

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

#### First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Peter discusses Jesus' life of preaching and healing. Jesus was crucified, and then he rose up and was seen by his chosen witnesses. Peter also mentions the importance of all the disciples bearing witness to what they saw, so that many people would believe in Jesus, and have their sins forgiven through him.



#### Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Paul asserts that we must pay attention to higher realms rather than earthly concerns. Our life is not yet completely known to us, until Christ appears and we are raised to glory in him.

#### Gospel: John 20:1-9

When Mary Magdalene discovered Jesus' tomb was open, she told Simon Peter and another disciple. They ran to the tomb and Peter went inside. He found the burial wrappings on the ground, with the head covering separate from the rest. The other disciple came in and they believed what they saw, although until then they had not understood the Scripture's message of Jesus' resurrection.



For the Week of April 21<sup>st</sup> through  
April 28<sup>th</sup>

#### Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8;  
Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Lk 24:13-35

#### Monday

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

#### Tuesday

Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

#### Wednesday

Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

#### Thursday

Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

#### Friday

Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

#### Saturday

Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

#### Sunday

Acts 5:12-16; Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31



The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website,

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m.

For Our Parishioners  
Living and Deceased

Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

8:00 a.m.

For Our Parishioners  
Living and Deceased

10:00 a.m.

For Our Parishioners  
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**FOR THE EASTER OCTAVE, LITURGY WILL  
BE CELEBRATED IN SACRED HEART  
CHURCH ALL WEEK - MONDAY THROUGH  
FRIDAY:**

Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

8:30 a.m.

Charlie and Doris Moloney

Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m.

Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m.

Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m.

For Our Parishioners  
Living and Deceased

Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m.

Marie Gruber

Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m.

Anna Graziano

10:00 a.m.

Anne Klinefelter

#### REMEMBERING THE SICK OF

**THE PARISH:** Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish: *John Troffo, Valerie Lindyberg, Patricia Dana, Angela Wilmer, Faith King, Rosemary Keating, Eugenia Brooks, Alicia Bourne*, and all those whose names appear in the **PARISH BOOK OF INTENTIONS.**



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**NEW TO THE PARISH:** Please be sure to register with the Parish Office and introduce yourself to Father Grasing after Mass. Registration forms are available at the doors of the Church, the Parish Office, or online. For additional information, please call 410-778-3160, or go to [sacredparish.org](http://sacredparish.org).

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**OFFERTORY TOTALS FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 13/14<sup>TH</sup> WILL  
BE IN NEXT WEEKEND'S BULLETIN.**



## Bringing the Gospel Home

Easter Sunday – John 20:1-9

### Reflection for Parents

Most parents have discovered by now that things aren't always as they seem. A poured out bottle of laundry detergent wasn't really mischievous behavior, but rather an attempt to surprise you with a generous gift of service. Or secret whispers are not an attempt to hide some wrongdoing but rather an effort to plan a surprise for you. Things weren't as they seemed to Mary Magdalene either that first Easter morning. Our errors in perception often work to remind us that God's plan is not always obvious, but that we are challenged to trust in the promise of the resurrection.

### Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Place symbols of Easter such as lighted candles, eggs, and lilies on your dinner table today. Discuss how these items might become symbols for Easter. What do they suggest to us about the gospel story we read today? How can we be symbols of the Easter message to each other and those outside our family?

### Discussion Starters

1. The symbol that means the most to me at Easter is . . . because . . .
2. Mary Magdalene recognized Jesus' voice when he called her name. One time I know Jesus called *my* name when . . .
3. I will share the Good News of Easter this week by . . .



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“Were not our hearts burning within us?”

### Sheepish Question:

So what really IS my greatest hope?

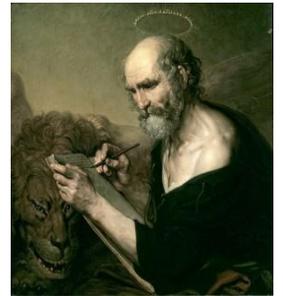


## ENCOUNTER THE RISEN CHRIST

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we celebrate Easter joy! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us as we encounter our Risen Lord to bring the hope of Resurrection to a world in need. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl on **April 27-28!**

## APRIL SAINTS

### APRIL 25 – MARK THE EVANGELIST



Mark was an Evangelist—one of the four men who wrote the Gospels found in the New Testament. Mark's Gospel was written first, and it is the shortest description of Jesus' life, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension. Mark's writings helped both Matthew and Luke to write their Gospels.

Mark was not one of the original Apostles, and he probably never knew Jesus. Instead, we believe that he was a member of the first Christian community. In his writings, St. Peter refers to Mark as his “son.” Peter may have used this term to show his love for Mark, or he may have used it because he was the one who baptized Mark. It is believed that Peter was the primary source for Mark's Gospel.

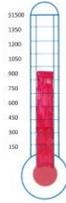
Mark's Gospel is a lasting treasure for all believers. He wrote his Gospel to help people know that Jesus was the Son of God who suffered and died to save us from sin and death. When we read Mark's Gospel, we learn that to be a follower of Jesus, we, too, must be willing to make sacrifices, to “take up our cross and follow” (Mark 8:34) Jesus as he asks us to do.

Mark's Gospel tells us about Jesus' royalty as God's Son, a kingship we share through our Baptism. His life and Gospel remind us to share the Good News about Jesus with others.

## PARISH NEWS



Sacred Heart Parish, in partnership with Christ United Methodist Church, is sponsoring a meal



packaging event to be held on **Saturday, October 26, 2019**. The number of meals to be packaged is dependent on how much money can be raised. Each meal costs .34 cents to process and deliver. **We have collected \$952.00** – more than halfway to reaching our goal of \$1,500 to help cover the cost of the meals. Thank you to everyone who has already contributed. Donations in support of this project can be placed in the regular weekly collection. Please, use a separate envelope and mark it Rise Against Hunger.



**Christ United Methodist Church is hosting a “Concert of Sacred Music” on Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at 401 High Street, Chestertown. There will be a love offering taken up at the concert to benefit the Rise Against Hunger meal packaging event. All are invited to attend. Bring a friend!**

For more information about Rise Against Hunger, visit their website at [www.riseagainsthunger.org](http://www.riseagainsthunger.org), or contact Ann Anderson at 410-778-4243 [wmandersonfamily@verizon.net](mailto:wmandersonfamily@verizon.net). **“821 million people around the world don’t receive enough nutrition to lead an active, healthy life. Hunger doesn’t have to exist – let’s end it together.”**

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**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Mary Jo Frohlich with any questions at 410-778-3160, or [mfrohlich@sacredparish.org](mailto:mfrohlich@sacredparish.org). Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

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**SCHOLARSHIP:** You are hereby invited to apply to the Father George S. Bradford Council of the Knights of Columbus to receive a financial award from the Charter

Member Scholarship Fund to assist with your educational needs. To apply, please complete the entire application form, which is located at the front of the Church. The completed application forms should be mailed to Ignatius Profaci at 23963 Walnut Pt. Rd., Chestertown, MD 21620, and received no later than **May 22, 2019**. If you have any questions, please contact Ignatius at 410-778-0270. Thank you.

**HOSPITAL VISITS:** We are not able to access patient records from the Chester River Hospital Center. If you or someone in your family is a patient, and you wish to receive Communion, please contact the Parish Office at 410-778-3160, and provide us with the patient’s name and room number and we will do our best to accommodate the request.

### 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal – “AS I HAVE DONE FOR YOU, YOU SHOULD ALSO DO”

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This year’s Annual Catholic Appeal theme, “*As I have done for you, you should also do*”, is taken from the Gospel of St. John when he recounts Jesus washing the feet of His Disciples. It is through this role of servant that Jesus gives us a model to follow. But following Christ is no easy task because it means that we must put all others before ourselves.

Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge to this year’s diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not yet participated, please consider doing so today. Your gift makes a real difference in the lives of thousands of individuals and families who reside within our 12-county diocese. Pledge envelopes are available in the pews and at the doors of the Church and can be placed in the offertory basket. Thank you for your generosity.

To learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal, visit [www.cdot.org/annualcatholicappeal](http://www.cdot.org/annualcatholicappeal).

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**DIALOG:** In addition to the newspaper edition of The Dialog that’s available in church every two weeks, the newspaper’s website, [www.thedialog.org](http://www.thedialog.org), is updated every weekday with stories from the diocese and around the world, including many that don’t appear in the newspaper due to space considerations. Stay on top of national and international issues of concern to Catholics, each Sunday’s Scripture reading commentaries by Dialog columnists and the work of the church in the nation and world by visiting [www.thedialog.org](http://www.thedialog.org).

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**BOOK OF INTENTIONS:** The Book of Intentions is at the front foyer of the Church. Please feel free to list family members and friends who are sick or deceased, and for whom you wish the Community to offer prayers.



