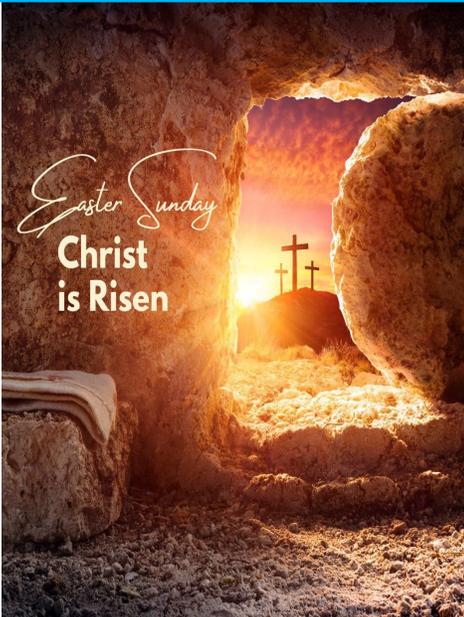


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April 5, 2026

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

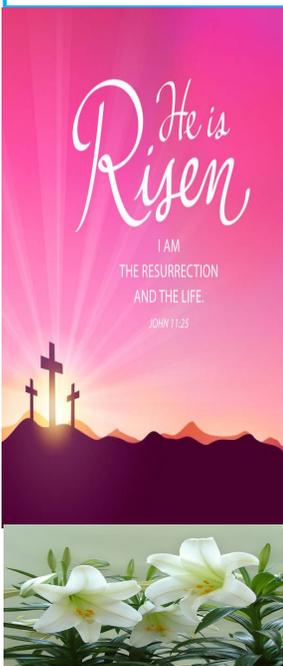


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Mass Times and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 4

5:00 The Deceased Members of Father Luke's Family

Sunday, April 5

7:30 Living and Deceased Members of the Parish esp James Allen Schulien and John Drake

**9:00 Robert Fredericks
Irene Perodin (living, birthday)
Lois Sullivan**

**10:30 Joseph Yassa, Rosina Tedeschi
Maria & Pasquale Infante**

12:00 Alfredo Rocca

Monday, April 6

12:10 Will Alcock

Tuesday, April 7

12:10 Omar Carillo (for guidance)

Wednesday, April 8

12:10 Audrey Khan (living)

Thursday, April 9

12:10 pm Perodin Family (grace and blessings)

Friday, April 10

12:10 pm Sebastian & Catherine

Saturday, April 11

**5 pm Lawrence Mazzei
Joseph Fellin**

Sunday, April 12

7:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Parish esp Gary Windt

9:00 Cassi Smith (Healing)

10:30 Claire Benz

12:00 Carol Gilrane

Events This Week at Saint Virgil Parish

Mon 4/6: Men's Cornerstone 7:30 SVC

Tues 4/7: Rosary Society 1:00 TC

**Thurs 4/9: Divine Mercy 6:30 pm
Bible Study 7:00 SV Classroom**

Sat 4/11: First Communion Retreat 9-11 am

**Sun 4/12: Divine Mercy Holy Hour 3 pm
The Miracle Box film at 4:00**



Please remember in your prayers:

Our Family & Friends

Cynthia & Jonathan Grove, Andrew Barber, Sandra Buck, Michael O'Connor, Carolyn Russo, Carol Meitt Brautigam, Cheyenne Webb, Michael D. Edwards, Francesca Esposito, Ralph Schmitt, Anna Arnold, Lyn Porter, Jackie Donnelley, Karen Pry, Lottie Krolik, Evelyn Uehara, Ric Perez, Baby Patrick Feeney, Barbara Collins, Kevin O'Brien, Thomas Gore, Lena Kleso, Barbara Trzaska, Yoselim Amai Ramirez, Baby Lena, Carol Alcock, Ron Pemimpede, Nancy Blajda, Al Florin, Sister Laverne, Nick Martocci, Rebecca Hollis, Steve O'Neill, Rob Spawn, Diane DeVenezia, Vicki Twomey, Peggy Barber, Jerry Warrick, Bill Warrick, Helena D'Estang, Patti Alcock, John O'Leary, Mary Maffeo, Tony Loughlin, Robert Taylor, Emma Scannelli.

(Unless you notify the parish office, names will rotate off the list in three months.)

All who serve in defense of our Country, both at home and abroad

SGT Sam Storey, MAJ Colin Marino, 1LT Jay Horan, CHAP MAJ Louis Mattina, SSGT Yadira Salcedo, SSGT Nathan Marshall, The deployed airmen of the 514th Air Mobility Wing, the deployed airmen of the 621st Contingency Wing, the deployed airmen of the 914 Air Refueling Wing, SSGT Blake Reidinger, LT Kelsey Bergh, PO1 Timothy Butchko, MJR Gary Windt, LT Patrick Leahey, LCDR Daniel M. Leahey, LT Mark Leahey, CAPT Ryan Feeney, MJR Stephanie Sittman, SSGT Thomas Sittman, LTR Andrew McGuinness, SSGT Eric Wright, LT Mark Van Orden, MSGT T.J. Hopkins, LT Kian Federick Steward, LT Tyler Huhn, DC1 Alexander V. Fernandez, CPL Irvin Carrithers, and Ch, CAPT Michal Falgowski

Our Home-bound Parishioners and friends at

Morris View Health Care,
Sunrise Assisted Living,
Arbor Terrace

Communion to the Homebound

If you know anyone who is home-bound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the Parish Office (973-538-1418) and we will see to it that their need is met.





Dates to Anticipate

Rosary Society Meeting on Tuesday, April 7, at 1:00 in the Tracy Center

Youth Trip to Catholic Underground **RESCHEDULED TO MAY 2**

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12: Special observance at 3 pm, Film shown at 4:00

Prime Time Gathering, Friday, April 17, 1:00 in the Tracy Center

First Holy Communion, Saturday, April 25, at 10:00 am

Parish Carnival: Wednesday to Saturday, May 6-9

May Crowning, Wednesday, May 13 at 7:00 pm



Registration—Registration is available on our Parish Website or by calling or emailing the Parish Office.

Baptisms—The sacrament is celebrated on each Sunday at 1:00 PM. Please call or email the parish office for information and scheduling.

Wedding Preparations - Call the parish office to schedule an appointment with the pastor to begin marriage preparation, preferably one year in advance. A Pre-Cana Class will be required.

Visitation of the Sick or Elderly - Call the Parish Office to arrange for visits to the hospital, nursing homes, or homebound. HIPPA Regulations require that we receive permission from the immediate family, prior to the visit.



On Sunday, March 29, by the waters of Baptism,

Aniela Ameila Plocharczyk,

daughter of Krzysztof and Angelika Plocharczyk was received into our Catholic Parish Family.



Congratulations to our OCIA Candidates who completed their studies and received blessings and Easter Sacraments at our Easter Vigil!

William T. Bolinder

Claire Ciullo

Erica Didomenico

Kayla Henderson

James Kloster

Anthony Lazzaro

Many thanks to Bernadette

Ponticelli-Szoke and Cassandra

Colon for their guidance!

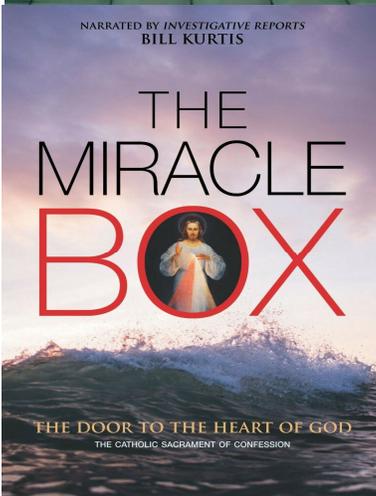
Knights of Columbus March Raffle

The Knights held their raffle on March 24, 2026.

Winners:	1 st Prize	Christine Dutcherr	\$225.00
	2 nd Prize	Melissa Kosakawski	\$212.50
	3 rd Prize	Janet Fiore	\$100.00
	4 th Prize	Ann Picone	\$87.50

The designated Charity for this drawing was LIFENET.

Many thanks to the parishioners of St. Virgil for their continuous support of our local charities.



Divine Mercy Sunday

The Sunday after Easter is set aside by the entire Catholic Church as the day to seek and to revere the Divine Mercy of Our Lord. Starting at 3:00. there will be Adoration, accompanied by guided reflections, the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, a set time for meditation, and Benediction. Confessions will be available.

The Holy Hour will be followed by the showing of a film, *The Miracle Box* at 4:00. This movie delivers the most critical message of our times as it uncovers and illuminates Christ's message of Divine Mercy as revealed to Saint Faustina. Top theologians and seasoned confessors provide insights and courageous firsthand personal accounts revealing God's grace and quiet power that flows through the sacrament of reconciliation.

All Confirmation Students are expected to attend both hours as part of their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Everyone in the parish is invited to attend.

Sunday, April 12

Holy Hour at 3:00

Film "The Miracle Box" at 4:00



St. Virgil Rosary Society

Tuesday, April 7, 2026, 1 p.m. in the Tracy Center

May Crowning Planning Meeting

We will meet to discuss details of the May Crowning taking place on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, the Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima.

Refreshments available.

A donation of \$1.00 may be given to purchase Food Pantry items, in lieu of a canned good.

In case of inclement weather, please call the Parish Office at 973-538-1418.

The Carnival Committee is pleased to unveil the new page that is available on our Parish Website to cover "all things Carnival". Click the tab on the far right of the selections bar and information and opportunities for sign-ups will appear on the page that will open. There will also be an accurate countdown to May 6th updated daily. We are only weeks away from our 50th Carnival. Please be part of our great event and sign up to get in on the action!



50TH ANNUAL ST. VIRGIL CARNIVAL!
 SAVE THE DATES: MAY 6, 7, 8, AND 9, 2026



DATES AND TIMES

- 6 PM to 10 PM - Wednesday, May 6th
- 6 PM to 10 PM - Thursday, May 7th
- 6 PM to 10 PM - Friday, May 8th
- 4 PM to 10 PM - Saturday, May 9th



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Please consider volunteering one night or more! Just click [HERE](#) or on the button below.

Choose the date and volunteer activity that works for you! Feel free to register with a friend! New volunteers welcome!

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Sponsorship is key to our success. Your generosity as a carnival sponsor at any level benefits the parish and gives recognition to the businesses and families that support us. We have several levels of sponsorship, and we hope you will find that one is right for you. It is no secret that the carnival raises vital funds for our parish. Your tax-deductible donation (tax ID



The current economic challenges have made it very difficult for all of us, and in particular the working poor of Morris County. Please be generous

Pantry's Biggest Needs
We currently have a low supply of the following items:

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- * Pasta
- * Tuna, Salmon, canned fish
- * Parmalat (or any shelf-stable milk) 1 qt size and Dry Milk in 1 qt packages
- * Soups, all varieties
- * Rice (in 1 or 2 pound bags)
- * Baby Food - Stage 2, Stage 3
- * Baby Diapers - Sizes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6
- * Pull-ups - Sizes 2T-3T, 3T-4T, and 4T-5T
- * Wipes

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Psalm 118

Gospel: John 11:1-9

Alleluia!!

Easter is here, the day we have been awaiting. Let us rejoice! Interesting enough, John's Gospel does not show that Christ's disciples were jumping for joy; rather, we find that the Apostles were utterly confused, and not able to exactly understand what was before their very eyes. John's Gospel reports that Mary Magdala, the first to arrive at the tomb, saw that the stone had been removed and ran to Simon Peter and another disciple to report what she suspected: that the body of Christ had been stolen. The beloved disciples, believed to be John and Peter ran to the tomb and saw that the burial cloths had been removed and rolled up in separate places. we are told that the beloved disciple who had entered the tomb, is said to have seen and "believed" what Mary had: ports. But, John's Gospel reports, they "... did not yet understand the Scripture that He had to rise from the dead."

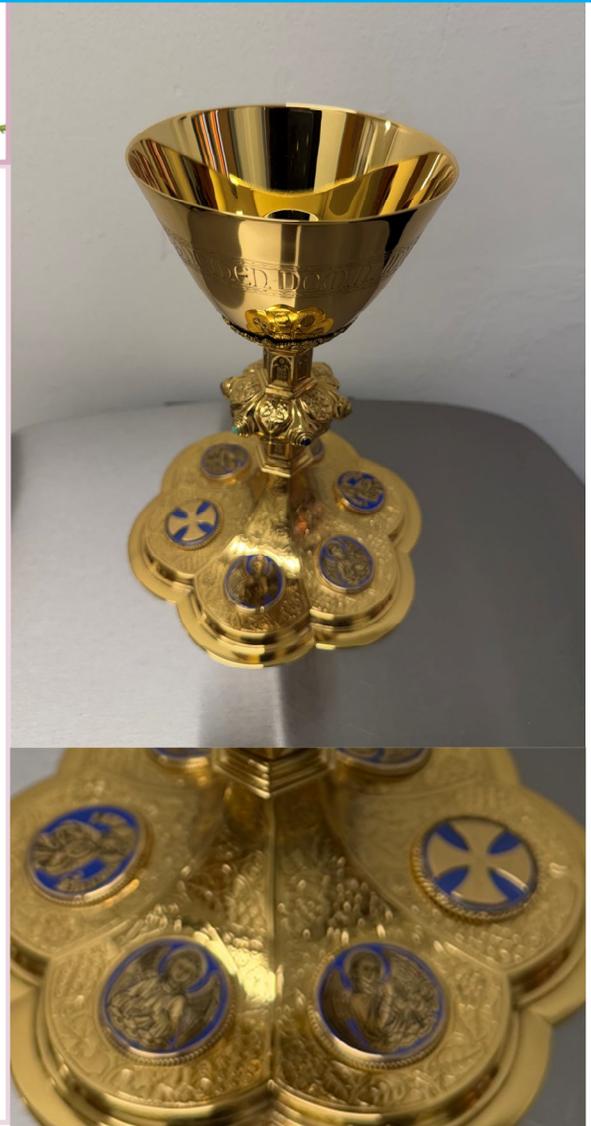
"Give thanks to the Lord , for He is good, for His mercy endures forever."



More Easter Joy! The 100 Year-Old Chalice has been restored, just in time for Holy Week. The missing medallion in the base was replaced with a well-suited Maltese Cross medallion, the stone that was missing in the chalice's node was also replaced. The plating was refurbished and polished to a beautiful shine, and the inscription on the cup is now safely preserved.

Many thanks to our parishioners who donated funds to help with the restoration of this beautiful vessel.

In case you didn't notice, the chalice was used for the first time on Holy Thursday evening at the Mass of the Lord's Supper and appeared again at all of our Easter Masses. It will appear on the altar on many occasions to come.



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