

E A S T E R S U N D A Y



THE

Resurrection

*St. Patrick Parish
Rutland, MA
April 4, 2021*

Papal Tweet



What is most amazing
about the Lord and his Passover?
It is the fact that he achieves glory
through humiliation.
He triumphs by accepting suffering and
death, things that we,
in our quest for admiration and success,
would rather avoid.



Mass Intentions

**PUBLIC MASSES HAVE RESUMED
WITH COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS INCLUDING:
WEARING MASKS, SOCIAL DISTANCING, AND USE OF
HAND SANITIZER PRIOR TO RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST.**

TO SCHEDULE A MASS INTENTION OR
REQUEST A TABERNACLE LAMP
PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

* PERSON IS LIVING

**NOTE: PUBLIC MASSES WILL BE LIVESTREAMED ON
FACEBOOK SO YOU MAY PARTICIPATE FROM HOME.**

Saturday, April 3, Easter Vigil:

7:30 pm Vigil Mass [Pre-registration required](#)

Easter Sunday, April 4:

8:00 am Mass [Pre-registration required](#)

10:30 am Mass [Pre-registration required](#)

Monday, April 5:

8:00 am Madeline Desy

Requested by the Alarie Family

Tuesday, April 6:

8:00 am Jeanne Laracy

Requested by the Alarie Family

Wednesday, April 7:

8:00 am Francine Moody

Requested by Paul & Nancy McKenzie

Saturday, April 10:

5:00 pm

Sunday, April 11:

8:00 am Raymond Becker, 4th Anniversary

Requested by his wife, Mary and the Family

10:30 am Walter Lucier

Requested by the Family

Upcoming Events Please Mark Your Calendars

April 5: ~~St. Patrick's Holy Hour 6:30 pm,~~
~~in the Church - Canceled,~~ moved to April 11

April 11: *Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour*
11:45 am - 12:45 pm, in the Church

Confessions will be available in the Sacristy

April 19: *St. Patrick's Holy Hour* 6:30 pm,
in the Church

April 28: *Rosary* with the Knights Of Columbus,
7:00 pm, in the Church & Livestreamed

*Please Pray For the
Repose of the Soul of ...
Wayne Beckford
Ralph Beradi
Kassandra Caceres*

March 28, 2021

Mass/Mailed in/Electronic Collections

Weekly Offering	\$ 2,946.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,032.16
Higher Utilities	\$ 135.00
Easter Offering	\$ 580.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 137.00
	\$ 4,830.16

Special Collections:

<i>Catholic Relief Services</i>	\$ 70.00
<i>Holy Land/Good Friday</i>	\$ 40.00

*We are grateful to all who have been able
to make their weekly offering or make use
of on-line giving during this time.
It is a great help to us. **Thank you!***



**He is Risen!
Alleluia!**





Diocese of Worcester
Office of the Bishop
49 Elm Street
Worcester, Massachusetts 01609

Easter 2021

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Imagine the joy of Christ's grieving followers gathered in the Upper Room when on Easter the Risen Lord suddenly appeared and said, "Peace be with you." Their joy and peace at Christ's Victory must have been unbounded as they recognized Him in their presence.

But not all of Christ's followers shared that joy. Saint Thomas, who was absent, experienced not joy but doubt. Two other disciples after hearing of Christ's Resurrection, instead of immediately joining the others, departed Jerusalem and were downcast. Even when Jesus drew near and spoke to them of the Scriptures, they did not recognize Him. Only in the breaking of the bread (the Eucharist) did they recognize Him. Only then did they return to Jerusalem to join the disciples assembled in the Upper Room and share in the joy of Easter.

On this Easter Sunday, after a year of COVID isolation, when we seek peace and joy amidst doubts and losses we can profitably reflect on the importance of gathering at the Eucharist. As Jesus came to the disciples gathered together in Jerusalem so, too, He is most present to us, not in our individual reflections upon the Scriptures, but when the Scriptures and Eucharist are celebrated at Mass.

It has been a long year with necessary and prudent precautions keeping many of us from Sunday Mass. Given the extraordinary circumstances of the COVID pandemic, personal prayer, reading the Scriptures and watching the Mass live-streamed have been prudent choices for many. However, such choices are all inferior to being present at Sunday Mass and receiving the Holy Eucharist, which the Second Vatican Council proclaimed as the source and summit of the Church. Like St. Thomas and the disciples on the road to Emmaus, it is harder to recognize Jesus, ward off doubts and avoid being downcast by the trials and tragedies of life when we are not nourished by the Eucharist at Sunday Mass.

As signs of progress in the COVID pandemic begin to give way to hope for a return to a more normal life, and as vaccines become more widely available, it may be time to begin to consider prayerfully a return to Sunday Mass. Certainly, everyone needs to consult family and doctors and use prudence taking into account one's own circumstances and health. Our parishes will continue to require masks and social distancing and employ sanitary precautions. As society moves towards reopening, may the Holy Spirit guide you, along with prudent medical advice, in your consideration about coming back to Sunday Mass in the weeks and months ahead.

With every prayerful best wish for a joyous Easter, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

From the Pastor...

Dear Friends,

The following is a prayer that St. Padre Pio would recite after receiving Holy Communion. As we celebrate this Easter Sunday together, let us not forget the great gift that Christ gives us through his rising from the dead, namely the gift that provides us with the needed Graces to become more fully the Saints he has made us to be, provided that we receive this gift in a state of Grace.

Prayer of St. Pio of Pietrelcina after Holy Communion

*Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do not forget You.
You know how easily I abandon You.*

Stay with me Lord, because I am weak, and I need Your strength, so that I may not fall so often.

Stay with me Lord, for You are my life, and without You, I am without fervor.

Stay with me Lord, for You are my light, and without you, I am in darkness.

Stay with me Lord, to show me Your will.

Stay with me Lord, so that I hear Your voice and follow You.

Stay with me Lord, for I desire to love you very much, and always be in Your Company.

Stay with me Lord, if You wish me to be faithful to You.

Stay with me Lord, for as poor as my soul is, I want it to be a place of consolation for You, a nest of Love.

Stay with me, Jesus, for it is getting late, and the day is coming to a close, and life passes, death, judgment, eternity approach. It is necessary to renew my strength, so that I will not stop along the way and for that, I need You. It is getting late and death approaches. I fear the darkness, the temptations, the dryness, the cross, the sorrows. O how I need You, my Jesus, in this night of exile.

Stay with me tonight, Jesus, in life with all its dangers, I need You.

Let me recognize You as Your disciples did at the breaking of bread, so that the Eucharistic Communion be the light which disperses the darkness, the force which sustains me, the unique joy of my heart.

Stay with me Lord, because at the hour of my death, I want to remain united to you, if not by Communion, at least by grace and love.

Stay with me Jesus, I do not ask for divine consolation because I do not merit it, but the gift of Your presence, oh yes, I ask this of You.

Stay with me Lord, for it is You alone I look for, Your Love, Your Grace, Your Will, Your Heart, Your Spirit, because I love You and ask no other reward but to love You more and more.

*With a firm love, I will love You with all my heart while on earth and continue to love You perfectly during all eternity. Amen.**

God Bless,

Fr. Jim

*-<https://www.ourcatholicprayers.com/padre-pio-after-communion.html>

EASTER



2021 Easter Flowers In Memory of . . .

*Mary & Michael Adamski
All Pandemic Victims
All Souls in Purgatory
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Joseph Allard
Theresa Allard
Bob, Irene & Martha Amsden
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Bess & Kris Arnold
Michael Aufiero
Francis Bagurskas
William & Dorothy Bailey
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Stanislaw Kadziewicz
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2021 Easter Flowers

In Memory of . . .

Nora & Walter Kuras Sr.
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William & Rowena Larkin
Blanche & Walt Lemay
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Walter J. Lucier
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Fr. Joseph Mahoney
The Martin Family
Donna Meaney
Mr. Alfred Menard, Jr.
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Mr. & Mrs. Uno Moisio
Mr. & Mrs. John Mulhern
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Tammy Murphy
Irene Nichols
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Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Orczyk
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Mrs. Susan Orczyk
Ariela Panczyk & Family
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Jane Perron
Pauline Piscitelli
Robert Pollone
Mr. & Mrs. John Puza
Mrs. Josephine Puza & Family
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Martin Ruedger
Vinny Ross
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John P. Sweeney
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Annie Emerson Sweeney
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Mike Towner
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Julia & Peter Tsotsis
Helen Urbanovitch
Eddie Urbanowski
Kay Walsh
Dorothy & Harold Warren
Frederick Warren
Olga & Peter Waslaske
Anthony Zimkiewicz

In Honor of . . .

Fr. Jim Caldarella
Peter Glockner
Sophie Sobol





Rutland Food Pantry

Thank you!

Upcoming Distribution Dates Drive-Thru Distribution Only

Date	Time
April	
Thursday, April 08, 2021	6:00 - 7:00 PM
Saturday, April 24, 2021	9:00 - 10:00 AM
May	
Thursday, May 13, 2021	6:00 - 7:00 PM
Saturday, May 29, 2021	9:00 - 10:00 AM

We are very grateful
to all who made our Easter distribution,
held on March 27, so special.
From Easter candy to canned pineapple,
Girl Scout cookies to cereal,
coffee to soup –

All donations are so deeply appreciated!

From all of us at the Rutland Food Pantry,
we wish you and your loved ones
all the Blessings and Joy of this Holy Season.

Easter Sunday

*"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth."
(COLOSSIANS 3:2)*

On this day we thank God for His Son,
Jesus, who died, rose and opened the
gates of heaven for us.
We celebrate and sing "Alleluia."
Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter
season in our hearts throughout the year!
Pray daily and listen for how God is calling
each of us to joyfully use our gifts
to fulfill His salvation plan.

St. Joseph's Blessing

*This prayer captures what probably
would have been his feelings
in its expression of great love
for his divine Foster Child:*



May the poverty
of my sweet and suffering little Child
be your riches.

His sighs and His tears
the consolation of your days.
The love of His adorable Heart
your earthly treasure, your all.

And the clear vision
of His adorable
and glorified humanity
be your eternal joy
and recompense.

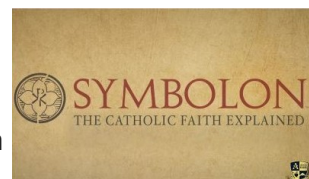
Amen

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PICK OF THE WEEK

WATCH

SYMBOLON - SESSION 6 THE PASCAL MYSTERY: THE MYSTERY OF JESUS' DEATH AND RESURRECTION



Through Jesus's Death on
the Cross, God reveals
himself most profoundly
as the God who is Love. In this episode of the
Symbolon series, see how Christ's sacrificial
love saves us from sin and shows us the path-

LISTEN

PINTS WITH AQUINAS: WHAT IS GRACE? WITH MICHAEL GORMLEY

As Catholics we believe that
grace allows us to participate in
the life of God. In this episode
of Pints with Aquinas, Matt
Fradd sits down with Michael Gormley to discuss
what this means in our daily lives.

WHAT
IS
GRACE?



2021 Appeal

Please prayerfully consider
the ways in which you
can pledge or donate
to the 2021 Partners in Charity
appeal through St. Patrick's Parish
or directly on the secure website:
partners-charity.net.

Your pledge is a tangible way to be a "face of Christ" to
the world through the support of the 27 agencies and
ministries which rely on this appeal for funding each year.
Thank you for your support.

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Holy Saturday – At the Easter Vigil Mass

Reading I: Gn 1:1—2:2

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless wasteland, and darkness covered the abyss, while a mighty wind swept over the waters. Then God said,

"Let there be light," and there was light.

God saw how good the light was.

God then separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night."

Thus evening came, and morning followed—the first day.

Then God said, "Let there be a dome in the middle of the waters, to separate one body of water from the other."

And so it happened: God made the dome,

and it separated the water above the dome from the water below it. God called the dome "the sky."

Evening came, and morning followed—the second day.

Then God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered into a single basin, so that the dry land may appear."

And so it happened: the water under the sky was gathered into its basin, and the dry land appeared. God called the dry land "the earth," and the basin of the water he called "the sea." God saw how good it was.

Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth vegetation: every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it." And so it happened: the earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it. God saw how good it was.

Evening came, and morning followed—the third day.

Then God said: "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky, to separate day from night. Let them mark the fixed times, the days and the years, and serve as luminaries in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth."

And so it happened: God made the two great lights, the greater one to govern the day, and the lesser one to govern the night; and he made the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness.

God saw how good it was.

Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.

Then God said, "Let the water teem with an abundance of living creatures, and on the earth let birds fly beneath the dome of the sky." And so it happened: God created the great sea monsters and all kinds of swimming creatures with which the water teems, and all kinds of winged birds. God saw how good it was, and God blessed them, saying, "Be fertile, multiply, and fill the water of the seas; and let

the birds multiply on the earth." Evening came, and morning followed—the fifth day.

Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth all kinds of living creatures: cattle, creeping things, and wild animals of all kinds." And so it happened: God made all kinds of wild animals, all kinds of cattle, and all kinds of creeping things of the earth. God saw how good it was.

Then God said: "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and the cattle, and over all the wild animals and all the creatures that crawl on the ground."

God created man in his image; in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, saying: "Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that move on the earth." God also said: "See, I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food; and to all the animals of the land, all the birds of the air, and all the living creatures that crawl on the ground, I give all the green plants for food." And so it happened.

God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good. Evening came, and morning followed—the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth and all their array were completed. Since on the seventh day God was finished with the work he had been doing, he rested on the seventh day from all the work he had undertaken.

Responsorial Psalm: 104:1-2,5-6,10,12,13-14,24,35

**R Lord, send out your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.**

Or **Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 and 22**

R The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Reading II: Gn 22:1-18

God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. Then God said: "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you." Early the next morning Abraham saddled his donkey, took with him his son Isaac and two of his servants as well, and with the wood that he had cut for the holocaust, set out for the place of which God had told him.

On the third day Abraham got sight of the place from afar. Then he said to his servants: "Both of you stay here with the donkey, while the boy and I go on over yonder.

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Reading II continued:

We will worship and then come back to you." Thereupon Abraham took the wood for the holocaust and laid it on his son Isaac's shoulders, while he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two walked on together, Isaac spoke to his father Abraham: "Father!" Isaac said. "Yes, son," he replied. Isaac continued, "Here are the fire and the wood, but where is the sheep for the holocaust?" "Son," Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the sheep for the holocaust." Then the two continued going forward.

When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. Next he tied up his son Isaac, and put him on top of the wood on the altar. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven, "Abraham, Abraham!" "Here I am!" he answered. "Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger. "Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. So he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son. Abraham named the site Yahweh-yireh; hence people now say, "On the mountain the LORD will see."

Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and said: "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies, and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing--all this because you obeyed my command."

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 6:5,8,9-10,11

℟ You are my inheritance, O LORD.

Reading III : Ex 14:15—15:1

The LORD said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. And you, lift up your staff and, with hand outstretched over the sea, split the sea in two, that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land. But I will make the Egyptians so obstinate that they will go in after them. Then I will receive glory through Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots and charioteers. The Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I receive glory through Pharaoh and his chariots and charioteers."

The angel of God, who had been leading Israel's camp, now moved and went around behind them. The column of cloud also, leaving the front, took up its place behind them, so that it came between the camp of the Egyptians and that of Israel. But the cloud now became dark, and thus the night passed without the rival camps coming any closer together all night long. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD swept the sea with a strong east wind throughout the night and so turned it into dry land. When the water was thus divided, the Israelites marched into the midst of the sea on dry land, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left.

The Egyptians followed in pursuit; all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and charioteers went after them right into the midst of the sea. In the night watch just before dawn the LORD cast through the column of the fiery cloud upon the Egyptian force a glance that threw it into a panic; and he so clogged their chariot wheels that they could hardly drive. With that the Egyptians sounded the retreat before Israel, because the LORD was fighting for them against the Egyptians.

Then the LORD told Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may flow back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and their charioteers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea flowed back to its normal depth. The Egyptians were fleeing head on toward the sea, when the LORD hurled them into its midst. As the water flowed back, it covered the chariots and the charioteers of Pharaoh's whole army which had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not a single one of them escaped. But the Israelites had marched on dry land through the midst of the sea, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel on that day from the power of the Egyptians. When Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore and beheld the great power that the LORD had shown against the Egyptians, they feared the LORD and believed in him and in his servant Moses.

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD: I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously triumphant; horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.

Responsorial Psalm: Ex. 15:1-2,3-4,5-6,17-18

**℟ Let us sing to the Lord;
he has covered himself in glory.**

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Reading IV: Is 54:5-14

The One who has become your husband is your Maker; his name is the LORD of hosts; your redeemer is the Holy One of Israel, called God of all the earth. The LORD calls you back, like a wife forsaken and grieved in spirit, a wife married in youth and then cast off, says your God. For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with great tenderness I will take you back. In an outburst of wrath, for a moment I hid my face from you; but with enduring love I take pity on you, says the LORD, your redeemer. This is for me like the days of Noah, when I swore that the waters of Noah should never again deluge the earth; so I have sworn not to be angry with you, or to rebuke you. Though the mountains leave their place and the hills be shaken, says the LORD, who has mercy on you. O afflicted one, storm-battered and unconsoled, I lay your pavements in carnelians, and your foundations in sapphires; I will make your battlements of rubies, your gates of carbuncles, and all your walls of precious stones. All your children shall be taught by the LORD, and great shall be the peace of your children. In justice shall you be established, far from the fear of oppression, where destruction cannot come near you.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

**R I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.**

Reading V: Is 55:1-11

Thus says the LORD: All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk! Why spend your money for what is not bread, your wages for what fails to satisfy? Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare. Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David. As I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander of nations, so shall you summon a nation you knew not, and nations that knew you not shall run to you, because of the LORD, your God, the Holy One of Israel, who has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked man his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts

are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

For just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

Responsorial Psalm: Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6.

**R You will draw water joyfully
from the springs of salvation.**

Reading VI: Bar 3:9-15, 32--4:4

Hear, O Israel, the commandments of life: listen, and know prudence! How is it, Israel, that you are in the land of your foes, grown old in a foreign land, defiled with the dead, accounted with those destined for the netherworld? You have forsaken the fountain of wisdom! Had you walked in the way of God, you would have dwelt in enduring peace. Learn where prudence is, where strength, where understanding; that you may know also where are length of days, and life, where light of the eyes, and peace. Who has found the place of wisdom, who has entered into her treasures?

The One who knows all things knows her; he has probed her by his knowledge--The One who established the earth for all time, and filled it with four-footed beasts; he who dismisses the light, and it departs, calls it, and it obeys him trembling; before whom the stars at their posts shine and rejoice; when he calls them, they answer, "Here we are!" shining with joy for their Maker. Such is our God; no other is to be compared to him: he has traced out the whole way of understanding, and has given her to Jacob, his servant, to Israel, his beloved son.

Since then she has appeared on earth, and moved among people. She is the book of the precepts of God, the law that endures forever; all who cling to her will live, but those will die who forsake her. Turn, O Jacob, and receive her: walk by her light toward splendor. Give not your glory to another, your privileges to an alien race. Blessed are we, O Israel; for what pleases God is known to us!

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Responsorial Psalm: Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11

**R Lord, you have the words
of everlasting life.**

Reading VII: Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28

The word of the LORD came to me, saying: Son of man, when the house of Israel lived in their land, they defiled it by their conduct and deeds. Therefore I poured out my fury upon them because of the blood that they poured out on the ground, and because they defiled it with idols. I scattered them among the nations, dispersing them over foreign lands; according to their conduct and deeds I judged them. But when they came among the nations wherever they came, they served to profane my holy name, because it was said of them: "These are the people of the LORD, yet they had to leave their land."

So I have relented because of my holy name which the house of Israel profaned among the nations where they came. Therefore say to the house of Israel: Thus says the Lord GOD: Not for your sakes do I act, house of Israel, but for the sake of my holy name, which you profaned among the nations to which you came. I will prove the holiness of my great name, profaned among the nations, in whose midst you have profaned it. Thus the nations shall know that I am the LORD, says the Lord GOD, when in their sight I prove my holiness through you. For I will take you away from among the nations, gather you from all the foreign lands, and bring you back to your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you to cleanse you from all your impurities, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you, taking from your bodies your stony hearts and giving you natural hearts. I will put my spirit within you and make you live by my statutes, careful to observe my decrees. You shall live in the land I gave your fathers; you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19

**R Create a clean heart
a clean heart in me, O God.**

Or Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4

**R Like a deer that longs for running streams,
my soul longs for you, my God.**

EPISTLE: ROM 6:3-11

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

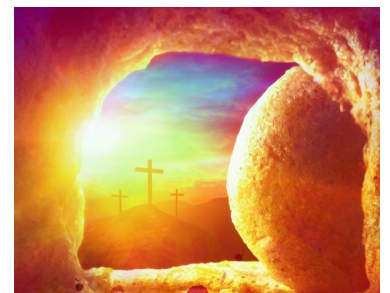
For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

R Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Mark 16:1-7

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him. But go and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.'"



Easter Sunday—The Resurrection of Our Lord

Mass at 8 am and 10:30 am

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

Peter proceeded to speak and said:
“You know what has happened all over Judea,
beginning in Galilee after the baptism
that John preached,
how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth
with the Holy Spirit and power.
He went about doing good
and healing all those oppressed by the devil,
for God was with him.
We are witnesses of all that he did
both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.
They put him to death by hanging him on a tree.
This man God raised on the third day and granted that
he be visible,
not to all the people, but to us,
the witnesses chosen by God in advance,
who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.
He commissioned us to preach to the people
and testify that he is the one appointed by God
as judge of the living and the dead.
To him all the prophets bear witness,
that everyone who believes in him
will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Responsorial Psalm: 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

**R This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Israel say,

“His mercy endures forever.” **R**

“The right hand of the LORD has struck with power;
the right hand of the LORD is exalted.

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.” **R**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes. **R**

Second Reading: Col 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with
Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at
the right hand of God.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.
For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ
in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too
will appear with him in glory.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed;
let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

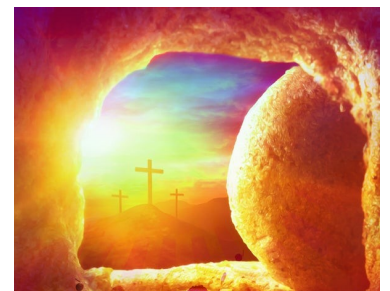
Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Jn 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to
the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark,
and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran
and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple
whom Jesus loved, and told them, “They have taken
the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they
put him.” So Peter and the other disciple went out and
came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple
ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first;
he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did
not go in.

When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the
tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that
had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but
rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple
also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first,
and he saw and believed.

For they did not yet under-
stand the Scripture that he
had to rise from the dead.



Select Mass Prayers

Penitential Act Form A (Confiteor)

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy,
catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism
for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward
to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Preface Acclamation

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our protection
against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray; and do Thou,
O Prince of the Heavenly Host,
by the Power of God, cast into hell
Satan and all the evil spirits
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



The Memorare

REMEMBER, O most gracious
Virgin Mary, that never was it known
that anyone who fled to thy protection,
implored thy help,
or sought thy intercession
was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence,
I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins,
my Mother; to thee do I come;
before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy
hear and answer me. Amen.




Prayer In Time of Pandemic : O God, whose Only Begotten Son bore the weight of human suffering for our salvation, hear the prayers of your Church for our sick brothers and sisters and deliver us from this time of trial. Open our ears and our hearts to the voice of your Son: Be not afraid, for I am with you always. Bless all doctors and nurses, researchers and public servants; give us the wisdom to do what is right and the faith to endure this hour, that we might gather once again to praise your name in the heart of your Church, delivered from all distress and confident in your mercy. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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