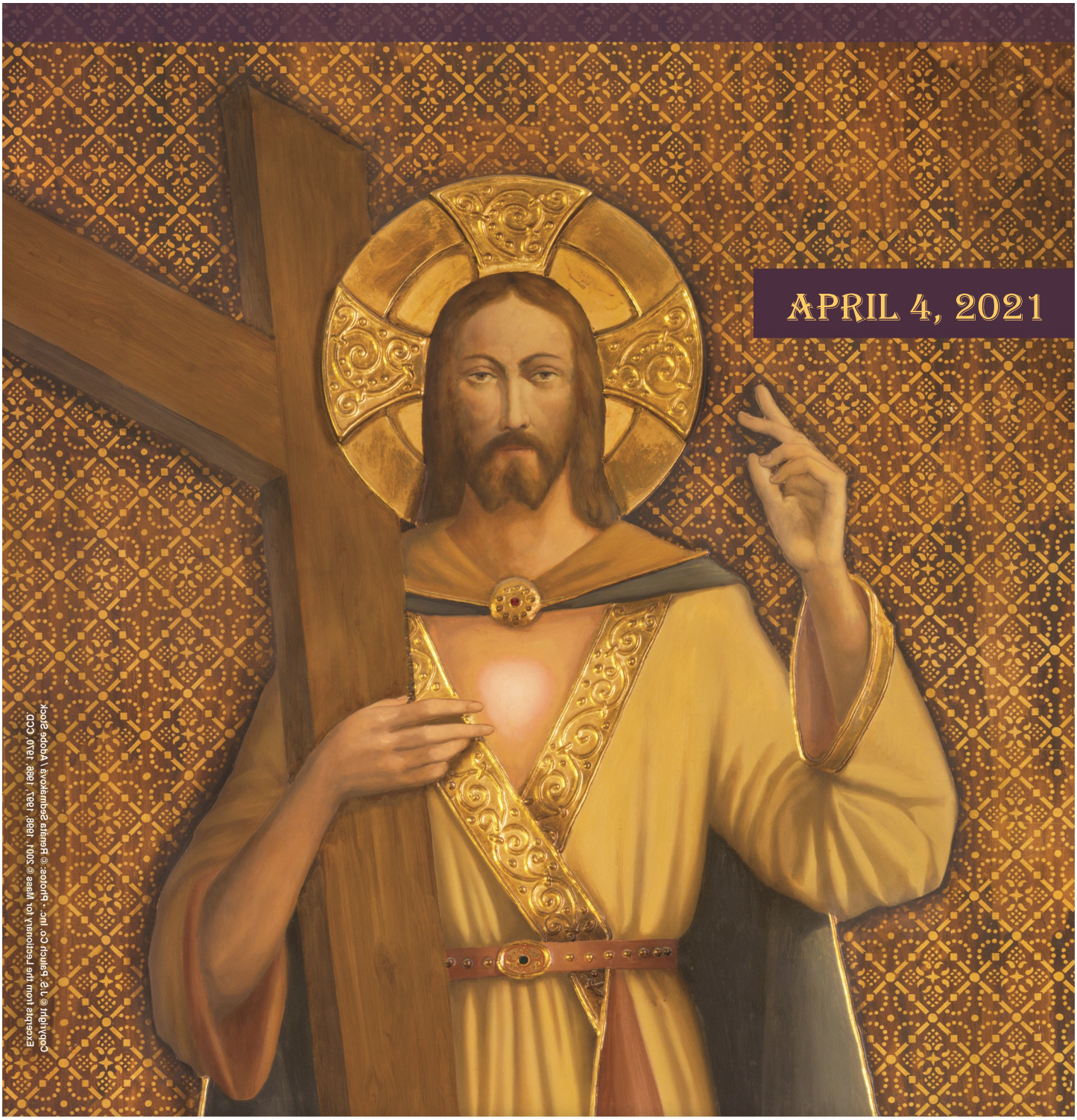

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PRAYER LIST

For those in need of hope, healing and health. Pray for all in our parish who are ill and homebound, especially Vivian Barnhard, John Bergandino, John DeAngelo, Rita DelPercio, Irene Didyoung, Patricia Gable, Jeanie Hauck, Ted Kozak, Helen Macminn, Donna Plesnarski, Robin Schlottman, Gregory Schwartz, Gary Scollick, Eric Slotkin, and all those in nursing homes. Mary, Health of the Sick, please pray for them.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Darcye Morawski, who passed away on March 19th. May she rest in peace.

SANCTUARY LAMP burns this week in memory of Sandy Cagle requested by Jim & Sandy Kozlowski.

ST. JOSEPH VOTIVES—We now have 2 amber votive lights at the statue of St. Joseph. You may memorialize these for someone living or deceased. You can choose to light one candle or two. The offering would be $10 per light. If you wish to schedule a particular weekend, please contact the parish office. Votives will be available during the Year of St. Joseph. This weekend's votives burn for the Intentions of the Angstadt and Rodgers Families.

FLOWER CALENDAR FOR 2021—Some dates are still available. If you are interested in requesting altar flowers in memory of a deceased loved one or a special intention, please sign the name on the date requested. Cost for each arrangement is $50.00

PRO-LIFE CORNER—We will never be able to build a culture of life if we do not respect the dignity of the human person at all stages of life. We must build our society as it once was, founded upon respect for life and the right to life and the pursuit of happiness.

Stewardship—Gifts of God

Thank you for your generous gifts!

Stewardship	March 21	$ 8,684.00 (147 envelopes)
	EFT	$ 340.00
	Parish Giving	$ 2,105.00
FLC Mtg.	March 21	$ 6,159.00 (60 envelopes)
	EFT	$ 177.00
	Parish Giving	$ 970.00

VOW DAY—A small group of Lay Missionaries of Charity at St. Benedict have completed their 2-year preparation and will take vows on Saturday, April 10th at the 9am Mass. The Lay Missionaries of Charity follow the statues and spiritual charism of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, and are the lay branch of her order, the Missionaries of Charity. Blessings to all on your Vow Day.

LIFELINE BANQUET—is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27th at the Double Tree in Reading. This banquet is a major fundraiser for the operation of Lifeline outreach programs. St. Benedict parish is planning on having several tables at the event. Anyone interested in going please call the parish office for discounted tickets.

Please continue to pray for family, friends and loved ones on active duty in all branches of military service.

USAir Force: Mark Cahill, Tom Gutherman, Michael Rodgers, Ryan Vance; USArmy: Zach Brann, Nathan Calhoun, Eric Dompkowski, Christopher Hari, Richard Hari, Matt Kurz, Adam Latshaw, Matt McGinn, Matt Palange, Andrew Sickora, James Yorke; USMC: Grant Dufin, Dan Kenyon, James Moran, Breno Pinheiro, Daniel Scheidel, Chris Timothy; US Navy: Danielle Becker, Cole Drahus, Michael Koch, Jessica Rutkowski; PA Air Guard: William C. Leinbach.

Landings

LANDINGS—WELCOMING RETURNING CATHOLICS- If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church, know that we have missed you. One way to explore returning to active participation is through the LANDINGS program. Although we are not currently offering sessions at our parish, you can sign up for the upcoming virtual national Landings session. During the short, weekly meetings, a small group of active Catholics, some of them "returnees" themselves, meets with a small group of inactive or returning Catholics to share and explore their faith together. The online session will begin in late January. If you are interested, please, please visit www.Landingsintl.org or Joy Bandy at 484-797-5607 or email joyful0306@PTD.net or contact pwatson.Landings@gmail.com for more information and preregistration.

LASALLE ANNUAL FUND—A mailing was sent out before Christmas to support LaSalle's Annual Fund. The goal of the Annual fund is $25,000. As of yesterday, over $18,842.00 has been collected. We greatly appreciate all those who were able to support our Catholic school, LaSalle Academy. About 40% of LaSalle's population is from St. Benedict. Please consider making a donation for Catholic education. Extra brochures and donation envelopes can be found at the front door bulletin board.

LASALLE REGISTRATION—LaSalle Academy is now taking registrations for Fall Semester 2021. Also, tours of LaSalle will be available during this time by appointment.

APRIL 4, 2021 EASTER SUNDAY
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

REJOICE AND BE GLAD—During the first three or four centuries of Christianity, if you asked a Christian to name the feast days of the church, your answer would have been a puzzled stare, for there was only one feast: the Resurrection of the Lord. Every Sunday was a feast celebrating the one great feast. Even though our calendar now has many beautiful and holy feasts, we must continually be called back to the fact that all these other feasts exist because of the feast of Christ's passover from death to life. The psalm today proclaims this message well: "This is the day." It is not one of many days, but it is the day of all days, the one that gives all the others their origin, purpose, meaning, and destiny. Listen carefully to Peter's speech in Acts with its recollection of the Passion, to the words of the apostle Paul, and to the account of Mary Magdalene, John, and Peter finding the empty tomb, and you will hear the many wonderful works that God has done for us through Christ. Rejoice and be glad! Copyright © J. S. Paluch

TODAY'S READINGS
First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).
Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).
(1) Second Reading — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) or
(2) Second Reading — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).
Gospel — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) or
Mark 16:1-7 (or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35).
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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Monday 04/05 NO MASS

Tuesday 04/06 NO MASS

Wednesday 04/07 NO MASS

Thursday 04/08 Thursday within Easter Octave
6:30 PM Mary & Don Keninitz
by Terry Grundman

Friday 04/09 Rev. John J. Paul, MSC
By Charlie & Ellie Albright

Sunday 04/11 *Divine Mercy Sunday*
5:00 PM (Saturday) Paige Elaine Coffman
by James & Cathy Coffman

9:00 AM Shirley Rohde by Susan Teaford

11:00 AM People of the Parish;
Donna Rhoads by Paula Rhoads

LITURGICAL MINISTERS APRIL 10/11

Saturday 5:00 PM
Lector: **Mary Jo Lewis**
EM: **Jeanette Bunch, Tom Henefer**

Sunday 9:00 AM
Lector: **Laura Kamerdze**
EM: **Chris Stein, Crystal Stein**

Sunday 11:00 AM
Lector: **Lauren Lush**
EM: **Sister Eileen, Glenn Unger**

THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT'S

Tuesday 04/06
7:00 pm RCIA, in the conference room
7:00 pm Women's Club meets in the FLC

Thursday 04/08
7:30 pm AA meets in the FLC

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