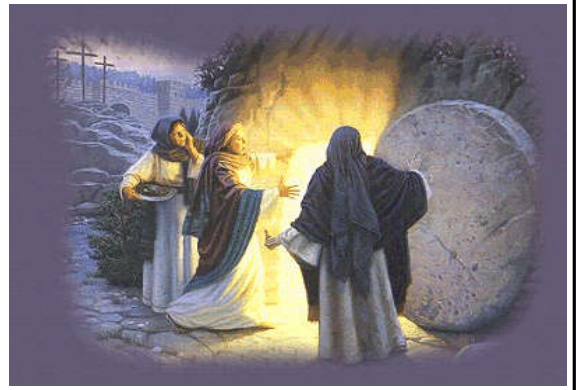
*April 4, 2021*  
**The Resurrection of the Lord**

**First Reading** — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

**Psalm** — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

**Second Reading** — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4)

**Gospel** — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9)



**Mass Intentions, Saints and Special Observances**

<b>Sat.</b>	<b>April 3</b>	<b>Holy Saturday</b>
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Easter Vigil</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>April 4</b>	<b>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</b>
	<b>9:00 AM and 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Masses</b>
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>April 5</b>	<b>Octave of Easter Weekday</b>
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Mary & Frank Tornetta
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>April 6</b>	<b>Octave of Easter Weekday</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	Walter Knecht
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>April 7</b>	<b>Octave of Easter Weekday</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	Pat Joe Mannion
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>April 9</b>	<b>Octave of Easter Weekday</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	Stephen Skilton
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>Octave of Easter Saturday</b>
	<b>4:15 PM</b>	Elizabeth Clemente
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>April 11</b>	<b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b>
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Nicholas & Barbara Verratti
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	Eric Eitner

**The Rose of Life for this week is requested by Ennio Cimino**  
**In memory of Audrey Cimino**



**Table Prayer for the Season of Easter**

*This is the day the Lord has made!*

Today is the Day of days:

We are filled with Easter joy, nourished by the bounty of the earth.

Today is the Day of days:

May we know Christ present when we break bread with those we love.

Today is the Day of days:

Let us show Christ to the poor and hungry, so our service to them is a sign of his glory.

*This is the day the Lord has made!*

Let all the earth cry out with joy, today is the Day of days!

Bless this meal, O Lord, and grant everyone a place at the feast of heaven.

Amen.

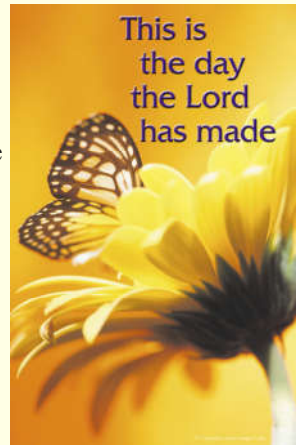


**REJOICE AND BE GLAD**

During the first three or four centuries of Christianity, if you asked a Christian to name the feast days of the church, your answer would have been a puzzled stare, for there was only one feast: the Resurrection of the Lord. Every Sunday was a feast celebrating the one great feast. Even though our calendar now has many beautiful and holy feasts, we must continually be called back to the fact that all these other feasts exist because of the feast of Christ's passover from death to life. The psalm today proclaims this message well: "This is the day." It is not one of many days, but it is the day of all days, the one that gives all the others their origin, purpose, meaning, and destiny. Listen carefully to Peter's speech in Acts with its recollection of the Passion, to the words of the apostle Paul, and to the account of Mary Magdalene, John, and Peter finding the empty tomb, and you will hear the many wonderful works that God has

done for us through Christ. Rejoice and be glad!

Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



**Please note that the parish office will be closed on Monday, April 5. The office will reopen on Tuesday, April 6 at 9:00AM.**



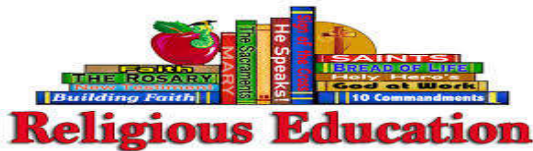
**Mass Intentions**

**Looking for a special way to honor someone special or remember a loved one no longer with us?**

*Remember Mass Intentions*

**The 2021 Mass Book is open.**

*Dates are available in 2021. The suggested offering is \$15 for each mass. Please visit the Parish Office M-F from 9-3 to secure a date for your special Intention.*



In the Spotlight *Catechist, Anne Lynch*



I have enjoyed being a catechist for St. Teresa of Avila Parish for over 35 years. I was called to this ministry by the Lord, speaking to me through Isaiah 6:8, "Here I am Lord", and Matthew 19:14, "Let the children come to me."

**My favorite place to eat:** since the pandemic, 12 Valentine Lane - my home. Sometimes we venture out for brunch to Bob Evans, "down on the farm."

**My favorite color:** I admire all the colors of the rainbow, some more than others at certain times of the year.

**My favorite sports team:** All the home teams - Phillies, Eagles, Flyers, 76ers

**What I like best about teaching our Catholic Faith:** My Catholic Faith, the love of our God, the Church of Jesus and the gifts and strengths of the Holy Spirit, with the intercession of the saints, are part of my daily life. I am filled with the JOY of the Good News everyday and wish to pass on that JOY to the children of St, Teresa of Avila Parish, who are the Church's future and will keep our faith alive and well for generations to come.

**UPCOMING SCHEDULE:**

**April**

- 5 Weekly Lesson
- 12 Weekly Lesson, Final Assessments Sent (grades 4-6)
- 19 Weekly Lesson
- 25 **First Holy Communion, 11:00 AM Mass**
- 26 Weekly Lesson



If you have any questions, please contact Gina MacDermott, CRE, at 610-666-5820 or [sta.busmgr@gmail.com](mailto:sta.busmgr@gmail.com).

**St. Teresa of Avila Parish Information**

A warm greeting is extended to all who have come to worship with our community of faith. We are grateful for our faithful parishioners who are here every week. We also welcome all our visitors and invite you to consider joining our parish. If you are not Catholic, we encourage you to contact our Parish Office for information about becoming a member of the Church.

**PARISH REGISTRATION** We always welcome new parishioners to St. Teres of Avila Parish. Please call or visit the Parish Office on weekdays during business hours, to register.

**BAPTISM** is usually celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:00PM. Please call the Parish Office at 610-666-5820 for upcoming baptism dates. Parents must attend our Pre-Jordan Class prior to their child's baptism. Due to the COVID pandemic please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

**MATRIMONY:** Couples must make arrangements for matrimony in person with the parish clergy at least **six** months prior to date of their anticipated wedding ceremony. One of the parties must have family registered in the parish at the time the couple comes to make arrangements. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment with the parish clergy.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Parishioners who are seriously ill, weakened by advanced age, or entering the hospital for surgery are encouraged to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Homebound sick and elderly may receive Holy Communion in their homes on a regular basis. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for a home visit or to request an anointing.

**MOVING?** Please let us know by calling or emailing the Parish Office so we can update our records.

**Watch Mass from STA.....**

**St. Teresa of Avila Parish** continues to film Mass which is available by email and posted on our Parish website: [www.stteresaofavilaparish.com](http://www.stteresaofavilaparish.com).

Please contact the parish office, 610-666-5820 or [starectory@verizon.net](mailto:starectory@verizon.net), to add/update your email address and stay connected with our parish.

**Archdiocesan Evening Rosary  
Nightly at 8 PM  
[phillyevang.org/rosary](http://phillyevang.org/rosary).**



To sign up for the Online Giving Program through OSV, please go to this website and follow the posted instructions [www.osvonlinegiving.com/4395](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4395)

### Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our recently deceased.

**Eternal rest grant unto them. O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

### Please pray for the healing of:

Debra Hall, Esther Brassington, Joan McPhelim, Deborah Hall, Diane Benton, Helen Dorfman, Mary Ann Walsh, Kathy Auris, Cheryl Karvounis, Cheryl Cox, Jack London, Tina Migliarese, Maria Cucchara, Bill Miller, Karli Schilling, Dolores Greco, Teresa Garate, Jack Lunden, Andy Capone, Edward Hartman, Owen Connor, Nino Gulotta, Diane Bentola, Eugene Yanity, Sue Perrachia, Jimmy Siravo, Teresa Vesey, Mary Gruber, Elise Pancio, David Bydalek, Baby Lucas Coll, William Brown, David Titanich, David Dolga, Leo Corcoran, Anne Marie Garraty, Marcia Prester, Robert Perkins, Ed Wallace, Suzanne O'Brien, Cynthia Fish, Frances Rutlo, Julia Adams, Margaret Miller, A.J. Mc Gee, Nicholas Cruciani, Teresa Garate, Peter Mulligan, Beverly Zapata, David & Samantha Roberto, Alessio Gentile, Betty Lee Horst, Anndreana Picard, Viola Clark, Joan Moore, Jane Mieckowski, Raoul Garcia, Joe Lehman, Heather Bollinger, Eileen Swiech, Pat Leberman, Shannon Austin, Barrie Gehrlein, Max Maertzig, Eli & Ella Vivian, Eduardo Rojo, Michael Semach, Jean Brosso, Jeanette Collins, Tamara Proietto, Ron Roberts, Marilyn Keis, Jean Butera, Brooke Weidenfeld, Julie Noble, Lahra Birmingham, Ralph Pettine, Lauren Mendez, Anthony Jacquin Mendez, Mary Snyder, Barbara DeSantis, Diana Rava, Baby Alayna Lihn, Christine Tasker, Jonathan Auris, John Witlin, Baby Brock Immel, Barbara Tassoni, Melissa Williamson, Donna Hicks, Kristine Schafer, Chip Capinski, Janice Gilpin, Domenic DiPaolo, Alyssa Lackner, Gilbert Martinelli, Tina Moyer, Margaret Cesare, Lawrence Reynolds, Jim Uckele, Jennifer Owens, Jack Walsh, Peggy Walsh, Terry Strainick, Debbie Scott, Bill O'Neill, Butch Cunningham, Steven Kehoe, Rosemary Schlichtig, Diane Benton, Tony Polvin, Diane Haws, Margaret Bosler, Scott Little

### Please pray for all those who serve our country:

Army Spec. Anthony Chiaravalloti, Vincent Bergandino, MGySgt Darin Chinavare; Cmdr. David L. Cute, Jr. USN; John Doran; Lance Hecker, Sp.Op; Cmdr. Matt Kosnar; Capt. Thomas Lerner; Captain Valerie Smith; Msgt. Timothy R. Whalon; Capt. Jaysen Satterwhite.

Due to the change in tax laws, donation summaries for 2020 will be sent out **by request only**. If you would like to receive your donation summary for 2020, please contact the parish office at 610-666-5820 or email to [starectory@verizon.net](mailto:starectory@verizon.net)

### Around the Archdiocese & Local Area

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? The annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on **Saturday, May 1st** at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at the 5:15 pm Vigil Mass with Archbishop Nelson Pérez presiding. This mass will be commemorating all married couples who are newlyweds, or celebrating 5, 10, 25 or 50 year wedding anniversary milestones. *Friends and family are welcome and encouraged to attend.*



To register visit: [phillycatholiclife.org...](http://phillycatholiclife.org...) or call: 215-587-0500

#### Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School

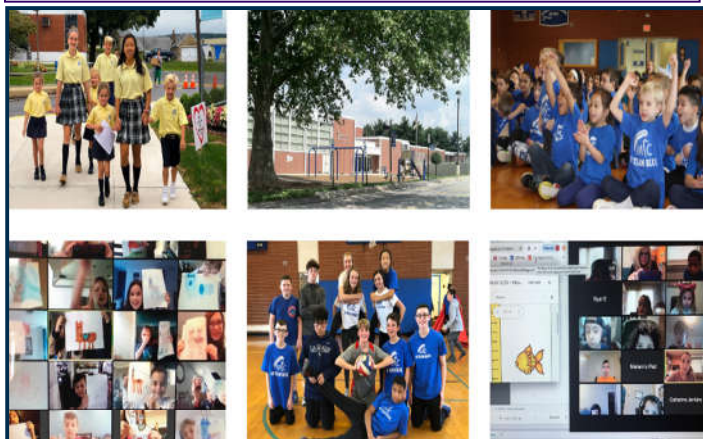
**Practice Entrance/Scholarship Test:** For 7th Graders on Sat. and Sunday – April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>  
**Morning or Evening Tours**—6th and 7th grade students with one parent; information: [gmahs.org](http://gmahs.org)  
**Open House:** Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>



More information and registration can be found at [gmahs.org/visitgwynedd](http://gmahs.org/visitgwynedd).

#### Mount Saint Joseph Academy

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Practice** - Saturday, April 17 Registration is open at [www.msjacad.org/practicetest](http://www.msjacad.org/practicetest). Personal tours are scheduled by appointment, to reserve your tour – call (215) 233-9133. For more information or to learn more about the event, email the Admissions Team at [admiss@msjacad.org](mailto:admiss@msjacad.org).



Mother Teresa Regional Catholic School



## CREATING A BRIGHTER FUTURE

IN THE CLASSROOM AND VIRTUALLY!

PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE

SCHEDULE A VIRTUAL VISIT AT [MTCSSCHOOL.ORG](http://MTCSSCHOOL.ORG)

