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April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m. Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 & 11:15 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Bulletin items due by Tuesday

SACRAMENTS

Baptism Preparation:

1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m in Room B - Contact Parish Office to register.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

Marriage:

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 16

7:30 p.m. Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 17

9:00 a.m. For Saint Mary of the Hills Parish

11:15 a.m. Joseph & Patricia Hine (10th & 2nd Anniversaries) by

Mr. & Mrs. Gerard Donnelly

Monday, April 18

8:30 a.m. NO MASS/ OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, April 19

8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Wednesday, April 20

8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Thursday, April 21

8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, April 23

12:00 p.m. Charlotte Grace Roberson Baptism

4:30 p.m. Teresa Lorrain McDonald Weiss (12th Anniv.) by

Daughter-in-Law, Dianne Weiss

Sunday, April 24

1:00 p.m. Amelia Grace Lewis Baptism

9:00 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

There is no daily mass April 18-21 & 25-28.

Daily Mass will resume on

Monday, May 2

Bay State Rug Braiders

Bay State Braiders are back and have their first meeting of 2022 on May 21st. Novice or experienced braiders are welcomed. Meetings are held in the parish hall from 12:30 – 4:00 p.m. Instructors are always available to get beginners started or to help more experienced braiders with any problems they encounter.



Knights of Columbus Rosary

We invite you to please join the Knights of Columbus as they pray the Rosary following the 9:00 a.m. Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Next gathering is Sunday, May 15th.



Religious Education News

Happy Easter! Alleluia!

The final classes for the 2021-22 weekly Religious Education program were held this past week. Thank you for a wonderful year and all your continued support during another unusual and challenging year. I am so proud to say that all our Catechists shared their faith with our children with hope and joy!!! See you at Mass! ©

Easter Blessing to you and your families, Mrs. Anne Dowen

Almsgiving for Lent

There is a Large Rice Bowl in the Gathering Area to place your full Rice Bowls. If you forgot to bring them today, please return them your last religious education class or bring them to the church early next week!

God Bless You for your sacrifice. @

Upcoming Sacramental Preparation Events

First Holy Communion Workshop:

Sat., Apr. 23rd 10 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Meet in the Church Hall Bring your *completed* Banner

First Holy Communion Practices:

Tues., April 26th 4:30-6:00 p.m. Meet in the Church Thurs., April 28th 4:30-5:30 p.m. Meet in the Church

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday May 1, 2022 @ 11:15 a.m. Mass

<u>May Crowning of Mary</u> will be on Sunday May 1, 2022 @ the end of 11:15 a.m. Mass

Confirmation 2022:

Confirmation Practice & Confessions:

Wed., April 27th @ 6:30 p.m.

Meet in the Church

Confirmation 2022 will be celebrated on Monday, May 2, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m. St. Paul Cathedral, Worcester

Liturgical Ministers assigned for next weekend are:

Saturday, April 23-4:30 p.m.

Lector: NOT FILLED Ushers: Sheri Hebert

Sunday, April 24 - 9:00 a.m.

Lector: George Olson

Servers: Patrick Flanagan, Marielle Phillips

Ushers: Roger Meeks, Luisa Meeks

Sunday, April 24-11:15 a.m.

Lector: Patricia Bartram Ushers: Paula Smith



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July 11-15, 2022

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Easter 2022

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

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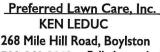
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