

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS
HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 1, 2018



"Peter proceeded to speak and said; 'You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did... they put him to death hanging him on a tree. This man God raised up on the third day and granted that he be visible not to all but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance who ate and drank with after he rose from the dead.'"

We can listen to many Easter sermons, telling of the events and appearances of Jesus. We visit the upper room with the apostles, meet Him with Mary in the garden, breakfast with Him on the shore of Tiberias, and share an evening meal in Emmaus. All are witness stories.

The Pentecost sermon of Peter summarizes the event of Easter and its meaning for the witnesses. He was anointed with the Holy Spirit so we too have been confirmed. He was filled with power, so too we who live the life of grace. He went about doing good, the work of the church and we missionary disciples today. We too are the chosen witnesses of the Risen One who eat at His table, breaking the bread of life.

Easter faith tells us that He lives and among us. Easter joy fills us with a special enthusiasm. Easter commissioning sends us to bring that joy to others.

**FEAST, SCRIPTURE, CITATIONS &
SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

Saturday, March 31

*Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a, Gn 22:1-18, Ex 14:15-15:1,
Is 54:5-14, Is 55:1-11, Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4,*

Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/ Rom 6:3-11, Mk 16:1-7(41)

Sunday, April 1

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

*Acts 10:34a, 37-43, Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8, Jn 20:1-9 (42)
or Mk 16:1-7 (41)*

9:00 a.m. Camilleri Cassar Galea

11:30 a.m. People of the Parish

6:00 p.m.

Monday, April 2

Acts 2:14, 22-33, Mt 28:8-15 (261)

12:10 a.m. John Debiase

Tuesday, April 3

Acts 2:36-41, Jn 20:11-18 (262)

12:10 p.m. Richard Kusy (Living)

Wednesday, April 4

Acts 3:1-10, Lk 24:13-35 (263)

12:10 p.m. Carl & Angelo Conetta

Thursday, April 5

Acts 3:11-26, Lk 24:35-48 (264)

12:10 p.m. Jacob Kusy (Living)

Friday, April 6

Acts 4:1-12, Jn 21:1-14 (265)

12:10 p.m. Lucas Kusy (Living)

Saturday, April 7

Acts 4:13-21, Mk 16:9-15 (266)

12:10 p.m. Dan & Marianne Leyden

5:30 p.m. Agnes Kelly

CELEBRATING SAINT JOSEPH!!

Saturday, April 14th @ 5:30pm

Celebration will begin with the **5:30pm Vigil Mass.**

Followed by a **Community Dinner** next door at the Academy of St. Joseph auditorium.

This will be an evening for all. A perfect time to come out and fellowship with old friends and the perfect time to make new acquaintances!

To make our slideshow a success we are asking that you e-mail your photos to us at photos@stjosephgv.nyc or you can bring your photos to the church office to be scanned.

We will need all photos no later than April 7th.

The suggested donation for the celebration is:

10.00 per person / \$20.00 per family

The tickets will be available after each Mass and at the church office.



OUR COLLECTION

**Collection for
March 24th and 25th, 2018
By Mass as follows:**

5:30 pm: \$1,737 9:00 am: \$2,266
11:30 am: \$4,116 6:00 pm: \$1,754

Sunday Masses Total: \$9,873

WeShare: \$45

Grand Total: \$9,918

Parish Mission

**Monday, April 30 – Wednesday, May 2
7:00pm (optional Rosary beforehand)**

We're very excited to welcome Father Bill Garrott, OP to preach a parish mission here at Saint Joseph's during this Easter season. Father Bill is a brilliant preacher and veteran of over 100 parish missions throughout the US and Canada.

This mission aims to help us all to enter more deeply into the love of the Holy Trinity and experience God's merciful touch through the Sacraments. We'll come to a profound encounter of the Father who blesses, the Son who heals, and the Spirit who strengthens.

Mark your calendars for what promises to be a unique, grace-filled moment in the life of our parish and a wonderful way to help us to continue our celebration of Jesus' resurrection!

THE ACADEMY OF ST. JOSEPH OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, April 17th at 9:00 a.m.

We invite you to visit us to learn more about our exceptional education and enrichment programs. We are a private, Catholic school serving students in Pre-K through Eighth Grade. We are still accepting applications for the fall of 2018-2019.

**Torsie Judkins, Director of Admissions,
tjudkins@asosj.us to RSVP.**

50TH ANNIVERSARY GOLDEN WEDDING JUBILEE MASS

Sunday, June 3rd at 2:15 p.m.

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2018 are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with **Cardinal Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral.**

Pre-registration is required.

Please contact your parish to register.

**The closing date to register for the Mass is
Monday, May 14, 2018.**

