



Alleluia!

From Fr. Tom

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Jesus Christ is Risen from the dead. He lives forever in glory. And, if we put our faith in Him, we can be filled with His Life now, and the fullness of His Life forever. Because Jesus lives, nothing can ever really hold us down or hold us back, not the challenges we face in our country and our world, not personal setbacks, or the death of loved ones, not even our own mortality.

All is changed because Jesus is Risen. He has won the victory, and we join in that victory through faith. It's all about Jesus. The more we, as a Church, and as



individuals, put the Risen Jesus in the center of our lives, the more He lives in and through us. Let us pray that the Resurrection and New Life of Jesus rests in the hearts of all of our parishioners, and throughout the Church, so that our Church may truly be renewed and come to life this Easter.

Especially in this Jubilee Year of Hope, may the Risen Jesus become even more alive in you, your families and our parishes, encouraging us to be "Pilgrims of Hope", reflecting on the power of the Resurrection and the promise of God's love.

Your brother in Christ,
Fr. Tom

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ is Risen indeed! Blessings to you and your family on Resurrection Sunday. We only have a few classes left this year! Please make sure your student is present for the remainder of classes. *May 11 is a Full Family Formation week and there will be no in-person classes.* May 18 we will be celebrating our First Communion students and our Confirmation students. Make sure you attend our party!

And don't forget to make sure **Vacation Bible School June 16-20, 2025**, 9am-12pm is on your calendar!

Grab a registration form and *if you are interested in volunteering to help, be in touch with Beth Jones ASAP to make sure you have the proper clearances.*

Only adults who have been properly background checked will be allowed to volunteer per diocesan guidelines and those checks take time so don't delay! **WE NEED YOU!** It is a Fruits of the Spirit VBS and there is lots of fantastic fruity fun planned. You don't want to miss it!

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25TH, 40TH, 50TH AND OVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Diocese of Youngstown is sponsoring a Wedding Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, May 18th at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Columba honoring couples observing their 25th, 40th, 50th, and over wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Wedding Anniversary Celebration will include Mass with the Most Reverend David J. Bonnar with the blessing of couples celebrating anniversaries. Following the Mass, there will be a reception for the couples and their families in the parish hall. **You must make advanced reservations for this event by contacting the parish office and obtaining Fr. Tom's signature before April 25.**

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

The empty tomb seems disconcerting. Mary Magdala and the disciples don't know what to make of it at first. Was Christ's body taken? Why were the burial clothes cast aside? What does the emptiness mean? Reassurance replaces doubt though, and they come to believe, realizing the empty tomb is not bleak but hopeful. Nothing, not even death, is final.

The good news is that Jesus kept His promise. That is what the empty tomb signifies. It represents life, not death. And each time we live like Christ, He is raised from the dead again through us. We can be ministers of the resurrection when we work for justice, offer reconciliation, model trust in God, act compassionately, and share our good fortune with those in need, such as supporting the **Annual Diocesan Appeal** and its many programs.

BINGO & CARD PARTY

St. Brendan Altar & Rosary Society invites you to an afternoon of friendship, games and fun! It will be held on Sunday, April 27 at 1pm in Maxwell Hall, 2800 Oakwood.

Donation \$5 and a breakfast non-perishable (cereal, granola bars, oatmeal, peanut butter/jelly).

Basket raffle, door prizes, 50/50. Lunch included.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 20

Easter Sunday

9:00am *Mass at St. Angela Merici*

10:00am *Mass at Christ the Good Shepherd*

11:00am *Mass for the People*

Monday, April 21

8:30am *Kathy Price*

Wednesday, April 23

8:30am *Mass at St. Angela Merici*

Friday, April 25

8:00am *Mass at Christ the Good Shepherd*

Sunday, April 27

11:00am *John & Joan Eicher*

Monday, April 28

8:30am *Dennis Hawn*

Stewardship at St. Patrick

Regular (67 envelopes)	\$5,487.00
Visitor	68.00
Electronic Giving (26)	963.00
Weekly Budget Amount	8,700.00
Difference	- 2,182.00
Novena	44.00
Preservation	390.00

Attendance at Mass: 203

Thank you for your continued generosity!

EASTER BLESSINGS

On behalf of Fr. Tom and the staff at St. Patrick's, we wish all of you a blessed and faith-filled Easter!

EASTER MUSIC MEMORIALS

Thank you to the following who sponsored the special Easter music this year:

- John Arbie in memory of Angie DiMaio,
- Tom & Jolene Mastramico in memory of their families, and
- John Watson & Natalie Misalko in memory of the Watson & Walsh Families.

HAPPY EASTER!

As our CRS Rice Bowl journey comes to an end, may the Eucharist continue to transform our lives and help us respond to God's call to serve our global family. Let us commit to sharing the joy of the Resurrection with people in our local community and around the world. **To return your Rice Bowls, please place them in the basket in the Daily Mass Chapel.**

FIRST FRIDAY

The First Friday Club Luncheon & Speaker Series will be held on Thursday, May 1 from 11:30am - 1:00pm at Avion on the Water. Heidi Schlumpf, Senior Correspondent, National Catholic Reporter, will be the speaker. Her program is "Has Synodality Expanded Woman's Roles in the Church?" The cost to attend is \$15. Call the rectory to reserve your seat.

COME TO THE GARDEN!

Join the Jr. Master Gardener program, conducted by Master Gardener Volunteers through OSU Extension. The program teaches kids K-12 how to grow and maintain a garden. We also have a small pollinator garden. We meet Mondays at 5:30 for approximately 1 hour. (Parents must stay.) We will begin May 5. Location is St. Patrick's Church Community Garden. For questions please contact OSU Extension at 330-533-5538.

The Sanctuary Candle

burns

April 19 thru April 25

in memory of

Kathy Price

from Alice Noga.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Our next Blood Drive will be held on Wednesday, April 23 from Noon - 6pm at St. Angela Merici.

To schedule an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-733-2767.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Join us after Mass next Sunday for Hospitality Sunday.

TREE PRUNING

Join OSU Extension for an Urban Fruit Tree Pruning Clinic on Thursday, April 24 at 6pm in our apple orchard. The class will be held rain or shine. Bring a lawn chair if you'd like a seat.