

EASTER SUNDAY

April 16, 2017

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 15 - 7:30 pm - Easter Vigil at Holy Cross

Sunday, April 16 - Easter - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, April 16 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Easter Sunday**

Sunday, April 16 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

Monday - 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul (NO Mass at Holy Cross)

Tuesday - 8 am at Holy Cross - Mass and Divine Mercy Chaplet
9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Wednesday - 8 am at Holy Cross - Mass & Divine Mercy Chaplet
9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Thursday - 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday, April 22 - 4:30 pm, Holy Cross

Sunday, April 23 - 7:45 am, Holy Cross

**Sunday, April 23 - 9:15 am, St. Martin's
Patricia Dembek by the family**

Sunday, April 23 - 10:45 am, Holy Cross

Weekly: \$787

Flowers: \$85

Second Collection this week is for Fuel

Second Collection next week is for Repair & Maintenance

Thank you to all who make up their envelopes for weekends missed due to vacation, illness or inclement weather.

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Gianna Howlett, Ruth Alie, Janet Clark, Marie Quader, Marie Jacques, Trey Niles, Margaret Murdock, Connie Hamel, Sandy Kulvete, Alice Ostrowski, Deb Nichols, Mary Amistadi, Dylan Murray, Anne Marie Beliveau, Alicia Wieszorek, Claudette Yackowski, Emma Blais, Angela Martin, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Come early, and join in praying the Rosary 20 minutes before Mass each Sunday.



**MAY THE PEACE AND JOY OF THIS DAY BE FOREVER
IN OUR HEARTS TO PASS ON TO ALL WE MEET. AND
MAY OUR RISEN LORD BLESS YOU AND YOUR LOVED
ONES ON THIS GLORIOUS EASTER DAY! ALLELUIA!**



Happy Easter!

DEANERY LENTEN PILGRIMAGE CONCLUDES ON APRIL 23

THEME: "LENT - A TIME OF REFLECTION"

The Deanery Pilgrimage will be completed on **Sunday, April 23, Divine Mercy Sunday**, at Annunciation Parish - Holy Rosary Church in Gardner. Come with us on our Lenten Retreat of Prayer and Devotion.

BLESSING OF THE AMBRY

Thank you to Jim Alie Jr. for using his talents to create an ambry to hold the Holy Oils. The ambry, crafted in memory of baby Jaylin Rose Johnson, was installed by the baptismal font and was blessed by Fr. Marcin at the Holy Thursday Mass. We thank God for his blessing of all our generous parishioners who are true stewards with their time, talent and treasure!

THANK YOU

Thank you to the parishioners — especially the children — who helped to clean the church in preparation for Holy Week and the Easter season. Special thanks to the talented parishioner who re-painted the statues of Mary, Joseph and the infant Jesus; they are now back in their places in the front of the church.

EGG HUNT TODAY - EASTER SUNDAY

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on the front lawn of the Rectory immediately after Mass on Easter Sunday.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

We will have a service at Holy Cross Church for Divine Mercy Sunday. It will begin at 2 pm with Adoration and Confession. At 3 pm, Divine Mercy Devotions will begin. There will be no Mass at this time.

EASTER PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Good and gracious heavenly Father,
we come before you on this Easter Sunday
with full and grateful hearts for the gift
of the Paschal Mystery that you showed us
in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son,
our brother by adoption, Jesus Christ.
Bless us and all those who profess belief in your saving love.
Bless also those who have yet to profess belief in you.
You are God for all.
We ask all this in Christ's name. Amen.*

REPAIRS, RENOVATIONS AND ENHANCEMENTS

Over the course of its 164 years, St. Martin's Church has undergone many changes — from the construction of the Sanctuary and bell tower to the installation of stained glass windows, padded kneelers, and Stations of the Cross. And as with any building, repairs, small and large, are an ongoing part of life.

In the months ahead, St. Martin's will be undergoing repairs and renovations — both to enhance our worship space and protect the church structure for many years to come. A capital campaign will be conducted to help finance the cost of this work. Details about the renovations, repairs and fund drive will be announced soon.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL

The 2017 Partners in Charity Annual Appeal is still in progress. If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider supporting the work of our Lord Jesus, made possible through the annual appeal.

Our parish goal is \$5,000. To date, St. Martin's has received donations and pledges totaling \$3,660, or 73% of our goal.



120 CLUB

Week 9 winner was #112, Matthew Denette Sr. There are open tickets; if you'd like to join, speak to Pat Gale or Linda Columbus after Mass.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER

Cub Scout Pack 27 will hold a spaghetti supper on April 22 from 5:30 - 7:00 pm in the Holy Cross Church hall. Adults: \$8, kids: \$6.

ROSARY SODALITY YARD SALE/VENDOR SALE

April 29, 9 am - 2 pm, in Holy Cross Hall. Household Treasures, Crafts and Home Based Business Products will be featured. There will also be a Bake Sale and Chinese Auction. Lunch will be served!

SPRING BUFFET IN WESTMINSTER

A Spring Buffet will be held on Saturday, April 29 from 5 - 7 pm at St. Edward the Confessor Church Hall, 10 Church St., Westminster. Menu includes Pulled pork, hot dogs, sausage and pepper, potato salad, cole slaw, baked beans and dessert. \$10/adult; \$5 per child under 12 and children under 6 eat free. Tickets will be available at the door. For more information call Wendy at 978-874-0767.

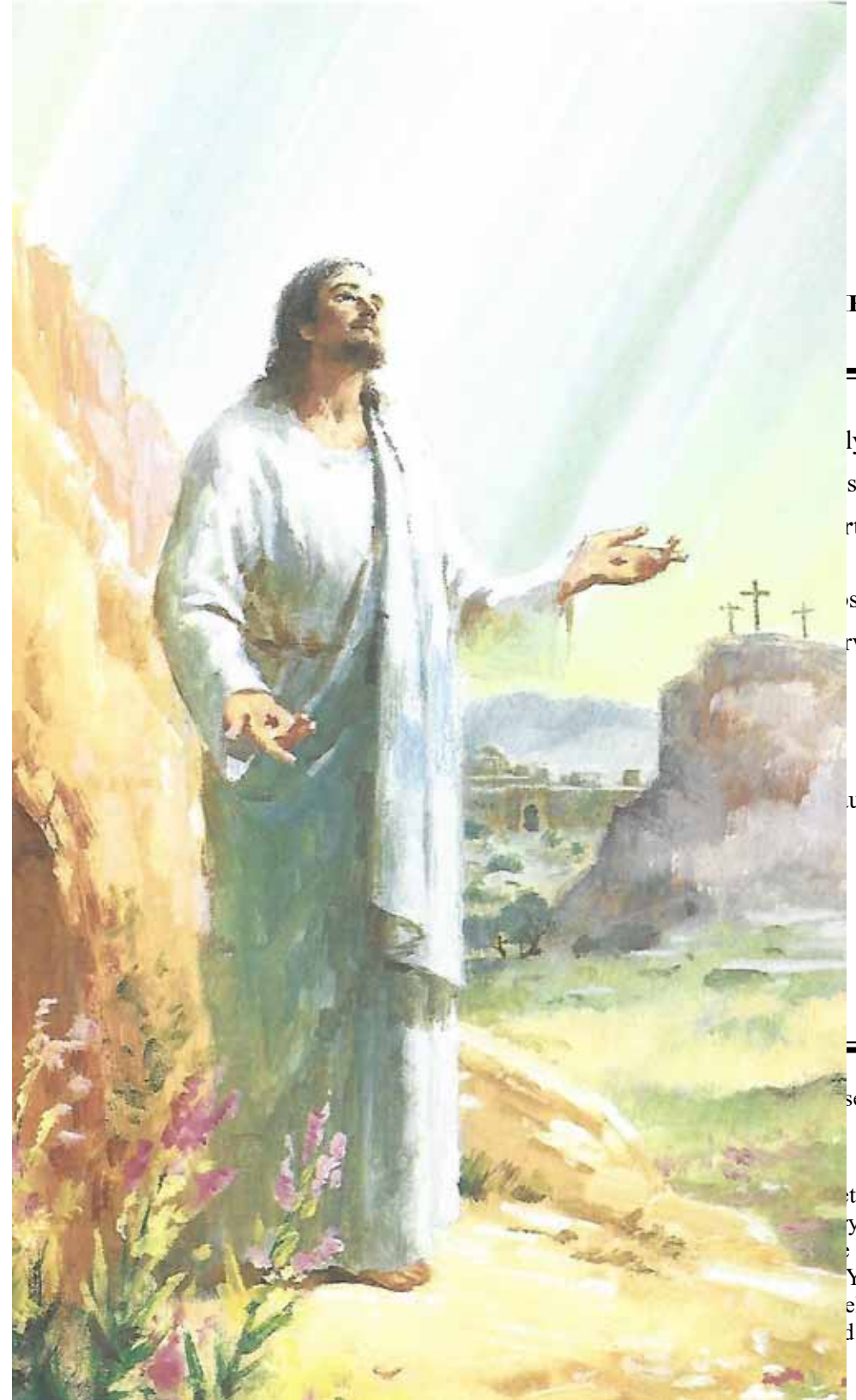
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