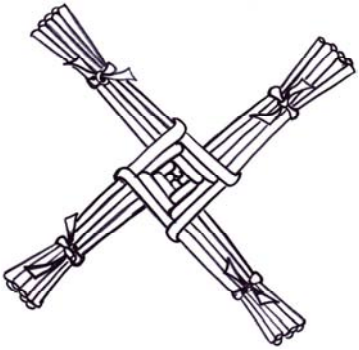
The Roman Catholic Community of
ST. BRIGID PARISH,
(St. Francis Xavier Church,
Friendsville, Pa.
St. Augustine Church,
Silver Lake, Pa.)



(St. Brigid's Cross)

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"We the faithful of the Roman Catholic Community of St. Brigid Parish, (St. Francis Xavier and St. Augustine Churches), in union with our Holy Father, the Pope, and the Diocese of Scranton, are called through baptism to share in the mission which Jesus Christ has entrusted to the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. We in this Faith Community, under the leadership of our Bishop and our Pastor, cooperate to proclaim the Gospel in accordance with the teaching of the Church, to celebrate the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, for the salvation of all, and to witness by grace to the Kingdom of God so as to promote a culture of life, justice and peace. We especially endeavor to foster spiritual growth and evangelization in our present and future generations by drawing parish members back to active participation."

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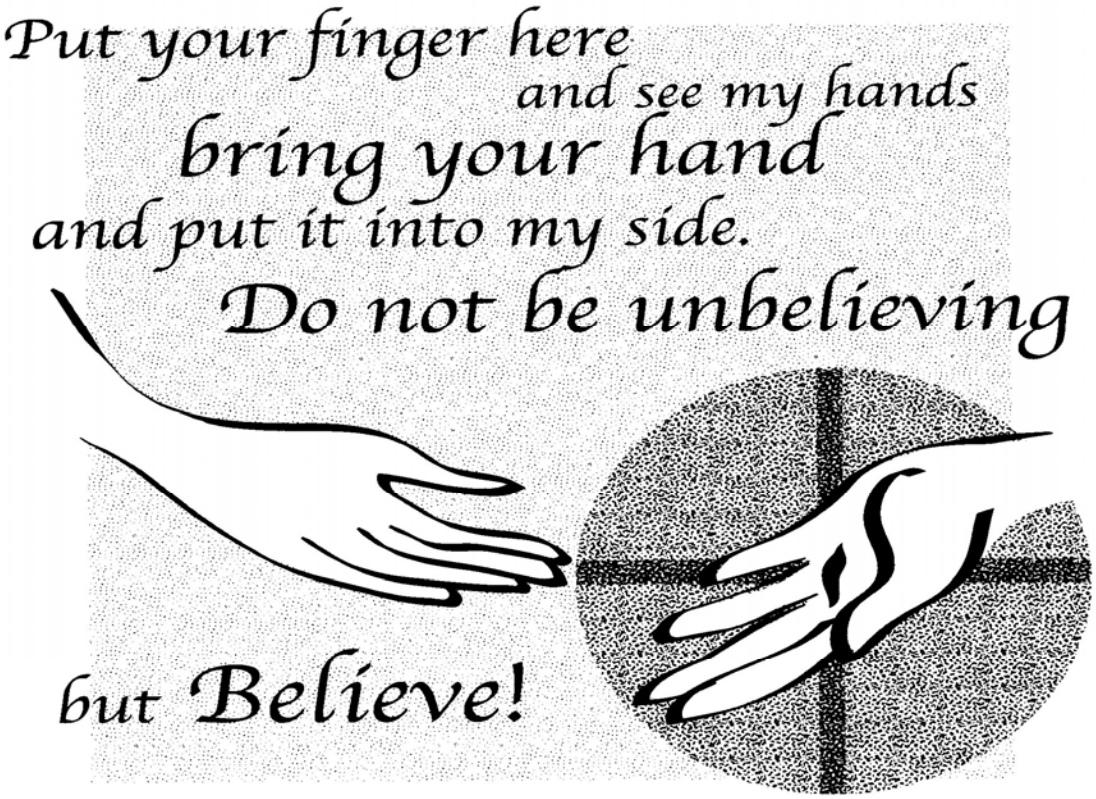

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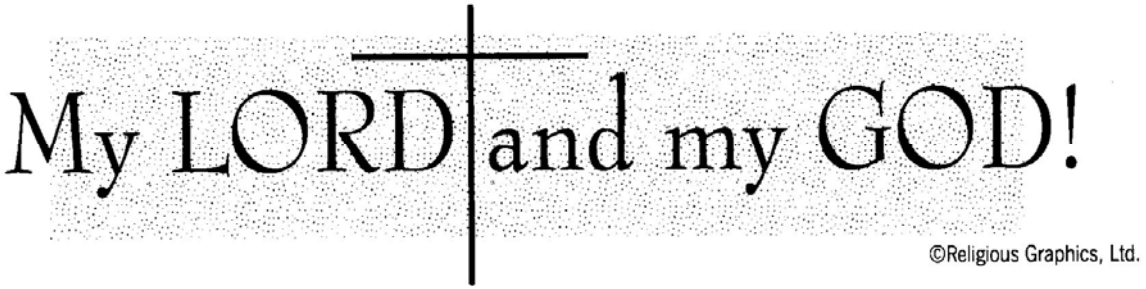


DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 19th, 2020

Give thanks to God, for His mercy endures forever!

MASS SCHEDULE—FR. CAS WILL BE CELEBRATING ALL MASSES PRIVATELY

Sat. April 18	**VIGIL: DIVINE MERCY** RITA GRIFFIN by Mike & Mary Ellen Griffin
Sun. April 19	**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** JOHN, HELENE & FRANCIS GUITON by the Long & Mack Families
Mon. April 20	ANNA C. DE PIERRO by the Family
Tue. April 21	PAUL F. REICH by Claire & Rick Woidt
Wed. April 22	JAMES J. LUKACS by the Family
Thur. April 23	THOMAS SILOCK by the Family
Fri. April 24	FENTON BLAKER by Rosalynd Perlick
Sat. April 25	**VIGIL: 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER** VICTORIA & BERNARD JOSEPH ZALEWSK by Bill & Dawn Zalweski
Sun. April 26	**3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER** CHAD HENRY by Barb Gow & Family

CORONA VIRUS

During this time when no Diocesan Churches are celebrating public Masses, you are not bound by the Sunday Mass obligation. Please, if you can find a Mass on TV or the Internet, watch that Mass and pray for all those afflicted with the Corona Virus and those taking care of them and that the Pandemic will soon be over.

CHOIR PRACTICE—CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Our weekly collection total was $ 7,184.00. Thank you all for your kindness and generosity.

BIBLE STUDY—CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

LIFELINES

If you or someone you know has had an abortion, "be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation."* Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is also available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you.

~ USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, *"*Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion*"

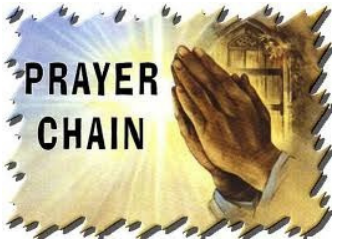
DECEASED

Please pray for the deceased, especially Peggy L. Towner Cooper, formerly of Friendsville; Samuel Tesluk, Friendsville; and Richard J. Nasser, Montrose. We also pray for those who have died from Covid-19 and their families. May they rest in peace. Amen.

SANCTUARY CANDLE & DEVOTIONAL CANDLE DONATIONS

A Devotional Candle at St. Francis burns for a Special Intention offered by Joe Purr.
A Devotional Candle at St. Francis burns for Special Intentions.
A Devotional Candle at St. Augustine burns for the return to health of all the sick in our Parish and Community offered by St. Brigid Altar & Rosary Society.

PRAYER LIST

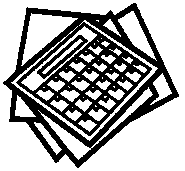


Lord, hear our prayers for the sick of our Parish & Community listed below and for those who are not listed and in need of our prayers, especially those suffering from cancer, Lyme disease, or Covid-19. Katelyn Andre, Michael Haefner, Bill Jones, Jr., Ruth King, Kyle Stoddard, Mary Lou Gregg, Sam Miner, Delores, Bob Murphy, Sophie Padula, Madigan Gow, Sue Anderson, Donald & Terry Baum, Daniel Gavin, Tommy Williams, Rick, Kathy Holt, Mary Lou Fahs, Toni Colardino, Tom Wenman, Fr. Cas, Linda Hollenback, Elton Carr, Tyler Fletcher, William Chaney, Ronalee Eckert, Brooke Arnold, Steve Hundiak, Hallie Brooks, Bub Davis, Butch Rosencranz, Shawn Burns, Quinn Seymour, Clyde Tims, Mark Kovach, Virginia & Jim Raftis, Marie Donahue, Molly Getter, Robyn Lawson, Mary Elizabeth Healy, Rusty Carmen, Joe Grindel, Chelsea Judson, Margo, Joe Redmond, Joan Zayac, Amanda Branning, Greg Lasgowka, Terry, Ron, Cameron & Levi White, Don Zaleski, Jim Jones, Mary Guido, Raub Family, Sean McMahon, Reed Family, Kylee Markow, Natalie Dawn Abell, Marty Mosher, Don Higgins, Mary Ann Casterline, Nancy Hallock, Diane Holleran, Cathy Ballogg, Bill Golden, Jim, Trisha, Tom Ellison, Ned Offner, Patricia Charpinsky, Maura Byrnes, Della & Allie Steed, Ryan Hayes, Valerie Newhart, Thomas McWilliams, Chloe Harvey, Mary Jo Bayer, Adrian Stephens, Janice Jacobs, Carol Bomboy, Adam Price, S. Borrelli Lorah, Kineer Worgen, Chad Grindel, Wayne Edwards, Jack & Mary Kelly, Donny Snyder, Jerry Fives, Aiden Joines, Andy Mooney, Carolyn Warner, Mike Wilcox, Sophia ILichishin, John Dady (Dady Bros.), Caleb Scepaniak, Dana Marsh, Evelyn Rounds, Mark Pasteka, James Dughi, Alex Trebek, A. J. Pass, Dawn Zalewski, Christopher Dauber, Angelo Scarfalloto, Caesar & Edith Siedlecki, Frances Murphy, Peg Broadwater, Billy, Brendan Merritt, Dominick, Amber, Hayden Brunges, Josh Zaleski, Lori Hammerly Coleman, Ermelo Obleada, Robert Nemcek, Don & Helga Kannenberg, Alice Walsh, Bonnie Sorensen, Mary Ellen Griffin, Gary Douglas, Kandi Decker Kelley, Jack Castner, Shirley Bowser, Laura Nelson, Emily Graves, Wayne Hibbard, Bud & Barbara Mahoney, Greg Snook, Brendan Kelly, Glenn Lee, Maryellen, Dr. Silversti, Cathy Albert, Dennis Byerly, Geraldine Chotkowski, Judy Adams, Everly Hausmann, Marie Cavalarro, Dale Bomboy, Jane Murphy, Ethel Reid, Ben Hawley, Mary Joan, Curtis Edwards, Evelyn Ferro, David Hibbard, Jim Gurn, Shelley and Kathy Kelly Gage. Please pray for the needs in our Parish Intention Book. Our Lady of Good Health, pray for us. Amen.

ARMED FORCES LIST

Please pray for those in our Armed Forces, especially those from our Parish & Community, Ryan Gormley, Patrick Allen, Christopher Reichlen, Mike Griffith, Shane Kalpokas, Matthew Kramer, Dustin Ryder, Steven Shelp, Ricky Trowbridge, Daniel Daly, A. Jay Tewksbury, Ryan Neville, Lukas Crisman, Andrew Muscarelle, Adam Barziloski, Jeremiah Curley, Quinn Gurn, Mark W. Gregg, Lisa Phillips, Ryan Newberry, Carrie Krouse, Wayne M. Bennett, Joseph Elliott, Bradley J. Bryant, Marty Conboy, Amberlynn Villanella, Jonathan Green, Jacob Balchikonis, John Baltsley, Rip VanWinkle, Michael Redding, James Hemmerly and all who serve with them. May they be protected and safe from harm and return home soon to their families and friends. Amen.

Please call when the person you put on either Prayer List can be removed or if you know of anyone who has passed away, so that their name can be removed from our list.



PARISH LOTTERY CALENDARS

Please mail your Calendar returns in to us. This fund raiser will still be taking place as it does not require us to be in a group. Please get your returns in as soon as possible! Only 721 Calendars have been returned so far. Drawing began April 1st.

Calendars are available at the Rectory by appointment only (570-553-2288), or by mail. There are about 120 Calendars left to (hopefully) sell. There are 159 that have not yet been returned. If you still have Calendars that are sold, please mail the returns to the Rectory.

ST. AUGUSTINE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION MEETING

St. Augustine Cemetery Association will hold their annual meeting on Sunday, April 26th at 12 Noon in **St. Augustine Church Parking Lot**. Social distancing practices will be in place.

MEMORIAL GARDEN—ST. PATRICK CEMETERY

We will be building a Memorial Garden in St. Patrick Cemetery. These donations will be for the Memorial Garden only. (The Cemetery Association will be paying to replace the trees.) If you would like to donate to help fund the project, you can mail your donations to: St. Brigid Rectory, PO Box 75, Friendsville, Pa. 18818. Please mark envelopes "Memorial Garden—St. Patrick". Checks should be made payable to St. Patrick Cemetery Memorial Garden. We would like all donations as soon as possible.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at *www.usccb.org/home-missions .*

MASSES — CORONA VIRUS

You are not bound by the Sunday Mass obligation. Fr. Cas continues to say Mases privately. Watch Mass on TV or the Internet & pray for all those afflicted with COVID-19, those taking care of them and that the Pandemic will soon be over.

As our bills still need to be paid, you are welcome to mail your contributions to St. Brigid Parish, PO Box 75, Friendsville, Pa. 18818. Thank you to those who have been sending their weekly contributions by mail! This is very helpful!!

Masses from St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton: https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/media/ctv-catholic-television/ on the bottom of the first page you will see "Catholic Television Presents the Daily Mass form St. Peter's Cathedral" & "watch the daily Mass" click on "watch the daily Mass".

Fr. Nash's Mass: http://www.nanticokecatholic.com/ . A link allows you to watch his Masses.

Fr. Reichlen's services at Church of St. John, East Stroudsburg, Pa. can be found on Facebook. He is streaming Masses, as well as other devotions on Facebook Live.

Fr. William Langan is at St. John the Evangelist in Honesdale. His Masses can be found at https://www.facebook.com/stjohnshonesdale/ .

You can also google "Catholic Masses Online". Many choices will be available to you.

Live stream music for Divine Mercy Sunday: Fred Brown's Facebook page 9:30AM Sunday.

Check for updates and the Bulletin on our Parish website www.ourparishcommunity.com. Please pass this information on to others who may not think to use the website.

PARISH PRAYER CHAIN

If you would like to respond to prayer requests, or if you have a prayer request, please contact Rosalynd Perlick (570-663-2212), Susie Reichlen (570-553-2618), or Mary Keenan (570-553-2431). Many prayers will be offered for these intentions.

ADORATION

Adoration has been cancelled until further notice.

FOOD CARDS/FOOD PANTRY

EASTER FOOD CARDS: Thank you to everyone who donated so very generously to the Easter Food Cards. We were able to collect over $ 1,445.00 to divide between 18 families. That is exceptional under these circumstances!!

FOOD PANTRY: Thank you to everyone for sharing with others. An update will be in the bulletin in the future with the totals of people/families helped this Easter.

FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION VIA THE WEINBERG FOOD BANK

The next Food Pantry is THIS Tuesday, April 21st, at Little Meadows United Methodist Church from 12Noon to 2:00PM and 5-6PM. This is for low income Susquehanna County residents only.

OPERATION RICE BOWL–THANK YOU!

Our community changed lives this Lent, and CRS Rice Bowl wants to say THANK YOU! Don't forget to turn in your Rice Bowl donations through the mail.

THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Thank you for supporting the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, as encouraged by Pope Francis. Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace in a troubled land. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday .

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON ANNOUNCES ESTABLISHMENT OF CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY FUND

SCRANTON – Bishop Joseph C. Bambera announces the establishment of the Coronavirus Emergency Fund in the Diocese of Scranton to help support public ministries, parishes and school families amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Coronavirus Emergency Fund will allow individuals to financially support any parish in the Diocese, assist public ministries that operate food pantries, kitchens and shelters, or provide emergency assistance for Diocesan Catholic Schools. People interested in supporting the fund can make a gift to a specific parish, school, pantry, kitchen, shelter or relief assistance program. More than 250 people have made gifts to the fund in the first two weeks.

"While this is a time of great challenge, I am encouraged to see so many people wanting to reach out in support of our families, our neighbors and our parishes," Bishop Bambera said. "Due to the suspension of Masses, which was necessary to protect the health and safety of our community, our parishes and the Diocese now face the increased risk of financial shortfalls."

Gifts to the fund will support Catholic Human and Social Services of the Diocese of Scranton in its efforts to serve the increasing number of people in need of help at this time at five food pantries in Carbondale, Hazleton, Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, kitchens in Scranton and Wilkes-Barre and three homeless shelters in Hazleton, Scranton and Wilkes-Barre.

The Coronavirus Emergency Fund also provides an opportunity to support emergency tuition assistance for Catholic school families and support for faculty and staff and contribute to any of the Diocese's 118 parishes that are struggling to pay their expenses with no public Masses scheduled.

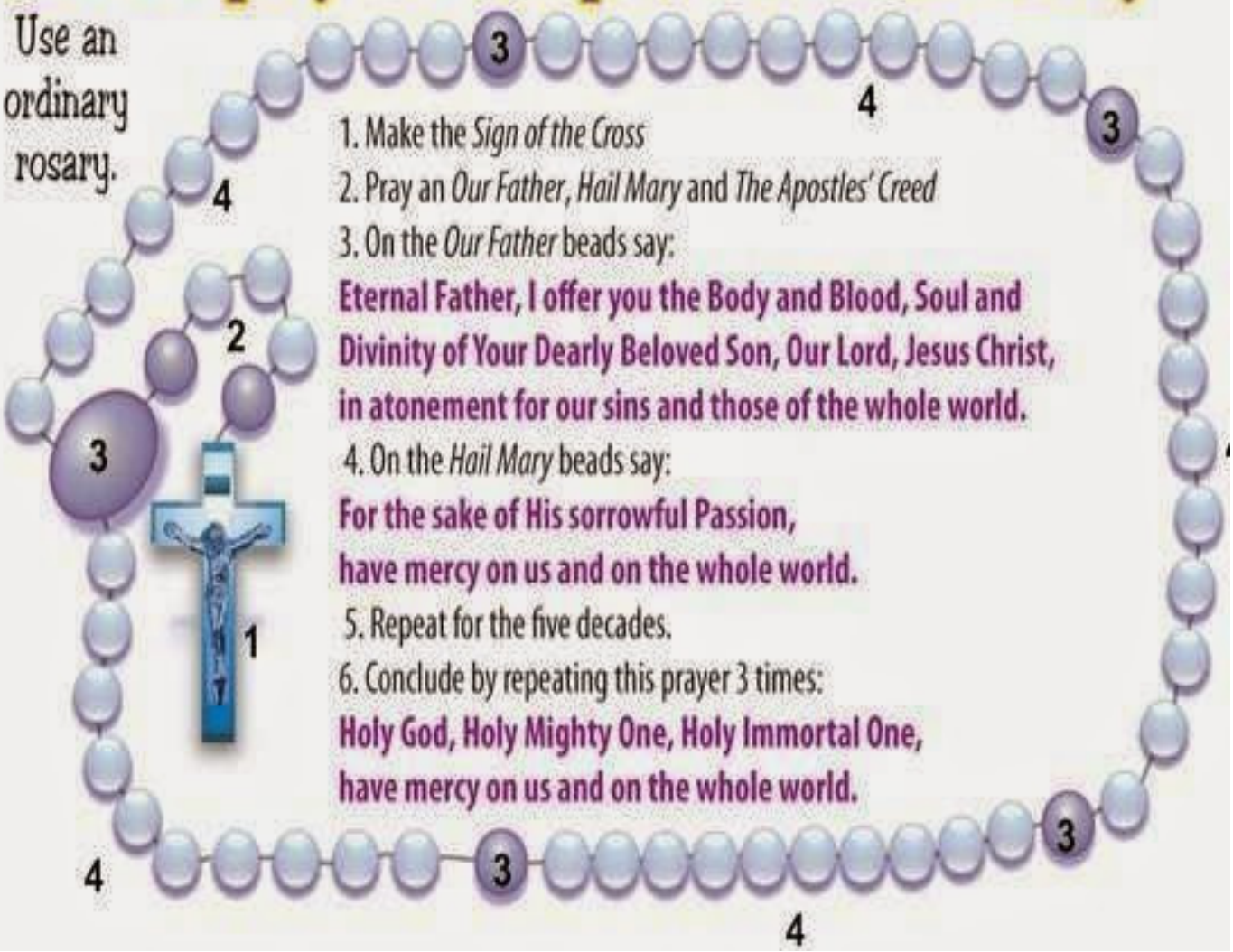
Interested donors are encouraged to make gifts to the Coronavirus Emergency Fund online at www.dioceseofscranton.org/emergencyfund.

If donors prefer, they can mail gifts to Coronavirus Emergency Fund, Diocese of Scranton, 300 Wyoming Ave., Scranton, PA 18503. Checks should be made to the Diocese of Scranton and list the gift designation – either the parish name, Catholic Human and Social Service program or specific Catholic School they wish to support.

You can see Bishop Bambera's Video Announcing Coronavirus Emergency Fund at https://youtu.be/1LXaLrDWgmc .

How to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Use an ordinary rosary.



1. Make the *Sign of the Cross*
2. Pray an *Our Father*, *Hail Mary* and *The Apostles' Creed*
3. On the *Our Father* beads say:

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

4. On the *Hail Mary* beads say:

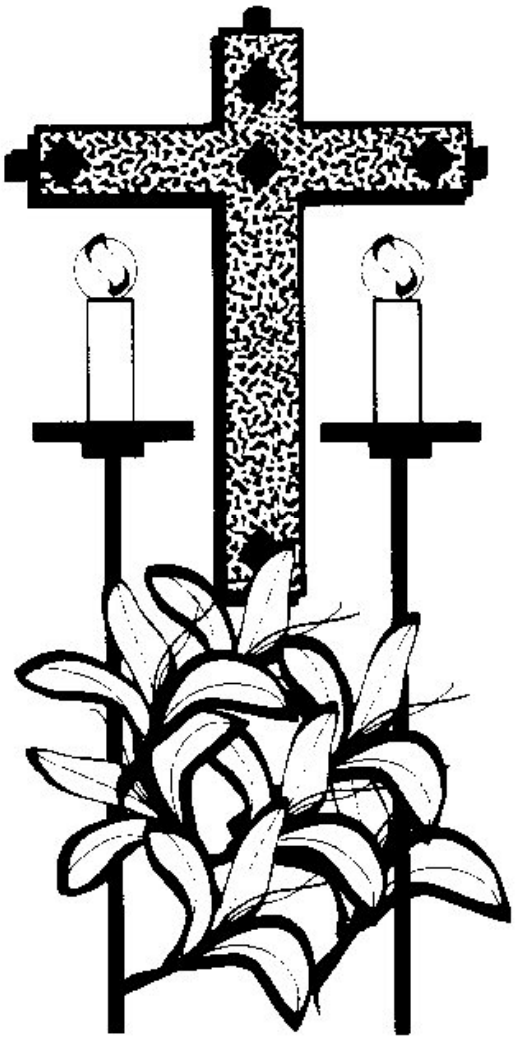
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

5. Repeat for the five decades.
6. Conclude by repeating this prayer 3 times:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

EASTER FLOWERS

Due to the Churches being closed and no Easter Services being held, we do not have flowers this year. If anyone would like their donation for flowers returned, we will reimburse you. That being said, we are considering these donations as general Easter Memorials this year.

Requested by:	***In Memory/Honor of:***
Bob & Maureen Allen	*- M/M Gerard Mahoney and M/M Robert Allen*
Gary & Helena Arbosheski	*- Ralph & Marie Gesford; Jean Grassman; Carol Mnahoncak; and Francis Lippe*
Louise Baker	*- Mom & Dad; Ed & Dave*
Joyce Barnum	*- Shaughnessy & Barnum Families*
Mary Jo & Joe Bayer	*-*
Bette Brown	*- Emery & Rose Bennett and Judy & Neal DeAngelo*
Ken & Felicia Brown	*- Rita Pietrosanti; Frances & Ken Brown*
Frank & Helen Burns	*- M/M Francis H. Burns, Sr.; M/M Joseph McGowan; Joseph Mann; Walter Mann*
Joe Buttacavoli	*-*
John & Mary Butler	*-*
Martha Caganek	*- Joseph Caganek*
Dave & Rosemary Calabretta	*- Deceased Members of the Caufield, Murphy, Calabretta & Alexander Families*
Alice & Elton Carr	*- Agnes Jones and Margaret Coolbaugh*
Kay Caspersen	*- Betty Freres*
Denny Coleman	*- Dad & Bill; Mary Ellen Conboy; Tom Golden*
G.A. Coleman	*- Chris & Bill Coleman; Chris Sr. & Cecilia Coleman; William & Stella Bomberski*
Frank Conboy	*- Conboy Family*
James Curley	*-*
Tom Curley	*-*
Bub & Dawn Davis	*- Helen M. Davis; A.M. Davis; Grace Adamson; and John Atkinson*
Dan & Rose Devine	*-*
Michael & Barbara Dovin	*- Henry & Martha Chesnick; Michael & Theresa Dovin; James & Elaine Chesnick; and Msgr. Stanley Piorkowski*
M/M Walter Drab	*-*
Elizabeth Fancher	*-*
Nancy Fike	*- Parents; Bill & Marge Brod*
Helena Flaherty	*-*
Margaret Flaherty	*- Edward & Mae Haley; James Golden; Mae Golden; Mary Ellen Flaherty Griffin; Flaherty Families*
Thomas Flaherty	*- Joseph & Cecilia Degnan; Frank & Mary Ellen Golden; Larry Flaherty; Jim Flaherty*
Shirley Flynn	*- Ambrose, Rita, John Flynn; Gerald, Anthony, Joseph, Jane Flynn; Mildred Condon; Carol Jones*
Brian Gardner	*-*
Dennis & Deb Garges	*- Dad & Kay; Deana Garges; Ralph Warner; Byron & Francis Jacobs; Catherine Huthinson*
Karen Glowa	*- John Fredendall Family; Mike & Regina Glowa; Father Vincent Langan*
Barb Gow	*- James Gow; Chad Henry; Paula Theisen; Frederick Theisen*
Donald J. Griffin	*- Mary Ellen Flaherty Griffin*
Mike & Mary Ellen Griffin	*- Richard & Rita O'Reilly; Joe & Helen Griffin; Matt Fearnley*
Loretta Guiton	*- Leo Guiton*
Jim & Mary Lou Harasymczuk	*-*
Gary & Betty Ellen Hardy	*- M/M Edward Golden; M/M Jack Hardy; Jim & Betty Golden; Jerome Ryan*
Anne Hawley	*- The Hawley Family*
Diane & Matt Holleran	*- Robert & Betty Holleran; John Lannon; Elihu Payne*
Heidi Jaeger	*- Peter Jaeger; Juliana von Oeurtzen; Martha Breintendbach*
The Kaminski Family	*- The Kaminski Family*
Katherine Keenan	*- Jim, Bob & Anna Mae Keenan; Frank, John, Marguerite Kinney; Gram, Gramma, Grampa; Fr. Vince, Fr. Huntsman, Romie, Rosemary, Bill, Mrs. Huntsman, Grove, Willy, Jim & Paul, Sr.*
Shirley Kelly	*- Leo & Peg Kelly*
The Kneppers	*-*
Chuck & Sandy Kotch	*- Irene & George Kotch; McWilliams, Kotch & Guhl Family Members; Steve Ambrose; Walter O'Rurke*
Jack & Vicky Kozic	*- Kozic, Reed, Russell & Hall Families*

Nancy Lamberty	*-*
Randy & Mary Long	*- Long & Guiton Families*
Megan Lynch	*- Nancy Lynch*
Les, Ann, Nate, Nick Major	*- James LaMarca; Muriel Major; Ann Marie Rapano; Stephen Major*
James Malenda	*- George & Helen Malenda; Al & June Fraser*
Richard & Mary K. Manjerovic	*-*
Bill & Mary Lou Martin	*- Martin & Purtell Families*
Phyllis McNamara	*-*
P & K Mordovancey Family	*- John & Anne Pollock; Joseph & Rita Mordovancey; Michael Pollock; Jeremiah Pollock; Al & Jane McCarthy*
John Mulrooney	*-*
Theresa & Bill Noldy	*- John & Sophie Glenn; Rudolph & Berenice Noldy; John Glenn; Frank Padula; Mary & Joseph Drobish*
Dora & Frank Pawlowski	*- Eleanor & Albert Coles; Donna Coles; Mary & Frank Pawlowski*
Julie Perlick	*- Frank Perlick*
Rosalynd Perlick	*- Frank Perlick*
Bill & Barb Pichette	*- Albert Pichette; Margaret Pichette; Charles Borsavage; Julie Borsavage*
Joe Purr	*- Deceased Family & Friends*
Hedi Randall	*- Charles Randall and Jonathan Randall*
Greg & Jenn Rebello	*- Rich & Jean Rebello*
Bob & Susie Reichlen	*- All Deceased Members of the Reichlen & Smith Families*
Kathleen Sventek	*-*
The Tims Family	*- Bill Griffin & Donnie Butler*
Art & Maryann Trecoske	*- Family & Friends of the Trecoske Family*
The Volk Family	*- John Fredendall; Leo Curley; Jack & Louise Curley; John Fredendall, Sr.*
Jeff & Rosanne Williams	*- Joan G. Williams and Mary Ellen Flaherty Griffin*
Jim & Susanne Wolf	*- Our Parents*
Ann Zalepa	*- Anna Phillips and Olga Shinn*
Bill & Dawn Zalewski	*- Bernard & Julius Zalewski; Victoria Zalewski; Bernard Joseph Zalewski*