

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

9 APRIL 2023

Readings for April 9: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9.

On this day of days we offer a joyful sacrifice of praise to the Father who raised his Son from the dead. Let us be intent upon the life Christ offers us, Christ our Passover who has been sacrificed.

Readings for April 16: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31.



St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Special Day of Prayer is Wednesday. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday after 9:00 A.M. Mass to 5:00 PM in the Church. Benediction at 5:00 PM.



<u>Date</u>		<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
10 Apr.	MON.	9:00 AM	Roger Villano
11 Apr.	TUE.	9:00 AM	Wife & family
12 Apr.	WED.	9:00 AM	Timothy O'Brien
13 Apr.	THU.	9:00 AM	Msgr. Richard Wright
15 Apr.	SAT.	4:00 PM	Michael DeLorenzo
16 Apr.	SUN.	9:00 AM	Robert & Joan Sabo
			Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish



ETERNAL REST grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.
PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING of the parish especially those in homes and hospitals.
REMEMBER OUR TROOPS: Pray that God will bless and protect our young men and women in the military.

WOMEN'S SOCIETY MEETING on Thursday, April 13 at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall. Hostess: Melanie Warzeski.



THE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP leads the recitation of the Rosary before the 9:00 AM Mass every Sunday. They also pray the Rosary before the 9:00 AM weekday Masses. All are welcome to join them.



AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES on April 17 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment.

The Corner

"On entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, 'Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; He is not here.'" —Mark 16:5-6

Christ's Resurrection from the dead gives us our ultimate hope. We cannot call ourselves Christian if we are "hopeless," for our hope is truly in Christ and our everlasting life with Him in Heaven.

Collections

thank you

DEPOSIT FOR APRIL 2, 2023. \$
 2022-2023 Year to Date Collections. \$
 2021-2022 Year to Date Collections. \$
 Figures from the April 2 Collection will be printed in the April 16 Bulletin.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL is a time for our parish to extend our love, generosity, and concern for those who need it most. When you

give to the Appeal, your gift is transformed into hope, providing education, food, shelter, and medical assistance to our brothers and sisters and neighbors in the Greater Philadelphia Area. To make your donation use the envelope mailed to your home or go to www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org.

2022 CHURCH CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS - Requests can be made by email at contact@sgsm62.org or by phone at 610-326-5127. Statements are available for registered parishioners (those who receive and use their church envelopes).



PARISH LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET based on the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Winning ticket number must be the exact number drawn for the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Tickets are \$5.00 each

and are sold on a monthly basis. The prize for the winning ticket is \$50.00 on weekdays and \$100.00 on Sundays and one specially-designated weekday. **This is our major fundraiser for the parish. We encourage each family to purchase at least one ticket each month. Your support is greatly appreciated.**

"ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK"

ST. GABRIEL LODGE
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CONSIDER REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.
 Call the Parish Office for more details.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - April 15 & 16

4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Warzeski

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Tammaro & Tammaro; Choir, Bracaglia

Altar Server - Vitacco

Greeter - Wade

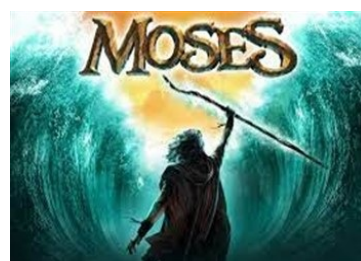
9:00 AM Mass

Lector - LaRosa

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon;; Break, Vitacco & Carr

Altar Server - Griffin

Greeter -Hildebrand



BUS TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND TO SEE MOSES

on Tuesday, May 23. Join us for a fun-filled day as we travel to Sight & Sound in Lancaster to see *Moses* and have a great

family-style lunch prior to the show at Hometown Kitchen. Cost is \$143.00 per person - includes round trip via Perkiomen Tours, Lunch at Hometown Kitchen, taxes and gratuity for lunch and the show. Bus leaves from St. Gabriel Church at 10:30 AM. Lunch at 11:45 AM. Show at 3:00 PM. Return to St. Gabriel Church at 7:00 PM. Reservations must be made and paid in full by Tuesday, April 11. For reservations contact Kathy Bernhard (kbernhard@sgsm62.org or 610-326-5127).

VOCAION PRAYER

God our Father,
 in Your plan for our salvation
 You provide shepherds for Your people. Fill Your Church in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, especially St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish, with the Spirit of courage and love.
 Raise up from our families future priests: worthy ministers for Your altars, generous and ardent servants of the Gospel.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.



The annual Clergy Convocation is a time to gather with brother priests and the archbishop. It is a time of fraternity and mutual support. There are a number of presentations, discussions, and, of course, shared meals. This year's gathering took place down the shore in Cape May and its theme centered on the topic of our current and (hopefully) on-going Revival of that which is the "Source and Summit" of everything that we do as Church. Many

are not sure or have forgotten what that oh so important "Source and Summit" is and thus, the reason for a Revival and our conference theme. Now getting to Cape May from here is a bit like *Gilligan's Island*. It's a three hour tour. *Aarrgh!* One can save time by using the expressway, but I wanted to relax taking the scenic route, i.e., the back roads. The ride down was long, but uneventful. The Skipper would have been pleased. The return trip was a different story little buddy.



Remember the old days and paper maps? Now, we rely on GPS and a voice that tells you where to turn and approximates very closely your ETA. GPS uses satellite technology and algorithms. I think I broke the algorithm. On the ride down, I followed "her" directions exactly, because I wasn't quite sure of my way and I wanted to arrive on time. Although,



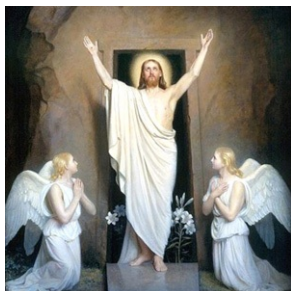
programmed for "no tolls or highways," my GPS girl wound-up taking me on a highway route for a time. Apparently, algorithms are set with the quickest route...even the "quickest" back roads. I realized this on my return trip when I had a better idea of the route that I wanted to take. Miss Algorithm was simply beside herself. *Recalculating...recalculating.* At one point, she had me looping up around Newark and then back down to South Jersey. I wasn't lost..."she" was! It's not *always* about the shortest route,

nor is it about going some two hundred miles out of one's way like some reenactment of the desert wandering! That's soooo Lent! But now, it's Easter! And Easter is about the journey of Resurrection that now begins. Despite drivers that might be on your bumper for some twenty miles, despite birds blocking the roadway and state troopers that come *this close* to pulling you over, the journey is well worth it, because at the end, finally, you arrive home! That's when *aarrgh* becomes *aaahhh* and the bottle of wine gets uncorked. The same is true for us as Church. We need to break the algorithm, slow down just a bit, and go a different route – just as Jesus, Himself, did. The Easter Season now begins. Be sure to slow down just a bit and take the most Scenic Route of Resurrection!



Peace!

Fr. Wilson



A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
FROM FATHER WILSON AND THE PARISH STAFF!