



**Angelus Letter  
4 April 2024  
LETTER #269  
Thursday within the Octave of Easter**

Dear Parish Family,

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THIS WEEKEND**

**Friday Mass at 8 a.m. with Fr. Valencheck  
Friday Confessions from 4 to 5 p.m.**

**Saturday Mass at 8 a.m. with Fr. Bozek  
Saturday Confessions from 9:30 to 10 a.m.  
Saturday Vigil Mass\* at 4:30 p.m. with Fr. Valencheck**

**Sunday Mass\* at 9 a.m. with Fr. Valencheck  
Sunday Mass\* at 11 a.m. with Fr. Bozek**

**\*The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed after each of these Masses.**

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

This weekend we will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed after all Masses this weekend. There is an indulgence available this weekend. You can read the papal decree [HERE](#) or you can read more about it and learn how to pray the chaplet on the Hallow App website [HERE](#).

**ONLY AT ST. SEBASTIAN PARISH IN AKRON, OHIO**

Just to point it out, there are several experiences available to us during our Lenten and now Easter seasons that could only be had at your parish. Of course, there were the paintings of "The Placing of Christ in the Tomb" by Ukrainian artist Litvinov Oleg Arkadievich, and the paintings of the Crucifixion and the Resurrection of Christ by Pennsylvania artist Eric Armusik. Local artist Carly Politano once again hand painted our unique Paschal candle.

Terry Tolson created our Tomb scene, which she pulled together last year from scratch. The "Passion Clock" was made for our parish to make us mindful of the events in Our Lord's life from the Passover Meal to His Death. Karen Spangler and Carly Politano made our vestments, and all of this was accompanied by our custom pipe organ in a building designed by Akron native Robert Kraus.

**EVENTS & HAPPENINGS ABOUT WHICH TO BE AWARE**

**April 5th - Dr. Peter Kreeft** - Speaking to young adults in the church at 7 p.m. Admission is \$10.

**April 6th - Dr. Peter Kreeft** – Speaker for the West Side Catholic Couples gathering beginning at 9 a.m. and is open to all in the Church. Admission is \$25 per person

**April 6th - Chesterton Academy Fundraiser** - In Zwisler Hall

**April 7th - Pitch Blend Barbershop Quartet** - Coffee House Concert in Zwisler Hall at 4 p.m.

**April 8th - Solar Eclipse** - Mass at 8 a.m. Parish offices closed this day.

**April 13th - Diaconate Ordination** - The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist at 10 a.m. All are invited to attend when Mr. Ryan Arto and his classmates are ordained transitional deacons, on their way to becoming priests for the Diocese of Cleveland.

**April 20th - The St. Sebastian Spectacular!** - Zwisler Hall

**The weekend of April 20/21 is "Deacon" Arto's final weekend.** There will be a reception after Sunday's 11 a.m. Mass in Zwisler Hall

**PICTURES**

The first picture is of "the boys" decorating Easter eggs: from the left, seminarian Christopher Villarreal, intern Ryan Arto, seminarian John Scantling and Fr. Christopher Trenta.

The second picture is of the painting of the Resurrection by Eric Armusik and Easter decorations by our Art and Environment Ministry Chair Terry Tolson.

Next is our new Paschal Candle painted by Carly Politano.

The final picture was taken by Karen Spangler of the blessing of the Easter Fire before the Holy Saturday Mass.







### FROM THE FORGOTTEN CABINET

The 1950 School Board folder is profoundly uninteresting. This did allow me to notice the tag line under the Diocesan School News banner which wonderfully states, "True education . . . is . . . wholly directed towards man's last end." Pius XI

Other than that, around Christmas was printed some recipes for sweets and snacks that the writer hoped would be healthier for children. I wonder what a modern nutritionist would say. Here are the recipes:

**POPCORN BALLS:** Pop about four quarts of corn and then place in a saucepan:

- 3/4 cup brown sugar
- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 1/2 cup molasses
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 Tablespoon vinegar
- 2 Tablespoons of butter

Cook without stirring until the mixture forms a hard ball when dropped into cold water. Add 1/4 teaspoon soda. Pour the syrup over the popcorn and mix well. When cool enough to handle, form into ball.

**DATE SHIPS:** Stuff dates with peanut butter and insert halves of peanuts for sails.

**HONEY MILK BALLS:**

- 1 Tablespoon honey
- 4 Tablespoons peanut butter
- 1/2 cup dry skim milk
- 1/4 cup wheat flakes, crushed

Mix honey and peanut butter. Gradually add dry skim milk, mixing well. Form into balls with greased hands. Roll in wheat flakes. Chill until firm. Makes 18 balls.

**GOLDEN SANDWICHES:** Place half a marshmallow between halves of dried apricots.

**PEANUT BUTTER RAISIN BALLS:**

- 1 cup peanut butter
- 1/2 cup powdered sugar
- 1/2 cup dry skim milk
- 2 cups seeded raisins
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- Granulated sugar

Put the raisins through the food grinder. Mix the peanut butter, powdered sugar, and dry skim milk. Add the raisins and vanilla. Moisten with enough liquid so the mixture will hold its shape when formed into small balls. Roll the balls in granulated sugar. Using the chunky style peanut butter or adding chopped nuts makes a tasty variation.

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### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep all our sick and distressed in your prayers:

Julie Acus, Gary Arman, Annette Bailey, Irene Berger, Jill Buffa, John Buhalak, Regina Buhalak, Christopher

Casey, Emilio Cheuy, Jo Cooney, Nancy Cotter, Peggy Jo Cybulski, Anthony D'Attoma, Marjorie DeLuca, Mary Katherine Dennis, Deanna Ferris, Kaylee Gains, Rosemarie George, Kenneth Gessford, Rita Buhalak Gessford, John and Terry Hogan, Ann Hubiak, Carson Hutzell, James Hutzell, Carolyn Jeske, Charise Kasper, Janet Kendrick, Candace Kidd, Fred Kovacic, Jean Labate, Frank Livigni, Mary Loftus, Myrna Marple, Don Matis, Ken Minrovic, Toni Morlan, Betty O'Hara, Ronald O'Hearn, Beverly & Mike Preston, Bob Rader, Mary Ricks, Jeanne Sabet, Aaron Salisbury, Betty Sarich, Kim Sarich, Denise Schmidt, Michael Schnetzer, Cory Schulz, Tom Smith, Oscar Teves, Brian Walsh, Keith Wisberger and Ann Zsembik.

God bless you,

Fr. Valencheck

St. Sebastian, pray for us.

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