

# St. Paul Parish Newsletter

April 2022



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## Parish News



Stations of the Cross will be on the following Friday dates:

April 1st at 11:00am

April 8th at 7:00pm



## Holy Week Schedule



### Palm Sunday

April 10th

11:00am



MAUNDY  
Thursday

### Maundy Thursday

April 14th

11:00am



### Good Friday Pre-Sanctified Service

April 15th

11:00am



### Holy Saturday Service

April 16th

11:00am

Blessing of Easter the  
Baskets



### Easter Sunday

April 17th

11:00am

## Parish Dinner Night Out

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, April 19th for another Parish Dinner Night Out, co-sponsored by St. Paul's Ladies ANS Society and the YMS of R Men's Group. The dinner will be held at Pasta Faire in Bellevue, FL at 5:00pm. There will be a sign up sheet in the social. If you are new to the parish, this will be a good opportunity to meet other members and have a great time of fellowship and good food. And don't forget to wear your name badges.

## Parish Yard Sale

Mark your calendars for April 23rd, 9:00am to 3:00pm. The Ladies ANS Society and the YMS of R Men's Group will co-sponsor a Parish Yard Sale. Father Mark is asking everyone to gather up donations of good stuff and drop them off on Sundays in the social hall. There is a designated area on the dance floor area for the donated items. There will also be a hot dog stand outside. It's a fund raiser with all proceeds benefiting St. Paul's.

## YMS of R Quilt Raffle

Winners of the YMS of R Quilt Raffle held on Sunday, March 20th.



Rita & Carmine  
Ferraro



Jack & Eileen  
Davis

## YMS of R Men's Group

The next YMS of R meeting will be Thursday, April 21st at 11:30 am in the social hall. A new group picture will be taken on that day for the church website. A lunch will follow the meeting at Pasta Faire. All gentlemen of the parish are invited and encouraged to join us in fellowship.



## St. Paul Choir

Choir practice has been cancelled until further notice..

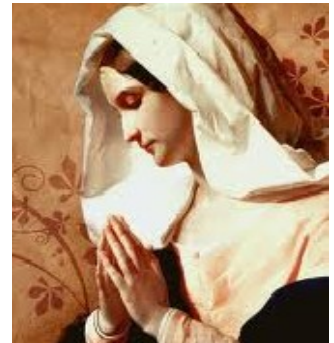


## Ladies Adoration Society

### *Love Supreme*

*by Dolores Smith*

*Oh, Blessed Mother, what did you see when you watched your son at Calvary?  
Oh, Blessed Mother, what did you hear when they nailed to a cross your son, so dear?  
Oh, Blessed Mother, what did you feel when at the foot of the cross you did kneel?  
Oh, Blessed Mother, did your body tremble as many around you in hatred assembled?  
Oh Blessed Mother, were you filled with anguish and fear till your Son looked down and you heard His word so clear,  
"Women, Here is your Son." And to the disciple standing near,  
"Here is your Mother." And the words Jesus spoke John did hear.  
Oh, Blessed Mother, did the light of your world fade as the body of your son into your arms was laid?  
Oh, Blessed Mother, you taught the strong and the weak that anger and bitterness are not the answers to seek.  
What helps us withstand what earth's sorrows bring is God's gift of faith and God's Love supreme.*



May God's Blessings be with you this Easter.

Women's Society for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

*Dori Canfield, ANS President*

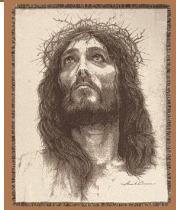


Father Mark's bible study class will return on Thursday, May 5th at 11:00am inside of the social hall. Bring your bibles. If you need a bible, we will have one for you.



## Backpack Program

Our mainstay charitable program provides local homeless school children with personal care/hygiene items all year round. Please drop off items anytime on the rectory porch or at church on Sundays in the bins at the front of the church.



*I enter the church and quietly kneel.  
I gaze upon You on the cross.  
I cannot explain the emotions I feel  
As I gaze upon You on the cross.  
I look at the Stations and the story they tell,  
Depicting Your anguish each time You fell.  
The crown of thorns they placed on your head,  
Bloody and beaten to the cross you were led.  
You died to save us from our sins that day.  
Your resurrection has shown us the way.  
Let our candles glow and church bless ring.  
We rejoice this Easter Day and Your praises we sing!*



## Birthdays

- 3rd** Adele Gitterman  
**4th** Megan Finn-Niznik  
**7th** Ben Boogaard  
**10th** Dodo Boogaard  
**11th** Alan Kilshaw  
**12th** Claire Landi  
 Claudia Leszewski  
**13th** Diane Hickey  
 Sandy McKeon  
**16th** Alice Bauman  
 Sally Kilshaw  
 Sue Nordman  
**17th** DeeDee Burnham  
**19th** Jennifer Merrill  
**23rd** Tony Cipriano



## Anniversaries

- 1st** Jacquelyn Preiss & Jeff Bender  
**5th** Richard & Donna Beach  
**7th** Ron & Linda Thompson  
**11th** Tom & Carol O'Donnell  
**24th** Gerry & Gail Zippilli  
**26th** Karl & Ruth Sarnowski  
 Al & Joyce Walczak  
**30th** Fr. Mark & Valda Niznik  
 (18th Year Anniversary)

\* Members: if your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please inform Debbie Niznik.

## Special Offering Envelopes

For the month of April please use your envelope for "*Easter Flower Fund*". This offering will be used for the Easter Lillies that will be in the church on Easter Sunday.



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## ITEMS TO BE BROUGHT IN AN EASTER BASKET FOR HOLY SATURDAY

(Candies and toys are also acceptable):



- **EGGS** - Brightly decorated eggs are a symbol of the New Life that is ours in Christ. Eggs are a sign of hope and resurrection. Jesus comes forth from the tomb as the chick breaks the shell at birth. Because of the special meaning, it is fitting that the eggs to be blessed be decorated with symbols of Easter, Alleluia, etc...
  - **PASCHA** - The Easter Bread - A sweet, yeast bread rich in eggs, butter, etc... Symbolic of Christ Himself who is our True Bread. Usually a round loaf baked with a golden crust decorated with a symbol indicative of Christ. Sometimes a cross (+) of dough is placed on top encircled by a plate, giving it a crowned effect or Greek abbreviations for the name of Christ. The letters XB indicate the Polish for Christ is Risen.
  - **KIELBASA** - A spicy or mild, garlic sausage of pork products, indicative of God's favor and generosity. Sausage is an ethnic addition to enhance the celebration; its links remind us of the chains of death which were broken when Jesus arose.
  - **BACON** - A piece of uncooked bacon cured with spices. Symbolic of the overabundance of God's mercy to us.
  - **HAM** - Ham celebrates the freedom of the New Law which came into effect through Jesus' resurrection, in distinction to the Old Law which forbade certain meats. This fresh meat is popular with the Polish as a main dish because of its richness and it is symbolic of the great joy and abundance of Easter. Some may prefer Lamb or Veal. This is usually well roasted or cooked as well as other meats so that the festivity of the day will not be burdened with preparation and all may enjoy the feast!
  - **CHEESE** - A custard-type cheese shaped into a ball having a rather bland but sweet taste indicative of the moderation of Christianity. Also, creamed cheese is placed in a small dish and both are decorated with symbols made out of cloves of pepper balls.
  - **HORSERADISH** - Represents the bitter herbs prescribed in the original Passover meal as a reminder of the bitterness and harshness of life in Egypt. It reminds us of the bitterness and suffering of Christ which culminated in the Resurrection.
  - **SALT** - Reminds us to flavor our dealings with others by the example of Christ.
  - **LAMB SHAPED BUTTER** - This favorite dairy product is shaped into a figure of a Lamb. The lamb is the ancient Passover food by whose blood the Israelites were saved. Jesus is our Paschal (Passover) Lamb by whose blood we are saved. It also reminds us of the goodness of Christ that we should have toward all things.
  - **WINE** - Wine is the drink of the Passover meal and the Last supper. Its sparkle reminds us of the glory of Easter. Wine gladdens our hearts and helps us enter into the joy of the Resurrection.
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