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MASSES
Daily Mo, Tu, Thu, Fri : 8:00 AM
Saturday 4:30PM LIVE,
Sunday 10AM LIVE and ZOOM
PENANCE Saturdays 2:30-3:30 PM

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Mission Statement:

"Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, disciples of Jesus Christ in Worcester, MA, reaches out with love into the neighborhoods to welcome, serve, support, and engage the community in Jesus. In creating a welcoming relationship with Eucharistic and prayerful celebrations, we gather to make a difference by coming closer to God and one another."

April 17, 2022
Easter Sunday



"...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

(ACTS 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

Daily Rosary and Stations of the Cross

Praying of the Rosary will continue after the daily mass in the church on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Sundays after the 10am mass, both Live and Via Zoom. If you need the Zoom information, please contact the rectory.

Mass Intentions & Calendar

Sat, Apr 16 Easter Vigil

7:45 pm

Sun, Apr 17 - Easter Sunday

10:00 am LIVE/Zoom **Mary Ruth Leonard** req by friends of Our Lady of Lourdes
George Duquette 2 yr anniv req by the family

Mon, Apr 18

8:00 am **John Ursileo** req by Ann Marie Morrissey

Tue, Apr 19

8:00 am

Thu, Apr 21

8:00 am **Maria and Algirdas Braskus** req by Vera

9:30-11:00 am **Knitting Group** in church hall

Fri, Apr 22

8:00 am **Ann Parent** 22nd anniv req by daughter and son-in-law

Sat, Apr 23

4:30 pm **Richard Walsh** birthday remembrance req by the family

Sun, Apr 24 - Divine Mercy

10:00 am LIVE/Zoom **Feola Family, Antoinetta Rossetti, Rosalba Puca** req by the D'Andrea family and **Edmond Kelly** Month's Mind req by the family

11:00 am **Welcome Spring Breakfast** in church hall

SCRIPTURE READINGS

17 SUN Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/ Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or, Lk 24:13-35

18 MON Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/ Mt 28:8-15

19 TUE Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

20 WED Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

21 THU Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

22 FRI Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

23 SAT Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/ Mk 16:9-15

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT



Welcome Spring Breakfast

April 24, 2022 after 10am mass

\$10pp - tickets on sale after masses

Menu will be French toast, pancakes, ham, fruit, coffee, juice and pastries.

The next event in May will be May 21st - Italian Night put on by our very own Knights of Columbus.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Leave It in the Tomb

Today, on the most important day of the liturgical year, the Apostle Paul is calling us out.

"I see you hiding in that tomb," he says. "I see you baking with that old, stale yeast, thinking no one will notice."

He says it a little more elegantly, I'll grant you. But the message is this: If you want to be raised with Christ, you'd better be ready to step out of the shadows. Seek what is above — not what is on earth.

I can feel myself responding almost reflexively, "Great idea, Paul — but I'm pretty comfy here." Because sometimes, it's just easier to stay in the tomb. It's easier to crouch in the shadows and look outward at everyone else, thinking of the changes they could make or the sins they could overcome.

Today we are called to embrace newness. New hearts, new lives, new futures, new chances. If there's anything keeping you from that, you need to leave it in the tomb. It's a little scary, sure — maybe Jesus thought so before he stepped into the light of that first Easter morning. But no loaf of bread worth eating was ever baked using stale yeast that wouldn't rise. No new life worth having was ever lived through the broken sins of yesterday. No Easter morning ever dawned without the tomb sitting empty.

Step into the light. He is waiting for you.

~Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Around Town...

There are many Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions around the diocese that make it impossible to list all of them in the bulletin. If you would like to see a complete list of them or other events, go to <https://worcesterdioocese.org/the-diocesan-dispatch>

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

WEEKLY OFFERING

The Sunday Offertory for April 9 and 10 will be in next week's bulletin. The bulletin had to be submitted earlier because of Holy Week. Thank you for your continued, generous support. We appreciate your support of the church.

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

"Peace be with you." (Jn 19:19)

In a world saddened by devastating images of lives lost, homes destroyed and families separated, Christ's Easter greeting sounds quite contrary to the tenor of recent events. We strive for peace. We pray for peace. But, all too often, unjust aggression, acts of terrorism and even domestic violence mar modern life. Two thousand years later, the greeting, "Peace be with you" seems sadly far from fulfillment.

We must, however, remember the context of that first Easter Sunday. The disciples were gathered in secret behind locked doors for fear of those who had three days before connived, condemned and committed Christ to a violent and barbarous death. The Divine hands that reached out to the disciples in peace on Easter still bore the scars of the nails. His side still revealed the thrust of the lance that pierced the Sacred Heart. The scars were as present and real as were the disciples' fears.

Easter didn't erase the horror of Good Friday. It didn't banish the oppressive presence of the occupying Romans or the hostility of some of the Pharisees and Sadducees. Easter came amidst those things, not after. But Easter and Christ's Resurrection gave the disciples the hope - the certain hope - that earthly tyrants, invading armies, demonic powers and death would not have the last word. Those fearful forces can still inflict wounds, wreak destruction, cause division and death, but for the faithful followers of the Risen Christ, all those real and painful things will pass. Jesus didn't promise Heaven on earth. But He did promise, and Easter does show, that the hell on earth that sin causes will be overcome. Wounds will heal, wrongs will be righted, death will give way to life and, in the end, goodness will triumph.

Until then, may Easter and the promise of the Resurrection enable us to face life's trials, tragedies and losses with indomitable hope, dauntless courage and peace in our hearts even if that peace is still far from realized in our world.

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

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

Partners in Charity 2022....

If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located at the entrance of the church. Or visit partners-charity.net to do it online. Our Lady of Lourdes has received \$12,885 towards our goal of \$47,500 with 46 donors. We still have a long way to go to reach our goal. Your donation will help. Thank you!

HOLY WEEK

EASTER SUNDAY

CYCLE C



GATHERING HYMN

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

LLANFAIR



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| 1. Christ, the Lord, is ris'n to - day, | } Al - le - lu - ia! |
| 2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; | |
| 3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done, | |
| 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, | |



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| 1. All on earth with an - gels say. | } Al - le - lu - ia! |
| 2. Where, O death, is now thy sting? | |
| 3. Fought the fight, the bat - tle won. | |
| 4. Fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed head; | |



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| 1. Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, | } Al - le - lu - ia! |
| 2. Once he died our souls to save, | |
| 3. Death in vain for - bids him rise; | |
| 4. Made like him, like him we rise, | |



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| 1. Sing ye heav'n's and earth re - ply, | } Al - le - lu - ia! |
| 2. Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? | |
| 3. Christ has o - pen'd par - a - dise. | |
| 4. Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. | |

GLORIA

Mass of Spirit and Grace

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord, God, Heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us:

You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer,
You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One;
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God, the Father.

Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

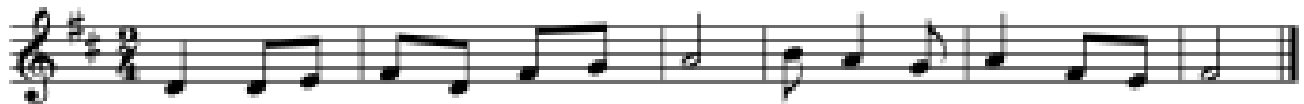
FIRST READING

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 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

PSALM 118



R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad.

SECOND READING

FIRST CORINTHIANS 5:6B-8

Brothers and sisters: Do you not know that a little yeast leavens all the dough? Clear out the old yeast, so that you may become a fresh batch of dough, inasmuch as you are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us celebrate the feast, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

SEQUENCE

Christ is Arisen

Randall DeBruyn

Verses

1. To the Pas - chal Vic - tim Give thank - ful praise!
2. Ma - ry, speak, con - fess - ing What you have seen.
3. Chris - tians, sing his glo - ry With ev - 'ry breath;

1. Christ, ev - er sin - less, his sheep now he saves.
2. "Christ's tomb lies emp - ty where once he had been;
3. Sing of his king - dom, vic - to - rious o'er death!

1. Death and life con - tend - ed In dread - ful strife;
2. An - gels bright, con - firm - ing; Shroud laid a - side;
3. Je - sus, grant us mer - cy: New life from heav'n!

1. Death did not hold — him, im - mor - tal his life.
2. He goes to Gal - i - lee, he lives though he died."
3. Christ ev - er reigns! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, his tri - umph we sing!
Christ is a - ris - en, the Vic - tor, the King!

GOSPEL

JOHN 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 understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

HOMILY

BLESSING OF THE EASTER WATER & RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Presider: Dear brothers and sisters, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

-Do you renounce sin, so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?

The Baptized: I do.

-Do you renounce the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over you?

The Baptized: I do.

-Do you renounce Satan, the author and prince of sin?

The Baptized: I do.

-Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

The Baptized: I do.

-Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

The Baptized: I do.

-Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

The Baptized: I do.

And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.

The Baptized: Amen

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

The Response is: *"Risen Lord hear us."*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Alleluia, Alleluia

HYMN TO JOY



1. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and
2. Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to

1. voic - es raise; Sing to God a hymn of glad - ness,
2. life is born, Glo - rious life, and life im - mor - tal,
3. God on high; Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior,

1. Sing to God a hymn of praise. He who on the
2. On this res - ur - rec - tion morn; Christ has tri - umphed,
3. Who has won the vic - to - ry; Al - le - lu - ia

1. cross as Sav - ior For the world's sal - va - tion bled, Je - sus
2. and we con - quer By his might - y en - ter - prise, We with
3. to the Spir - it, Font of love and sanc - ti - ty; Al - le -

1. Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.
2. him to life e - ter - nal By his res - ur - rec - tion rise.
3. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! To the Tri - une Maj - es - ty.

HOLY, HOLY

MASS OF SPIRIT AND GRACE

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.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MASS OF SPIRIT AND GRACE

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again

GREAT AMEN

MASS OF SPIRIT AND GRACE

OUR FATHER

SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

MASS OF SPIRIT AND GRACE

COMMUNION

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Scott Soper

Verses



1. I know that my Re-deem-er lives, the One who
 2. I know that I shall one day see the good-ness
 3. The last day I shall rise a-gain, shall be re-



1. calls me home. I long to see God face - to - face, to
 2. of the Lord, when God will wipe a - way our tears, and
 3. made like God. My home shall be by God's own side, the

Refrain



1. see with my own eyes. I know that my Re -
 2. death will be no more.
 3. dy - ing, ris - ing Lord.




deem-er lives, that I shall rise a - gain. gain.

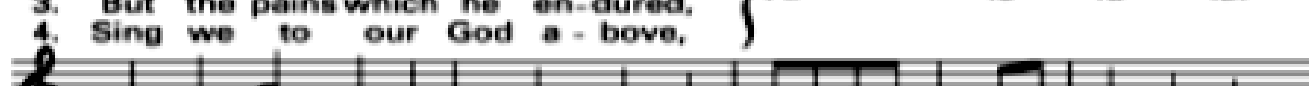
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Jesus Christ is Risen Today

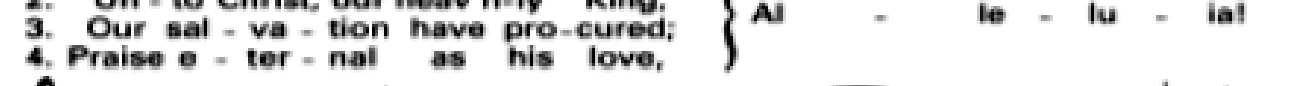
EASTER HYMN



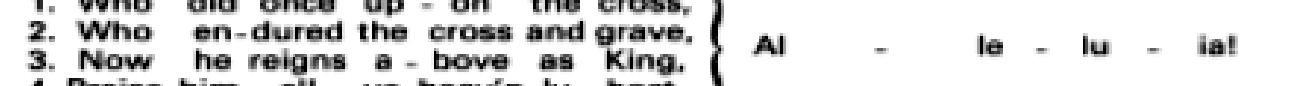
1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day,
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing,
 3. But the pains which he en-dured,
 4. Sing we to our God a - bove, } Al - le - lu - ia!



1. Our tri - um-phant ho - ly day,
 2. Un - to Christ, our heav'n-ly King,
 3. Our sal - va - tion have pro-cured;
 4. Praise e - ter - nal as his love, } Al - le - lu - ia!



1. Who did once up - on the cross,
 2. Who en-dured the cross and grave,
 3. Now he reigns a - bove as King,
 4. Praise him, all ye heav'n-ly host, } Al - le - lu - ia!



1. Suf - fer to re-deem our loss.
 2. Sin - ners to re-deem and save.
 3. Where the an-gels ev - er sing.
 4. Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. } Al - le - lu - ia!