

# GOOD NEWS



April 12, 2009

**Easter Sunday: Resurrection of the Lord**

What makes your heart burn?

What would you hope for if you dared to look as deeply as possible in your own self, in your deepest need? What burns to be satisfied?

On the road to Emmaus, two followers of Christ were no longer able to visit those depths. They had spent a lot of time-and their energy and their hope-thinking they had found the place where hope could live and where their deepest longings could work with their feet. They had followed Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus said the kingdom of God was starting. Then they saw him crushed-arrested and dead, shamed for all to see. And their deepest hope was crushed and shamed too. They felt like idiots. And they were scared. Were they next?

So they walked away from Jerusalem, where all their hopes had come crashing down in Jesus' death.

Where have you been disappointed, felt tricked and insulted-hit hard enough to swear, "I will never let that happen again. I will not trust anyone like that again."

If you've been hurt deeply enough, you can understand what these two disciples were feeling when they left for another village, Emmaus, a place away from where their future died.

What possessed them to have another conversation?

The person following along as they walked put their past in perspective, helped them revisit the promises they had shared with each other and with the others who felt let down. Somehow their companion slipped into the place where their pain and questions were left unfinished. They recognized in him enough to invite him to stay.

Then they recognized him when he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them. In his hands, their broken hearts were taken up, blessed, and given back to them.

**Dan Finucane/sundaybulletins@liguari.org**

## PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS

May the love of Christ be alive in your heart and may your Easter joy spread to your family and friends. May God bless you throughout this Holy Season of Easter as we celebrate the life which Christ has won for us through His Resurrection. May the Risen Lord fill your Hearts and Home with Love, Hope and Peace!  
Fr. Chad

A series of monthly classes on **Benedictine** spirituality will continue on Sunday, April 19 from 3 ~ 4:25 p.m. in Brownfield Room 202 of Saint Vincent Seminary. The topic will be "*Prayer in Benedictine Spirituality*," and Fr. Andrew Campbell, O.S.B., will be the presenter.

**The Oblates of Saint Benedict** affiliated with Saint Vincent Archabbey will meet at 6:45 p.m. on Sunday, April 19 in Brownfield Room 202 of Saint Vincent Seminary. The topic of discussion will be "**Prayer**," based on Chapter 7 of the book ***The Path of Life***. All Christians who seek to enhance their journeys of faith with the help of the time-tested way of the *Rule* of Saint Benedict are welcome to attend. Those wishing to pray Vespers with the monks at 5 p.m. and then stay for supper should contact Fr. Donald at 724-805-2291 in advance.

### OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD April 4 & 5

Offertory Collection.....	\$6,784.25
Children's Collection.....	11.00
Easter Flowers.....	2,406.00
Palm Sunday.....	3,455.00
Loose Collection.....	591.50
Utilities.....	120.00.

**May the Lord bless you for your financial sacrifice to your Parish.**



THE PARISH OFFICE  
WILL BE CLOSED ON  
EASTER MONDAY.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF Robert Reilly, brother of Helen Schmiech and Leah Lombard, granddaughter of June & John Lombard. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed Rest in Peace.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS who are hospitalized, invalids or seriously ill at home: Patrick Roberto, Frank Policicchio, Dorothy Brady and all the sick who need our prayers.

ST. GERTRUDE ROSARY SOCIETY—will meet in the church at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14, for recitation of the Rosary. A meeting will follow in the church hall.

**Easter Prayer**

Lord Jesus,  
this Easter may we remember  
why this season is celebrated above all others.  
When we see eggs and rabbits,  
remind us of the joy brought by all new life,  
both through springtime in nature,  
and eternal life through your resurrection.  
When we see bright ribbons and colors,  
may we remember the joy of this season,  
at the conclusion of Lent.  
Above all, help us remember the greatest gift of all,  
your conquest of death and sin,  
which saved all of us from eternal death  
and opened heaven's gates for us all.  
Amen.

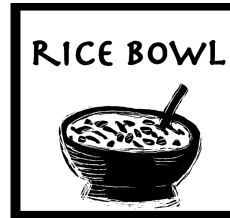
**Plan to attend**

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, April 19 in the church hall. Tickets will be available at the door. Adults: \$4.50, Children 6—12 yrs: \$2.50 and under 6 yrs: Free. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus.

**MEMORIAL CANDLES**

In memory of Kathie McClellan, love Gabi  
In memory of Arteritano & Manganello Families  
by Rita & family  
SANCTUARY LAMP

In memory of Marino Manganello by the family



© Annika Nelson

Jesus Christ is risen! Our Operation Rice Bowl journey has ended but working towards global solidarity doesn't have to. Let us continue to pray for all those who work for justice and for those who benefit from the programs of Catholic Relief Services, and continue to learn how to stay connected with our global family through Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for taking part in the Lenten journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl.

**DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL "OUR THANKS"**

To all those who have already made their contribution pledge to Lenten Appeal. Please prayerfully consider your donation and return your contribution either by mail or by dropping it into the offertory basket in an envelope marked DLA.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society THANKS everyone who donated food and/or gave so generously to the Poor Box. We were able to prepare 20 food baskets, and each basket contained a Sprinkle's food voucher as well. The food boxes will remain in place so that we can re-supply our pantry for a summer distribution.

Vandergrift Festa Italiana, committee meeting on Monday, April 13 at 7 p.m., Bari Social Hall. All officers and members please attend. We welcome new members. This is our 6th year. Let's make it another successful banner year for August 2009.

**NO BINGO ON EASTER SUNDAY. BINGO**

**WILL RESUME NEXT SUNDAY**



---

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**Saturday, April 11, Easter Vigil**

8:30 p.m. For the Parish

**Sunday, April 12, Easter Sunday**

8:00 a.m. For the Parish

10:30 a.m. For the Parish

12:15 N For the Parish

**Monday, April 13, Easter Monday**

8:30 a.m. †Harry DelleDonne (An.)

**Tuesday, April 14, Easter Tuesday**

8:30 a.m. †Andrew & Marie Cronauer

**Wednesday, April 15, Easter Wednesday**

8:30 a.m. †Teresina Ross & Pauline Yarussi

**Thursday, April 16, Easter Thursday**

8:30 a.m. †Angelo & Mary Rudari

**Friday, April 17, Easter Friday**

9:00 a.m. †John & Stephanie Pisarcik Fam.

**Saturday, April 18, Easter Saturday**

8:30 a.m. †Carmelina DiBiasio

4:00 p.m. †Carmine & Elizabeth Marinucci

**Sunday, April 19, Second Sunday of Easter**

8:00 a.m. For the Parish

10:30 a.m. †Dec'd of Fantuzzo Family



**April 18 & 19**

4:00 p.m. ~ Kaitlyn Sciuлло & J. Reynolds

8:00 a.m. ~ Zachary Jones & D. Carino

10:30 a.m. ~ Kathryn & Emily Summerville