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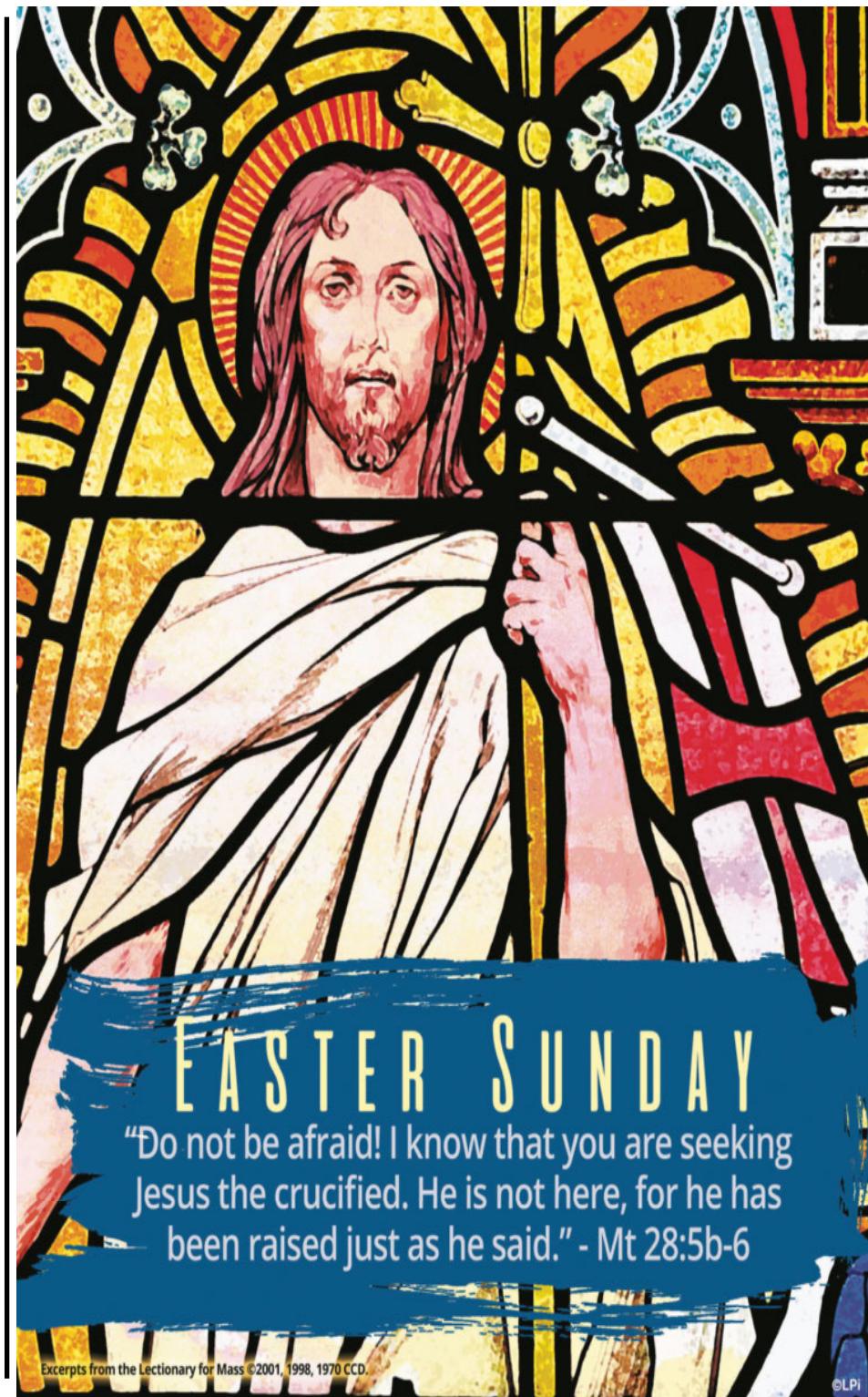
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## FROM FR. CHUCK

### HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!!!

We especially welcome our visitors and guests from around our area and from out of town. It is good to have you with us! Easter is a glorious time for Christians everywhere to acknowledge the power of the love of the risen Jesus Christ and to unabashedly share that good news with everyone we meet, starting with our families and friends and then anyone who will hear us. That means we have to move beyond the cute bunnies and marshmallow Easter chicks. We have to be willing to turn our Lenten sacrifices into something that has more lasting effect. We have to re-commit ourselves to participation in the Sunday liturgy and, equally important, living the gospel in our daily lives in the world. These two are inseparable.

Depending on whether you hear the gospel reading from Matthew or John this weekend, there is wonderment and excitement. In John, Mary of Magdala runs to tell Simon Peter about the empty tomb who then, along with “the other disciple whom Jesus loved,” run to the tomb. In Matthew, Mary Magdalene and “the other Mary” “go quickly” to tell the disciples that they received a message at the empty tomb from an angel who rolled back the stone. They are told first by the angel then by the risen Jesus himself, “Do not be afraid!” The wonderment and excitement are to be contagious to all Christians in this Easter Season such that all fear of sharing and living the good news is taken away.

Today begins the **Octave of Easter**, the singular celebration of the Lord’s resurrection that begins at the Easter Vigil and concludes on next Sunday evening. Each mass of the week is celebrated as a solemnity, the highest feast days of the Church year. It is as though the celebration cannot be contained in one day but spills over from day to day. Then, as if that is not enough, the season lasts 50 days, until Pentecost, this year on May 28. As long as Lent can feel in sacrifice and penance, Easter is filled with all the more joy and glory. Pope Francis reminds all Christians that we are an Easter People and our lives (and our faces!) should reflect that joy – that becomes contagious too!

A reminder that one of the more lasting effects of Lent is the **Rice Bowl** project sponsored by Catholic Relief Services. Hopefully you, and especially the children in your family, were able to follow the calendar and stories and to learn and pray for those in greater need than ourselves. That opens our hearts to the gospel call to serve the poor. The donations that were suggested along the way and added to your rice bowl during the past six weeks were aptly connected to our lives as we counted the number of plants or pets in our homes, for example, and gave more accordingly. Now is the time to return your rice bowls with those donations. There will be a large basket on the steps of the sanctuary. Please bring your rice bowl with you to mass and place it in the basket. We will be collecting these for the next couple of weeks. Thank you! (P.S. If you have a lot of coin in the rice bowl, please help us out by taping the box bowl so that it doesn’t fall apart or the coins fall out everywhere.)

I can’t close my notes this week without offering up special thanks for all those who made the liturgies of Holy Week so beautiful. Thank you to the environment team for the beautiful and changing settings from Palm Sunday to Holy Thursday to Good Friday to Easter. Similarly, thank you to all the musicians and singers who lifted us in prayer over the past week. I know there are extra hours of practice and preparation involved. Thank you to all our sacristans, lectors, Eucharistic and hospitality ministers and those others who do behind-the-scenes tasks that keep things flowing smoothly, like those who wash and iron the altar linens. Finally, special thanks to our parish staff who help tie all these pieces together and keep the parish going from one thing to the next. Cheers and deep gratitude to one and all of you!

**BLESSINGS TO EVERYONE THIS OCTAVE OF EASTER!!!**



# DEL PADRE CHUCK

## ¡FELICES PASCUAS A TODOS!

Damos la bienvenida, especialmente a nuestros visitantes. ¡Es un placer tenerles con nosotros! La Pascua es un tiempo glorioso para que todos los cristianos reconozcan el poder del amor de Jesucristo resucitado y comparten abiertamente la Buena Nueva con quienes conocemos, comenzando con nuestras familias, amigos y con quienes estén dispuestos a escucharnos. Eso significa que tenemos que ir más allá de los conejitos de chocolate y polluelos de malvavisco de pascua. Tenemos que estar dispuestos a convertir nuestros sacrificios cuaresmales en algo que tenga un efecto más duradero. Tenemos que volver a comprometernos a participar en la liturgia dominical y, lo que es igualmente importante, a vivir el evangelio en nuestra vida diaria en el mundo. Estos dos son inseparables.

Dependiendo de si escuchó la lectura del evangelio de Mateo o Juan este fin de semana, hay asombro y emoción. En Juan, María de Magdala corre a contarle a Simón Pedro acerca de la tumba vacía que luego, junto con "el otro discípulo a quien Jesús más amaba", corrió a la tumba. En Mateo, María Magdalena y "la otra María" "van rápido" para decirles a los discípulos que recibieron un mensaje en la tumba vacía de un ángel que hizo retroceder la piedra. Primero les dice el ángel y luego el mismo Jesús resucitado: "¡No temas!" El asombro y la emoción deben ser contagiosos para todos los cristianos en esta temporada de Pascua, de modo que todo temor de compartir y vivir las buenas nuevas sea quitado.

Hoy comienza la **Octava de Pascua**, la singular celebración de la resurrección del Señor que comienza en la Vigilia Pascual y concluye el próximo domingo por la noche. Cada Misa de la semana se celebra como una solemnidad, los días festivos más altos del año de la Iglesia. Es como si la celebración no pudiera contenerse en un día, sino que se extendiera de un día a otro. Luego, como si eso no fuera suficiente, la temporada dura 50 días, hasta Pentecostés, este año el 28 de mayo. Mientras la Cuaresma pueda sentirse en sacrificio y penitencia, la Pascua está llena de más alegría y gloria. El Papa Francisco recuerda a los cristianos que somos un pueblo de Pascua y que nuestras vidas (¡y nuestros rostros!) deben reflejar esa alegría, ¡que también se vuelve contagiosa!

Un recordatorio de que uno de los efectos más duraderos de la Cuaresma es el proyecto **Plato de Arroz** patrocinado por CRS. Esperemos que usted, y especialmente los niños de su familia, hayan podido seguir el calendario y las historias y aprender y orar por aquellos que tienen más necesidad que nosotros. Eso abre nuestros corazones al llamado del evangelio a servir a los pobres. Las donaciones que se sugirieron en el camino y se agregaron a su tazón de arroz durante las últimas seis semanas se conectaron acertadamente a nuestras vidas al contar la cantidad de plantas o mascotas en nuestros hogares, por ejemplo, y dimos más en consecuencia. Ahora tiempo de devolver sus tazones de arroz con esas donaciones. Habrá una canasta en los escalones del santuario. Por favor, traiga su tazón de arroz con usted a la Misa y colóquelo en la canasta. Los recopilaremos durante las próximas semanas. ¡Gracias! (P.D. Si tiene muchas monedas en el tazón de arroz, ayúdenos pegando el tazón de la caja para que no se deshaga o las monedas se caigan por todas partes).

No puedo cerrar mis notas esta semana sin ofrecer un agradecimiento especial para todos aquellos que hicieron tan hermosas las liturgias de la Semana Santa. Gracias al equipo de medio ambiente por los hermosos y cambiantes escenarios del Domingo de Ramos al Jueves Santo, al Viernes Santo y a la Pascua. Del mismo modo, gracias a todos los músicos y cantores que nos guiaron en oración durante la semana pasada. Sé que hay horas adicionales de práctica y preparación involucradas. Gracias a todos nuestros sacristanes, lectores, ministros de la Eucaristía, ujieres y aquellos otros que hacen tareas detrás de escena que mantienen las cosas fluviendo sin problemas, como aquellos que lavan y planchan la ropa del altar. Finalmente, un agradecimiento especial a nuestro personal parroquial que ayuda a unir todas estas piezas y mantener a la parroquia yendo de una cosa a otra. ¡Saludos y profunda gratitud a todos y cada uno de ustedes!

¡BENDICIONES A TODOS EN ESTA OCTAVA DE PASCUA!

## Catholic Charities Clothing Barrel

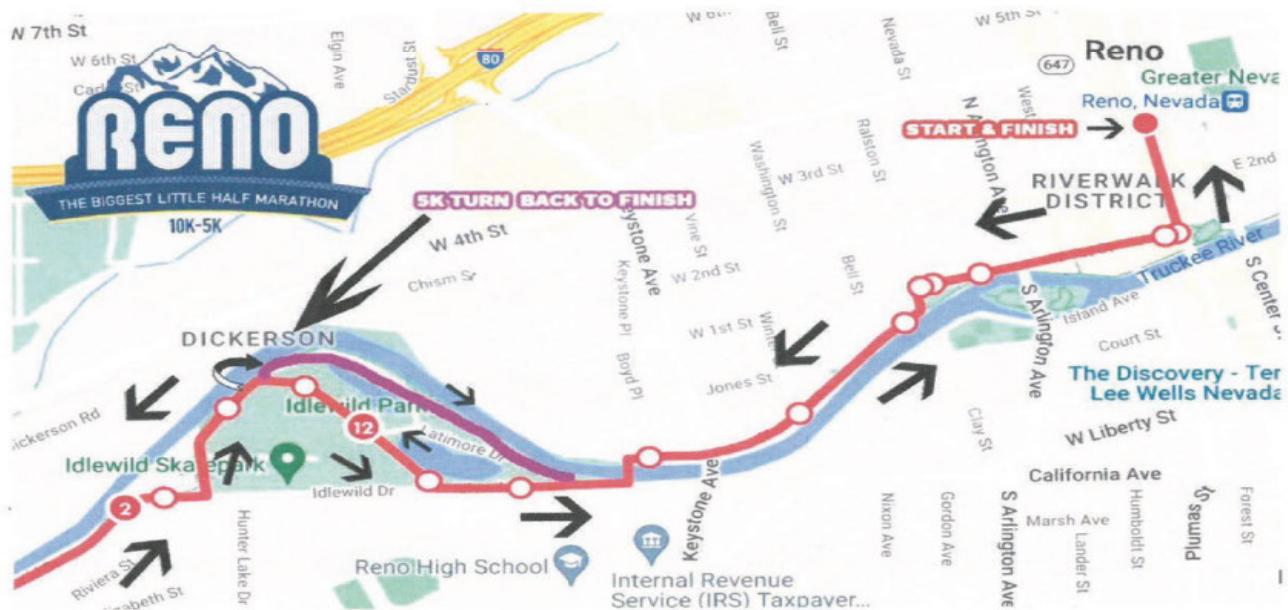
Are you starting some spring cleaning in your closets? Catholic Charities will bring a barrel to the Cathedral next week and would be very grateful for clothes that you want to donate to the poor. The clothes are made available for a minimal cost in the St. Vincent's Thrift Shop, which supports the extensive programs of Catholic Charities. Those in greater need are given vouchers for clothing they cannot purchase. The barrel will be available for the Easter Season, so if you haven't started yet, bring your clothes the following week! Donated clothes should be clean and in good condition. Thank you!

## ROAD CLOSURE CITY EVENT WILL LIMIT PARKING LOT ACCESS SUNDAY, APRIL 30



Time of race: 7am-11am

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# PARISH OFFICE WILL CLOSE ON MONDAY, APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>

## MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2023—HOLY SATURDAY

8:00 PM † SISTER ALICE CARDILLO

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2023—EASTER SUNDAY

7:30 AM † CAROLINE “G.G” COSTELLO  
9:30 AM FOR THE YOUTH OF OUR PARISH  
11:30 AM † ROBERT F. DODSON, SR.  
4:00 PM † JOANNE FERRARI  
6:00 PM IN THANKSGIVING FOR EVANGELINA LOPEZ

APRIL 10—MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

12:10 PM † ANTHONY J. D’ANDREA

APRIL 11—TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

7:00 AM † MILO MOYANO  
12:10 PM ESTELLE CARTLIDGE

APRIL 12—WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

7:00 AM † PAULINE RITZLIN  
6:30 PM BRANDON GRADY

APRIL 13—THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

7:00 AM LUCY EDWARDS  
12:10 PM PATRICIA MALONE & FAMILY

APRIL 14—FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

7:00 AM VALENTINA COSTA

APRIL 15—SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

8:00 AM ALL DECEASED DOMINICANS  
4:30 PM † † TOM & LENA MAGGEE

## Eucharistic Prayer #4

### The Eucharistic Actions

“While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, ‘Take and eat; this is my body.’”

Matthew 26:26

At the Last Supper, Christ did four things: He took the bread, He blessed it/gave thanks, He broke it, and He gave it to His disciples. The Priest will say these words at every Mass right before the Words of Institution—a reminder that Christ is the one acting. However, while the words are said, these actions are also done: in the offertory the bread is taken by Christ, in the Eucharistic Prayer He blesses it and changes it into His own body, in the fraction rite He breaks the host in two reminding us of His death, and during the distribution of communion gives His body to us. As such, the entirety of the Liturgy of the Eucharist is a recapitulation of the actions of Christ at the Last Supper.

Some commentators also argue that what happens to the bread that is offered also happens to the congregation.

**How are you taken, blessed, broken, and given?**

## APRIL IS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

**Did you know...** Child abuse can occur in every culture and every socio-economic demographic. Peer reviewed research, especially that of the past 30 years, repeatedly shows this to be true. This same research indicates that the vast majority of child abuse occurs at the hands of someone known to the victim. Those who seek to do harm to children will pursue opportunities that provide access to children and may even ingratiate themselves into the home. You can protect children by respecting the safe environment protocols established at youth serving organizations. More importantly, you can implement many of these protocols in your home and be ever observant and vigilant in all public and private settings.

## Respect Life Reflection: Christ Our Hope in Every Season of Life

"Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end' (*Spe salvi* 31)."

--USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2 and 5-10, 11; Mt 28:8-15  
Tue: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-22; Jn 20:11-18  
Wed: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-9; Lk 24:13-35  
Thu: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2-9; Lk 24:35-48  
Fri: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14  
Sat: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 and 14-21; Mk 16:9-15  
Sun: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-3

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious God, You gave us Your Son, Jesus, to be our Shepherd. May we listen attentively to His voice, as He guides us on our journey toward a life of service. Bless our parish and our families with men and women who will generously respond to Your call of service as priests or deacons, sisters or brothers. Help us to recognize the signs of Your Spirit and to encourage our young people whatever their vocation may be. We ask this in the name of Jesus and in the power of the Spirit.

Amen.



### ORACIÓN PARA LAS VOCACIONES RELIGIOSAS

Dios nuestro, tu nos has dado a tu hijo Jesus, para ser nuestro pastor. Que escuchemos su voz con atención mientras nos guía en nuestro camino hacia una vida de servicio. Bendiga a nuestra parroquia y nuestras familias con hombres y mujeres que generosamente responden a su llamado de servir como sacerdotes, diáconos, hermanos, o hermanas. Ayúdanos a reconocer la señal de tu espíritu, para animar a nuestros jóvenes sea lo que sean sus vocaciones. Esto te lo pedimos en el nombre de Jesus y con el poder del Espíritu Santo.

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## SUNDAY MASS

Vigil-Saturday: 4:30PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30AM, 4:00PM  
& 6:00PM—Misa en español

## WEEKDAY MASS

Monday: 12:10PM

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00AM & 12:10 PM

Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 AM

Miércoles: 6:30PM – Misa en español

Saturday: 8:00AM

HOLIDAYS: 9:00 AM

## ADORATION

Thursday: 1:00—5:30 PM concludes with benediction

## RECONCILIATION/CONFESIONS

Thursday 5:30—6:30 PM

Saturday 3:00-4:00 PM

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March 12	\$9,109	\$3,387	Catholic Relief Services
March 19	\$8,613	—	NO 2nd Collection
March 26	\$6,896	\$3,503	Easter Flowers
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April 6	\$	Holy Thursday	NO 2nd Collection
April 7	\$	Holy Land	NO 2nd Collection
April 9	\$	\$	My Easter Offering
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## LET US PRAY FOR... / OREMOS POR...

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