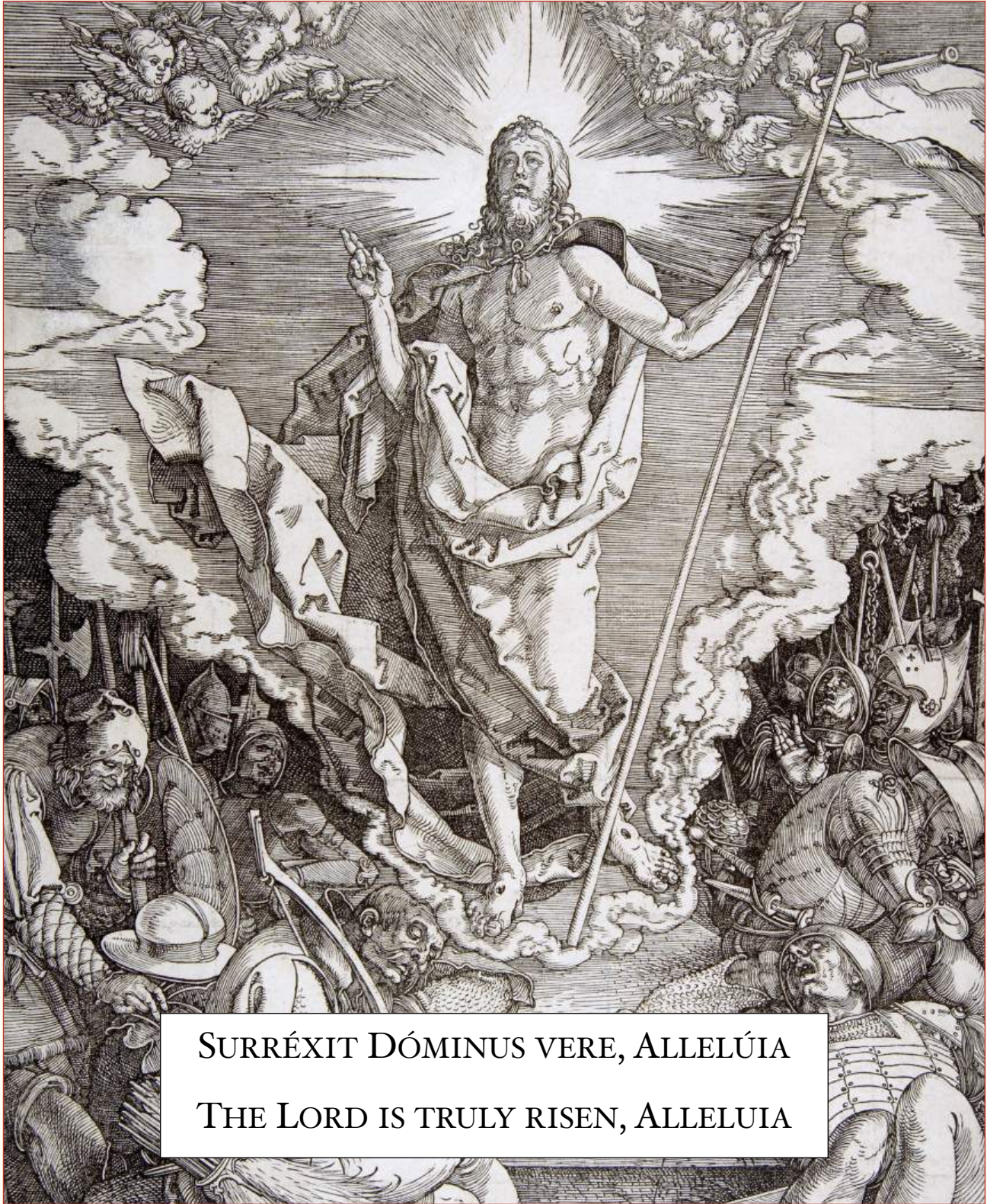


HOLY GHOST CHURCH - PROVIDENCE, RI
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



SURRÉXIT DÓMINUS VERE, ALLELÚIA

THE LORD IS TRULY RISEN, ALLELUIA

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS - PARISH ACTIVITIES

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Thursday, April 6

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

7:00 PM - *Pro Populo*

Friday, April 7 - GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 PM - LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY

Saturday, April 8 - HOLY SATURDAY

7:30 PM - EASTER VIGIL - *Pro Populo*

Sunday, April 9 - EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 AM - **English*** *Pro Populo*

10:30 AM - **Italian** †Gaspere & Domenica
Delle Donne

12:00 PM - **Spanish** †Deceased Clergy of
Holy Ghost Church

Monday, April 9 - EASTER MONDAY

Rectory Office is Closed - No Scheduled Mass

Tuesday, April 11

7:00 AM* †John Jr. & Lillian Battista

†Sr. Marguerite Montalto, RSM

Wednesday, April 12

7:00 AM* †Vittoria Muzzo

Thursday, April 13

7:00 AM* †Giusti R. Ancone

7:00 PM - **Spanish** †Marta & Angelo Brosco

Friday, April 14

7:00 AM* †Millie Smaldone

Saturday, April 15 **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

4:00 PM - **Vigil** †Tom & Mary Mahoney

†Marie Acciaro

Sunday, April 16 **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

9:00 AM - **English*** †Joseph & Cora Grandolfo

†Robert Gibson

†Ligia Marin & Victor Monge

10:30 AM - **Italian** †Giuseppe, Rosa &

Caterina Broccoli

12:00 PM - **Spanish** *Pro Populo*

Saturday, April 8

- Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

- Confessions 3:00-4:00 PM

Sunday, April 9

- 8:15 AM - Confessions

- Coffee and Fellowship after the
9:00 AM Mass

Monday, April 10

- No choir practice this week.

- Rectory office is closed.

Tuesday, April 11

- No Religious Education Classes

Wednesday, April 12

- Adoration from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

- Confession from 6:00 PM until
Benediction

- No Confirmation Class

Thursday, April 13 -

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Friday, April 14 - Good Friday

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Saturday, April 15 -

- Confessions 3:00-4:00 PM

- Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Sunday, April 16 -

- 8:15 AM - Confessions

- Coffee and Fellowship after the 9:00
AM Mass

*Confession available after the daily Masses until 8:00
AM and also on Sunday from 8:15 AM until the Mass at
9:00 AM.



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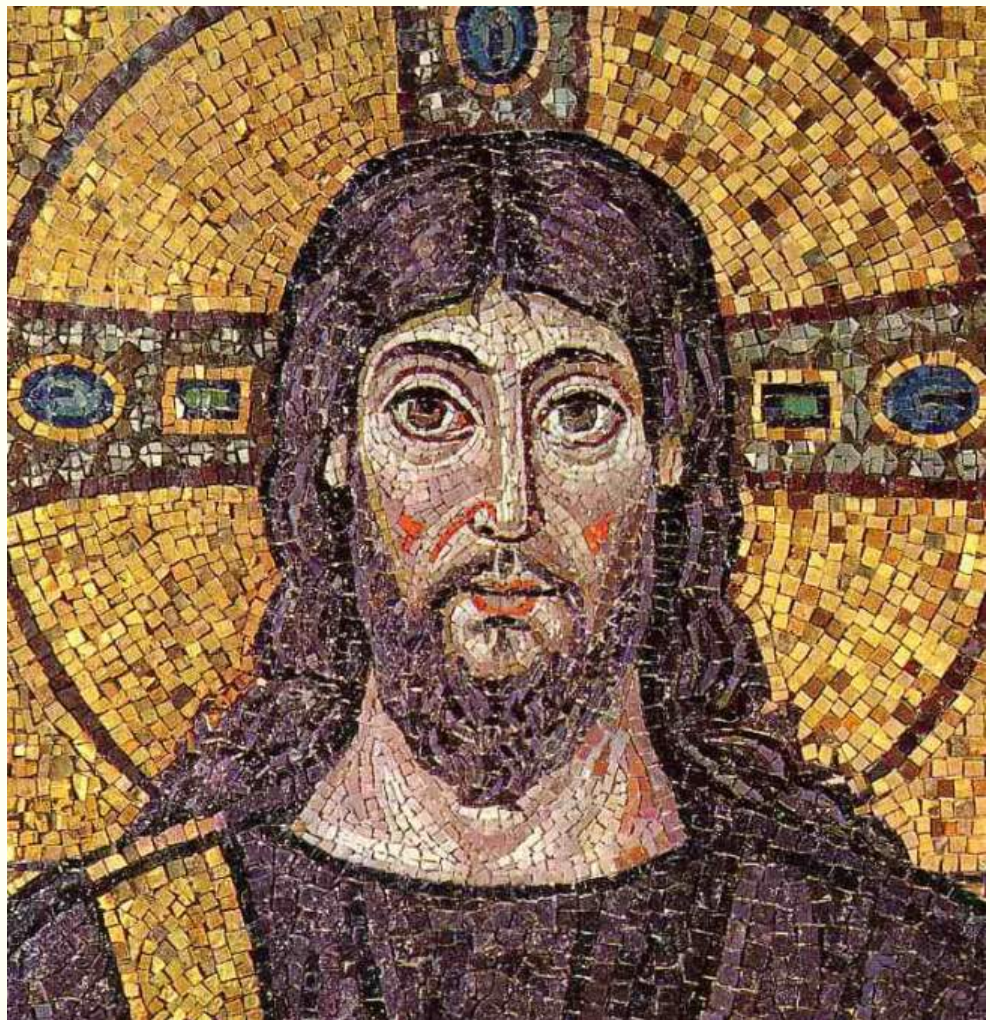
Mr. James Colson, Music Director

(401) 831-6016

- The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday from 3:00 PM until the beginning of the 4:00 PM Mass. It is also available on Wednesdays from 6:00 PM until Benediction, after morning daily Masses until 8:00 AM and at other times by request.
- Baptisms are held each first Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM. Other times are possible by request.
- Weddings should be scheduled a year in advance to account for different situations that may be present with the bride and groom that take time to work through. A wedding will not be truly scheduled until it is demonstrated that a couple is free to marry.

THE LORD IS TRULY
RISEN, ALLELUIA

The intensity of Holy Week and the Sacred Paschal Triduum is so great and rich that there is no way to summarize it. It is a shared experience of the whole church and also a time for us to listen to the Lord, to the Word that He has for us. It may be enough to say that the Lord is truly risen, He is risen from the dead to proclaim what He has done for us, something truly new and good. And to continue to spend time with Him, as much as we can, in all the ways that He is present to us.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

Because this bulletin had to be submitted early the offertory results will be delayed.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Religious Education Classed will resume Tuesday April 18 and Wednesday April 19.

SVDP SOCIETY AT HOLY GHOST CHURCH

There is a new direct way to contact the Holy Ghost Conference of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Up until now friends in need have been calling the rectory after which a referral was made to our local conference. The statewide Council has a new phone system so now it is able to provide a confidential direct line for our conference.

The new phone number is:
(401) 859-5800 - Extension 122

CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

Our inaugural Calendar Fundraiser last was a great success. We were able to purchase new bibles for all parts of our Faith Formation classes and other supplies.

For our Calendar Fundraiser this year, we are seeking gift cards from shops you patron such as Target, Walgreens, Walmart, and/or individual businesses, stores and restaurants. The amount can vary from \$20 to \$50 or more.

The gift cards can be dropped off in the donation baskets in a separate envelop stating "Calendar Fundraiser" or to the rectory office by April 23rd.

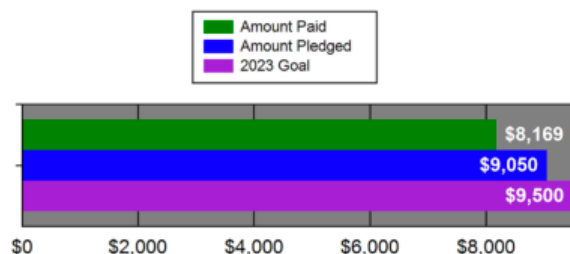
This year it we will spend the money on movable dividers for the Church basement to make better use of the space we have, for different events and religious education classes.

CCA Report By Parish

2023 Catholic Charity Fund through 4/2/2023

Parish # 55
Parish Name Holy Ghost - Providence

	2023	2022 (Final)	Inc/Dec
Goal	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$0
Amount Pledged	\$9,050	\$13,253	(\$4,203)
Write Off Amount	\$0	\$0	
Adjusted Pledge Amount	\$9,050	\$13,253	(\$4,203)
Amount Paid	\$8,169	\$13,253	(\$5,084)
Balance Due	\$881	\$0	\$881
Donor Count	33	56	-23



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



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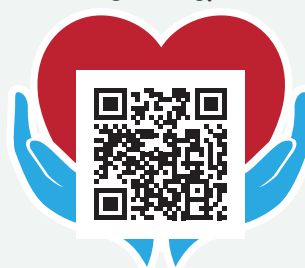
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WALKING
TOGETHER
IN FAITH

FROM THE OFFICE OF READINGS FOR HOLY SATURDAY

FROM AN ANCIENT HOMILY ON HOLY SATURDAY

The Lord descends into hell

Something strange is happening—there is a great silence on earth today, a great silence and stillness. The whole earth keeps silence because the King is asleep. The earth trembled and is still because God has fallen asleep in the flesh and he has raised up all who have slept ever since the world began. God has died in the flesh and hell trembles with fear.

He has gone to search for our first parent, as for a lost sheep. Greatly desiring to visit those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death, he has gone to free from sorrow the captives Adam and Eve, he who is both God and the son of Eve. The Lord approached them bearing the cross, the weapon that had won him the victory. At the sight of him Adam, the first man he had created, struck his breast in terror and cried out to everyone: "My Lord be with you all." Christ answered him: "And with your spirit." He took him by the hand and raised him up, saying: "Awake, O sleeper, and rise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."

I am your God, who for your sake have become your son. Out of love for you and for your descendants I now by my own authority command all who are held in bondage to come forth, all who are in darkness to be enlightened, all who are sleeping to arise. I order you, O sleeper, to awake. I did not create you to be held a prisoner in hell. Rise from the dead, for I am the life of the dead. Rise up, work of my hands, you who were created in my image. Rise, let us leave this place, for you are in me and I am in you; together we form only one person and we cannot be separated.

For your sake I, your God, became your son; I, the Lord, took the form of a slave; I, whose home is above the heavens, descended to the earth and beneath the earth. For your sake, for the sake of man, I became like a man without help, free among the dead. For the sake of you, who left a garden, I was betrayed to the Jews in a garden, and I was crucified in a garden.

See on my face the spittle I received in order to restore to you the life I once breathed into you. See there the marks of the blows I received in order to refashion your warped nature in my image. On my back see the marks of the scourging I endured to remove the burden of sin that weighs upon your back. See my hands, nailed firmly to a tree, for you who once wickedly stretched out your hand to a tree.

I slept on the cross and a sword pierced my side for you who slept in paradise and brought forth Eve from your side. My side has healed the pain in yours. My sleep will rouse you from your sleep in hell. The sword that pierced me has sheathed the sword that was turned against you.

Rise, let us leave this place. The enemy led you out of the earthly paradise. I will not restore you to that paradise, but I will enthrone you in heaven. I forbade you the tree that was only a symbol of life, but see, I who am life itself am now one with you. I appointed cherubim to guard you as slaves are guarded, but now I make them worship you as God. The throne formed by cherubim awaits you, its bearers swift and eager. The bridal chamber is adorned, the banquet is ready, the eternal dwelling places are prepared, the treasure houses of all good things lie open. The kingdom of heaven has been prepared for you from all eternity.

International Commission on English in the Liturgy, The Liturgy of the Hours with Supplement, vol. 2 (New York: Catholic Book

FROM THE OFFICE OF READINGS FOR GOOD FRIDAY

FROM THE CATECHESSES BY
SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP

The power of Christ's blood

If we wish to understand the power of Christ's blood, we should go back to the ancient account of its prefiguration in Egypt. Sacrifice a lamb without blemish, commanded Moses, and sprinkle its blood on your doors. If we were to ask him what he meant, and how the blood of an irrational beast could possibly save men endowed with reason, his answer would be that the saving power lies not in the blood itself, but in the fact that it is a sign of the Lord's blood. In those days, when the destroying angel saw the blood on the doors he did not dare to enter, so how much less will the devil approach now when he sees, not that figurative blood on the doors, but the true blood on the lips of believers, the doors of the temple of Christ.

If you desire further proof of the power of this blood, remember where it came from, how it ran down from the cross, flowing from the Master's side. The gospel records that when Christ was dead, but still hung on the cross, a soldier came and pierced his side with a lance and immediately there poured out water and blood. Now the water was a symbol of baptism and the blood, of the holy eucharist. The soldier pierced the Lord's side, he breached the wall of the sacred temple, and I have found the treasure and made it my own. So also with the lamb:

the Jews sacrificed the victim and I have been saved by it.

There flowed from his side water and blood. Beloved, do not pass over this mystery without thought; it has yet another hidden meaning, which I will explain to you. I said that water and blood symbolized baptism and the holy eucharist. From these two sacraments the Church is born: from baptism, the cleansing water that gives rebirth and renewal through the Holy Spirit, and from the holy eucharist. Since the symbols of baptism and the eucharist flowed from his side, it was from his side that Christ fashioned the Church, as he had fashioned Eve from the side of Adam. Moses gives a hint of this when he tells the story of the first man and makes him exclaim: Bone from my bones and flesh from my flesh! As God then took a rib from Adam's side to fashion a woman, so Christ has given us blood and water from his side to fashion the Church. God took the rib when Adam was in a deep sleep, and in the same way Christ gave us the blood and the water after his own death.

Do you understand, then, how Christ has united his bride to himself and what food he gives us all to eat? By one and the same food we are both brought into being and nourished. As a woman nourishes her child with her own blood and milk, so does Christ unceasingly nourish with his own blood those to whom he himself has given life.

International Commission on English in the Liturgy, *The Liturgy of the Hours with Supplement*, vol. 2 (New York: Catholic Book Publishing Corp., 1975–1992), 473–475.



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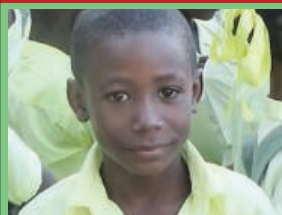
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