

**MAY 10, 2020**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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*Happy Mother's Day*



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**OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday – Thursday 8:30 am to 12:00 pm**  
**1 pm to 4:30 pm CLOSED FRIDAY**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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**CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST**  
**DAILY MASS**

**Monday 10:00 am at Senior Living Centers**

Consult bulletin for locations

**Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am (in the chapel)**

**Friday, Liturgy of the Word, with Communion**

Consult bulletin for changes

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Sunday: 8:15 & 10:30 am**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Every Wednesday, 7:00-8:00 pm**

**Sunday, 9:30-10:15 am or by appointment**

**HOLY HOUR**

**Wednesday, 6:00-7:00 pm**



My Dear People,

It is safe to say that the “Western world” is built on two central pillars: Judeo-Christian values and Greco-Roman culture. Of the best gifts of our Greco-Roman inheritance is the wisdom of ancient Greek philosophy, from Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle. We may not necessarily be familiar with the exact things they taught, but their wisdom has been the foundation of many of our greatest human achievements. What then was the seed of this advancement born in ancient Greece? The experience of *wonder*. They marveled in awe at the world around them and this made them begin to *realize that they knew very little in fact*. The ancient Greeks were not Christians obviously, Christ was not yet born, nor were they Jews who worshipped the true God. They were pagans. But from the early ages of the Church, Christians realized that this Greek Philosophy could be a gateway to understanding our Faith more deeply and to explaining it to those who approach it from different backgrounds. Wonder can lead us to God.

The ‘womb’ of wonder is a source, not only of natural wisdom which gives birth to a development of our intellect and reason, but a tool of God’s grace. One of the devil’s quite effective weapons is to prevent people from ever thinking seriously about things or ‘stepping back’ and begin to ask serious, maybe even uncomfortable questions. He wants to make sure we are perpetually distracted with things or engrossed in emotions like gerbils on a wheel. It’s also true that ‘the idle mind is the devil’s workshop’. I’m not contradicting that either! We do need to keep busy. But this busyness is good mainly when our priorities are ordered towards God. We have to know where we are going and how to get there.

The imposed quarantine, even if it causes obvious problems, is also something God wants to use to get us to think and ask serious questions.

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**ALL MASSES ARE SUSPENDED**

*The priests are saying Mass every day, privately, for the Mass intention. They are remembering each and every one of you in their prayers.*



Father Tedesche and Father Walter will be having their Sunday homilies recorded every week until we are back to public Masses. You can find them at 10:00 am each Sunday posted on our website and Facebook page.



**Eucharistic Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is scheduled as follows:**

**Sundays at:**

St. Michael, Newark ~9 am-Noon  
St. Michael, Lyons (SJW) ~9 am-11 am  
St. John, Clyde (SJW) ~11am-2 pm

**Tuesdays at:**

Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity,  
Wolcott ~ 6-8 pm

*To protect yourself and others, please wear a face mask*

**Confessions will be heard at St. Michael, Newark & St. John, Clyde Sunday from 11am until 12 noon in the sacristies.**

**Confessions will also be heard at Wolcott, St. Margaret Mary Tuesday from 7 pm until 8 pm in the crying room.**

Dear Parishioners of St. Michael's:

Now that we have closed our bookkeeping for April 2020, I wanted to give you a brief snapshot of our finances through the end of April that include the past 6 weeks of what I have called the COVID weeks. Many of you have not seen a financial update in the past few months, and really our Parish, and our Parish finances have reeled, just like our lives have.

Thankfully, our total parish finances have held up, this in part to some of the changes made in staffing and other areas going into the start of our budget year last July. The sale of the school helped cut out expenses that were burdening the parish with an empty building. We also at that time implemented a sharing of staff for faith formation with St. Joseph the Worker. Sadly, with the closing of mass for the past six weeks, we had to furlough our part time staff. This also has reduced expenses in the past six weeks. We all look forward to the time when we can all get back to normal to bring our Parishioners and our staff back to our Church and office.

Below are the highlights for the Collection side of our budget. This represents Parishioner contributions only:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>(Deficit/Surplus)</u>
Regular Sunday Offerings	\$ 281,250	\$263,950	\$ (17,300)
Holy Days	\$ 5,208	\$ 4,608	\$ (600)
Christmas	\$ 9,000	\$ 8,686	\$ (314)
Easter	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,770	\$ 2,770
<b>Total Collections</b>	<u>\$ 300,458</u>	<u>\$285,014</u>	<u>\$ (15,444)</u>

Below is the actual Total Operating Income and Expense for the Parish for the 10 Months ending April 30, 2020

	<u>Budget 4.30.20</u>	<u>Actual 4.30.20</u>	<u>(Deficit/Surplus)</u>
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 353,046	\$342,277	\$ (10,769)
Total Operating Expense	\$ 351,931	\$ 342,123	\$ (9,808)
Total Net from Operations:	<u>\$ 1,115</u>	<u>\$154</u>	

Lastly, I need to report that our **CMA deficit** stands at \$14,379. As in the past, if we do not make our goal, our Parish will need to make up the difference.

Thank you all who have been able to continue to contribute over the past six weeks while we have been unable to be together as a parish community. Your support that has poured in through your giving and your prayers has been a blessing to your Parish.


Mary Capone, Finance Director

*Fr. Walter's letter continued....*


even uncomfortable ones. Conversions happen this way. God wants to talk, but we need to listen. Try to use this time to open yourself to that and not only fill it with more distractions. Even if things begin to go back to normal, which we hope, it will be slow, we will still have time to think deeply.

Spring comes, also slowly, and reminds us of the wonder of nature's rebirth. Allow yourself to be in awe over this. The blossoming of a flower after winter is an *awesome* thing. Think about it. You don't need to reinvent philosophy by wondering, it's been done already. You can however embark on a serious journey of wisdom. Knowing you know little and you need God is a big step. Thirsting for His wisdom is another. Recognizing and seeing His hand in the world around you may not be considered a great human achievement by today's standards. In God's eyes, it is. I think His view is right in the end.

*Fr Walter*



Interested in serving on St Michael's Parish Council or know someone who may be interested? If so please call Katie at the Rectory with names and phone numbers. You will be contacted in the next few weeks. Drawings for three new council members is Pentecost Sunday. Council members serve a 3 year term.



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." — Jn 14:6-7

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## Esta Es Nuestra Iglesia

La Iglesia... No es la Iglesia del Papa Francisco ni del Obispo Matano ni de Padre Jesús. Todos formamos esta Iglesia; es nuestra Iglesia. Hoy en la segunda lectura, San Pedro dice que Cristo es la piedra angular y nosotros somos piedras vivas en este edificio--la Iglesia. Importante recordar es que dependemos de Cristo.

Si somos piedras vivas, yo creo que debemos estar atentos a la condición de la Iglesia, y estar listos a reparar, mantener y mejorar el edificio del cual somos una parte. No estoy hablando de lo material del edificio, sino de lo espiritual, del conocimiento de Jesucristo y el entendimiento de Dios, de la evangelización y el servicio a los demás. Nosotros, el pueblo de Dios, somos la Iglesia. Cada individuo puede moverse y servir en la Iglesia para que la Iglesia esté firme, activa, cumpliendo lo que Jesús había pedido de sus discípulos. En la Iglesia primitiva, los apóstoles se dieron cuenta que no pudieron hacer todo. Los miembros de la Iglesia escogieron de entre ellos hombres para servir las necesidades materiales de la gente. Todavía dentro de la Iglesia hay diáconos que deben estar al servicio a los demás. Pero, mis queridos hermanos y hermanas, mas importante son ustedes. ¿Cómo viven su fe? ¿Cómo están sirviendo a los demás? ¿Comparten su fe con su esposo(a), con sus hijos, con los con quienes trabajan, con otros familiares y amigos? Me parece que conversamos sobre cualquier cosa con los demás salvo nuestra fe y las cosas conectadas a ella.

¿Somos piedras vivas o muertas? Espero que podamos hacer la Iglesia fuerte por nuestra presencia y nuestra contribución de hacer por lo menos un ministerio. Cada uno puede hacer algo, usando sus dones, para construir una Iglesia para 2020. ¿Está usted siguiendo el camino de Jesús? Cristo nos invita seguirlo y hacer su Iglesia fuerte.

*Hermana Kay*



**Did you know that St. Michael Church has a Prayer Network?**

If you would like to join others in praying for special intentions that people request, you can be added to our email network or our phone network. Please contact June Sherman, by email at [june.sherman@dor.org](mailto:june.sherman@dor.org), if you would like your name added to either one. In the email to June, please include your phone number, your email address and which network you would like to be added to.

**Pray the Rosary together! Every Saturday at 9 AM**

Leave your prayer requests on the FaceBook page for St. Katharine Drexel Parish or email your prayer requests to Elena who will post them on FaceBook: [elena.cambio@dor.org](mailto:elena.cambio@dor.org)

We can pray for our intentions together each week, placing our trust in our Blessed Mother.

*O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.*





**Youth Groups and Sacramental preparation  
are canceled until further notice.**

## Family Ministry

**Gospel Reading** John 14:1-12 Jesus tells his disciples,  
"I am the way and the truth and the life."

Members of the same family often bear close resemblances to one another. Sometimes physical resemblances are shared within a family, but often the similarities are behavioral characteristics and mannerisms. We hear this observation affirmed through a number of common phrases: "He's a chip off the old block" or "She's her mother's daughter." Today's Gospel points to a mystery of faith that might be examined in light of these familial relationships. In Jesus we see and know the Father. Likewise, the Father is known through the life and work of the Son, Jesus.

Talk together as a family about whether people outside of your family recognize common traits of your family. Are there physical resemblances that people recognize and so know each individual as a member of your family? Are there mannerisms that are shared by members of your family? What are some common interests and work that people might associate with your family? As you read today's Gospel, John 14:1-12, keep in mind that members of the same family share many characteristics, even though each person in the family is an individual. What does Jesus tell his disciples about his relationship with the Father? The relationship between the Father and Jesus is so close that Jesus says that those who have seen and known Jesus have also seen and known the Father. Jesus promises his disciples that because of their faith in him and in the Father, they too will be able to do the work of the Father as Jesus did. End your discussion by praying together that others will recognize in your family the work of the Father. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.



*A Mother's Blessing  
Of all the special joys in life,  
the big ones and the small,  
a Mother's love and tenderness  
is the greatest of them all*

*Happy Mother's Day!*

To comply with government health regulations, Bishop Mattano has suspended all public Masses until further notice. The Parish Offices will not be physically accessible. However, our staff is still working, and all messages and emails will be promptly answered. St. Michael's Church in Newark and St. John's Church in Clyde will be open every day to personal prayer. Our parishes' bulletins are still being published and are available online and at the entrance of St. Michael's in Newark, St. John's in Clyde and St. Mary Magdalene's in Wolcott. By appointment, our priests are available for confessions and for pastoral visits in cases of necessity, especially regarding the anointing of the sick and the last sacraments. For more information, please visit any of our parishes' webpages or Facebook pages:

### St. Michael, Newark

Phone: 315-331-6753

Webpage: [www.stmichaelsnewark.org](http://www.stmichaelsnewark.org)

Facebook page: St. Michael Church, Newark NY

### St. Joseph the Worker

Phone: 315-902-4130

Webpage: [www.sainthoetheworker.org](http://www.sainthoetheworker.org)

Facebook page: St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Wayne County, New York

### The Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

Phone: 315-902-4130

Webpage: [www.ccblessdtrinity.org](http://www.ccblessdtrinity.org)

Facebook page: Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

If you know anyone or if you are seeking assistance for food, gas or utilities, please call our office number, 315-331-6753 and when prompted dial extension 104. Leave a brief message with your first and last name and phone number-repeat this information twice. Your call will be returned, as voicemails will be checked throughout the day.

*We Are Here For You!*

The Newark Food Cupboard at  
301 E. Miller St., Newark, is open Monday-Friday from 10 till noon. They are there to help you if you are in need of food.

**HELP** is needed at the Free Lunch Program at the Newark Emmanuel United Methodist Church. It has grown from helping 30 people to 100. They are in need of 25-50 sandwiches, any kind, Tuesday-Friday. If you are able to provide sandwiches, please drop them off using the ramp entrance. The address is 301 E. Miller Street, Newark. Please contact Rev. Della Ludwig by phone or text 315-597-3494 or by email [revdludwig@gmail.com](mailto:revdludwig@gmail.com) for more information.  
*Together we will get through this.*

**Newark Free Lunch Program needs you!**

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***To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven***

***"... a time to be born..."***

***"...a time to love..."***

***"... a time to be healed..."***

Please pray for the sick of our Parish.

*Steven Sapp, Leigh Ann Henry, Nate Barnes, Claire Childs, Kim Zielinski, Michael Kowaleski, Gretchen Switzer Bouwens, Mary Santoro, Cathy Wilhelm, David Murphy, Darlene Fletcher, Marie Wemesfelder, ET Trunick, Donald Pieters, Marcia Palermo, Jean Condit, Jerry Sielawa, Georgette Eagley, Mary Gilligan, Fran DeVelder, Mary Talbo, Ann Straight, Ivana Ernst, Jared & Jacob Gajan, Gloria Viola, Betty Howlett, Michael George & Pearl Johnson*

And please pray for our Parish friends. *Scott Weber, Richard Schweitz, Jr., Michael DePauw, Bonnie Crane, Tracy Diaz-Cruz, Barb Gallant, Ann Maliborski, Sherry Caughell, Tom DeYoung & Michael Bauer, Jr*

***"... a time to die..."***

***"... and a time for peace."***

In our world and for all people, military and civilian, who are in the midst of war. ***Ecclesiastes 3:11***



## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

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As of 4/30/20 more than **185** donors have given  
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**\$44,851.00.** *Thank you for your support.*

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  2. Follow the prompts.
  3. Click link to a simple form to complete basic information and provide credit/debit card Information to make the gift.
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