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RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD PARISH COMMUNITY

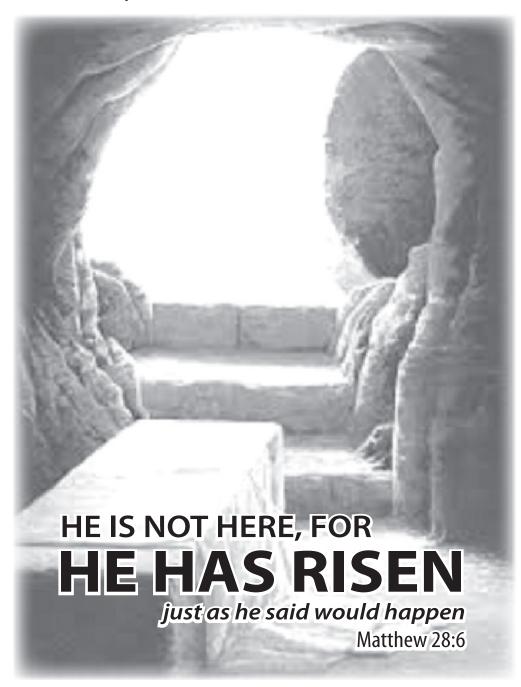
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Masses For The Week

LORD's DAY MASSES

Holy Saturday March 30, 2024

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday March 31, 2024

9:00 a.m. +for the Repose of the Soul of

Lucille Kelly Nolan and

Deceased Members of Her Family by

Cheryl Kelly

+for the Repose of the Soul of Ida Serrao by Joseph and Fina Lobo

11:00 a.m. -Resurrection of Our Lord Parishioners

WEEK DAY MASSES

EASTER MONDAY

Monday April 1, 2024

9:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday April 2, 2024

8:00 a.m. +for the Repose of the Soul of

Betty Joachim by Ida Serrao

Wednesday April 3, 2024

8:00 a.m. +for the Repose of the Soul of

Henrique Oliveira by His Wife Maria Oliveira

Thursday April 4, 2024

8:00 a.m. +for the Repose of the Soul of

Ivan Johnson by

His Niece Kelly Bourque

Friday April 5, 2024

8:00 a.m. +for the Repose of the Soul of

Parker Tutty by the Abraham Family

WE REMEMBER THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

Alan Jane, Elaine Jane, Grazynka Daszczynski, Joseph Lobo, Gabrielle Etter, Theresa MacDonald, Jaime Leth-Steensen, Greg Cameron, Butch Arquines, Carmen Arquines, Joan Muise, Lark Herbert, Walter Moore, Deacon Tom Stephenson.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSIONS FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH, 2024

5:00 PM TO MIDNIGHT (Confessions will be heard: 7:00 - 9:00 pm)

~ followed by ~

NICODEMUS MASS SATURDAY, APRIL 6[™], 2024 12:01 AM

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Service

(April 7, 2024)

Resurrection of Our Lord Parish

2:00 p.m. - Adoration

2:15 p.m. - Rosary

2:40 p.m. – Litany to Divine Mercy

3:00 p.m. – Chaplet of Divine Mercy (sung)

Hour of Prayer Mon. to Thurs. 3:00-4:00 p.m.



REST IN PEACE: +Leo Curtin

Confessions

Saturdays / 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Fridays / 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. (as well as by appointment)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Fridays / 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.



Christ is Risen! He lives!

This triumphant, faith-filled acclamation is an Easter greeting used in many parts of the world. That the Lord Jesus who was crucified and died on Calvary LIVES. He Is Risen! This is the foundational confession of our Christian faith.

On Good Friday, with the Apostles, we were the witness of Jesus's suffering, humiliation and death. A terrible experience both for them and for us.

When the Apostles saw with their own eyes what happened to Jesus, they were horrified. As a result, they lost their faith, their trust, and their hope. In fear and with a sense of devastation, they fled from Jerusalem, from Jesus, from His mother, from the community, and from the Church.

The same can happen with us. When we hear terrible things, we too can be terrified and paralyzed. We may feel depressed, powerless. We want to run away, but we have nowhere to go. It can be difficult for us to cope with it all. This is why so often we run away from God, the Church, community, and even from members of our family. We try to blame God for our misfortunes, such as the death of a loved one or a serious illness in the family. We may find it easier to blame others for our sin, or make them guilty of the things that are happening to us. We try to shift our pain onto others. It's a cry of despair. It is not an easy time for us.

The Apostles left. They disappeared. But when they heard what happened on that Sunday, they returned. They recognized that Jesus' mission of redemption would have been a total failure if his death on Calvary had been the final stop of His journey.



But His body didn't remain in the sepulchre because He couldn't be held prisoner by death. That tomb couldn't hold on to "the living one" (Rev 1:18).

The Resurrection is an event that has profoundly changed the course of world history, as well as the human experience and the lives of countless individuals. It tipped the scales once and for all on the side of life, of goodness, of hope, and of forgiveness.

The Apostles came back stronger. They were strengthened by the truth of the resurrection.

No one has described the absolute centrality of belief in the Resurrection better than St. Paul. He wrote, "if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins" (1 Cor 15:17). Without this firm conviction of Jesus' bodily resurrection, Christianity loses its meaning and would never have developed. The Apostles would not have carried the faith to others. They would not have been martyrs.

This is why I deeply believe that those words about Christ's Resurrection - "Christ is Risen" - can change us, just as they changed the Apostles. I hope that they will help us to return to unity with God, the community, the Church, our loved ones and ourselves. The strength of Christ and the Easter message can help us regain our faith and hope, and survive those things that cannot be changed.

Jesus overcame death. The Apostles overcame fear and hopelessness. We, through our faith and union with Christ, and strengthened by the prayers of the Apostles, Holy Mary and the Church community, can overcome many difficulties and keep our faith and love until death.

Take strength from the empty tomb, the Risen Christ, and the blessed Apostles.

Happy and blessed Easter!

Fr Robert Masternak SDS

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