

GOSPEL MEDITATION April 24, 2022 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

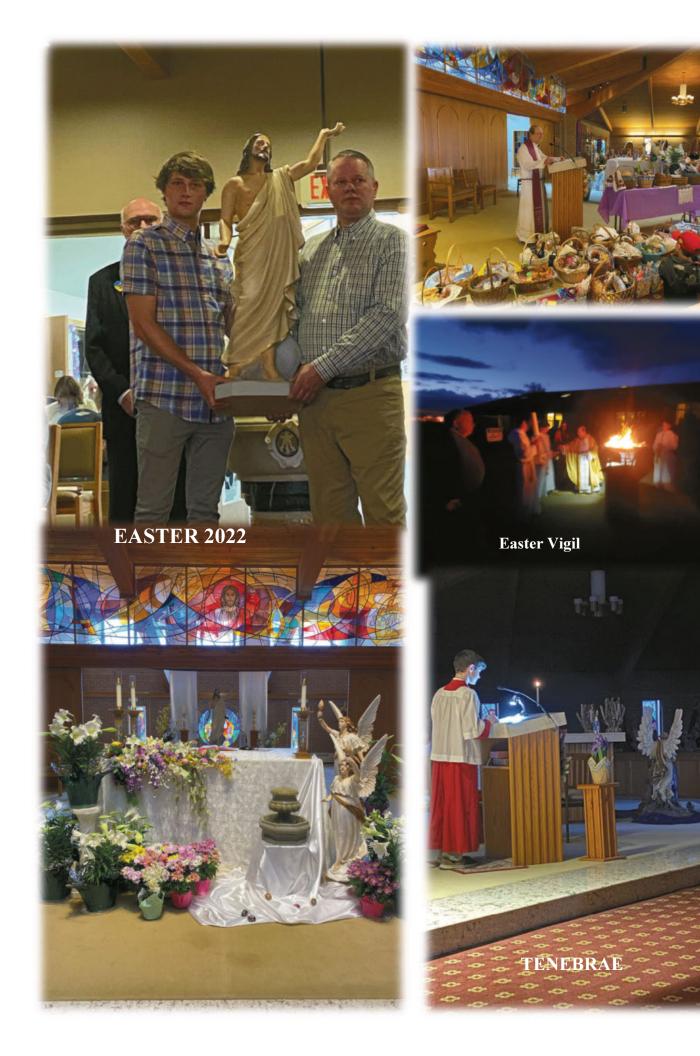
Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!"

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EASTER MORNING......DAWN!



COTTON didn't forget the Maintenance 'Guys'

ONE MORE TIME—Thank you to Cindy Lee and the Volunteer Team who presented a Terrific Fish Fry throughout Lent.

We will actually miss our Friday get togethers. THANK YOU all so very much for the time and energy you spent each Friday. You brought us together with food and friendship! Bless you all!

LAMPPSTAND

It is said that miracles happen around us every day, but, with everything happening in this world, it is easy to not notice them, or to think that God isn't listening. I have had at least two very important instances in my life where I know that God heard and answered my prayers and performed a miracle.

When I was about 9 years old, our mom went through a serious surgery in which afterwards, mom's body went into a type of shock and major organs began to shut down. Her doctor told our dad that they had done all they could and to go home and pray. If mom's condition didn't turn around in 24 hours, there would be no hope. My dad came home with tears in his eyes and called my brothers and me together. We knelt in prayer in the living room in front of our statue of Jesus. Miraculously, the following morning, in less than 12 hours, mom was much better and made a complete recovery. The doctor told us that it was the prayers, his included, since all of his prior actions had brought no changes to mom's conditions. She lived another 40 wonderful years.

In 2011, I had the sad experience of bringing my dad home from the hospital for the last time under Hospice care. On that morning, as I was walking our dog, I prayed. I prayed for God to give me strength and the courage to see this through and not lose faith. At that very moment, I felt my Mom's hand slide into mine. Mom had passed away one year prior to this. I immediately felt strength and a calmness enter me. I looked over immediately and excitedly said "Mom?" As soon as I uttered that question, the feeling of her hand in mine left me, but not the feeling of calmness and strength. God allowed the "visit" to occur to show me I wasn't alone. He was there to help guide me through.

While all of my prayers are not answered as I would wish I know God is listening and I must accept His plans. I have prayed for more than a decade regarding one situation in my life. While the exact outcome is not as I have prayed, God has definitely heard and granted a part of my request for which I am grateful. With this world as it is, keep praying and keep your eyes, mind, and heart open. I am sure you will see, or experience a miracle or two. Diane Trybala

"The very first Easter taught us this: that life never ends and love never dies." - Kate McGahan

The Lampstand

I was born in DuBois, PA, the 3rd of 5 children, all of us less than 2 years apart. Both of my parents were Catholic, but neither of them were church -goers. I was baptized Theresa Lynn at St. Catherine of Sienna Church. As a young girl, I loved my beautiful church, the altar was large and white and had saint statues in lots of cubby holes. My mother made all of us go to catechism class every Saturday morning and mass on Sunday. We thought it was a long walk, but not really. Without adult supervision we weren't always on our best behavior, causing a few nasty looks and pointed fingers.

In the 2nd grade my teacher was Sister Audrey Ann and I just loved her. She prepared us for our 1st holy communion and taught us about Jesus. She made me want to be a nun when I grew up, but that changed when I learned that nuns couldn't have children and I loved babies. But my love for Jesus never waned. In the 6th grade I made my confirmation along with my sister (7th grade) and brother (8th grade). The bishop only came to DuBois every 3 years. After confirmation, I kept going to catechism and mass and made sure my 2 younger brothers went with me. My older brother and sister were not interested.

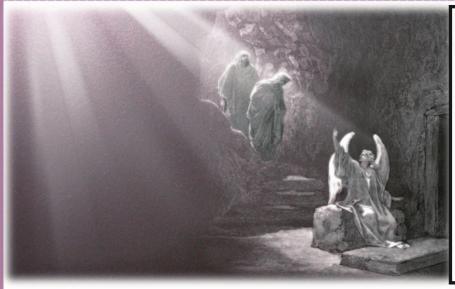
In June, 1963 having left my alcoholic father, our family was preparing to move to Cleveland. On my last catechism day, my teacher (another favorite Sister), gave me a crucifix to hang on my wall in my new home. I still have it hanging in full view. Once we moved to Cleveland (age 12), we had a hard time finding a Catholic Church close by. My sister & I ended up at a Greek Orthodox Church and they made us sit upstairs with the other children. NOT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH we thought it was. I started going to St. Patrick's on Bridge Avenue. We moved again and I went to St. Stephen's on West 54th Street. By this time, it was hit or miss on the Sundays I attended. Again we moved, this time to Denison Avenue. The Blessed Sacrament Church was a little far, so I started going less and less. Then I met a friend who lived close by and she went every Sunday so I started going with her. In my teen years, even though I didn't receive Jesus in the Eucharist, I never lost my faith and felt very close to our Blessed Mother and St. Therese.

I met Bill when I was 18. He was Byzantine Catholic but not practicing. We married the day before my 21st birthday. Our 1st apt. was in Lakewood so I attended St. Rose Parish. When Brian was born he had to be baptized Byzantine, but then Bill got permission to become Roman Catholic so that our children could be baptized Roman Catholic. By this time my Mother started going to Al-Anon and returned to mass and the sacraments. She and I became even closer in our shared love for our Blessed Mother. We had 4 beautiful children (in 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ years) and they attended St. Vincent de Paul Catholic school in Cleveland. It was there that I made my 1st renewal and worked a few. After renewal, instead of "looking up to Jesus, I knew that he was always right by my side". Our oldest son went on to St. Ignatius High School but when we moved to Brook Park our other three children attended public schools. I loved St. Peter the Apostle Church and was in the choir for 19 years before we moved to Brunswick 10 ¹/₂ years ago. My 1st Sunday I went to mass at St. Ambrose (very close to us) and then I went to mass at St. Colette's and I knew this was my home. My husband started coming to mass with me about 7 years ago and received the sacraments a few years later. GOD IS GOOD! Terri Turchek

LIVE THE LITURGY -INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Life is about to get very interesting for the disciples. Finding themselves questioning what happened to Jesus and whether he actually was raised from the dead, they are afraid and uncertain. In the midst of this fear, questioning, and uncertainty, Jesus decides to surprise them with a visit! This visit, complete with the gift of peace, fills the disciples with great excitement and joy. But their detailed testimony is not enough to convince their absent friend Thomas. He wants to see for himself. We struggle with belief as well. It is hard for some to give themselves over to the testimony of another. We want to see the resurrected Christ in person. God. through the gift of eyes of faith, gives us the ability to do precisely that: when we witness the healing that comes from forgiveness, the beauty that flows from love, the wonder of creation, the new life that comes after we fall, and the unique soul that lives behind each person's life. Christ is risen. Life will get very interesting for us too, when we stop unbelieving and believe! LPi





Easter is not simply one day, The Easter Season lasts 50 days. We anticipate the Ascension and then await the Great Feast of Pentecost. The world brings Easter to an abrupt end but the wonder and mystery, the beauty and reality of His Resurrection cannot be contained in one day or one weekend. Christ has died! Christ is RISEN! Christ will come again. This is Eastertide!

Dear Parish Family,

A million thanks for making our Easter so prayerful and so wonderful! The faithfulness of our parish beams through the liturgies of Holy Week and Easter! I believe that the Risen Lord smiles upon us as we so whole-heartedly celebrate Resurrection. All throughout Holy Week the Church was crowded with the faith and hope that each of you bring. Thank You! I want to express a word of gratitude to all who assisted with the Liturgies: this includes the servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Music Ministry, and the Sacristans. Thanks to the Maintenance Staff for so many setups and take-downs. Thanks to the Office Staff for their assistance. THANKS to all of YOU!

Thanks also to the cards and treats for me and Gracie and Annie & Cotton!!! I was amazed to find in a basket (after the Food Blessing) that not only was there candy but there dog treats, a carrot and Fish food!!! Thank you AGAIN!

Easter goes on....it is truly a 50 day celebration and rightly so. His Resurrection is our hope and promise. Heaven is ours! It was so very, very good to see so many young people in Church—especially high-school and college age. I hope you felt welcomed. You too are Church and we need your witness of Faith!

Ahead of us is First Holy Communion, Confirmation, the Ascension and Pentecost –the Birthday of the Church. Ahead of us is hopefully warm weather.....!

With all this said, I leave you with one final word: ALLELUIA!

Fr. Krizner, Gracie, Annie, Cotton & the fish!

Don't stop praying for the people of Ukraine and Eastern Europe.! God have mercy on us and on the whole world!



WEDNESDAY	April 27 - Easter Weekday
11:00 AM	+Kathleen Pindrock (K)
<u>FRIDAY</u>	April 29 - St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church
11:00 AM	+Mary Jacko, Jean Matolyak, Jeanne Kay (A)
<u>SATURDAY</u>	April 30 - <i>St. Pius V, Pope</i>
4:00 PM	+Theresa Dembowski (K)
<u>SUNDAY</u>	May 1
THIRD SI	U NDAY OF EASTER

8:00 AM	+Teresa Connolly
10:00 AM	+Deacon Thomas Grasson
11:45 AM	+Tom & Jean Cancilliere



Our friends and relatives who are ill. May God grant them Healing and strength.

These are remembered by Perpetual Help Prayer Mary Annibale, Bill Briese & family, Judy Brown Dyer, Rosemary Cross, Tom Hunt, Bruce Hurley, John Kole, Tatum Krizman, Paul, Sandy & Derrick Lisy, Mick McGinnis, Alyssa Musat, Eva Sanders, Lisa Szymanski, Bill Thompson, Carol Weiss

Baptism Class The next Baptism Class will be held Sunday, May 15th, 2022 after the 11:45am mass at

St. Colette.

Diocesan policy requires attendance at a Baptism class for parents who are planning to present their first child for the Sacrament of Baptism. To register, call the Parish Office at (330) 273-5500.



The next Sanctuary Candle will be lit in memory of

Cal Bias



WEEKLY	READINGS AND OBSERVANCES					
Readings for the week of April 24, 2022						
Sunday: Acts 5:1	12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a,					
12-13, 17-19/Jn	20:19-31					
Monday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20					
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15					
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21					
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn					
3:31-36						
Friday:	Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15					
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21					
Next Sunday:	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13					
[2a]/Rv 5:11-14/						
	Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14					
[2a]/Rv 5:11-14/ Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14 Observances for the week of April 24, 2022						
Sunday: 2 nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy); St. Fidelis of Sig-						
maringen, Priest and Martyr						
Monday:	St. Mark. Evangelist					

WERE ADDIGG AND ODGEDUANCES

Monday: St. Mark, Evangelist Tuesday: Wednesday: Administrative Professionals' Day Thursday: St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest Friday: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church: Arbor Day St. Pius V, Pope Saturday: Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter; St. Joseph the Worker ©LPi

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Pedro de San José Betancur | April 25

Central America's first saint, St. Pedro de San José Betancur (1626-1667) was born a poor shepherd in the Canary Islands. His family lands were seized because of debt, and he worked as an indentured servant until his early adult life when Pedro left his home to travel to Guatemala. His money for the journey ran out long before he arrived. He was destitute when he did arrive and was forced to join the bread line the Franciscan Friars had for the poor.

In 1655, he joined the Third Order of St Francis. Pedro began to serve the poor, the enslaved, immigrants, abandoned children, anyone that needed him. In 1658 he was given a hut which he made into a hospital for the poor. This small start grew into a shelter for the homeless, a school for the poor, an inn for priests, and several small chapels in poor areas. He was supported by many patrons and was joined in his work by both men and women, who became the Bethlehemite Brothers and the Bethlehemite Sisters.

Pedro prayed for the souls of those in purgatory, walked through the streets of rich neighborhoods ringing a bell and calling the wealthy to repent, and ministered to prisoners. Most accounts credit him with beginning the tradition of *posadas*, a procession in which people representing Mary and Joseph ask for lodging from their neighbors. This tradition continues today in Mexico and Central America. Because of his work with the poor and marginalized Pedro is often referred to as the "Saint Frances of the Americas". St. Pedro was canonized on July 30, 2002, in Guatemala City, Guatemala by Pope John Paul II.

This is Eastertide!



JOIN US FRIDAY, MAY 20TH

11am - 3pm Reservations required! Cost \$10 per person Forms are available in the Parish Office

St. Colette web site http://www.stcolettecatholicchurch.com

anytime during the day or evening.

Following Vespers, everyone is welcome

to join us for refreshments in the Atrium.



Happy to have you with us

Happy Belated Birthday

Angie Schurger - April 6 Mary Alice Schaeffer - April 21

Remembering with Love....

Our loving prayers and deepest sympathy are extended to the family of Lois Wawzyniak (mother of Michael) who was called to her Eternal reward. Please pray for her and all the faithful departed.



VACATION * BIBLE * SCHOOL

July 11th-15th from 9AM-NOON Pre-K through Grade 5 Registration coming late spring!

Adults and Teens, if you're interested in volunteering as a teacher, staff, or aid, please contact Sara at the Parish Office.





Please pray for those serving in the Military

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Joseph Adams MJR Sylvester Azap SrA Aimee R. Budzinski USAF GySgt. John Burrell E5/2nd Class Jacob Camper USN S/A-Dept/State Bradley Carlson Foreign Service Officer Cynthia Carlson-Cook S/SGT Stephen Coughlan SPC Kristen Coughlan MJR Jason Cross CPL Michael C. Dadaian USMC Michael Forlini HA Margaret Gasbarri USN CPL Peter Grasso SPC David Greenfelder Jr. LCpl Michael Grzybowski USMC Major Rick Hanrahan USAF SGT Jeremy Hlavaty 1LT Zachary Hollister USMC M/SGT Melissa Hunt CPL Zack Hunter USMC AMN 1st Class Joe Isabella Capt. Julianne Jamison USAF AA Bridget Kerr USN PVT Nathan Kerr Army Lt. Kris Klaiber SGT Kevin Lessman S/SGT Sam Lupica Col. Andrew W. Mack Lt. Colonel Jeremy Matyas USAF

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Please email updates to kplumb@stcoletteparish.com

WHY DID I INCLUDE THE LETTER FROM THE POOR **CLARE COLLENTINE NUNS?** I just wanted to share with you the beautiful letter from Mother Dolores. The Nuns are a gem in our diocese and closely associated with us as they follow the Rule of St. Colette. They are a cloistered community who spend most of their day in prayer. They assure us of their prayer for our Parish. This *is not* a request letter of any kindjust a thoughtful letter from the Nuns which I wanted you to see. Deacon Tom, on a regular basis, offered them a Holy Hour. They miss that personal connection & his visits to Rocky River Drive. As they pray for us let us also pray for them throughout this Easter Season.

St. Colette Parish Directory

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Office Hrs. Mon-Thurs. 9am-5pm, Fri 9am-3pm, Sat Noon-5pm Sun. 8:30am-1pm

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm Sunday: 8:00-10:00- and 11:45 Wednesday & Friday: 11:00am Holy Day Vigil: 7:00pm Holy Day: NOON and 7:00pm



SACRAMENTS

Baptism - following 11:45 Mass on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. Arrangements must be made in advance through the Parish Office. Baptism Class required for first child.

Matrimony –Congratulations! Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance with the priest.

Sacrament of the Sick - contact the Office for home visitations and Eucharist.

Reconciliation - Saturday 3:00-3:30pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT THANK YOU!!!

Sunday, April 10, 2022	\$16,557.91
Capital Improvement Fund	
Children's	
Project Endeavor	\$2,090.00
We sincerely & always appreciate your kindness	

To help start and build an endowment fund, please remember St. Colette in your will. We also have a Memorial Scholarship /Education Fund.

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330-220-1001
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LILY ANN GRACE ~ THE PARISH GIFT SHOP

Shop Hours: Mon - Thurs 9am-5pm, Friday 9am-3pm, Saturday 12 - 5pm and Sunday 8:30am - 1pm Kathy Pellegrin-330-273-5500

Ministers for the Weekend of April 30 & May 1, 2022						
	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:45 AM		
LECTORS	C Yako	S Campbell	P & J Cuglewski	K & J Musat		
SERVERS	E Sanders M Ptak	V & H Armstrong E Sanders	M Goloja / A Tyman E Dolan	A Kamenar N Hovanscek		
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