#### 20 April 2025 <u>THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD</u> (Easter Sunday)

Sunday Mass: Anticipated Sat. 4 PM/Sun. 8 AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass Sunday: 9:30 AM (Live-streamed) & 11 AM Confessions: Sat. 7:30-7:55 AM; 2:30-3:30 PM & 6:30-7:30 PM

#### **THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS**

Note: There will be no Masses this week until Fri. AM, 25 April.

	25 April	St. Mark the Evangelist, Martyr The Greater Litanies*
8 AM		For: Timothy Secor+ Req: Mr. & Mrs. John Vanderhoof
Sat.	26 April	St. Paschasius Radbertus, Abbot St. Stephen of Perm, Bishop, Evangelizer of the Zyrjanos
8 AM		For: Special Intention
4 PM		For: Jonathan & Betsy Weinell (L.) Req: Mr. & Mrs. Adam Palm
Sun. 8 AM	27 April	II Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) For: Ruth Masset+
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9:30 A	AM	For: The Parishioners of OLGCC
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\*The Greater Litanies is when Holy Mother Church implores God Almighty to grant success to the crops that are being planted; to protect the soil from drought and floods, and to avert storms from damaging the fields. How wise a Mother she is, because she wants us to remember how much we all depend on the land and our farms for food. Ours is no longer an agrarian society where people are connected to the land, and so we take for granted that there will always be a grocery store with lots of food available. How foolish and shortsighted we are! We must implore our Heavenly Father to provide food for His children, and never lose sight of the work that goes into providing it for us by our farmers. The Pastor will bless our farmlands on this day, and it would be wonderful to see many people at Holy Mass to beg God to bless our farms, provide us with food and spare us from any natural disasters!

Today there is a growing "back to the land" movement among Catholics who are seeking to restore the connection between their families and the earth.

# CHRIST HAS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

A HOLY, BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER TO ALL OF YOU! As you celebrate Christ's glorious Resurrection with your family, greet them with these words that recall this awesome truth.

## NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS THIS TUESDAY.

Class will resume on Tue. 29 April at the usual times for both groups.

### MONDAY 21 APRIL 11 AM HOLY ROSARY AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Please come to the Planned Parenthood building on Genesee St. in Utica to pray the Holy Rosary for the ending of abortion. The Mother of God is answering the prayers and sacrifices of so many wonderful pro-lifers....they have closed the PP clinic in Manhattan, one of the largest and oldest in the US!

## SUNDAY 27 APRIL MOVIE ON BL. CARLO ACUTIS 4:45 PM

We will take a bus to view a movie that has been produced on the teenage Saint, Carlo Acutis. He is, in fact, being canonized on this very day in Rome. Please put your name on the sign-up list that is on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Tickets for the movie are \$12.50/person. We will leave from the parking lot of the Rectory at 4:45 PM. The movie will be shown at 6 PM. Bl. Carlo Acutis (3 May 1991-12 October 2006) was born to wealthy Italian parents in London, England. Soon after his birth, his parents returned to Italy, where Carlos was cared for by nannies as a child. They spoke to him of God sparked in him a love for God and the things of God, (Carlo's parents were Catholic, but not practicing). As a young child, he developed a hunger for God, and a thirst for knowledge about Him. He converted several of his parents' employees by his own love for Jesus Christ and his Church. At the age of 12, he became a catechist in his parish church, where he would attend daily Mass whenever possible, and pray the Holy Rosary with a group of the women of the parish.

Soon it became evident that he was gifted with skills as a computer "techy". His parish priest asked him to develop a website for the parish, and Carlo began a website devoted to the Eucharistic miracles of the Church, and the approved apparitions of Our Lady.

In 2006, he was diagnosed with leukemia, and died at the age of 15. He had asked that he be buried in Assisi, near St. Francis, whom he loved. Today his body lies in the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore in Assisi, where it is venerated by throngs of pilgrims.

## HAVE YOU NOTICED?

We have revamped our literature rack with many new titles and subjects to help you in your knowledge of the Faith and your spiritual life. Some of the booklets have a price on them, others do not. You may simply make an offering for anything you take. There are envelopes provided on the rack for you to put your offering in, and then place it in the collection basket. We hope you find something that interests you. God bless you.

#### Dom Prosper Gueranger on the Resurrection of Our Lord

*He is risen: He is not here!* The Corpse, laid by the hands of them that loved their Lord, on the slab that lies in that cave, is risen; and without removing the stone that closed the entrance, has gone forth, quickened with a life which can never die. No man has helped him. No prophet has stood over the dead body, bidding it to return to life. It is Jesus himself, and by his own power, that has risen. He suffered death, not from necessity, but because he so willed; and again, because he willed, he has delivered himself from its bondage. O Jesus! Thou, that thus mockest death, art the Lord our God. We reverently bend our knee before this empty tomb, which is now forever sacred, because for a few hours, it was the place of thy abode. *Behold the place where they laid him!* Behold the winding sheet and the bands, which remain to tell the mystery of thy having once been dead! The angel says to the women: *Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified!* The recollection makes us weep. Yes, it was but the day before yesterday that his Body was carried hither,

mangled, wounded, bleeding. Here, in this cave, from which the angel now rolled back the stone-in this cave, which his presence fills with a more than mid-day brightness-stood the afflicted Mother. It echoed with the sobs of them that were at the burial, John and the two disciples, Magdalen and her companions.

The sun sank beneath the horizon, and the first day of Jesus' burial began. But the prophet had said: 'In the evening weeping shall have place; and in the morning gladness," (Ps. Xxix.6). This glorious, happy morning has come, O Jesus! And great indeed is our gladness at seeing that this same sepulchre, whither we followed thee with aching hearts, is now but the trophy of thy victory! Thy precious wounds are healed! It was we that caused them; permit us to kiss them. Thou art now living, more glorious than ever, and immortal. And because we resolved to die to our sins, when thou wast dying in order to expiate them, thou willest that we, too, should live eternally with thee; that thy victory over death should be ours; that death should be for us, as it was for thee, a mere passage to immortality, and should one day give back, uninjured and glorified these bodies which are to be lent for a while to the tomb. Glory, then, and honor, and love be to thee, O Jesus! Who didst deign not only to die, but to rise again for us!

(Dom Prosper Gueranger 1805-1875, was a French priest who became a Benedictine monk, and eventually the Abbot of the Monastery of Solemes. He restored the Benedictine life after it had been gutted by the French Revolution. Notably, he restored the sacred Liturgy by so doing, and wrote an extensive commentary on each day of the Church's liturgical calendar, published as "The Liturgical Year", from which this passage was excerpted).