

# BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

National Catholic Church

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**Rev. Mark A. Gnidzinski, Pastor**

**April 5, 2026**



## **Worship Schedule:**

Saturday 5:00 pm - Vigil Holy Mass

Sunday 9:00 am - Holy Mass

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**The Resurrection of the Lord—Easter Sunday ‘A’**  
**April 5, 2026**

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**Altar Servers:** Abby, Everett, Parker

**Greeter:** Marianne Novak, Diane Brennan

**Trustees:** Joanne, Diane

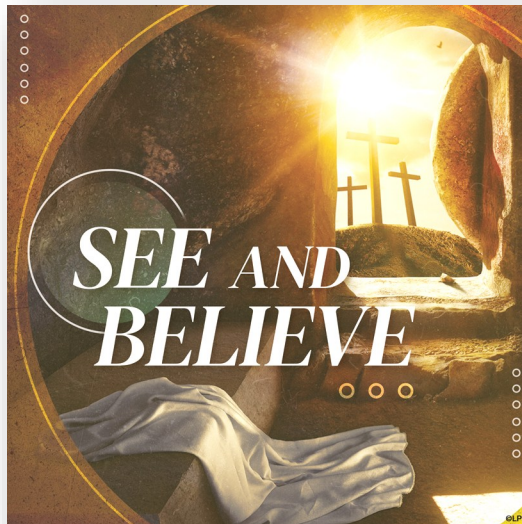
**Lector:** Kate Hoefler

**Cantor:** Jeff Staats

**Mass Intentions:**

Sun. April 5 - For all participating in this Easter Eucharist, both in person and via  
livestream.

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## Happening at BVMC

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**Thursday, April 9**

5:00 pm Vigil Mass of Sunday

**Saturday, April 11**

5:00 pm Vigil Mass of Sunday

**Sunday, April 12**

**9:00 am Holy Mass**

Altar Servers: Abby, Parker

Lector: Justine                      Cantor: Don

Greeter: Stephanie                      Trustees: Justine, Jim

10:15 am Sunday School



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### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**April 26** - Walk with God Concert at 3PM

**May 10** - Crowning of Mary—Mother's Day

**May 24** - Pentecost Sunday

**May 25** - Memorial Day

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## EASTER MESSAGE 2026

*"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." (John 14:27)*

My Dear Sisters and Brothers,

**"Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!"**

Today, our hearts overflow with the greatest joy known to humanity. This is the day the Lord has made - the day when the shadow of the tomb was forever dispelled by the brilliance of the Risen Christ.

Yet, as we gather in the beauty of this Easter Mass, we are mindful that we live in a world that feels increasingly fragile. We carry in our hearts the weight of current wars, the cries of the displaced, and the quiet anxieties of an uncertain future. Like the first disciples who huddled in fear behind locked doors, we often find ourselves wondering where peace can be found in such troubled times.

It is precisely into this uncertainty that the Risen Jesus steps today. He does not wait for the world to be perfect before He appears; He enters into the very midst of our struggles and says, **"Peace be with you."**

Our Easter joy is not a turning away from the world's pain, but a courageous look right through it to the victory of the Cross. We are spiritually hopeful because we know the end of the story: **Love has already won!** The Resurrection is God's "Yes" to life and His "No" to the powers of destruction.

As **"Easter People,"** let us carry this defiant joy out of these doors. Let us be the light in the darkness and the calm in the storm, trusting that the One Who conquered death is walking beside us every step of the way.

May the peace and radiant joy of the Risen Lord fill your hearts, your homes, and our entire world this Easter.

In Christ's Love,  
**Fr. Mark, Pastor**

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