



**Angelus Letter
6 April 2023
LETTER #218
Maundy Thursday**

Dear Parish Family,

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THIS WEEKEND

Maundy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 p.m. with Fr. Bozek
Adoration - following Mass until 11 p.m.

Good Friday

Family Stations of the Cross at Noon
The Passion of Our Lord at 3 p.m. with Fr. Valencheck

Holy Saturday

Blessing of the Foods at 1 p.m.
Easter Vigil at 9 p.m. with Fr. Valencheck

Easter Sunday

Mass at 9 a.m. with Fr. Bozek
Mass at 11 a.m. with Fr. Valencheck
Mass (Extraordinary Form) at 1 p.m. with Fr. Bede OSB

Please note the changes to our regular schedule during the Triduum. There are no confessions on Friday or Saturday this week.

There will be adoration tonight following Mass until 11 p.m.

Parish offices will be **closed** Friday, April 7 through Monday, April 10. The parish office will re-open at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 11.

CONSTRUCTION NEWS

There should be no new construction work on Mull Avenue for Easter weekend. It is anticipated that Mull will be open for both traffic and parking in front of the church.

On Good Friday, work is expected to begin (dependent upon weather) on the school courtyard brick drive. This will not impede your walk from the brick parking lot to the church if you should park there.

This past Tuesday we had a team on our church roof sending a camera down our eight downspouts that are contained within the walls of the church to determine what shape they are in. The leak that had been plaguing us over the past few months was caused by one of these interior pipes leaking. Our plan now is to look at all of them to make sure that they are sound or if they will need repairs. More on that when a report is made to the parish.

During the two windstorms we had recently, we lost part of our beautiful magnolia tree that sits right outside of the Early Learning Center. Electricity also went out in the middle of Mass on Monday causing the live stream to cut out.

PASCHAL CANDLE

If you get the chance, take a look at our new Paschal Candle decorated by Carley Palitano. Decorating was done instead of just buying a mass-produced one. (See "Forgotten Cabinet" below.) My favorite moment was showing it to some of our servers and hearing all of them exclaiming, "Wow!"

TOMB DISPLAY

Terry Tolson created a new Tomb Display for the parish that you can find in the Padre Pio Chapel (the old baptistery). Through Maundy Thursday, it will be possible to see the statue of the Corpus of Christ inside of it. On Good Friday, the stone will be rolled across and then on Easter, the stone will be rolled back showing an empty tomb. There is also an opportunity to write prayers and place them into the cracks in between the bricks not unlike what is done at the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem. After Easter, the paper prayers will be collected and burned.

BLESSING OF FOODS

On Holy Saturday, there will be the traditional Blessing of Foods at 1:00 p.m. The custom of blessing food for Easter arose from the discipline of fasting throughout Lent and the special Easter fast during the Easter Triduum. Easter was the first day when meat, eggs, and other foods could be eaten again. According to custom, food may be blessed on Holy Saturday for consumption at the first meals on Easter, when fasting is ended and the Church is filled with joy.

Baskets can be very simple (our family only had what we would eat as first bites on Easter morning) or they can be quite elaborate (some people bring everything for their first dinner) and Easter Baskets can also be brought. Find more information [HERE](#) or [HERE](#).

NO FIRST FRIDAY CHAPLET

No first Friday Chaplet this month, but the members of Our Mother's Hands would like to remind everyone that the Divine Mercy Novena begins that day.

NEW SERVERS

Say a prayer for our new servers as they begin their ministry on our sanctuary!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

So far this year we have had 283 participants in the Catholic Charities Campaign, which represents about 18% of our households. Currently we are at 86% of our goal. You may be receiving follow up letters at home soon.

JOAN OF B'ARC IS GETTING BIGGER!

Something to brighten your Holy Week





FROM THE FORGOTTEN CABINET

Everything has a beginning. Above, you read about our new Paschal Candle which we purchased from the A. I. Root Candle Company in Medina. This week we find out that the parish has been using Root Candles since about 1930 as evidenced by this letter written to the Rev. Hilary Zwisler in September 17, 1930:

The A. I. ROOT COMPANY
Beekeepers and Supplies
Honey
Established 1869

Reverend and dear Sir:

The writer has just become associated with The A. I. Root Company of Medina, Ohio, who, for sixty-five years, have been one of the world's largest producers of honey, bee products and beeswax. Owing to the fact that the Root Company have a large over supply of beeswax and will continue to have a large over supply of beeswax, they have embarked into the church candle goods business. The Root Company have obtained a patent for making a 100% pure beeswax candle, manufactured of pure sheeted beeswax, a very beautiful candle, indeed, with all the wonderful aroma of the pure beeswax. We hope to obtain the approbation of the Bishop of Cleveland, for this new product. I would like the opportunity, therefore, of calling on you in the not distant future and of presenting some samples of our pure beeswax candles and of going over our proposition in detail, for which I will be very grateful.

Yours sincerely,

V. G. Walsh

Ten days later, Fr. Zwisler made reply:

Attention: Mr. Victor Walsh

Dear friend:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your communication of September 17th, concerning your beeswax candles. We were aware that the Root Co. was going into this business. Father Brissel and the writer had the pleasure of a visit through their extensive plant last spring. At that time, Mr. Root was experimenting with the candles. We had been wondering since what progress had been made.

We are naturally interested in candles and must buy from time to time. We shall be glad to have you call and go over your proposition with you.

With personal best wishes, I am,

Your very truly,

Rev. H. Zwisler
pastor

All of our candles are still from the A. I. Root Company. A number of years ago, our church was featured in their catalogue. The candles are no longer 100% beeswax now as that became too expensive to produce. Our current candles are 51% beeswax. They are wonderful candles and serve the parish well.

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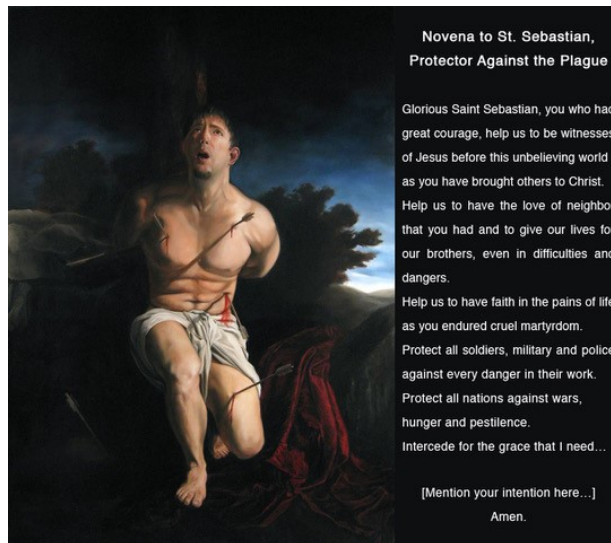
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep all of our sick and distressed in your prayers:

Annette Bailey, Jill Buffa, Regina Buhalak, Dan Canale, Christopher Casey, Emilio Cheuy, Jo Cooney, Nancy Cotter, Anthony D'Attoma, Tammy Davis, Marjorie DeLuca, Mary Pat Doorley, Rosemarie George, Rita Buhalak Gossford, Bill Heising, Robert Hickey, John and Terry Hogan, Ann Hubiak, Carson Hutzell, James Hutzell, Carolyn Jeske, Janet Kendrick, Candace Kidd, Fred Kovacic, Jean Labate, Frank Livigni, Mary Loftus, John Marckel, Myrna Marple, Marlene McFadden, Don Matis, Ken Minrovic, Betty O'Hara, Julius Peters, Beverly & Mike Preston, Bob Rader, Mary Ricks, Aaron Salisbury, Ann Sandvick, Betty Sarich, Denise Schmidt, Michael Schnetzer, Cory Schulz, Tom Smith, Keith Wisberger and Ann Zsembik.

God bless you,

Fr. Valencheck
St. Sebastian, pray for us.



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