

OF EASTER

MAY 4, 2025



The Third Sunday of Easter, Cycle C, encourages us to reflect on the power of forgiveness, the importance of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and the call to live out our baptismal mission by loving and serving others. By recognizing Jesus in the Eucharist and receiving the Holy Spirit's guidance, we can be renewed and empowered to live lives that reflect the love and compassion of Jesus.

The Gospel passage recounts Jesus' appearance to Peter after the Resurrection, emphasizing God's unwavering love and willingness to restore even those who have fallen. This is a powerful message of hope and a reminder that we can always turn back to God and receive his forgiveness.

MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Kevin Maher, Jr., Lenny Miller, Nancy Wood
and Ursulina "Nena" Tamarez

10 a.m.: Joe Britto, Rosalina Rodriguez,
Nancy Wood and Bernice Gacek

TREASURER'S REPORT

Regular Sunday Collection

April 21-27: \$ 5,772.26

Envelopes: \$ 2,975.00 – Online: \$ 2,797.26

LAST WEEK'S MASS ATTENDANCE

5 p.m. – 85

10 a.m. – 169

CARDINAL'S 2025 APPEAL

Our parish goal is **\$50,600** of which **\$35,315** has been received/pledged from 90 families as of April 29.

Please prayerfully consider your gift, which you can make online at www.cardinalsappeal.org. Thank you.

'CALLED BY NAME' NEXT SUNDAY

Next weekend is "Called By Name Sunday," an initiative to honor faithful young men who may be open to the priesthood. Cardinal Dolan has written a letter about this important campaign, which is the bulletin insert that you are encouraged to read.

Next Sunday, the Cardinal is inviting all parishioners to submit names of young men who exhibit leadership and a heart for service. These men will receive a letter from the Cardinal, invitations to discernment events, and ongoing support from the Vocation Team.

TIME TO THINK ABOUT NEXT FALL!

Religious Education registration will take place from 5-7:30 p.m. on **Monday, May 12**, and **Wednesday, May 14**, for all students. Questions? Call Peg Hoblin, the program's director, at (845) 361-5816.

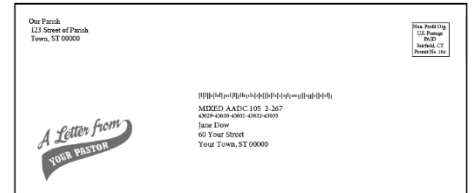
THEY'RE IN THE MAIL

It's Parish Raffle time again, our main fundraiser, so keep your eyes open for an envelope that looks like this:

Our Parish
123 Street at Church
Towns, ST 00000

MEXICO AASC 169 2-267
4309-4-0809-4309-4303-4303
Ignacio Escobedo

State Building
U.S. Senate
Rm 311
Washington, DC
20540-0001



It contains your five chances to win one of 23 prizes totaling \$68,000. The accompanying letter explains all you need to know.

HIT A HOME RUN WITH FAMILY FUN

Chris Worthington and Deb Harrison, our youth ministers, are making a pitch to all parishioners to catch the excitement at the

**Hudson Valley
Renegades' Faith & Family Night on May 31.**

And this even tops a triple play: There's a pre-game concert, baseball card deck giveaway to the first 1,000



to arrive, and the game followed by a post-game team autograph signing. **PLUS** when tickets are purchased using this QR code or the link posted on our website, \$5 per ticket slides home to the St. Paul's Youth Ministry! Seats purchased this way will also be in the same vicinity, not

scattered throughout the stadium.

So don't strike out – book your seats soon!

Questions? Call Chris at 845-248-3120.



CONFIRMATION

2025



Along with the expected nervousness, the Confirmandi last Saturday also had to contend with an initial layer of disappointment: The weather. The rain prevented the symbolic procession into the church, representing their spiritual journey in faith leading to Confirmation.

Although that ceremonial entrance could not happen, the day was nonetheless significant – and beautiful. It began with Bishop Dominick Lagonegro meeting individually for a few minutes with each Confirmation candidate and their sponsors. In tune with their apprehension, he attempted to put them at ease by describing his attire, sharing why he entered the priesthood – and chatting about sports.

During the service, his homily was met with attentiveness as his words also paid homage to the late Pope Francis. And as each candidate was called up to the altar to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit to strengthen them in service to the community, he invited their family members to accompany them.

And as the newly confirmed processed out, circling both sides of the church, they were met with clearer skies and even the ability to take photos outside!

Congratulations!

Jayson Ascolese	John
Logan Beaver	Michael
Natalia Bergsten	Kiara
Benjamin Depew.....	Francis
Emily Fobert	Frances
Ellory Gregan	Joan
Isabella Hilario	Catherine
Abigail Hoover.....	John
Saoirse Lalli	Gregory
Ashlyn McPhillips ...	Josephine
Kylie McPhillips.....	Cecilia
Jack McQueen	Francis
Emma Morris	Cecilia
Logan Pierpoint.....	Milo
Antonia Schiavo.....	Rose
Emily Suchy.....	Catherine
Landon Szigethy.....	Michael
Julia Zullo.....	Rose

*"Truly, matters in the world
are in a bad state; but if you and I
begin in earnest to reform ourselves,
a really good beginning
will have been made."*

—St. Peter of Alcantara (1499-1562)

*"O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully
into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners
of this neglected dwelling
and scatter there
thy cheerful beams."*

— St. Augustine (354-430)