



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled ... You are witnesses of these things." - Lk 24:44, 48

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MASS:

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

Parish Pastoral Council:

Chris Bonacci; Shawna Bonacci; Andrea Neff; Eddie Odom; Amy Pollice; Joe Vivacqua; Tony Winterburn

Candy Apple Red Dreams

It says something about one's age and outlook when you're more interested in books on the saints and the Church Fathers and what's happening to Christians around the world than you are in the hotrod magazines that used to dominate your every waking teenage moment.

Not that I don't enjoy the few car mags that I still subscribe to. But it's not like it was at 15 when I couldn't wait for the latest issue of "Rod & Custom" or "Hot Rod" to arrive in the mail. I'd study the latest customs being profiled and marvel at all that chrome and glistening Candy Apple Red paint. I'd wish I had a car with those fabulous Mickey Thompson mag wheels, too. Or, for that matter, any wheels.

These days, I read the car mags with interest before gladly passing them on. Of course, at 15, I did not have a spouse reminding me that we don't need more magazines piling up in the closet. But let's not go there.

One thing that is surely different now when the magazines arrive is that, while I still find the features interesting on how various folks have restored or rebuilt or preserved their vehicles, I sometimes get a nagging feeling that the money and time invested in such pursuits could have funded a great many desperately needed food pantries, soup kitchens, St. Vincent de Paul stores, and charitable enterprises in the Church and beyond.

In the long run, it seems to me, the highly enjoyable and quite worthwhile endeavor of preserving our nation's fast-disappearing automotive heritage needs to be balanced against meeting the pressing needs of society that followers of the Lord Jesus will be called upon to account for, when we pass from these highly temporary shores. You know the needs I mean: feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, sheltering the homeless and more. Our salvation hangs in the balance.

It's that sense of proportion about life's goals that I find missing in these publications. Which, by the way, in no way lessens my life-long attraction to Candy Apple Red 1940 Ford coupes and such. So while I hope I may never ignore the struggles of my neighbors in need, those magazines still have their allure.

I can't help it, Lord. As You know, there's a 15-year-old boy trapped inside these aging bones who never got that Candy Apple Red hot rod of his teenage dreams.

— Lou Jacquet

Seminarian Collection Set 4/21

On Good Shepherd Sunday, April 21, all parishes in the Diocese will be taking up a collection to support our diocesan seminarians. The number of our seminarians has grown in recent years, and they need our support for theological training and educational expenses. Don't forget that it takes eight years of college-level courses in our seminaries to become a Roman Catholic priest.

The brown envelope in your packet for April 21 is the one to use for our collection basket; you can also donate via www.doy.org/vocations/seminarians/

May Ministers

Lector:

Allyson Reed

Eucharistic Ministers:

Amy Pollice, Fred Merlo

Ursuline H.S. Sets 4/19 Event

Ursuline will host 3rd and 4th grade Science Night Friday April 19 from 5:15-7:30 p.m. Theme: Earth Day. Students will participate in a variety of hands-on STEM activities. Dinner provided. Open to any student. Families may register at www.ursuline.com/rsvp or call 330-744-4563 for more information.

Sunday, April 14

9:00 a.m. Albert and Sandy Mihalik by Family

Wednesday, April 17

9:00 a.m. Raymond and Irene Michaud

and Elaine by Lorraine Alarcon

Sunday, April 21

9:00 a.m. Stephen and Sophie Kisan

by Deborah Zalovcik

Please Pray For Our Sick

Sr. Marjorie Haidet, Frank Lightner, Michelle Smith, Ken Mains, Judy Lazar, David Deihl, Barbara Bonninsegna, Sherri Creech, Nancy D'Amico, Mary Beth Celio, Fr. Richard Brobst, Charles Slivkoff, Harold and Debra Brown, Rita Thomas, Christine Kalhoun, Blanche Ruggiero

Interested in Eclipse? Church Paved Way For Science

Many folks across the country became fascinated with the total eclipse on April 8. But one wonders how many if any gave thought to the fact that it was the Catholic Church which first made scientific discovery and the study of the heavens possible through the ages by keeping learning alive in its monasteries during the Dark Ages. No Church? No science.

Likewise, it was, in a huge number of instances, that Catholics were at the forefront of scientific discovery and progress. One thinks of Marie Curie (x-rays and radiology), the monk Gregor Mendel (father of modern genetics), not to mention St. Albert the Great, whose fertile mind opened up learning in so many disciplines. Nicolaus Copernicus, a devout Catholic, came up with the concept of the heliocentric system, arguing that the planets orbited the sun. This week's fascination with the eclipse would have been impossible to imagine without his imagination and skills.

Other Catholics of note who worked in the sciences and related fields include:

- **Georges Lemaître**, Catholic priest, who came up with the Big Bang Theory in 1927
- **Sir Francis Bacon**, priest and father of the scientific method (1501-1626)
- **Guglielmo Marconi**, father of wireless technology and radio transmission
- **Galileo**, Italian astronomer whose discoveries with the telescope revolutionized astronomy
- **Andre-Marie Ampere**, one of the main dis-

coverers of electromagnetism

- **Louis Pasteur**, father of bacteriology
- **Alessandro Volta**, whose work led to the invention of the battery
- **Antoine Lavoisier**, father of modern chemistry.

This list does not begin to scratch the surface of Catholics' contributions to the sciences through the ages. But it is a good beginning to remind us that God works through the greatest minds of every generation, Catholics included.



Sunday's Scriptures: Living A Resurrected Life

Today's readings are from Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19; 1 John 2: 1-5; Gospel of Luke 24: 35-48.

He is risen. He is risen indeed. Our celebration of the season of Easter continues. What is different in life because of the Lord's Resurrection? How do we live a resurrected life? What does it mean to know Christ?

There is a difference between knowing about Christ and knowing Christ. It is the difference between intellectual knowledge and a lived faith. "The way that we may be sure that we know Him is to keep His commandments. Those who say 'I know Him' but do not keep His commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps His word, the love of God is truly perfected in him." (1 Jn 2 3-5).

Keeping Jesus' commandments is only possible because Jesus himself lives them in and through us. On the day of our baptism, we die

with Christ and rise with Him. He now lives in us, and because of His indwelling, we live a resurrected life. We can love our enemies, forgive those who have hurt us, love each other the way He loves us. It is Christ loving and forgiving in us.

As Paul says, "it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me" (1 Gal 2: 20) and again, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (Phil 4:13) Instead of living in the world and the culture affecting us, the baptized live in Christ and He lives in us. We live a resurrected life. Even in times of struggle, grief, and heartache we find our joy and strength in Jesus Christ.

We don't just know about our Lord...we know our Lord. Praised be Jesus Christ, now and forever.

— Geri Jacquet

Help For Battered Women

A Polka Fest presented by the Massillon Knights Foundation will be held 1-8 p.m. Sunday May 5 at 988 Cherry Rd. NW, Massillon. Lenny Gomulka and the John Gora Band, Polka hall-of-famers featured. Ticket information: Tom Berdella, 234-360-4207. Drinks and food available. Proceeds to Battered Women's Organizations.

Mothers Group Holds 4/28 Event

The Mothers of the Crucifix Society of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Basilica of Youngstown is sponsoring their annual Bingo and Card Party on Sunday, April 28, at 3 p.m. The event is held at the Basilica, 343 Via Mount Carmel. Lunch will be served and tickets are available for a \$6 donation at the door.

Prayer to St. Adalbert

"O God, who bestowed the crown of martyrdom on the bishop St. Adalbert, as he burned with zeal for souls, grant, we pray, by his prayers that the obedience of the flock may never fail the shepherds, nor the care of the shepherds be ever lacking to the flock. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever."

Feast Day: April 23; died 997

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Amount needed monthly to meet expenses

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| Sunday Collection | \$4,238.00 |
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| Rentals | \$1,050.00 |
| Maint. Support | \$1,110.00 |
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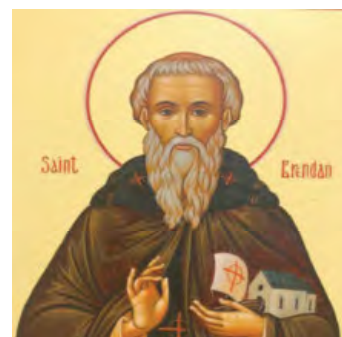
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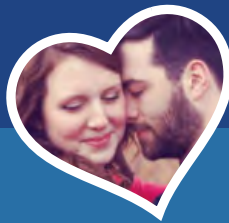
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