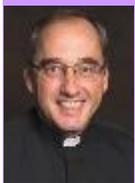


Connections



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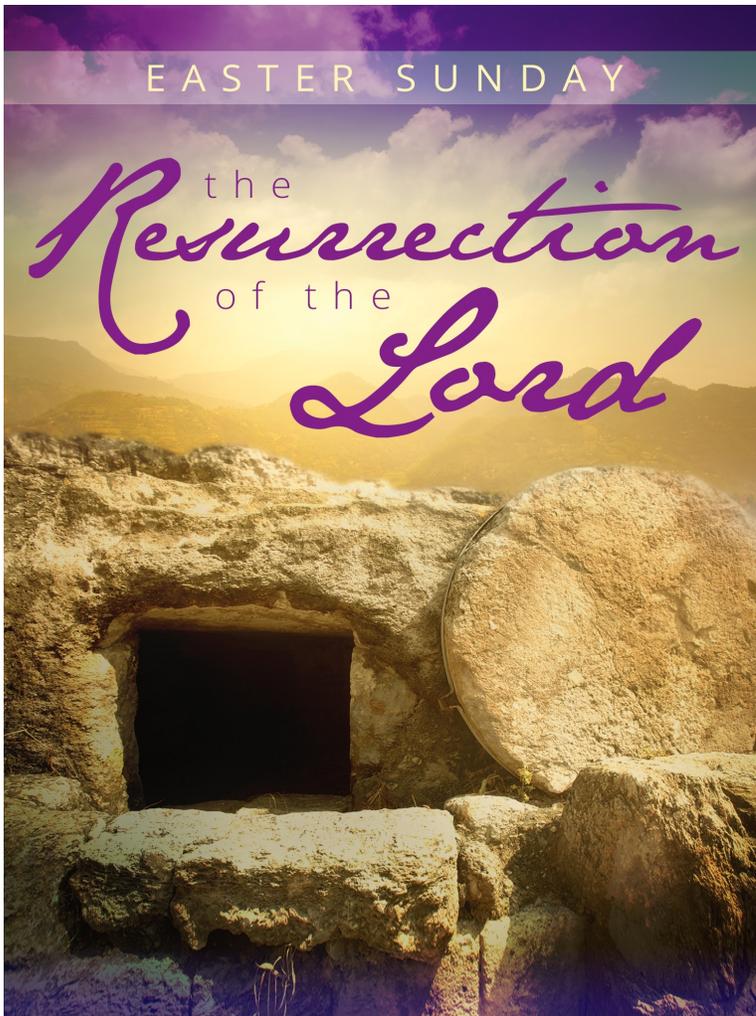
WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

4:30 PM SAT. } LIVE STREAMED ON OUR WEBSITE
7:30 AM SUN. }
9:30 AM SUN. } AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE
5:30 PM SUN. }

Connect with us!

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Facebook.com/holyspiritcatholicparish

GO OUT
AND
SPREAD
THE
GOOD
NEWS
CHRIST
IS RISEN!



Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

I would like to wish each and everyone of you a most joyful and Happy Easter. We will remember this Easter for years to come. It definitely is different. We are used to the packed churches, the get together with family and friends, the large Easter egg hunts. These we are not able to have this year. It seems to me though that with all that *not* happening we have a bit more time to realize what *is* happening and *did* over 2000 years ago. Jesus is risen from the dead! He is with us and will continue to be with us always. This, as faith-filled followers of Him, fills us with a joy that surpasses any fears or anxiety we may have. As I have mentioned before, God's got this! Let us do our part as helpful, caring, loving disciples of Christ. Happy Easter!!

Fr. Carl



Looking for a new way to connect with others? Check out our new ministry!

Learn more on page 6.

COVID-19 Pandemic and the First Easter

The very first Easter was not in a crowded worship space with singing and praising. On the very first Easter the disciples were locked in their house. It was dangerous for them to come out. They were afraid. They wanted to believe the good news they heard from the women, that Jesus had risen. But it seemed too good to be true. They were living in a time of such despair and such fear. If they left their homes their lives and the lives of their loved ones might be at risk. Could a miracle really have happened? Could life really have won out over death? Could this time of terror and fear really be coming to an end?

Alone in their homes they dared to believe that hope was possible, that the long night was over and morning had broken, that God's love was the most powerful of all, even though it didn't seem quite real yet. Eventually, they were able to leave their homes, when the fear and danger had subsided, they went around celebrating and spreading the good news that Jesus was risen and love was the most powerful force on the earth

This year, we might get to experience a taste of what that first Easter was like, still in our homes daring to believe that hope is on the horizon. Then, after a while, when it is safe for all people, when it is the most loving choice, we will come out, gathering together, singing and shouting the good news that God brings life even out of death, that love always has the final say! ~Author unknown

WEEKLY CALENDAR: Your Holy Happenings

The parish calendar is online at: www.holyspirit-parish.org

SUNDAY
APRIL 12

SCRIP SOLD AFTER:
DC: *NO* Scrip
KC: *NO* Scrip



7:00 am Live Streaming Easter Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com - In memory of Whitey, Carol, Sara & Lois Van Asten, Lois Neuser, and Louie Martin
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC
9:30 am Rebroadcast Easter Sunday Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com
4:30 pm Sunday Supper Pick Up ONLY - DS Back Parking Lot (see pg 6)

MONDAY
APRIL 13

SCRIP SOLD:
PC: *NO* Scrip
DS: *NO* Scrip

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC

TUESDAY
APRIL 14

SCRIP SOLD:
PC: *NO* Scrip
DS: *NO* Scrip

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC
9:00 am - 10:00 am Confession - KC
5:30 pm Live streaming Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 15

SCRIP SOLD:
PC: *NO* Scrip
DS: *NO* Scrip

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC
8:15 am Live streaming Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com

THURSDAY
APRIL 16

SCRIP SOLD:
PC: *NO* Scrip
DS: *NO* Scrip

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC
9:00 am - 10:00 am Confession - KC
8:15 am Live streaming Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com

FRIDAY
APRIL 17

SCRIP SOLD:
PC: *NO* Scrip
DS: *NO* Scrip

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC
8:15 am Live streaming Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com

SATURDAY
APRIL 18

SCRIP SOLD:
DS: *NO* Scrip
KC: *NO* Scrip

8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC
4:30 pm Live streaming Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com - In memory of Carol LeBlanc, Tony Ruys, Vernon & Rosemary Friebe, and John & Joan Scherer

SUNDAY
APRIL 19

SCRIP SOLD AFTER:
DC: *NO* Scrip
KC: *NO* Scrip

7:30 am Rebroadcast Saturday Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Private Prayer - KC
9:30 am Rebroadcast Saturday Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com
5:30 pm Rebroadcast Saturday Mass on www.holyspirit-parish.com

Until further notice, Holy Spirit Parish Masses on Tuesdays through Saturdays will be available on our website www.holyspirit-parish.org. Recorded Masses will, then, be available to watch anytime on your smartphone, tablet, laptop or desktop.

Diocese of Green Bay Holy Week Liturgies



Holy Thursday: 7pm Mass with Bishop Ricken livestreamed at gbdioc.org/holyweek
Good Friday: 3 pm Liturgy with Fr. Brian Belong livestreamed at gbdioc.org/holyweek
Easter Vigil: 8:15 pm Mass with Bishop Ricken livestreamed at gbdioc.org/holyweek
Easter Sunday: 9 am Mass with Bishop Ricken broadcast on Relevant Radio, 1050 AM
Easter Sunday: 9 am Mass with Bishop Ricken livestreamed at gbdioc.org/cathedralvideo
Easter Sunday: 10:30 am Mass with Bishop Ricken broadcast on WFRV Local 5

Abbreviations	DC=DARBOY CHURCH	DSL=DARBOY SCHOOL LIBRARY	PC=PARISH CENTER	4KC=4K LEARNING CENTER, KIMB
	DS=DARBOY SCHOOL	KC=KIMBERLY CHURCH	PCL=PARISH CENTER LIBRARY	4KG=4K LEARNING CTR GYM, KIMB
	D SG=DARBOY SCHOOL GYM	KS=KIMBERLY SCHOOL	PCC=PARISH CENTER CONF ROOM	

 To honor someone living or deceased with Mass Intentions (\$10) or Sanctuary Lights (\$20 for two weeks), please call 788-7640 or stop by the Parish Center.

BUSINESS OFFICE NEWS

Patty Vande Voort, Administrator of Business and Stewardship
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OUR GIFTS OF LOVE — APRIL 4/5

Sacrificial Giving Envelopes	\$	2,695.00
EFT/Bill Pay/PayPal	\$	16,571.00
Total Sacrificial Giving	\$	19,266.00
Budgeted	\$	20,371.00



During this time, tithings be dropped off at or mailed to the Parish Office, submitted through PayPal, or scheduled with EFT or Bill Pay.

Please support our
Advertiser of the Week

ACE Hardware
Carstens Ace Hardware
400 E. Ann St., Kaukauna / 920-766-7773

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12, 2020

Sunday: 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 Mt 28:1-10
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118: 1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a [22]/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/ Mk 16:9-15

\$CRIP NEWS



With the Parish Office and Darboy Scrip Office closed for the time being, now is a great time to start using *Shop with Scrip!*

ScripNow: You can order from the internet & will have it on your phone in minutes. You can do this right at the checkouts. (You don't need a physical card.)

To use ScripNow and Reload Now, you need to be set up with PrestoPay. To do so, text Jeanne at 920-851-0494.

Thank you for your continued support of Holy Spirit Scrip!!

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: CONGRATS!

Starting March 1, 2020, a complete list of winners can also be found on our website under **Parish Info**. Winners will receive their checks via mail within 2 weeks of winning.

April 1	\$20	Donna & David Evers
April 2	\$20	Mary Stewart
April 3	\$20	Joe & Lisa Lamers
April 4	\$20	Diane Bloy
April 5	\$40	Greg Felton
April 6	\$20	Leah Hohnberger
April 7	\$20	Tony Bos

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sarah Elmer, Youth Ministry/Young Adult Coordinator
788-7640 or elmers@holyspirit-parish.org



Sofa Sing Along: Praise & Worship Edition

All are welcome to join our Zoom meet up to sing upbeat songs like "I'm Trading My Sorrows" and "Lean on Me" - what a great way to pray together and have some fun with our faith!



When: Easter Sunday, April 12 at 7 pm

Where: Visit Zoom.us and click "Join A Meeting"

Code: 629-616-5910 Password is 54915

Spread the word - invite friends and family!

Wednesday Youth Nights

Join your friends at 8 pm on Zoom!
Check the YM Website Google Calendar for the food theme of the night.

Code is: 629-616-5910

Password is 54915



How Can We Pray For You?

**ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY/RESERVES • NURSES •
CNAS • DOCTORS • SOCIAL WORKERS •
HOSPITAL MAINTENANCE/FOOD DELIVERY
SERVICE • HOSPITAL RECEPTIONISTS •
CHAPLAINS • FIRE FIGHTERS • POLICE •
PARAMEDICS • GROCERY STORE WORKERS •
PHARMACISTS • DAY CARE PROVIDERS •**

The Holy Spirit Staff & Youth would like to offer prayers BY NAME for members of our parish (or their loved ones) who are essential workers during this time.



Please visit our parish website for more info & to submit names.

St. Michael the Archangel, pray for us.

Mission

With gratitude, we reach out with loving compassion by serving, guiding, and celebrating sacraments and giving witness to the Kingdom of God.

Vision

Holy Spirit Catholic community strives to be an inclusive and faith filled people, proclaiming to the world that God is deeply in love with all.



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Thank you to those who supported the CFWV Easter Flower Sale. Flowers in the church will be donated and displayed during the Easter Season in memory of:

Paul and Laura Priewe

Phil Frassetto

Colleen Frassetto

Douglas Kunukau

Lucas Rapozo

Charles and Lucina Miller

Dennis Uitenbroek

Paul Stuyvenberg

Karen Schuh

Joe and Marion VanCuyk

Ethan VanCuyk

Rita Linzmeier

Bev and Chip Glasow

Deceased Family Members

Joann Uitenbroek

Theresa Buchner

Hub Hennessey Family

Fras and Joan Frassetto

Chuck and Rose Keller

Alena Frassetto

John and Harriet Verbeten

Karl Hohnberger

ORV and June Domer

Ruth Hudak, Jim Wyngard

Deceased Members of the Halfmann Family

Bern & Audrey Vanden Boogaard

Deceased Members of the Schumacher

Family

BISHOP'S APPEAL

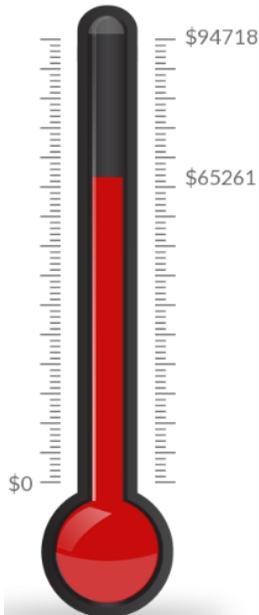
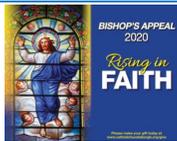
Easter People

We have just lived the sacred Triduum and celebrated the Lord's Resurrection. Over this last week, we were reminded about how Jesus calls us all to be His disciples. Through the good works of the Bishop's Appeal, we are able to follow Jesus by sharing our faith.

Giving a gift to the Bishop's Appeal during the six weeks of this Easter Season would be a wonderful way to continue to follow in the footsteps of our risen Christ. If you have not yet made your gift to the Bishop's Appeal, please consider the joy you could bring to the lives of others now and throughout the year.

To make a gift to the Bishop's Appeal contact your parish, visit the Bishop's Appeal website at www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give, or call Tammy toll free at 877-500-3580, ext. 8123.

***Holy Spirit Parishioners - We are over two thirds of the way to our goal! Thank you for your generosity!**

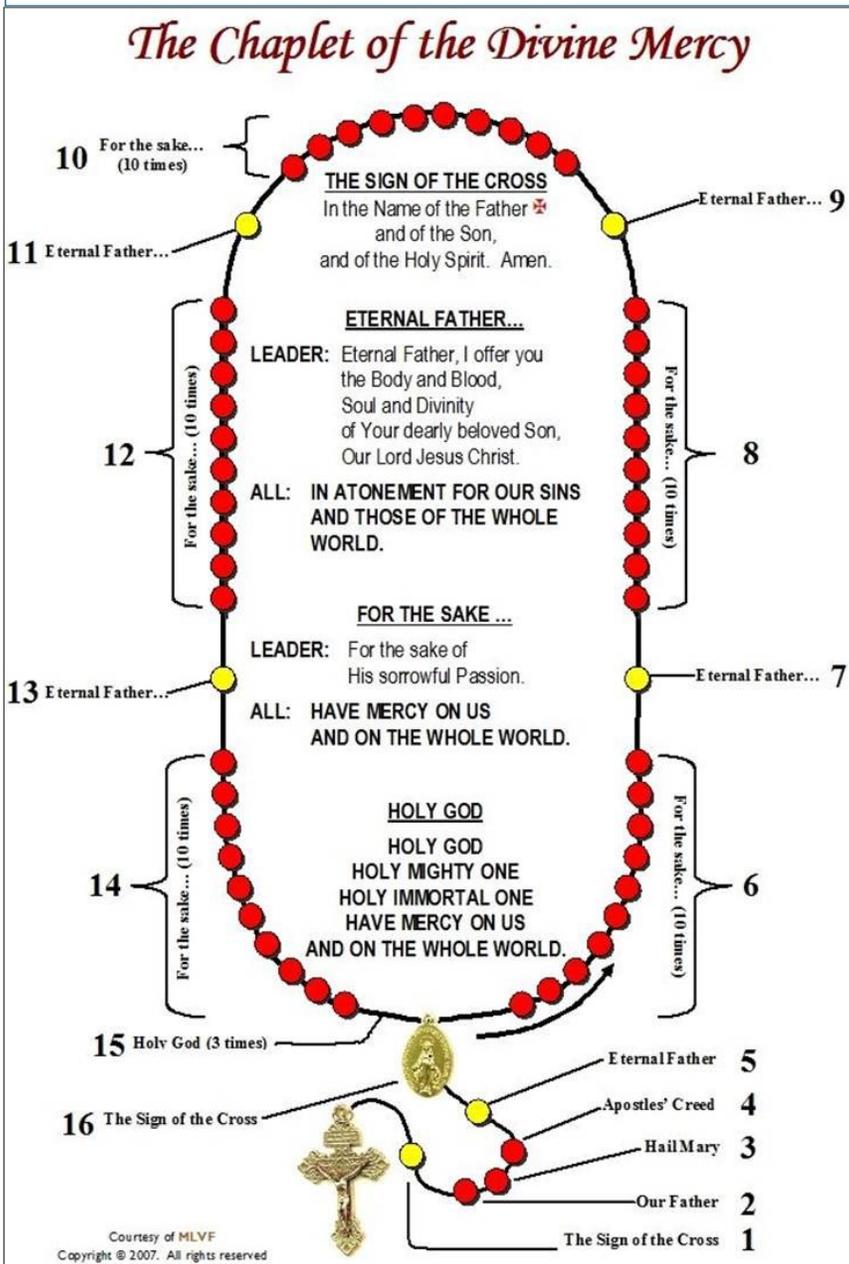
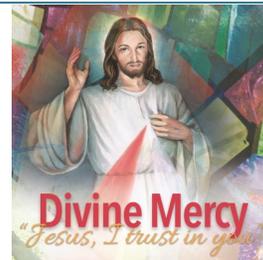


LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Margaret Franz, Liturgical Ministry Coordinator
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Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday, this Friday, April 10. This consists of nine days in a row of praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet. In normal times at Holy Spirit we would conclude the Novena with a Holy Hour with confessions. This year due to the Corvid-19 pandemic The Holy Hour will not be possible, but we encourage you to pray this Novena.

Information on how to pray the Novena can be found at <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena>.



Baptism Blessings



**Baptized
March 28, 2020:**

Atticus Anno & Elijah Gene

Twin sons of Andrew & Kara
Voight by their Great-Great
Uncle Monsignor John Schuh



**Need a refresher on
the Easter story for
your children?**

Check out the show
Brother Francis and
the episode titled "He
is Risen! The Power of
the Resurrection".
Available to you on
formed.org



FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES

Leah Ackley, Coordinator of Family Life Ministries
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Dear Baptism Families,

As you are aware, the Diocese of Green Bay recently issued a suspension of the public celebration of Mass as well as directives temporarily changing the celebration of Sacraments in the Church. Along with the Diocese of Green Bay, Holy Spirit Parish and its ministry leaders continue to take appropriate actions to ensure a safe and healthy environment by following the guidelines and regulations established by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and public officials.

With that in mind, the parish office team has made the decision to postpone the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism at Holy Spirit Parish until further notice. These decisions have not been made lightly but in the best interest of the safety of our parishioners and staff. We anticipate this change to be in effect through May. The baptismal preparation class for May has also been canceled. As the situation evolves, we will contact you to finalize a date.

We understand the inconvenience this may cause, and appreciate your patience during these unusual circumstances. If you would prefer to speak further with Fr. Carl or Leah, please feel free to contact us via email or leave a message with either of us at the parish office. We continue to have access to email and voicemail from home.

Your family remains in our prayers!

Did you know you can send your angel to Holy Mass to pray for you?

Many years ago, there was a woman named Ruth Merz who was diagnosed with cancer. Unable to attend daily Mass, she wrote a prayer asking her Guardian Angel to go to pray at Mass in her place. Our Guardian Angels are sent by God to protect and help us, so they are overjoyed when we invite them to the most wonderful event of every day around the world, the Holy Mass!



We pray that this FREE printable to color and ponder will help you and your children have a greater appreciation for these heavenly friends and an ever-deepening love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

From Holy Heroes



Send Your Angel to HOLY MASS

O Holy Angel, at my side,
Go to the church for me,
Kneel in my place, at Holy Mass
Where I desire to be.

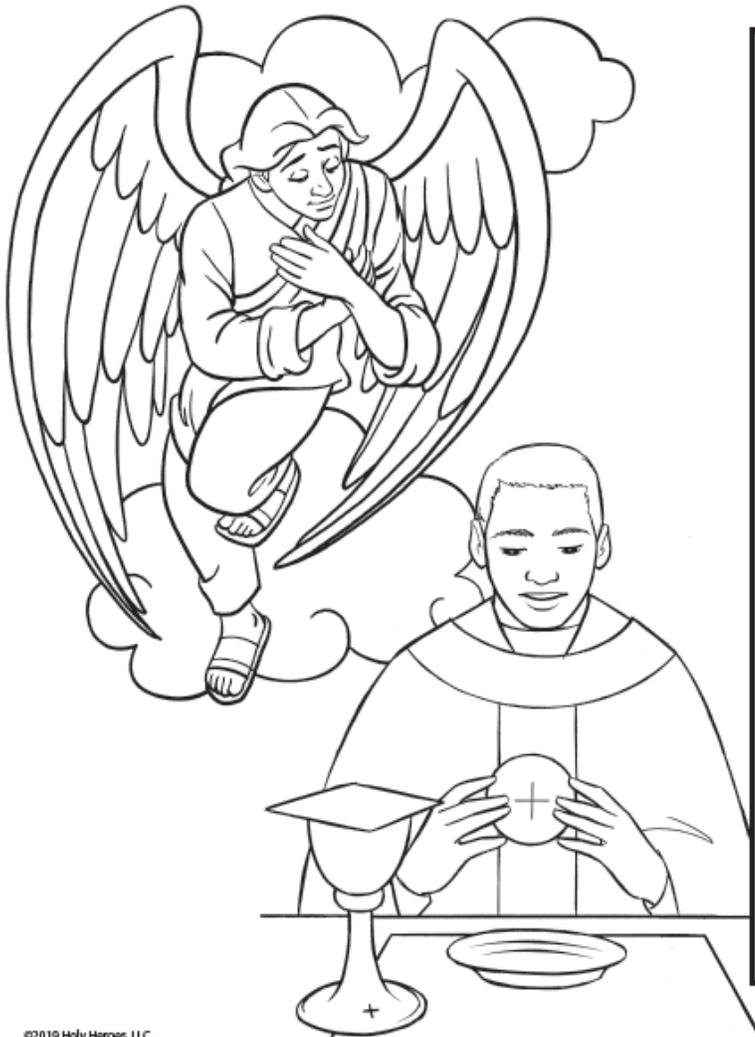
At Offertory, in my stead,
Take all I am and own,
And place it as a sacrifice
Upon the Altar Throne.

At Holy Consecration's bell,
Adore with the Seraph's love,
My Jesus, hidden in the Host,
Come down from Heaven above.

And when the priest Communion takes,
Oh, bring my Lord to me,
That His sweet Heart may rest on mine,
And I His temple be.

 HOLY HEROES

www.HolyHeroes.com



Sunday Supper

Sunday, April 12, 4:30 PM

Featuring ham, cheesy potatoes, green bean casserole & fruit.

** free of charge **

Holy Spirit School, Darboy Location
W2796 Cty Rd KK, Appleton

Pick-up from 4:30pm until food runs out. Dine-In will not be offered.

Please stay in your vehicle and a volunteer will bring your meal to you.

*This Supper sponsored by Land O' Lakes Foundation
with support from St. Joe's Food Pantry*



PHONE-A-FRIEND MINISTRY

Patty Vande Voort, Administrator of Business & Stewardship
788-7640 or vandevoortp@holyspirit-parish.org

During this time of navigating ourselves and our families in the world-wide health crisis, it is our mission to continually bring Christ to others. Holy Spirit Parish would like to give you the opportunity to continue your Discipleship journey yet in another way. We will be starting up a new ministry called, **Phone-A-Friend**, in which we would like you to use your gifts and talents to reach out to our parishioners. During this time of uncertainty, we want to let them know we **really** care about them! The plan is to begin this ministry slowly, in well-planned phases since we have about 1800 family units in our parish to reach out to within the next year.

Phase 1 - Happening right now! We have researched our database here at Holy Spirit Parish and found that we have 549 beautiful seniors (ages 70 – 101 years old) in our parish. *How Awesome!* These are the individuals we would like to reach out to first. This is where we would like you to pray and discern if this is where God is calling you to use your gifts and talents. We are looking for volunteers to make phone calls to about 10 parishioners within the next 30 days and continue to keep in touch; twice a month (more or less) depending upon what is wanted or needed.

Holy Spirit Parish will provide an initial phone script and support throughout the length of your ministry to these families. We would ask that your commitment would be for a minimum of three months. We will ask for your feedback as to how things are going, what prayer requests might there be, and anything else that might be asked. If you decide to continue after three months, great; if not, God may be calling you in a different direction.

Next Step - If you decide that you can help, please go to our website at HolySpirit-Parish.org. On the website homepage, you will find information on the Phone-A-Friend Ministry and directions to complete a fillable form. Upon receiving your information, we will contact you via email and/or phone to explain the program further and provide you with a list of 10 parishioners whom you would be responsible for contacting to begin your ministry.

It may sound confusing, but it really isn't! Discern, Sign Up, Receive a list of ten households, then **Phone-A-Friend!**

If you have additional questions, contact myself at vandevoortp@holyspirit-parish or Sara at vanheuklons@holyspirit-parish





Holy Spirit Parish

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Kimberly WI 54136

Return Service Requested



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Sharing the Gospel

It was very early in the morning on Sunday. The tomb stone was rolled away. Jesus was gone. All that was left inside were the strips of linen cloth. When John and Peter saw it, they were amazed. They did not understand all the promises the prophets wrote about Jesus yet. However, they knew he was alive. He had risen from the dead!



Prayer

God, I thank you for bringing Jesus back to life.



Something to Draw

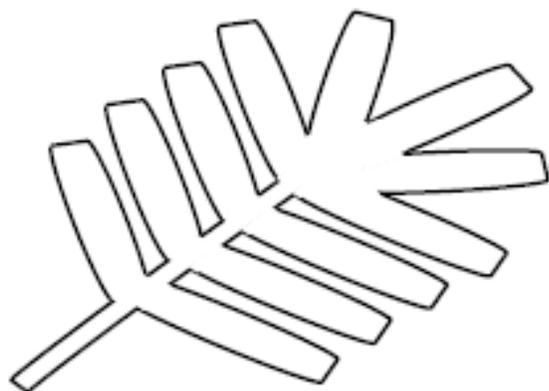
Draw how surprised Peter and John were when they saw Jesus' empty tomb.



Palm Sunday

-Sunday before Easter-

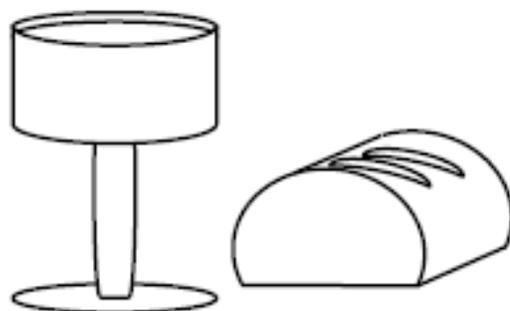
Jesus enters Jerusalem. Large crowds of people praise him. They wave palm branches and cry "Hosanna!"



Maundy Thursday

-Thursday before Easter-

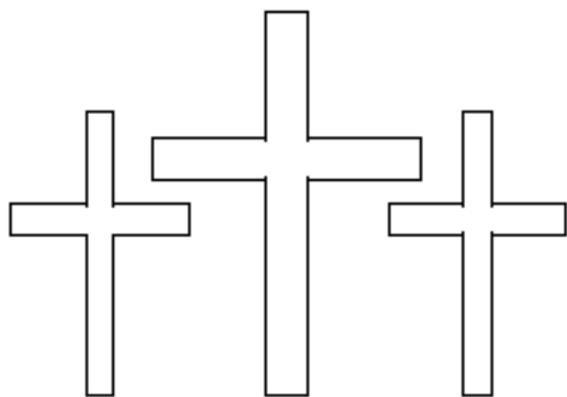
Jesus has the Last Supper with his disciples. He brings them to the Mount of Olives so he can pray. Judas betrays Jesus and he is arrested.



Good Friday

-Friday before Easter-

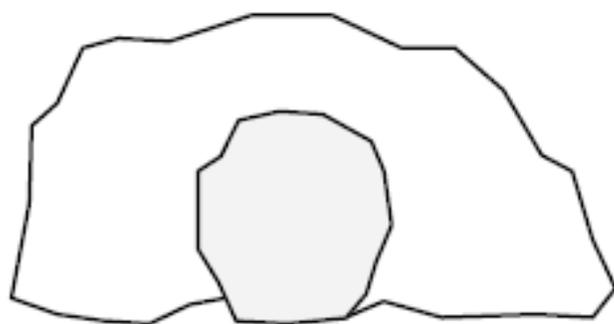
Jesus is sentenced to death. He is crucified on a cross. Jesus says, "It is finished!" and dies. He is buried in the tomb.



Holy Saturday

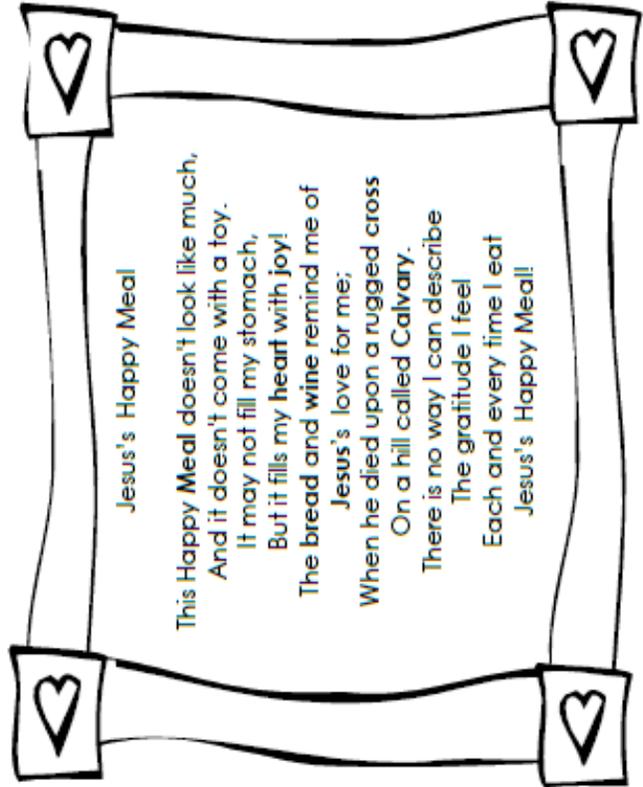
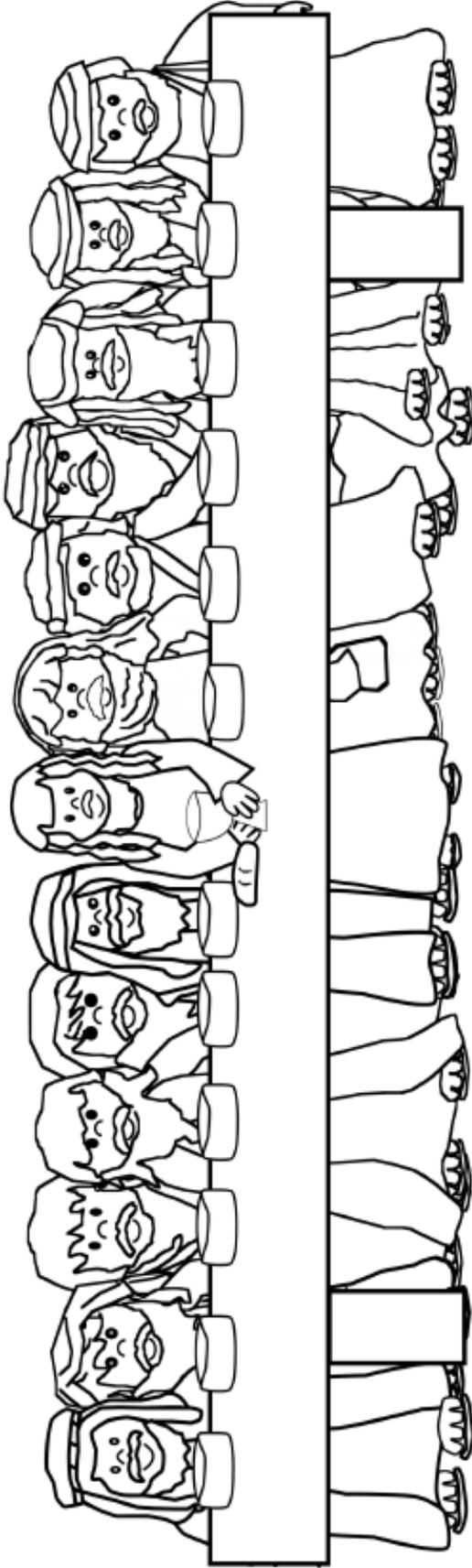
-Saturday before Easter-

Jesus' body lay in the tomb. Roman soldiers stand guard but they will not stop Jesus from rising from the dead on Easter morning.



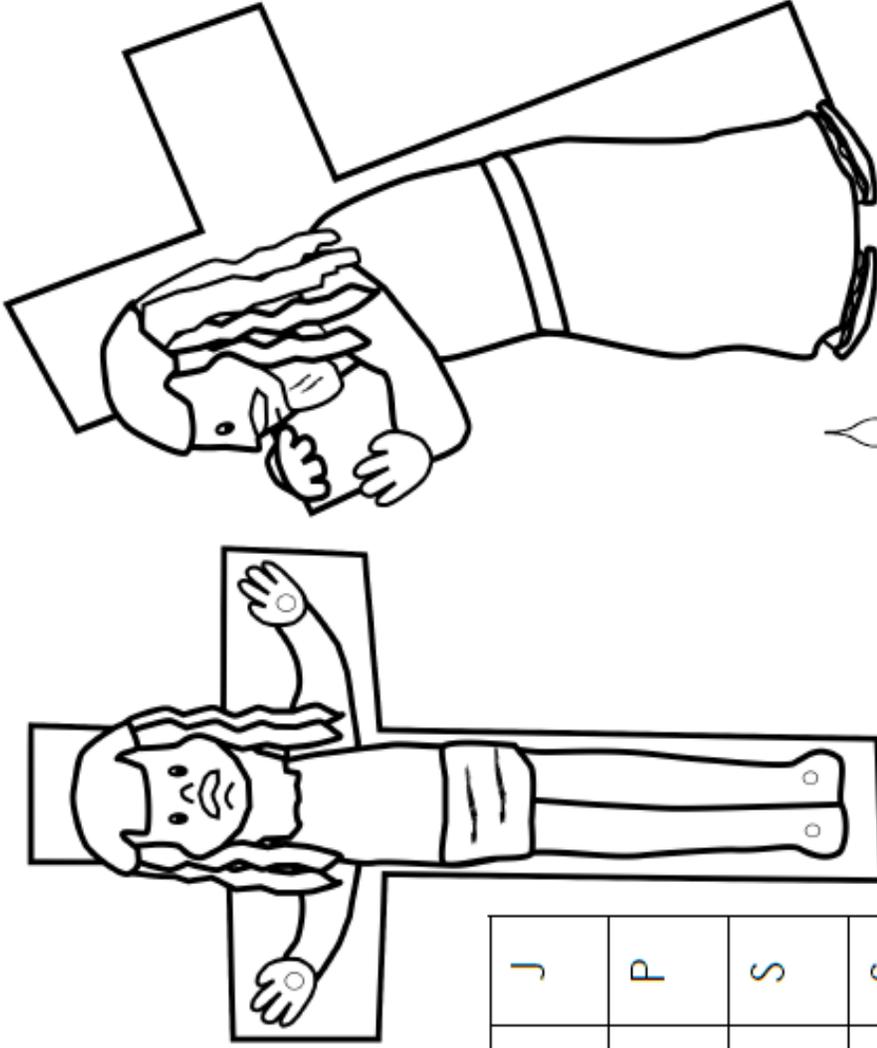
HOLY THURSDAY!

Color the picture. Read the poem. Find the bold words in the word search!



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The punishment that
brought us peace was on
him, and by his wounds
we are healed.



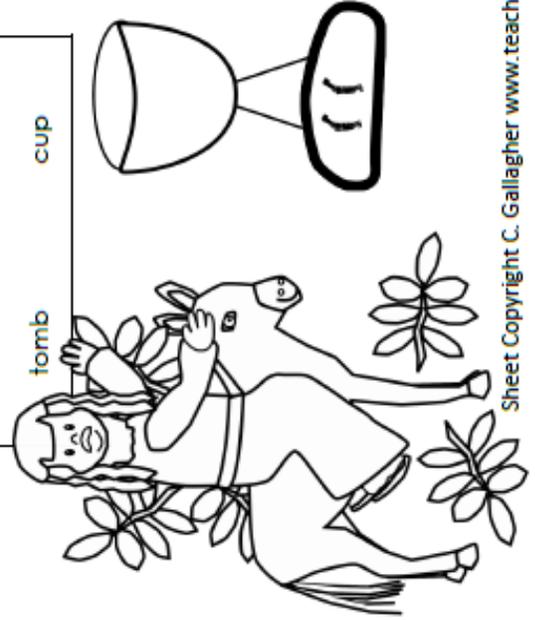
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GOOD LOVE SINS
FRIDAY CROWN
JESUS GOD
CROSS DIED

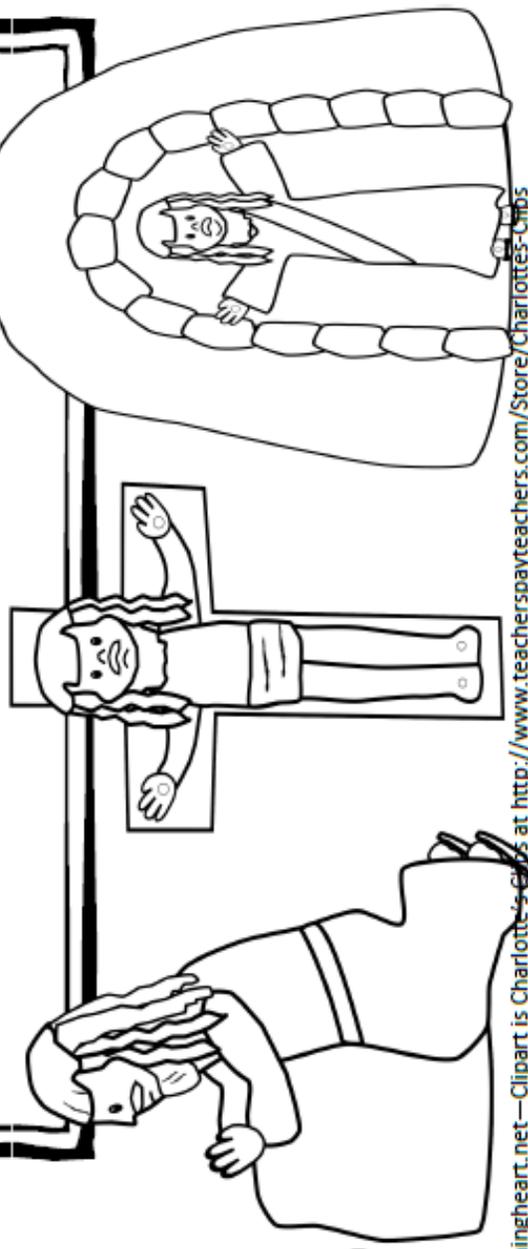
Use the word bank to fill in the blanks and to find the words in the crossword puzzle. Color!

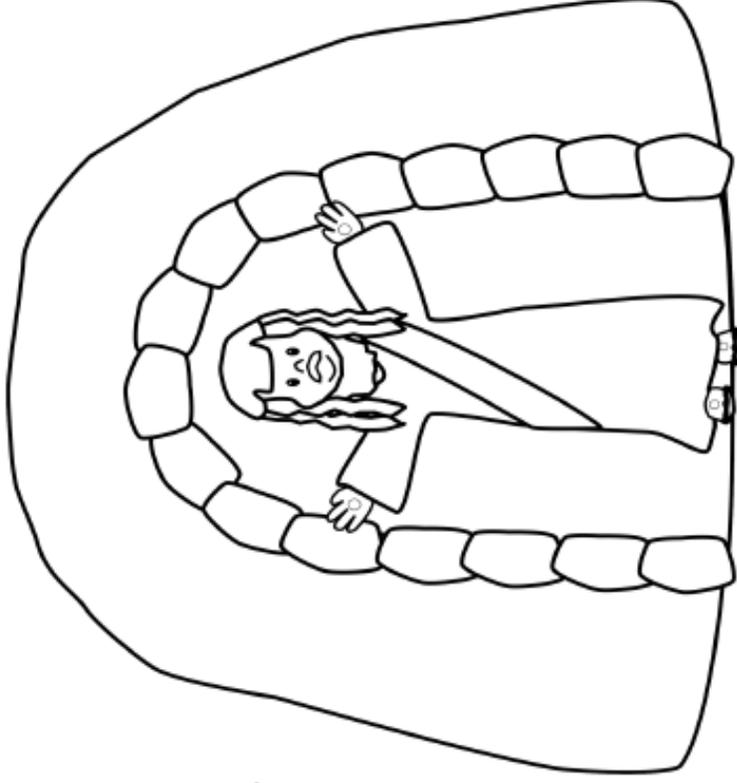
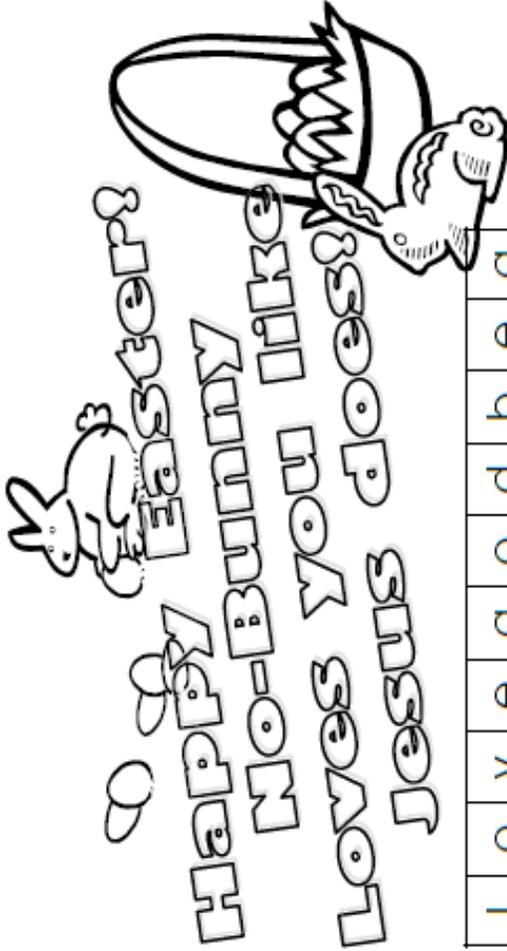
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- angel
- Garden
- Judas
- life
- tomb
- cross
- thorns
- donkey
- risen
- cup



- 1.) Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a _____.
- 2.) _____, one of Jesus's trusted disciples, took 30 Silver coins for betraying Jesus.
- 3.) At Jesus's last supper with His disciples before He died on the cross, He used bread and the _____ of wine to explain His death.
- 4.) Jesus prayed with his disciples in the _____ of Gethsemane.
- 5.) The soldiers who crucified Jesus placed a crown of _____ on His head.
- 6.) Roman soldier's used a spear to pierce Jesus' side when He was on the _____. Jesus loved us so much that He died in our place.
- 7.) When the women went to the _____ of Jesus to anoint His body with spices, they were shocked to see the stone had been moved away from the tomb.
- 8.) The women saw an _____, who told them not to be afraid. The angel said no one had taken Jesus's body, but instead He had _____ from the dead!





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angel	cross
Easter	Jesus
love	sins
life	risen
heaven	alive

When they did not see Jesus' s
 body, they came back saying
 that they had seen a vision of
 angels, who said He was alive!

Easter to Pentecost



Where does "Easter" come from?

Pascha is the Greek term for Easter. It comes from the Hebrew word for Passover, *pesach*.

Where does "Pentecost" come from?

The term Pentecost comes from the Greek Πεντηκοστή (*Pentēkostē*) meaning fiftieth.

When is Easter?

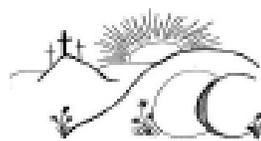
Easter follows immediately after Lent and the Triduum. It begins with the Easter Vigil and goes for fifty days, until Pentecost.



How long is the Easter Season?

Fifty days: from Easter to Pentecost.

What is the purpose of Easter?



We celebrate Christ's Resurrection! "The fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or

better as one 'great Sunday.' These above all others are the days for the singing of the Alleluia." (GNLY, 22)

Are any Precepts tied to Easter?

Yes! You are required to receive the Eucharist at least once during the Easter season (CCC 2042). You should be without mortal sin when receiving the Eucharist. You should receive the Sacrament of Penance prior to receiving the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of our Lord, Jesus Christ. "You shall confess your sins at least once a year." (CCC 2042)

What are some Easter symbols?

Easter is a season of joy. Some symbols are the empty tomb, the Paschal Candle, the lamb, Lilies, etc.

What are some Easter traditions?

Joyful celebrations! Easter is also a time when many children receive their first Eucharist. It is also when we break our Lenten fasts. The most beautiful Easter tradition is the return of the Alleluia to Mass.

What colors are Easter and Pentecost?

The Easter season is white. Red is used for Pentecost.

What is the Easter Vigil?

"The Easter Vigil, during the holy night when the Lord rose from the dead, ranks as the 'mother of all holy vigils.' Keeping watch, the Church awaits Christ's resurrection and celebrates it in the sacraments. Accordingly, the entire celebration of this vigil should take place at night, that is, it should either begin after nightfall or end before the dawn of Sunday." (GNLY, 21)

During the Easter Vigil, those who were preparing to enter the Church (catechumens) are welcomed. If needed, they receive the Sacrament of Baptism. They also receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

What is an "octave"?

Octave comes from Latin *octava* (eighth).



What is the Octave of Easter?

"The first eight days of the season of Easter make up the octave of Easter and are celebrated as solemnities of the Lord." Since these days are elevated to solemnities, the Friday during the Octave of Easter "lifts" the Friday obligation to do some sort of penance, as determined by the conferences of bishops.

When is the Ascension of the Lord?



"On the fortieth day after Easter the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated, except in places where... it has been transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter. The weekdays after the

Ascension of the Lord until the Saturday before Pentecost inclusive are a preparation for the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete." (GNLY, 25 and 26)

When is Pentecost?

Fifty days after Easter. It is known as the Church's birthday, when we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and followers of Christ.