



Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse

Eastern Pastoral Care Area 4

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St. Joan of Arc, St. Bernard, St. Mary, St. Joseph

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 27th, 2022

Masses this Week:

Sat., Mar. 26, 4 PM, Vigil – St. Joan's

Brooks Family by Phyllis & Wayne Stoker

Francis Bombard, Jr. by Elaine Gray

5:30PM, Vigil – St. Joseph's

The People of the Parishes

Sun., Mar. 27, 9 AM – St. Bernard's Communion Service (L-s)

Charles Gallagher, Jr. by Family

11 AM – St. Mary's (L-s)

Rose & Dee Warren by Denise McKaig & Family

8:30 PM – Colgate's Memorial Chapel

Mon., Mar. 28, 8 AM – St. Bernard's

Carter Stephenson by Lurena McNamara

Tues., Mar. 29, 8 AM – St. Mary's

Gladys Graham & Dorothy Marshall Woody & Lorrie Withers

Wed., Mar. 30, 8 AM – St. Bernard's

Edward Carter Stephenson by Family

Thurs., Mar. 31, 8 AM – St. Mary's

Ronald Wright & Gladys Graham by St. Mary's Parish Family

Sat., Apr. 2, 4 PM, Vigil – St. Joan's

The People of the Parishes

Kathy Scofield by The Brooks Family

5:30PM, Vigil – St. Joseph's

Betty Jean Johnson & Deceased Members of the

Huntley Family by Renay Mills

Sun., Apr. 3, 9 AM – St. Bernard's (L-s)

Ed Stephenson by Tom & Kate McNamara and Family

11 AM – St. Mary's Communion Service (L-s)

Steven Barrett by Kathy Barrett

8:30 PM – Colgate's Memorial Chapel

This Week's Events

Fri., Mar. 25, – 8am-8pm – PCA All-Day Rosary Rally,

All four churches

Sat., Mar. 26, 9am – Ignite Catholic Men's Conference

Sun., Mar. 27, Rescheduled from March 13th:

9:45am – Family Catechesis in Hamilton

10am – Family Catechesis in Waterville

7pm – AA Meeting, St. Joan's

Mon., Mar. 28, 6:30pm – Route20 Cemetery Association Mtg.,
St. Bernard's

Wed., Mar. 30, 6:30pm – Stations of the Cross, St. Mary's

7pm – PCA Lenten Adult FF Series, St. Mary's

7pm – AA Meeting, St. Bernard's

Thurs., Mar. 31, 1pm – Grassroots Book Club, St. Mary's

5pm – Friendship Inn, St. Joan's

5:30pm – Stations of the Cross, St. Joseph's

Fri., Apr. 1, – 8am-5:30pm – First Friday All-Day Adoration,
St. Bernard's

5:30pm – Stations of the Cross, St. Bernard's

6:30pm – Stations of the Cross, St. Joan's

Sat., Apr. 2, 7:30am – KoC Men's Breakfast, St. Mary's

1pm – Women's Bereavement Support Group, St. Joan's

Sun., Apr. 3, 12:15-12:45pm – Family Catechesis w/ Father, Hamilton

12:15pm – PCA Confirmation Prep

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER HAGE

I would highly recommend during the Lenten season trying to incorporate the Most Holy Rosary into your daily prayer life. For those who might feel intimidated by the Rosary, I would suggest starting with one set of mysteries a week (i.e., the Joyful Mysteries) praying one decade of that mystery each day (i.e., the Annunciation on a Monday and continue from there). Even just one decade of the Rosary a day can change the tide in your spiritual life, and be enough to reignite the spiritual fire deep within during this holy season. People might not realize that the Rosary is a Scripture-based prayer. It begins with the *Apostles' Creed*, which summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The *Our Father*, which introduces each mystery, is from the Gospels. The first part of the *Hail Mary* is the angel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the *Hail Mary*. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and—added by Saint John Paul II in 2002—the Luminous. The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group. Consider jumping into one of our Rosary groups in our PCA this Lent.

St. Joan of Arc, St. Bernard, St. Mary, and

St. Joseph, pray for us!

Lenten Adult Faith Formation Series

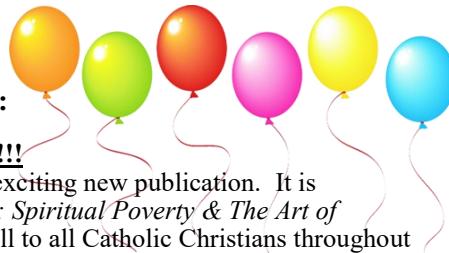
Please join our family of parishes as Father Hage leads us through the book "Return" by Brandon Vogt from Word on Fire Ministries. The statistics are troubling: 6.5 people leave the Catholic Church for every one that joins, and 50% of young people who were raised Catholic are no longer Catholic today. The Catholic Church is hemorrhaging young people. Behind these statistics are countless stories of wounded families. Millions of mothers and fathers are longing for their prodigal children to come home to the Church, crying: "Where did we go wrong?" The passive wait-and-see approach is no longer an option. We need a different strategy. We need to understand the real reasons why our young people drift away, and we need a game plan to bring them home. We need Return. This series will take place every Wednesday during Lent at 7pm at St. Mary's in Hamilton, and it will be Live-streamed on Facebook @Route20Catholic.



ROUTE20CATHOLIC:

Our Pastor Wrote a Book!!!

Check out Father Hage's exciting new publication. It is entitled, *The Cyrenian Way: Spiritual Poverty & The Art of Accompaniment*, and is a call to all Catholic Christians throughout the world as well as to all people of faith to acknowledge their spiritual poverty as the greatest treasure that one could ever possess. *The Cyrenian Way* will teach the soul to trust its own poverty, so that it will be transformed more and more by compassionate love. The catalyst of this transformation is the interior discovery of the primordial truth that all are beloved sons and daughters of God. This transformation will not only allow for the spiritual healing of the souls that embark on this journey, but will also allow for the healing of the entire human family. The human family has been fractured by so much division, vitriol, and hatred. The only path to repairing our broken human family is an authentic accompaniment of our neighbor. *The Cyrenian Way* provides the spiritual pillars for this revolution of love that our world desperately needs. You can purchase his book on Amazon: https://www.amazon.com/dp/B09W5FBVW7ref=cm_sw_em_r_mt_dp_V6N8SMXE2F227S5FAE7



First Friday All-day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

All are welcome to experience this grace-filled time on the first Friday of each month from 8am-5:30pm (Special Lenten Hours) at St. Bernard's. Jesus is present in the Eucharist, and He knows the secrets of our hearts. If you would like to keep watch with Our Lord regularly for a one-hour increment, please reach out to Laurie Ostrander at (315) 525-7831 or L_ostrander@yahoo.com. We are always in need of substitutes too. Otherwise, stop in as your time allows and let Jesus take the lead and heal you from deep within. The next First Friday All-day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Bernard's will be Friday, April 1st.

Sunday Celebration in the Absence of a Priest Update

Deacon Paul Lehmann will be celebrating a Sunday Celebration in the Absence of a Priest on Sunday, April 3rd at St. Mary's in Hamilton at 11am in place of the Sunday Mass.

Rosary Rally for Peace!

Pope Francis will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary during a penitential prayer service in St. Peter's Basilica March 25. In honor of this historic occasion, all of the parishes at Route20Catholic will be facilitating a day-long Rosary Rally whereby the recitation of The Most Holy Rosary will take place every hour on the hour at the Marian altars in our four churches. This Rosary Rally for Peace in the Ukraine and peace in the world will take place from 8am until 8pm on Friday, March 25th. We will also have the persons signed up to lead the Rosary at the beginning of each hour recite the same prayer of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary that Pope Francis will be using at St. Peter's Basilica the same day.

Regional Penance Service

The PCA in Oneida, Spirit of Hope Catholic Community, will be hosting a Lenten Penance Service for the entire region on Sunday, April 3rd at 3pm at St. Patrick's Church in Oneida. All are welcome to participate. Father Hage along with many other priests from the Eastern Region will be ready to hear Confessions at that hour in Oneida. Please take advantage of this special opportunity to encounter God's tender mercy.

First Saturday Men's Breakfast

The Route20Catholic Knights of Columbus sponsor a monthly Men's Breakfast. The meetings include the recitation of the Most Holy Rosary, a delicious hot breakfast, and then a brief meeting to review upcoming service opportunities in the PCA. You do not have to join the Knights of Columbus to attend this Men's Breakfast, but if you are interested in joining the Knights you can register here: <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-theknights.html>. The next Men's Breakfast will take place on Saturday, April 2nd at 7:30am at St. Mary's in Hamilton. Please join us!



Easter Flowers

Each year as we gather to celebrate the resurrected Christ, our worship is enhanced by bouquets of flowers displayed throughout the Easter season. The altar rosary societies for our churches rely on your generosity to help make this possible. Your gift may be made in memory of departed loved ones and/or in thanksgiving for God's blessings. Please place your donation in the envelope marked "Flower Offering" found in the pews and place in the collection bin (or send a check to the parish office with "Easter flower offering" in the memo).



Easter Food Program

The Easter Program is in Full Swing but **we need your help!** If you haven't already, please consider pitching in to help our PCA feed 200 families this Easter. There are a few ways you can help:

1. **Pick up a bag** from one of the churches and fill it with the items on the shopping list that is attached to the bag. The churches are all open and bags are available. Please return the bag by April 3rd to the St. Joseph's table which will be set up in each of our churches.
2. **Make a donation** to help us buy the hams. You can use one of the envelopes available at each church or just go to our Route20Catholic.org website, click on the donate tab, click on "Special" and type in that your donation is for the Easter Program.
3. **Volunteer to help deliver food** to the few families who are unable to come pick their food up. Contact your church office and leave your name and contact info if you are interested in helping.

On **Saturday, April 9** we will match the bags with a ham and they will be distributed between 9am and 11am at Madison Central School. Thank you all for your support of this valuable ministry.

CATECHESIS:

Children's Liturgy of the Word

CLW is for all children in grades Pre-K, K, and 1st Grade. It is offered each week during the 9am Mass at St. Bernard's & the 11am Mass at St. Mary's. These sessions include prayer, a Gospel related craft with a quick lesson, and sometimes singing!

Family Catechesis Closing Year Celebration!

Route20Catholic families will come together in Hamilton at St. Mary's for their final Family Catechesis session of the year on Sunday, April 3rd ,and to celebrate w/ light refreshments the completion of our first year using the Sophia Family Catechesis model!

The schedule will be as follows:

- **12:15-12:45pm:** PCA Family Catechesis w/ Father (1st Communion & Middle School students will meet as well)
- **12:45-1:15pm:** Parish Family Catechesis (ALL)
- **12:15-1:30pm:** PCA Confirmation Prep



*This will NOT be the last session for 1st Communion or Confirmation Prep

St. Patrick's/St. Joseph Celebration "Thank You"

I would like to personally thank all who had a part in making this event such a success! The decorations were spectacular, the food was delicious, the clean up crew were great, the entertainment a joy, and all of the behind the scenes planning and help was amazing. I would love to name every name personally but fear I would forget someone, but know you are appreciated! All 4 parishes from Route 20 Catholic came together to make this a memorable celebration. And to all those who attended—thank you for your support!! Nancy Roberts, Event Chairperson.



Grassroots Book Group

Beginning Thursday, March 24 at St. Mary's Church Hall 1-2 PM we will be reading and discussing the book Return, How to draw your child back to church, by Brandon Vogt. This is the same book that Father Hage is using for Lenten Adult Faith Formation. There was so much interest in exploring it deeper, and allowing for discussion time, that we decided to follow up his instruction. It will be an opportunity to "catch up" on what Father Hage has been teaching. Books are currently available at all 4 churches. The group is open to all Route 20 Catholics, so please plan to join us on the 24th at St. Mary's. Contact Nancy Roberts at nmroberts18@gmail.com if you need further information or have questions.

PCA PARISHES:

ST. BERNARD:

St. Bernard's Altar Rosary Society

ARS would like to extend their gratitude to members of the Bereavement Committee that provided delicious, homemade goodies for the bake sale at the village elections. It was a great success!



St Bernard's Sunshine Club

The next meeting will be Monday, April 4th at 1:30pm in the church hall. All are welcome. If anyone knows of a person who is ill, shut in, or temporarily housebound who might appreciate receiving a card, please call the rectory or Lurena McNamara (841 4361).

DIOCESAN EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES:

Giving Opportunity to help Ukraine

Will you stand with us as we stand with them?

CNEWA (Catholic Near East Welfare Association) has long worked in Ukraine, helping the local churches to respond to the needs of the displaced even as they continue their important work among the vulnerable by initiating rehabilitation programs and social services for the elderly and those with special needs. Your prayers and gifts will care for our brothers and sisters whose lives have been upended by the madness of war. And please join the Holy Father as we pray for peace, invoking Our Lady's protection of the innocent: "May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war." You can donate here to help the victims of the war in Ukraine: <https://cnewa.org/campaigns/ukraine/>



Ministers for Liturgy

4 PM (03/26) – St. Joan's

Greeter: Chris Doroshenko

Lectors: Mary Clare Helmer – First Reading

Paula Curtis – Second Reading

Altar Servers: Julianna Tomcho

Counters: Brian & Dan Koehl

5:30 PM (03/26) – St. Joseph's

Lector: Rick Relf

9 AM (03/27) – St. Bernard's

Ushers/Hospitality: Sue & Sam (son) Jones

Lectors: Stacey Miller – 1st & 2nd Reading

Altar Servers: None Needed

Livestream: Mark Barnes & Scott Barnes

11 AM (03/27) – St. Mary's

Ushers: Dan Martin & Lisa Nolan

Lectors: David Dudrick – First Reading

Nancy Roberts – Second Reading

Gift Bearers: Chouinard Family

Altar Servers: Maddie Choinard & Naomi Meyers

Livestream: Will Chouinard



ROUTE20CATHOLIC FINANCIAL REPORTS

St. Joan's Financial Support – 03/19

Weekly Offertory	\$ 886.22
Easter Flowers	\$ 55.00
Friendship Inn	\$ 59.00

St. Bernard's Financial Support – 03/20

Weekly Offertory	\$ 3,849.00
Holy Land	\$ 30.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 50.00
Home Mission Appeal	\$ 20.00
Easter Food	\$ 375.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 334.00
Easter Envelopes	\$ 30.00
Building & Maintenance	\$ 40.00
Insurance	\$ 943.00
Fuel	\$ 30.00

*The Sanctuary light for the month of April
at St. Bernard's is lit in memory of
Michael Massey by Family*

St. Mary's Financial Support – 03/20

Weekly Offertory	\$ 962.00
Black & Native American Mission	\$ 15.00
Eastern European Church	\$ 15.00
Youth Programs	\$ 10.00
Faith Propagation Mission	\$ 10.00
Easter Food	\$ 60.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 70.00
Fuel	\$ 105.00

*The Sanctuary light for the month of
April at St. Mary's is lit in memory of
Rocky Farone by Betty Farone*

St. Joseph's Financial Support – 03/19

Weekly Offertory	\$ 954.00
Extraordinary	\$ 25.00
Easter Food	\$ 70.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 60.00
Easter Envelopes	\$ 40.00
Fuel	\$ 20.00
