

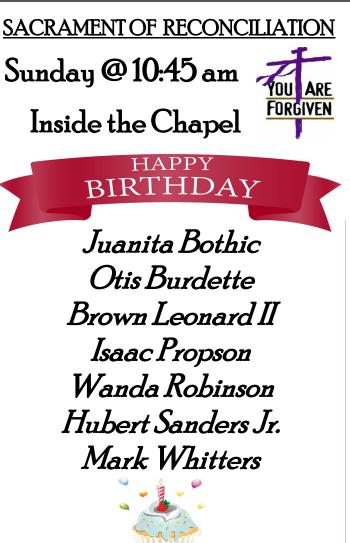
PRESENTATION OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH DETROIT, MICHIGAN

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER April 18, 2021





Presentation Our Lady of Victory Church is an urban parish that strives to proclaim the Good News of Christ and the beliefs of the Roman Catholic faith, focuses on increasing our love for God through worship; serves as stewards in the community and continues the ministry of Jesus Christ through prayer and evangelization.



If you have a March birthday and we missed you on this list, please let us know by calling 586.596.2089 or email sisjeanine@aol.com.

April

CSA 2020 UPDATE



The 2020 CSA Campaign will soon be wrapping up. If you still have an outstanding balance due, now

would be the time to get those final payments

in. Because of your generosity, we exceeded our goal by \$8,726. All excess comes back to

the Parish. This was certainly a great fundraiser for us! Thank you for your pledge. FYI.....Please disregard any mailing you may have received for the 2021 CSA campaign. It will be handled by Anthony Timbers in July.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTION Sunday, April 18, 2021 IN LOVING MEMORY



Requested by Your Loving Family





Maeola Blackmon, Wayne Bradley, Father Burr, Sarah Diggs, Ruth Donaldson, Marjorie Greene, Donald Griffin, Darlene Harris, Caldonia Ingram, Jerree Martin, Emily McGhee, Marsha Price, Priscilla Propson, Nellie Richards, Doris Robinson, Deacon Sanders, Alexander Stubbs Jr., Edward Sutton. Arline Timbers. Monika Uriel. Marilyn Worde, Gwendolyn Worthy

Please help us keep our information up-to-date by calling 313.255.9000



We pray for the repose of the soul of the maternal Aunt of Jerree Martin of Church Hill. Tennessee

Elizabeth Gentry Maxwell June 16, 1927 - April 12, 2021

May the angels lead her into Paradise

WEEKLY PRAYER

Readings for the week of April 18, 2021

SUN 4/18	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
MON 4/19	Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29
TUES 4/20	Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/ Jn 6:30-35
WED 4/21	Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40
THR 4/22	Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51
FRI 4/23	Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59
SAT 4/24	Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69
SUN 4/25	Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 18, 2021

Wednesday:	St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Administrative Professionals' Day
Thursday:	Earth Day
Friday:	St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr
Saturday:	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
Next Sunday:	4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

When the greeting "Peace be with you" is sincerely offered to a person, it can resonate very deep within, bringing comfort and reassurance. When someone possesses the power to bring peace, it brings us to a place of safety and fills us with joy. The resurrected Christ has this power. God can open our minds so that we can more fully understand the meaning of Sacred Scripture and God's compassionate, loving, tender, and untiring embrace constantly present and offered to people throughout history. Without the anchor of truth that only God can provide, we can easily become startled and terrified at the sight of what life brings us. Being open to God's offer of peace, we can turn away from old habits and short-sighted vision and experience the gladness and joy of God's gift. Only then can what is wounded and broken be mended and reconciliation achieved. We are the resurrection witnesses called to proclaim the Good News.

JUST AS THE SUN SHINES ON **ALL THE TREES AND FLOWERS** AS IF EACH WERE THE ONLY ONE ON EARTH. SO DOES GOD CARE FOR ALL SOULS IN A SPECIAL MANNER.

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FIRST READING: The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. (Acts 3:15)

PSALM: Lord, let your face shine on us. (Ps 4) Or Alleluia.



SECOND READING: He is explation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. (1 Jn 2:2)



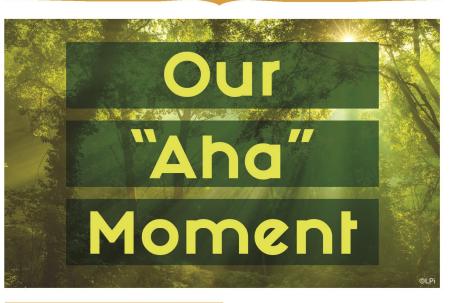
GOSPEL:

"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name." (Lk 24:46-47)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

We often act out of ignorance. Armed with the best of intentions, we think we are seeing clearly and correctly, but we are not. We don't always understand the full meaning of things and only perceive part of the truth. Hence, our judgments and actions can be impaired by myopic, incomplete or erroneous perceptions. The meaning of life, understanding of human experience, and negotiating life's challenges can all become skewed without proper understanding and vision. The resurrection of Christ is the corrective to our incomplete and limited view of life. Looking at things with the eyes of faith brings a depth of clarity and understanding to how we see God, ourselves, others, and the world.

Even the disciples struggled with their limited understanding and ignorant perceptions. It was only when Jesus opened their minds to understand the Scriptures that their eyes were opened. It was their "aha" moment when everything clicked. We all want the substance of our lives to come together, make sense, and have meaning. This is easier to achieve when things are going positively and life is good. It is when suffering, disappointment, death, hardship, and injustice enter the picture that things can become unsettled and disoriented. Our faith in the goodness and love of God is tested. We tend to shift our focus on these difficult and challenging moments and do not see them within the greater picture of how God intends life to unfold. We can gain, from the passion and resurrection of Christ, the clear vision we need in order to move away from ignorance to enlightenment.

We need our "aha" moment when everything comes together and clicks. It can come in a fleeting instant when we feel totally connected with God, where we find ourselves, others and all of creation. It is a moment when all is right and good, regardless of how difficult our journey. Our "aha" moment assures us that God is here, right with us, in us and around us bringing us a gift and blessing we can receive nowhere else: peace. In those brief sacramental encounters when we are lifted up out of ourselves and centered, we can hear God say, "peace be with you," and we feel secure. It's all okay. The resurrected Christ has the power to bring this gift to us. Some people, as they are facing their deaths, remark about this peace. When looking into the window of eternity, they experience a depth of joy and are amazed at God's goodness and closeness. We are called to be witnesses to this Good News.

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

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Turn to God in the name of Jesus Christ so that you will be forgiven. When you hurt someone, say to God and to the person, "I made a mistake. I am very sorry. Will you forgive me?" After God forgives you, he will show you good things to do in his Son's name. Choosing ways to honor and serve God will lead you to heaven.

PRAYER

Father God, forgive me and show me ways to serve you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

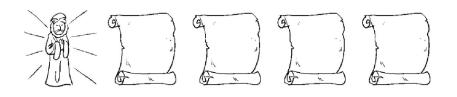
MISSION FOR THE WEEK

When someone hurts me I will forgive. I will ask God to forgive me if I hurt someone.

KIDS CORNER

Circle the group in each row that has **more**. Then color in all the pictures.











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