

Mass Intention
3 April - 11 April 2021

- 3 April 2021 - Saturday - HOLY SATURDAY
8.00 pm: EASTER VIGIL
- 4 April 2021 - EASTER SUNDAY
8.30 am: +Aline & William Francis *by Frank & Kathleen Geosits*
11.00 am: +Jerome Bauer *by Ramona Lewis & Family*
- 5 April 2021 - Monday - Octave of Easter
8.30 am:
- 6 April 2021 - Tuesday - Octave of Easter
8.30 am:
- 7 April 2021 - Wednesday - Octave of Easter
8.30 am:
- 8 April 2021 - Thursday - Octave of Easter
8.30 am: +Thomas D.Kane
- 9 April 2021 - Friday - Octave of Easter
8.30 am:
- 10 April 2021 - Saturday - Octave of Easter
4.30 pm: +Walter & Florence Hubert *by their Children*
- 11 April 2021 - Second SUNDAY of EASTER (Divine Mercy)
8.30 am:
11.00 am: +Jerome Bauer *by Ruth Brustma*



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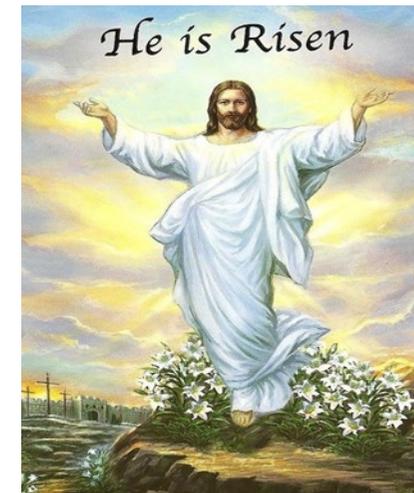
EASTER SUNDAY

Alleluia!

JESUS

has

Risen



Just as

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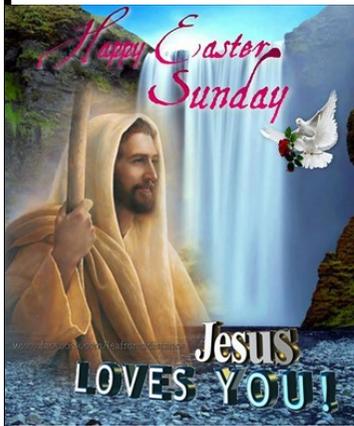
Regular Mass with Social – Distancing

Saturday: 4.30 pm — Holy Cross Church

Sunday: 8.30 am — St. Patrick's Church

11.00 am — Holy Cross Church

"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live..."



Resurrection of Christ - foundation of our Faith

In the darkness of Holy Saturday, joy and light will break through with the rites of the **Easter Vigil** and, in the late evening, the festive singing of the *Alleluia*. It will be an encounter in faith with the Risen Christ, and the joy of Easter will continue throughout the following fifty days, until the coming of the Holy Spirit. He who was crucified is risen! All questions and uncertainties, hesitations and fears are dispelled by this revelation. The Risen One gives us the certainty that good always triumphs over evil, that life always conquers death, and it is not our end to descend lower and lower, from sorrow to sorrow, but rather to rise up high. The Risen One is the confirmation that Jesus is right in everything: in promising us life beyond death and forgiveness beyond sins. The disciples doubted, they did not believe. The first to believe and to see was Mary Magdalene; she was the apostle of the resurrection who went to announce that she had seen Jesus, who had called her by name. And then, all the disciples saw him.

As we celebrate Easter in the context of the pandemic, disasters and conflicts, Christ's Cross is like a beacon that indicates the port to ships that are still afloat on stormy seas. Christ's Cross is a sign of the hope that does not disappoint; and it tells us that not even one tear, not one sigh is lost in God's plan. Let us ask the Lord to grant us the grace of serving him and acknowledging him, and of not letting ourselves be paid to forget him.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

J. Gottesmann, W. Rieger, K. Eschenberg, J. Feeley, R. Knack, Ron Rhodes JR, Dan Buddenhagen, Brenda Long, Mary Ann, Eileem Ohman, Madeleine Wootan, Olga Viruet, Anita Robertson, Linda Roche, Gloria Grunn, Marcia Bauer, Frank M Geosits Jr, Baby Alexian, Shirley Rangaves, Josephine, Danny Andrews, Dr.Kuncar, Christopher Milk , Vincent McCarthy and all sick and needy.

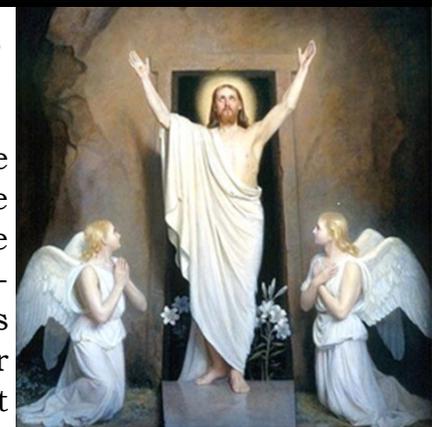


LITURGY OF WORD

First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43

Second Reading: Col 3:1-4

Gospel Reading: John 20:1-9



Easter is the greatest and the most important feast in the Church for three reasons: 1) The Resurrection of Christ is the basis of our Christian Faith. It is the greatest of the miracles, for it proves that Jesus is God. That is why St. Paul writes: *"If Christ*

has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain; and your Faith is in vain" (I Cor 15:14). *"Jesus is Lord, He is risen!"* (Rom 10:9), was the central theme of the *kerygma* (or "preaching"), of the apostles, because Jesus had prophesied His Resurrection as a sign of His Divinity: The founder of no other religion has an empty tomb as Jesus has. 2) Easter is the guarantee of our own resurrection. Jesus assured Martha at the tomb of Lazarus: *"I am the Resurrection and the Life; whoever believes in Me will live even though he dies"* (Jn 11:25-26). 3) Easter is a feast which gives us hope and encouragement in this world of pain, sorrows, and tears. It reminds us that life is worth living. It is our belief in the Real Presence of the Risen Jesus in our souls, in His Church, in the Blessed Sacrament, and in Heaven that gives meaning to our personal as well as our communal prayer, strength to fight against temptations, and freedom from unnecessary worries and fears.

With Prayers & Blessings of God the Father

Fr. John Kennady MMI

Dn. John Lyttle

4 April 2021