

# St. John the Evangelist Greece

April 20, 2025



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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT  
*As disciples of Jesus Christ serving on the Parish Pastoral Council, we collaborate with the Pastor and Staff inviting the people of St. John the Evangelist Church to joyfully celebrate the Eucharist, faithfully teach Catholic tradition, and fervently form Catholic spirituality, so that together we may go forth in love to serve the Lord and each other.*



## DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Monday

Acts 2:14, 22-33/  
Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11/  
Mt 28:8-15

### Tuesday

Acts 2:36-41/  
Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/  
Jn 20:11-18

### Wednesday

Acts 3:1-10/  
Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/  
Lk 24:13-35

### Thursday

Acts 3:11-26/  
Ps 8:2ab, 5-9/  
Lk 24:35-48

### Friday

Acts 4:1-12/  
Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a/  
Jn 21:1-14

### Saturday

Acts 4:13-21/  
Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21/  
Mk 16:9-15

### Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 5:12-16/  
Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/  
Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/  
Jn 20:19-31

## Happy Easter to All!

Have you heard the Good News? Christ the Lord is risen today! Well, when life seems to be filled with tragedy and bad news, it is wonderful to hear some GOOD NEWS! Such news can lift us from discouragement and restore balance to our lives. Good News of Christ can help invigorate us and refocus our energy in challenging situations of our lives. Such is the Good News of Jesus proclaimed to us today. If the Good News of the Gospel is to take hold of us then it is NOT to be kept to ourselves, but needs to be passed on to others. What is the Good News? **JESUS HAS BEEN RAISED FROM THE DEAD!** Death has no more power—Jesus is **VICTORIOUS** over death! Therefore, the words of Jesus to the women who came to the tomb are the very words that can give us hope... **“DO NOT BE AFRAID.”** With those comforting words comes an additional responsibility to God who says, **“GO AND TELL.”** Who? US and OTHERS!

Rarely do we keep good news to ourselves in our everyday lives. We want others to share in our joy. It is the same with the Resurrection of the Lord. We want the whole world to know that Jesus is Lord and has been raised up to the Father, and we have new life in **HIM**. We are born again, Alleluia! Our faith in God has been renewed.

When we leave Church today, we take with us all that we celebrate and give witness to the living traditions of the Resurrection. We do so without fear, but with hope and love. It is this hope and love which constantly reminds us that the Lord is true to his promises. His Risen Life is our joy! Jesus is revealed as the Son of God. All throughout Lent, we prayed “Reawaken our Hearts with Hope.” We asked the Lord to revive us in the faith. One of the hardest things to do is to **“LET GO.”** We sometimes become our own tormentor if we refuse to let go and not allow Christ in our lives to transform us. Harboring resentment,



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holding grudges, or focusing on blame only hurts us. We all have to move on in faith and trust in the Risen Christ and stop wasting valuable energy on the past. We cannot proclaim that our universe or our world or our nation or our community or our family is changed unless we are open to faith in such a way that we are changed. In the words of Pope Saint John Paul II, we should “open wide the door of our hearts for Christ.” The clock is ticking for us all and we need God’s blessings and healing love. Easter is about forgiveness, compassion, and understanding. Easter is about

renewal. Easter is about us. Easter is not caring about where we have been, or how others perceive us to be. It is about us and our relationship with Jesus. As a result of our presence and belief in Christ we are changed and made anew by His grace. By changing the way we think, we can turn regret and worry into distant memories and grow to build our faith and trust in the Lord.

This **EASTER**, it’s never too late for us to **“LET GO”** of whatever in life is holding us back and start over. Let us put our trust in God. I welcome all this Easter in faith to our parish. **FAILURE IS NOT FINAL, UNLESS WE LET IT BE.** The message this Easter is this: Jesus doesn’t care about what we’ve done, or what others say we’ve done, or our permanent record. What matters is the direction of our faith in Jesus right now, where we are headed or where we stand, in Jesus’ name. **WE ARE HERE AND WE GIVE THANKS IN HIS NAME!** We shouldn’t dwell on the past or beat ourselves up over it if we are a people whose faith is not where it should be. We can’t change yesterday, but we can do something good today. We can live differently from this day forward in Christ. “This is the day the Lord has made! Let us be glad and rejoice!” Let us ask for a fresh start in the Lord.



God bless,  
Father Peter



### Masses for the Week—April 21—27

**MONDAY, April 21** *Monday within the Octave of Easter*  
 8:15 AM + **Madge Rindos**  
 Judy Weiser

**TUESDAY, April 22** *Tuesday within the Octave of Easter*  
 8:15 AM + **Carl & Barbara Cottorone**  
 by Family

**WED, April 23** *Wednesday within the Octave of Easter*  
 8:15 AM + **Vera Dowdall**  
 by Jim & Delia Keane

**THURS, April 24** *Thursday within the Octave of Easter*

**FRIDAY, April 25** *Friday within the Octave of Easter*  
 8:15 AM + **Margaret Zarud**  
 by Kay Nichols

**SAT, April 26** *Saturday within the Octave of Easter*  
 4:00 PM + **Geraldine Krockenberger**  
 by David & Donna Post

**SUNDAY, April 27 Divine Mercy Sunday**  
 8:00 AM + **Deceased Members of the Wasilewski Family**  
 by Family  
 10:00 AM + **Deceased Members of St John's**

**Wills/Bequests/Memorials—  
 Please Remember St. John the Evangelist Parish**

### This Week's Schedule

**Sunday, April 20 Easter Sunday**  
 8:00 AM Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord in Church  
 10:00 AM Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord  
 in Church

**Monday, April 21**  
 Parish Office CLOSED

**Thursday, April 24**  
 4:30 PM Cursillo in Meeting Room

**Sunday, April 27 Divine Mercy Sunday**  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet following the 10:00 AM Mass  
 in Church



### Return and Worship\* with Us Every Week!

If you knew Jesus would be somewhere, wouldn't you go see him? Mass is the central, necessary activity of Christian worship.\*

**What's in it for you?** Everything! God desires only and always your good. If you don't think you need to go to church to get close to God, think again. At Mass, you receive God himself—Jesus truly present in the Sacrament. Why should you deny yourself such a gift?!

\*What is worship? To render your acknowledgement, deep respect, and thanks to God.

### Please keep the following ordained in your prayers this week.

April 20	April 21	April 22	April 23	April 24	April 25	April 26
All Missionaries	Matthew Walter	Eugene Weis	Michael Bausch	Daniel E. White	Daniel L. White	Mitchell Zygadlo



On this day of our Lord's glorious Resurrection, may the Spirit of the Risen Christ always live within you and may you always have the gift of Love, the Blessing of Hope, and the promise of Peace.

Wishing each of you a very Joyful and Blessed Easter!  
 God bless,

*Fr. Peter Enyan-Boadu, Deacon Elmer Smith, Deacon Lon Smith, Tod & Cris Simone, Chris Frontale, Joe Spurrier, Consuelo DeLosSantos, Dawn Chmiel, Jenny Ertel & Marcia Parsons*

## Divine Mercy



### Divine Mercy Sunday NEXT Sunday, April 27

Each year, on the Second Sunday of Easter, the Church celebrates the Sunday of Divine Mercy. Humanity's need for the message of Divine Mercy took on dire urgency in the 20th century when civilization began again to lose the understanding of the sanctity and inherent dignity of every human life. Let us turn our prayer towards mercy, forgiveness, and healing for all who suffer the wounds of abortion.

Following the 10:00 AM Mass we will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday by praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet. For those who may be unfamiliar with praying the Chaplet, we will have a prayer sheet as a guide as well as rosaries available for anyone who may need one. All are welcome and encouraged to take part.

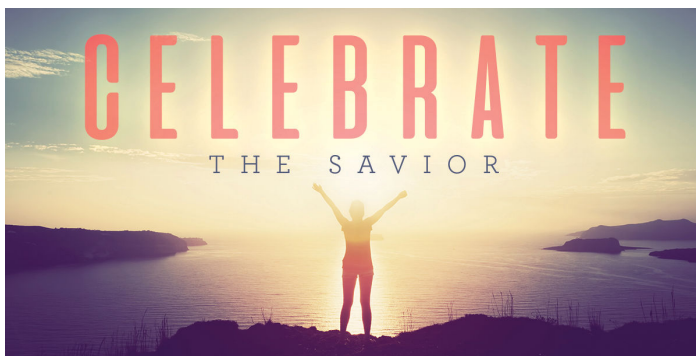


**Jubilee Year 2025**  
Easter

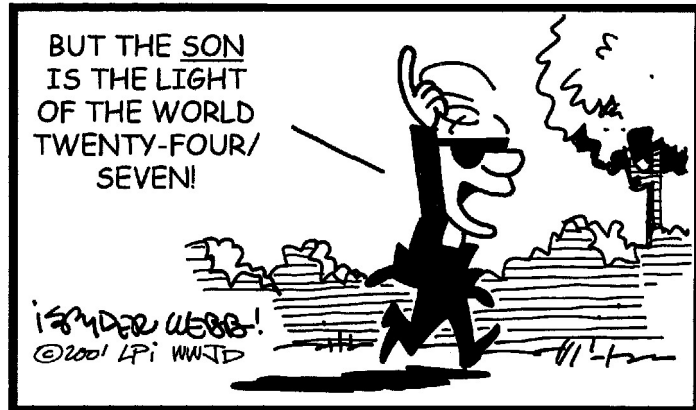
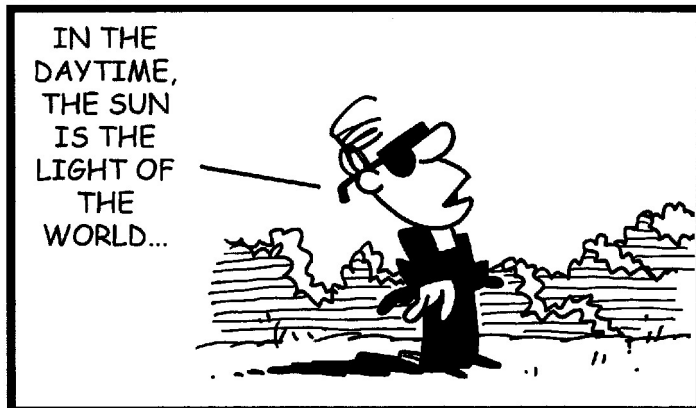
Over the Jubilee Year we will explore the themes of Hope, Pilgrimage, and Jubilee, always ending with a questions for you to consider over the week.

This week is arguably the most hope-filled celebration of our year. The hope of the Resurrection is made real and gives us hope that the other promises of Jesus are also assured. He goes ahead to prepare a place for us!

**Ponder Point:** How do you keep Easter as a faith-filled Holy Day and not just another holiday? How will you celebrate Jesus' Resurrection?



**EASTER**



**May Crowning Honoring our Blessed Mother Mary**

The Month of May is a time in which we honor our Blessed Mother. We will hold our annual May Crowning on Sunday, May 4, 2025, during the 10:00 AM Mass. We will gather the children and,

together with women from our Fatima Women's Prayer Ministry, we will adorn our Blessed Mother with a crown of flowers and place flowers and candles around her. This shrine will remain on display in church throughout the month of May.

We need your help. If you have children or grandchildren—girls and boys alike—, we'd love for them to take part. The children will be guided by the women taking part so the children (and parents/grandparents) won't have to worry about them doing anything on their own – their main role will be to carry flowers to place before the statue of the Blessed Mother. It will be helpful to know how many children will be taking part so if you will please call me at the Parish Office (225-8980) to sign them up and I can answer any questions you may have. Having the boys and girls dressed in their Easter clothes for this special occasion will be nice but not necessary. We look forward to celebrating this special celebration in honor of our Heavenly Mother.

Peace. *Marcia*



**Please Take Note**  
**A Change is Taking Place**

The time has come for a change and this said, beginning Monday, April 28, 2025, our Parish Secretary, Marcia Parsons, will transition to part-time hours, at her request. She will continue to perform her secretarial duties,

however, her availability to do so will now be done during the new hours and they are as follows:

- Monday: 9:00 AM—3:00 PM
- Tuesday: 9:00 AM—2:00 PM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM—2:00 PM
- Thursday: 9:00 AM—Noon
- Friday: 9:00 AM—2:00 PM

With these new hours, the Parish Office **will be open** throughout the lunch hour.

To best assist you with your needs as this change takes place, it is recommended that, whenever possible, you contact the Parish Office ahead of time with your request. Thank you. *Fr. Peter*

**Our Easter Flowers are Courtesy of the Following Donors**

<b>Donor</b>	<b><i>In Memory of</i></b>	<b>Donor</b>	<b><i>In Memory of</i></b>
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Elizabeth Buda	Deceased Members of Baum and Braya Families	Barbara Parkhurst	Frank & Barbara Conte
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Rose DiBella	Fritz & Ingrid Scherer	Debbie Smith	Joe & Jane Tominez
Dornan & Lombardini Families	Roger Palermo, Jr.	Elaine & Rick Stein	Giulio & Josephine Denti
Family	Carl & Barbara Cottorone	Pam Tofany-Kern	Deceased Members of Richardson, Kenyon & Post Families
Beverly Frank & Family	Marie Wilby	Nick & Eileen Verdino	Clarence, Adrienne, Edward, Kenneth & Patricia Preston
Ernest & Loretta Frasco	George & Theresa Schwab	Donna & Jonathan Verdun	Theresa & William Radel
Mr/Mrs David Giarrizzo	Frank & Mary D'Ambrosio	Alan & Eileen Vieira	James O'Toole
Ellen & Edward Haak	Thomas D'Ambrosio	Nancy & George Weinmann	Deceased Family Members
Susan Hartwig	Albert & Helen DeConinck	Judy Weiser	Thomas A. McPherson
Mary Ann Heh	Nick Dellefave	Anthony Zanni & Family	Thomas M. McPherson
Christine Hoefler	Deceased Members of Vorrasi & DeLucia Families	Jack Zienkiewicz	Nick Sassano Sr & Mae Sassano
Debbie, Steve, & Wayne Howard	Deceased Members of DiBella & Marisi Families		In Honor of Members of Kouladjian & Rosa Families
Dan & Melissa Kabasin	Cosmo & Marji Lombardini		Arthur & Blanche Blasius
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	Danny Paniccia		Giuseppa & Salvatore Verdino
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	Douglas Heh		Deceased Members of Vieira & Kryger Families
	Brian Hoefler		Maisie Lucienne Gillan
	Joseph & Lorraine Howard		Deceased Members of the Weiser Family
	Deceased Members of Jweid & Kabasin Families		Eleanor Zanni
			Janet Zienkiewicz



Thank you to all who made donations. Your gifts in memory of your loved ones enabled us to decorate our beloved St. John's in beautiful spring flowers.







Judy Tassone Sister of Mary Gilligan



This Week's Sanctuary Candles burn for

- ✝ Tabernacle I Deacon Bob
- ✝ Tabernacle II Thomas O. Burke
- ✝ Marian I Edwin & Regina Wasilewski
- ✝ Marian II Rose Marie Skrypek

BLESSINGS OF FINANCIAL



<b>April 5/6</b> Week 41	ATTENDANCE.....	428
BUDGETED Sunday Offering.....	\$	9,321.00
SUNDAY Offering.....	\$	7,673.08
ONLINE Giving.....	\$	2,925.00
TOTAL Sunday Offering.....	\$	10,598.08
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OVERAGE for SUNDAY OFFERING.....	\$	1,277.08

**2nd Collection**

Boiler Maintenance/Capital Improvement	\$	2,071.00
ONLINE Giving.....	\$	1,535.00
TOTAL Offering.....	\$	3,606.00

**Fiscal Year 2024-25 as April 6, 2025**

YEARLY BUDGET .....	\$	494,000.00
BUDGETED TO-DATE.....	\$	382,161.00
ACTUAL COLLECTED.....	\$	371,235.62
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SHORTAGE TO DATE.....	(\$	10,295.38)

*With sincere gratitude, Fr. Peter thanks all who continue with their financial assistance in support of the many needs in our parish.*

Due to an early bulletin deadline, the Mass attendance and contributions for April 12/13 will be posted in our April 26/27 bulletin.

**Online Giving**

You can make your weekly, monthly, annual and one-time donations from your checking or savings account, or by using a credit or debit card, electronically, from your own computer. It is easy, safe and secure! A link to Online Giving can be found at our Parish Home



Page [www.stjohngreece.org](http://www.stjohngreece.org).

Don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office, 225-8980 for details or assistance with Online Giving.

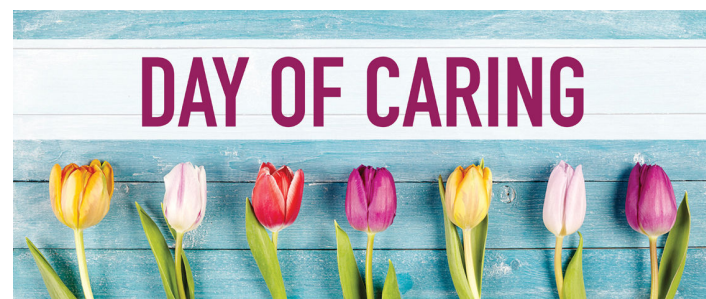


**WELCOME SPRING!**

All women of St. John's are invited to our annual SPRING BANQUET at the Brook House, on **Tuesday, May 6 at 5:00 PM**. Individual orders and checks will be taken that night....so there is no need to send payment ahead of time.

**Please give Carolyn Kerhaert a call at 225-7425 on or before Monday, April 28 to place your reservation.**

Reservations will be taken on a first come basis; we have 25 seats to reserve.



**Parish Annual Day of Caring 2025**

**Our Annual Parish Day of Caring will be Saturday, May 10 from 9:00 AM 'til noon.**

Our 2025 Day of Caring is scheduled for Saturday, May 10 with a rain date of Saturday, May 17. We will start at 9:00 AM and finish with a HOT DOG lunch around 12:00 Noon. There are a variety of things to do, but it mostly involves raking. We need volunteers to complete assigned duties and be flexible in completing a list of tasks.

Please bring with you: work boots, work gloves, a rake, clippers and a lot of energy.

Please dress warm and please wear long pants for safety.

If you can help us out please contact the Parish Office (225-8980) and leave your name, phone number, and email address so that we can contact you if needed.

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL**

**St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.**

**CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Saturday Evening:** 4:00 PM

**Sunday:** 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

**Holy Days:** As announced in bulletin

**Weekdays:** Monday–Wednesday & Friday 8:15 AM

**CONFESSIONS** By Appointment Only. *Please contact the Parish Office 225-8980.*

**BAPTISMS** For parishioners requesting Baptism for their child, we encourage you to please contact the Parish Office at (585) 225-8980 before the birth of your child to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism.

**MARRIAGE** Arrangements for the Sacrament of Marriage must be made at least SIX MONTHS in advance. Call the Parish Office at 225-8980.

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