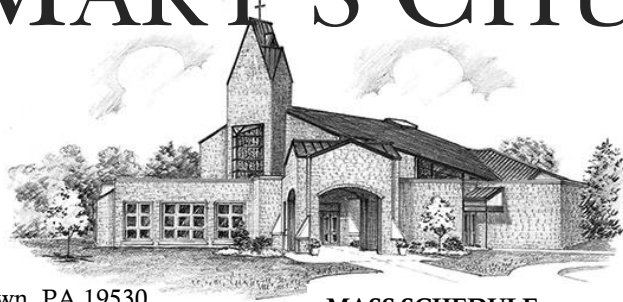


ST MARY'S CHURCH



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PASTORAL MINISTRY

Pastor	Fr John Maria
Pastor Emeritus	Rev. Msgr Walter T Scheaffer
Transitional Deacon	Rev. Mr. N. Romero Brelinsky
Permanent Deacon	Dcn. Howard Schultz
Coordinator/Religious Educ	Mrs. Ann Pergosky
Director of Music Ministry and Parish Secretary	Mrs. Anne Sitarik

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Ladies Auxiliary	Theresa Bieak & Deb Massa
Men of St. Mary's	Mr. Tom Cengeri
Pro-Life Committee	Mr. John Tucker, O P
R C I A	Fr. John Maria

DIOCESAN INFORMATION

Diocesan Policies and Procedures on Youth Protection:

www.allentowndioocese.org

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Wendy S Krisak, Direct Telephone: (800) 791-9209

Office of Safe Environment Secretary, Youth Protection and Catholic Human Services: Pamela Russo, MSW, MS ; PO Box F, Allentown, 181-5-1538 Tele. 610-871-5200 x2204

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service: If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service: www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or 800-276-1562

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	4:30 pm
Sunday	8:30, 11:00am
Daily Masses	7:30am (Monday – Friday) 8:00am (First Saturdays)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Every Wednesday, 7-8 pm *and* First Friday of the Month, 8 until 9am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM – Baptism is celebrated at various times, often 11a Mass, the 1st Sunday of the month. Baptisms are also scheduled privately upon arrangement with families. Parents must contact the Religious Ed Office to arrange Baptismal Prep sessions and learn all the details.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - Saturday, 3:30-4:20p, Sundays 8:00-8:20; 10:30-10:50 am, Wednesdays 7:00-8:00p and by appointment

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK – Those who are dangerously ill or facing serious surgery may receive this healing Sacrament. Please contact Father John Maria to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY – Congratulations! Couples must contact Father John at least six months in advance of desired date. Marriage Preparation is required for proper celebration of a valid and Sacramental marriage.

PROSPECTIVE GODPARENTS/SPONSORS asked to serve as Baptismal Godparents or Confirmation sponsor must request an eligibility certificate from the parish priest. To serve in this special role parishioners must: Be in full communion with the Catholic Church; Attend Mass weekly; have received Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, Reconciliation & Confirmation; Married individuals need be validly married in the Catholic Church. Please contact the Parish Office and allow 2 weeks to process.

HOMEBOUND – Parishioners homebound and unable to attend Mass please contact the Parish Office to arrange visitation, to receive Holy Communion

HOSPITALIZED - Call the Rectory to notify of someone in the hospital so we can pray for and possibly visit them. Each hospital in our Diocesan boundaries is either covered by a local parish or has a priest on call at the hospital.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP - Welcome to St. Mary's Parish! Please contact the Parish Office to meet with Father John and become registered. We also ask those who move to notify the parish

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Education for parish children occurs September 10 through April. Contact Religious Education office: 610-683-6454 for registration.

Center-based

- Levels 1 to 5 meet every week, Sundays, 9:40-10:50am
- Level 6-8 meet the 2nd & 4th Sundays, 6-8pm
- Youth Group (9-12) Stay tuned for upcoming events.

Home-based Arrangements may be made for select grade levels, contact Ann Pergosky

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order has passed away. *rev 21:4*

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER, APRIL 14, 2024

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MASS Intentions

Mon	04-15	7:30a	Intentions of Anne Marie Cedrone
Tue	04-16	7:30a	Emily Pavlik
Wed	04-17	7:30a	Intentions of Maryann Martinez
Thu	04-18	7:30a	Intentions of Christine Godwin
Fri	04-19	7:30a	Intentions of Loretta Wereley
Sat	04-20	4:30p	Harry Geidner
Sun	04-21	8:30a	Helen Romansky
		11:00a	People of the Parish

Call the parish office to sponsor altar flowers in memory a loved one.

READINGS and CELEBRATIONS for the WEEK

Sun	04-14	3 rd Sunday of Easter - Ac 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48	
Mon	04-15	Ac 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29	
Tue	04-16	Ac 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35	
Wed	04-17	Ac 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40	
Thu	04-18	Ac 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51	
Fri	04-19	Ac 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59	
Sat	04-20	Ac 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69	
Sun	04-21	4 th Sunday of Easter - Ac 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18	

MUSIC MINISTRY

THIS WEEK		NEXT WEEK
4:30p	DeWald, Heather Moore, Mark	Spanier, Amelia Casey, Peggy
8:30a	Spanier, Chris Moore, Mark	Talarico, Tim Cebenko, Steve
11:00a	Thomas, Cathy Talarico, Tim	Sitarik, Anne Talarico, Tim

Collection info: 04/07	OLG	Church	Expenses
Regular Collection	\$4,878.00	\$9,304.81	\$16,879.88
Building Fund	\$10.00	\$1,000.00	
Capital Campaign	\$60.00	\$241.00	
Parish Partnership	\$10.00	\$80.00	
Rice Bowl	\$25.00	\$25.00	
Other Regular Income	\$480.00	\$1,600.00	

HOW DO I SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING?

1. Visit www.stmaryskutztown.com
2. Click on the Online Giving link
3. Complete the online registration form. It's that simple! For more info or help setting up your account please contact the parish office: 610-683-7443



Please pray for the sick of our parish.....
..... and those that care for them



Logan Alkons	Lucy Ginsiorsky	Shannon Morris
Evie Barletta	Ken Gorski	Nikolette Nolte
Caleb Bauer	Bijou Greenwood	Diana Novi
Christopher Bennett	Muriel Hadnagy	Joanne O'Connell
Claudia Berg	Devon Hanna	Benedicta Otchere
Greg Bradford	Jacqueline Hartz	Rick Padilla
Monica Bradford	Linda Haurus	Ed Pilarski
Bradford family	Hannah Hayduk	Pat Regensburger
David Byer	Kathy Henry	Rosemarie Reimert
Nadia Cahill	Lillian Karch	Bill Pettit
Drew Cengeri	Michael Karch	Megan Roth
Meaghan Clark	Joanne Kear	Nina Hertzog
Colleen Wolff	Patricia Keeney	Rundle
Jerome Costanzo	Jane Kern	Richard Rusconi
Kim Costanzo	Milton Kern	Sr. Mary Sapanara, MSC
Nancy Devlin-Litinsky	Joan Kiwak	Tina Scatamacchia
Dave Ebling	Carol Korbe	Jim Sherman
Trent Eidle	John Korbe	Barbara Shidisky
Patricia Farabaugh	Cena Knowles	Tracy Snyder
Ashley Geidner	Henry Kryeski	Nicole Sosik
Farhat	Edward & Rosemary Law	Arlene Stadalnik
Paula Fehlinger	Harry Lewellen	Todd Tanis
Florentine Firlein	Julie Lindsey	Ralph Touch
Joey Flecher	Eva Malanczuk	Amy Turbo
Tammy G.	Dennis Martinsen	Christine VanDoorn
Joe Galantino	Barry, Sharon Miller	Phillip Vazquez
Michelle Galantino	Elaine O. Miller	Joseph Wawrzak
Sandra George	Geoff Miller	Bonnie Wessner

Contact office to update list: secretary@stmaryskutztown.com

Please Pray for all those serving our nation

Keenan Albright	Anthony DiPietro	Nick Marakovits
Kyle Albright	Charles Douglass	Melissa Marks
Michael Barron	Joseph Douglass	Laura Miller
Andrew Barthol	Keith Essig	Spencer Morris
Frank M. Bieda	Ryan Flanagan	Heather
John Boyer	Kale Follweiler	O'Donnell
Matthew Boyer	Michael Allen Haak	Menaka Nayyar & Anthony Pirmot
Jonathan Cardé	Diane Henry	Jake Schmeck
Ryan Cengeri	Cmdr. Jason Hoch	Phillip Talarico
Eric Cunningham	Joshua Joseph	Steve Ziegler
Timothy DeVall	Dan King	
	James Knight	

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Sun 04.14 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER**
Serve Soup Kitchen, 9a-1p
2nd Collection – Capital Improvements
Elementary Religious Education, 9:40a
Men of St. Mary's meeting, 10a
Junior High ministry, 6p
- Tue 04.16 Faith Sharing, 10a**
- Wed 04.17 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7-8p**
- Thu 04.18 Liturgy meeting, 8:45a**
Music Ministry, 7p
R.C.I.A., 7p
- Sat 04.20 Pray the Rosary, 4p**
2nd Collection – Mother's Day

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

- Sun 04.21 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
2nd Collection – Mother's Day
Hoagie Orders due
Elementary Religious Education, 9:40a
Level 3 Family Retreat, 1:30p
- Tue 04.23 Faith Sharing, 10a**
- Wed 04.24 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7-8p**
Make hoagies in the p.m.
Pickup hoagies, 7p
- Thu 04.25 Hoagie pickup, 7:30a**
Music Ministry, 7p
R.C.I.A., 7p
- Sat 04.27 St. Mary's Women's Spirituality Retreat at Alvernia Univ., 9:30a-3p**
Pray the Rosary, 4p
2nd Collection – Parish Partnership

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Submit items by 12n one week prior to Sunday. *Submit full-page items two full weeks in advance.*

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Welcome! Please register for parish membership. Call 610-683-7443 for an appointment and find out about all the parish has to offer! *Inform us if moving.*



OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: If you'd like to receive offertory envelopes please contact the parish office: secretary@stmaryskutztown.com

Congratulations to our Level 8 parish youth who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 08. May the Holy Spirit guide them all their days.



take note **ST MARY'S WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY RETREAT:** 9:30a-3p, Saturday, April 27 at McGlenn Conference Ctr. Alvernia Univ. **Register by today, April 14.** See Gathering Area display for more info.

Pray for those serving at the Soup Kitchen this weekend, April 13 and 14. Soup Kitchen volunteers are the eyes and hands of Christ, who said, "Amen, I say to you whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." *Matthew 25.*

MARY'S CAFÉ: God is Calling! On Friday, April 26 at 7pm, all are invited to join Father John at Mary's Cafe. God is calling, but can we hear Him? Are we willing to take His call? The evening will discuss the particular vocations of marriage, religious life and the priesthood, but will focus upon the UNIVERSAL call to holiness for all of us – at every stage of life!

Join us for this informal, informative talk, Q&A and fellowship with your family. Hope to see you Friday, April 26 at 7pm in the REC! *Morning edition: 10a Friday, May 3.*

YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED... The Bishop announced in February: effective June 18, Father John Maria will also add the role of Director of Vocations, Diocese of Allentown. Please note that he is not leaving St Mary's! In this new responsibility, he will oversee assisting the formation of our current seminarians as they discern the call to the priesthood, and promote vocations throughout the diocese. Please pray for Father John, and above all, pray for vocations to the priesthood!

EASTER EGG HUNT A big THANK YOU to donations of candy, prizes, money and the helpful hands to fill and hide eggs for this year's Holy Saturday Easter Egg Hunt. A special thank you to the Easter Bunny! March 30 is next year's Egg Hunt. Bring kids, grandkids, *young and old!*

ADULT CONFIRMATION AT CATHEDRAL: 11:30a, May 19 Bishop Schlert will celebrate Mass wherein he will confirm adults of our Diocese. Those to be confirmed are those adults who were baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, received their First Holy Communion, are catechized, but never confirmed. Please contact Fr. John Maria to discuss necessary instruction, and registration with the Bishop!

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION- FATHER JOHN MARIA

On this Third Sunday of Easter, we should be filled with confidence about the plan and providence of God – in the big picture of salvation history, and in our own lives.

In the Acts of the Apostles, Peter boldly proclaims the Resurrection of Jesus, while convicting those responsible: "The author of life, you put to death!" Even while asserting this grievous sin, he acknowledged that they acted in ignorance. God brought the greatest of all goods from the most unjust act of evil. From seemingly random acts of violence the Lord accomplished the redemption of those who would accept His call and keep His commandments.

In the Gospel, we get a glimpse of what He has in store for His faithful ones. In the appearance of the Risen Jesus, we hear the qualities of His "glorified body." He was no mere apparition, or spiritual metaphor. His wounds remained as a permanent sign of His suffering love, but He was able to eat in front of them, without being subject to time or space.

The Lord has a plan for our lives as well. Even in moments of darkness, we should be confident of His power to bring forth victory. In His glorified body we glimpse what He desires for us in eternity, where there will be "a new heaven and a new earth... He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order (will have) passed away." *cf Rev 21:1-4*

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KNOW THE FACTS - VOTER REGISTRATION IN PA: Are you registered to vote? If not, here's how. Check with your county voter registration office. The last day to register is usually a month before the election.

Individuals applying to register to vote must be:

- ✓ **A citizen of the United States** for at least 1 month before the next primary, special, municipal, or general election.
- ✓ **A resident of Pennsylvania** and the election district in which the individual desires to register and vote, for at least 30 days before the next primary, special, municipal, or general election.
- ✓ **At least 18 years of age** on or before the day of the next primary, special, municipal, or general election.

www.votespa.com

INSPIRATIONAL CONCERT: 6p, April 14 at St. Thos. More, Allentown. Contemporary Christian Paul Koleske integrates faith, witness, & testimony in his original music. Free-will offering accepted. visit www.paulkoleske.com

LIVING WITH LOSS: 6-7:30p, (6 Tuesdays) beginning April 16, at Ludwick Funeral Home, Kutztown. Facilitator: MaryAnn Hamm, Bereavement & Grief Counselor. Find help grieving the loss of a loved one. Meet others living with loss in this grief support group. No cost. Register: Amy 610-683-6080

PRO-LIFE ADVOCATE & SPEAKER Gianna Jessen, 6:30p, April 16, Holy Family Parish Ctr, St. John the Baptist, Pottsville. All are welcome. Info: 570-622-5470

2024 CATHOLIC SCOUT WEEKEND: April 19-21, St. Joseph Church, Limeport. Scouts BSA & Girl Scouts (Hawk Mtn/Minsi Trail) fun-filled, active weekend. Attendance required for scouts achieving Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII awards. Register www.adccos.org

HOLY SMOKES, WITH BISHOP SCHLERT: 12:30-2p, April 20. Join the men of 'Holy Smokes' at St. Mary's, Kutztown. Event fosters fraternity among men in the Diocese. Enjoy conversation and cigars. The upcoming talk is on "The Masculine Qualities of the Apostles." Bishop Schlert will be joining this afternoon of masculine friendship.

HGA PARISH SPAGHETTI SUPPER: Take-out 4:30-5:15; Dine-in 5:30-7:30p April 20. Cost \$15 for large/\$12 for small. Antipasto Salad \$12. Pre-Order only. Info/order: www.hgaparish.com

ST FRANCIS SPRING GALA & ONLINE AUCTION: April 20 at Bally Spring Inn, Barto. Dinner, dancing, live auction! Online Silent Auction is now open—attend live for even more prizes! saintfrancisclassical.com/2024gala

HGA Regional School DINE OUT EVENT: 4-8p, April 24 at Chipotle (Muhlenberg location). Use code LVARGTK and a portion of your bill will support HGA!

DAILY MASSES WITH BISHOP SCHLERT, BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC: All are invited to celebrate with the Bishop: April 25, 8:30a - Sacred Heart, Palmerton
May 22, 8:30a - St. Joseph the Worker, Orefield
Sept. 9, 8:00a - Our Lady of Mercy, Easton
Sept. 12, 8:00a - Holy Guardian Angels, Reading

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HGA REGIONAL SCHOOL-FIGHTIN' PHILS NIGHT: 6:45p game, April 26. fevo-enterprise.com/event/Holyguardian

INDOOR FLEA MARKET: 8a-1p Apr. 26, 1a-1p Apr 27, after Masses Apr 28, St. Columbkil, Boyertown. Drop off clean, useable, working items 8a-6p Apr 22 and 23 (**no clothing, electronics, baby items, or car seats please**).

FRIEND, INC. BENEFIT AUCTION: 5p April 27, Kutztown Fairgrounds. In-person and virtual in 2024. Bid on art, jewelry, household items and local gift certs. AND the famous desserts! Learn more: friendinc.org/benefit-auction/

YOUTH EVENT APRIL 28! The Bishops of the US have declared 2024 a Year of Eucharistic Revival! Catholics in America are called to draw closer to Jesus and reflect upon the amazing gift He has given us in the Holy Eucharist. He desires to be near each and every one of us. He is truly present in the Holy Eucharist - Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

Fr. Patrick Baikauskas is one of a handful of priests chosen to travel the country and will be speaking about the Holy Eucharist as a "A Mystery to be Believed, Celebrated, & Lived". **On Sunday, April 28** at Holy Guardian Angels, his talk will be geared to teens – grades 7-12. We will have adoration from 6:30-8pm with Fr. Baikauskas' presentation at 7pm. Light refreshments will follow.

Our Religious Ed levels 7 and 8 will be going to this event. All parish youth in grades 9-12 are invited. Connect with other teens and be a part of the youth group gathering at St Mary's over the next few months! Call or email Fr John for details! ****General Public event 6-8p, April 29.**

Register: allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/157078

MOTHER-DAUGHTER TEA: 1-4p, April 28, St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall, Allentown. Mothers and daughters, ages 9 to 13, together spend a memorable afternoon exploring God's gift of femininity. Featuring presentations on the physical and emotional changes girls experience, the sacredness of life, and empowering tips about modesty, virtue, and personal style. Light lunch, door prizes, games. Register: allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/152407

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING: May 17, Blackwood Golf Course, 510 Red Corner Rd, Douglassville. Hosted by St. Benedicts Knights of Columbus. Shotgun start 8:45a, 4-person scramble. Incl. breakfast, cart, snacks, beverage and Steak dinner. **Sign up by May 01.** \$120 individual/\$400 per foursome; Benefits in part St. Francis Hospice Care. Info and for sponsorships call Joe Drahus: 610-763-2844

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY WITH BISHOP SCHLERT & FR. HOFFA: **Tue. March 25, 2025-Sat. April 3, 2025.** The Diocese of Allentown Int'l Pilgrimage will "Follow the Footsteps of Saints Peter and Paul" through Florence, Assisi, and Rome. Sign up: Fr. Allen Hoffa ahoffa@allentowndiocese.org or 610-921-2729 x 2205.

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PREGNANT? WANT A FREE ULTRASOUND? Lifeline of Berks Co. seeks women 8-16 weeks pregnant, currently receiving prenatal care. RN Cecily is training to provide ultrasound confirmation of pregnancy to women facing unplanned pregnancy and needs to scan 50 women to gain practical skills. Receive a Dunkin' Donuts gift card, a cookie, a picture of your baby and our thanks. Call Stephanie Conrad: 610-374-8545 for an appointment.

Word of Life: "Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end' (*Spe salvi* 31)." ~ USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities. "*Respect Life Reflection: Christ Our Hope in Every Season of Life*" (citing Pope Benedict XVI, *Spe salvi* © 2007, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.)

On March 26, the U.S. Supreme Court will hear oral arguments in a case that has the potential to make a major impact in the widespread accessibility of chemical abortion (abortion pills). Chemical abortions are now the most common form of abortion in the United States.

The case is in response to the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) promoting the availability of chemical abortion while ignoring risks to women and violating federal law. In short, the FDA has enabled a nationwide mail-order abortion industry and turned neighborhood pharmacies into chemical abortion providers.

The USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities is inviting Catholics to join a focused effort of prayer for the end of abortion and the protection of women and preborn children, beginning on March 25, the eve of the oral arguments, and the anniversary of St. John Paul II's landmark, pro-life encyclical, *The Gospel of Life* (*Evangelium vitae*). In particular, we will invoke the intercession of St. Joseph, Defender of Life with this prayer:

Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child. We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life. Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life—especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.

We ask Catholics to offer this prayer daily, from March 25 through June, when a decision is expected. Thank you for responding to this invitation to prayer for an end to all abortions and for the protection of women and preborn children. St. Joseph, Defender of Life, pray for us!

REFLECTION... by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Our spiritual lives could well be described as the placing of "mind over matter." The matter is our activity, such as the plans we make, or the career we pursue. But over and above all that is our purpose. What, in short, is our goal?

An earthbound example of action and goal would be that of the two teams in a "Super Bowl" such as we watched two months ago in the company of millions. Every play that each team made was aimed at the goal of being world champions of football.

We too should be involved in the pursuit of a goal. If not, we are in danger of having no reason to get up in the morning, and that would be tragic in itself. Our goal as Catholics is our eternal salvation. That places us squarely in a competition not of our own making. That between good and evil. Both sides want us and pull at us for their triumph over our souls. This struggle is "super" in the sense that it is "above" all else in the human project.

The resurrection of Christ our Savior clearly presents us with the goal of sharing in His victory over sin and death. In His struggle with all that afflicts us in human life we find mirrored our own. But since we live in Christ and He lives in us, we have our own victory guaranteed unless we cave in to sin. Unless we change our purpose to some earthbound goal that has nothing to do with God and everything to do with our decision about what is worthwhile.

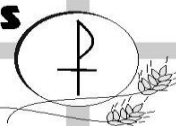
Christ's love of us is so inviting. So powerful an antidote to that "upside down" kind of thinking that our life is all about us instead of all about God and our relationship with Him. Prayer and the sacraments, especially that of the Holy Eucharist, help us to maintain "right side up" thinking. And deep peace.

There is a story from the Middle Ages about a young woman who was expelled from heaven. As she left, she was told that if she would bring back the gift that is most valued by God, she would be welcomed back. She brought back drops of blood from a dying patriot. She brought back some coins that a destitute widow had given to the poor. She brought back a remnant of a Bible that had been used for years by an eminent preacher. She brought back many similar things but was turned back repeatedly.

One day she saw a small boy playing by a fountain. A man rode up on horseback and dismounted to take a drink. The man saw the child and suddenly remembered his boyhood innocence. Then, looking in the fountain and seeing the reflection of his hardened face, he realized what he had done with his life. And tears of repentance welled up in his eyes and began to trickle down his cheeks. The young woman took one of those tears back to heaven and was received with joy and love.

God love you and give you His Easter peace.

Know Jesus
in the breaking
of the bread....



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