

Nativity Catholic Church

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APRIL
17
2022

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.

John 20:1

Easter
SUNDAY

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MASS SCHEDULE

First Saturday mass 8 am (Eng/Viet)
Saturday Vigil/ Vigilia 5 pm (Eng)

Sunday / Domingo: 8 am, 10 am (Eng)
 12 pm (Spa), 3pm (Vt)
First Sunday Youth Mass 5 pm (Eng)

Weekday / Entre Semana: 8 am –English

CONFESSIONS: Friday/vier, 4 pm & 6:30 pm

PASTORAL TEAM

PASTOR	Rev. Roberto Jaranilla Jr.
ASSOCIATE	Rev. Joseph KimDang Nguyen
NATIVITY SCHOOL	Sr. Stacy Reineman 448-2414 www.nativityschoolselmonte.org
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	Sandy Jinesta (626)448-8895
YOUTH MINISTRY	Ruben Castorena (626)448-8895



**“WHY DO YOU SEEK
THE LIVING ONE
AMONG THE DEAD?
HE IS NOT HERE,
BUT HE HAS BEEN RAISED.”**

LUKE 24:5-6

MASS INTENTIONS

April 16th - 22nd

SATURDAY, April 16

7:30 pm - Easter Vigil / Trilingual.

SUNDAY, April 17

All MASSES - For All People.

MONDAY, April 18

8 am - All Souls.

TUESDAY, April 19

8 am - Thansgiving for Teresa
Nguyen Family.

WEDNESDAY, April 20

8 am - † Ines Magno.

THURSDAY, April 21

8 am - † Arlene Mary Ruddy.

FRIDAY, April 22

8 am - † Christian Roberto Villa.

*Please keep them in your
prayers.*

A NEW DAY

The story of Easter reveals that the world has begun a new day. The darkness of the Crucifixion has opened into the light of Easter. Like the dawn that gradually opened to the disciples on the first Easter morning, we slowly begin to see what the light of faith reveals. Death will not have the final word, because Christ is risen and we will share in his resurrection. Injustice and suffering will not continue forever, because God's victory over sin has begun, and will be completed when Christ returns. Evil has met its match, because through Jesus, God has brought a new energy into the world. This energy can be found in followers of Christ who are free to love, empowered by the Spirit to embrace everyone, without exception. May we bear the light of Christ, with humility and courage, into our troubled world.

RE-INTERPRETING OUR WORLD

Our Gospel reading from John captures the initial confusion of Jesus' followers on Easter morning. Mary thinks the body has been stolen, and the two disciples see an empty tomb, but do not understand. We can sympathize with their initial misreading, as they are interpreting what happened within how they understand the way the world works: Jesus was crushed by the authorities—end of story. Jesus' later appearances to them will dramatically shift their perception of God, the world, and themselves.

This work of re-interpreting the world in light of the death and resurrection of Jesus continues today. In his passion and death, Jesus showed that true power, God's power, emerges through humility and forgiveness. We join in the death and resurrection of Jesus when we surrender the attractions of power, status, and comfort, and embrace non-violence, service, and care for the suffering. The path to bringing peace and goodness to the world is not through seeking control, but through sacrificial love.

BOTH PETER AND CORNELIUS

Peter's speech in today's passage from Acts summarizes the ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus. The speech occurs within his encounter with Cornelius, a Roman centurion and his household. We can perhaps imagine being Cornelius, led by God to hear the story of Jesus. Or we can imagine being Peter, led by the Spirit to share the Good News of Jesus. As followers of Christ, we are called to embrace both, in our imaginations and our lives.

We are continually called to hear the story of Jesus. We know that God's Good News has entered us, but also know that it has not. There is much in our hearts that needs conversion and begs for God's mercy, so we always seek God's challenging and healing word. We are also continually called to share the story of Jesus, sometimes directly but more often in our actions. Our lives can speak of God's love, healing and encouraging others. We are both Peter and Cornelius.

TODAY'S READINGS

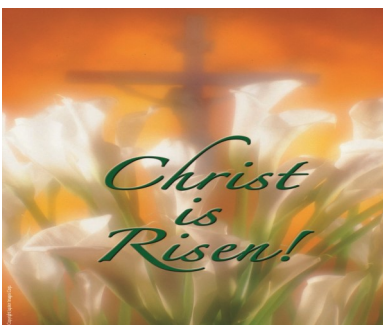
Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Psalms 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Colossians 3:1-4 or

1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

John 20:1-9



Easter Lilly Offerings

IN LOVING MEMORY

ALEJANDRO MANALO
ALEX REYES
ALFONSO MANALO
ALFONSO OREGEL
ANASTACIA MENDOZA
MAGPANTAY
ANDREW AUZENNE
ANTON NGUYEN
ART ESCALERA
ARTEMISA VASQUEZ
CELESTINA LAZARO
CONCEPCION PEREZ
CONRAD MACAHILIG
CRISTIANA MANALO
CRISTINA MELENDEZ
DANIEL PEREZ SR.
DANILO BINUYA
DEBBIE VASQUEZ
DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE AGUAYO FAMILY
DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE CHI H NGUYEN FAM.
DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE CONG LUONG FAM.

DECEASED MEMBERS OF
the DUENAS & ISLAS FAM.
DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE HONRADO FAM.
DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE KAPOSY FAMILY
DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE WUKMIR FAMILY
DOLORES TIRONA
ECHIE G. ORDONEZ
EDUARDO, MARIO &
RICARDO QUEZADA
ELENA MELENDEZ
ELIZA QUEZADA
FRANCISCA HERRERA
GABRIEL BATRES
HELEN ROJAS
HENRY VELASCO
INES MAGNO
JOE M. LESPRON
JOSE TRINIDAD HERRERA
LIONEL ROJAS
LORENZO HERRERA
MA. ROSARIO MANALO

MARIA CRUZ HERRERA
MARIA HERRERA OREGEL
MARIA LUISA BATRES
MARIE ALMA AUZENNE
MINOR MEYERS
MR./MRS MUÑOZ MIRELES
NERISA TIRADOS-
MAKASIAR
PEDRO CRUZ
PEDRO QUEZADA
PEDRO TENORIO
PETER J. ZENDEJAS JR.
PILAR MELENDEZ
RENE ORDONEZ JR.
RENE A. ORDONEZ SR.
REY ORDONEZ
ROGER FUENTES
ROSARIO CRUZ
SERAFIN MAGNO
SERAFINA TENORIO
SEVERINO MAGNO
SYLVIA A. HUERTA
SOFIA NATIVIDAD MARTIN

RUBEN N. VASQUEZ
TAMMY WALKER
TIVO MALDONADO



FOR THE SPECIAL INTENTIONS

ALBERT JUAREZ & FAMILY
CHI H NGUYEN & FAMILY
CRUZ FAMILY
DAM VAN & FAMILY

ELIA CAMPOS & FAMILY
EMILY DUONG & FAMILY
KIM LIEN PHAN & FAMILY
LOUIE OCAMPO & FAMILY

MARY AGUAYO & FAMILY
MINH CHAU NGUYEN &
FAMILY
NHIEEN THI NGUYEN &
FAMILY

PHONG TRAN & FAMILY
QUANG NGUYEN
THANH NGUYEN & FAMILY
NICK WUKMIR & FAMILY



*Please keep praying for family and friends that have gone to eternity,
for those who are going through a difficult time,
and for the special intentions of our families.*

DID YOU KNOW?

The Archdiocese continues helping survivors of sexual abuse and their families

During National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and on behalf of Archbishop José H. Gomez, we affirm our continued commitment to [report](#) allegations of sexual misconduct to law enforcement, [support](#) victim-survivors in their healing journey, and [protect](#) children and the vulnerable.

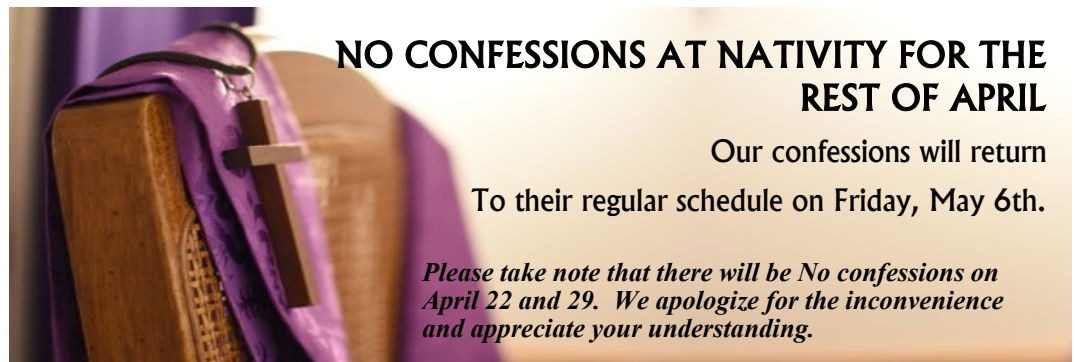
The Archdiocese created a website, <https://lacatholics.org/protect/> that serves as a comprehensive tool containing resources, programs and services for protecting children and reporting abuse. If you, or someone you know, is a victim of sexual misconduct by someone affiliated with our Church, please contact law enforcement and the Archdiocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator at (213) 637-7650 or visit <https://lacatholics.org/reporting-child-abuse/> for help and support. In addition, Archbishop Gomez invites you to join him and many across the Archdiocese to the Novena for Protecting and Healing from Abuse, April 22-30. To join please visit <https://lacatholics.org/united-together/>.



We, the Nativity Parish priests, staff and volunteers, wish all of you a blessed feast. We welcome those visiting our church, and we invite you to return. May you have a wonderful Easter with your family and friends. Thank you for celebrating with us!

ALL OFFICES ARE CLOSED ON FRIDAY, APRIL 22ND

Due to the Easter Festivities our employees will be taking a day off on [Friday, April 22nd](#). **All of our facilities will be closed** that day. Please take note that all meetings for this Friday will be cancelled. In case of an **emergency** where a Priest is needed, please call the Rectory and your call will be transferred to a Priest.



NO CONFESSIONS AT NATIVITY FOR THE REST OF APRIL

Our confessions will return
To their regular schedule on Friday, May 6th.

Please take note that there will be No confessions on April 22 and 29. We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your understanding.



This Easter take time to
remember all those who
sacrificially serve others, the
armed forces, the
doctors and nurses, volunteers
and teachers and all
others who never count
the costs of blessing others.
Say a special prayer for them and ask
God to bless them
and their loved ones.
Happy Easter.



Ruben Castorena
Director

Ruben Ruiz
Assistant Director

Sandra Jinesta
Coordinator
of Confirmation



High School
Confirmation
Program

he is **alive**
celebrate the resurrection



Easter Egg Hunt

For Children
10 years old
and younger

TODAY!

Easter Sunday after the following Masses:
10:00AM 12:00PM 3:00PM

Flipside Thursdays

THURSDAY, APRIL 14TH
HOLY THURSDAY—NO SESSION

THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST
SPRING BREAK KICK BACK
7PM TO 8:30PM

THURSDAY, APRIL 28TH
FUNNY MOVIE NIGHT
7PM TO 9:00PM

*All meetings take place in our
Youth Room*



JOIN US FOR THE
*Celebration of
Confirmation*

ON TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2022
6:30PM IN THE CHURCH

PRESIDING BISHOP
THE MOST REVEREND
BISHOP DAVID G. O'CONNELL

Ruben Castorena, Director 323-517-0236 | Ruben Ruiz, Assistant Director 626-315-3428



DOMINGO DE

Pascua

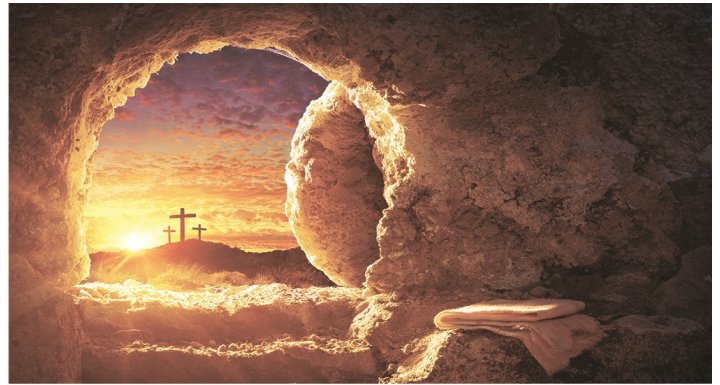
ABRIL

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El primer día después del sábado,
estando todavía oscuro,
fue María Magdalena al sepulcro y vio
removida la piedra que lo cerraba.

Juan 20:1



UN NUEVO DÍA

La historia de la Pascua revela que el mundo ha comenzado un nuevo día. La oscuridad de la Crucifixión se ha abierto a la luz de la Pascua. Como el amanecer que se abrió poco a poco a los discípulos en la primera mañana de Pascua, empezamos a ver lentamente lo que revela la luz de la fe. La muerte no tendrá la última palabra, porque Cristo ha resucitado y nosotros compartiremos su resurrección. La injusticia y el sufrimiento no continuarán para siempre, porque la victoria de Dios sobre el pecado ha comenzado, y se completará cuando Cristo regrese. El mal ha encontrado su rival, porque a través de Jesús, Dios ha traído una nueva energía al mundo. Esta energía puede encontrarse en los seguidores de Cristo que son libres para amar, facultados por el Espíritu para abrazar a todos, sin excepción. Que podamos llevar la luz de Cristo, con humildad y valentía, a nuestro mundo agitado.

REINTERPRETAR NUESTRO MUNDO

Nuestra lectura del Evangelio de Juan capta la confusión inicial de los seguidores de Jesús en la mañana de Pascua. María cree que el cuerpo ha sido robado, y los dos discípulos ven una tumba vacía, pero no lo entienden. Podemos simpatizar con su mala interpretación inicial, ya que están interpretando lo sucedido dentro de su forma de entender el funcionamiento del mundo: Jesús fue aplastado por las autoridades—fin de la historia. Las apariciones posteriores de Jesús cambiarán radicalmente su percepción de Dios, del mundo y de ellos mismos.

Este trabajo de reinterpretación del mundo a la luz de la muerte y resurrección de Jesús continúa hoy. En su pasión y muerte, Jesús mostró que el verdadero poder, el poder de Dios, surge a través de la humildad y el perdón. Nos unimos a la muerte y resurrección de Jesús cuando renunciamos a los atractivos del poder, el estatus y la comodidad, y abrazamos la no violencia, el servicio y la atención a los que sufren. El camino para traer la paz y la bondad al mundo no pasa por buscar el control, sino por el amor sacrificado.

PEDRO Y CORNELIO

El discurso de Pedro en el pasaje de hoy de los Hechos resume el ministerio, la muerte y la resurrección de Jesús. El discurso se produce en el marco de su encuentro con Cornelio, un centurión romano y su familia. Podemos imaginarnos que somos Cornelio, guiado por Dios para escuchar la historia de Jesús. O podemos imaginarnos siendo Pedro, guiado por el Espíritu para compartir la Buena Nueva de Jesús. Como seguidores de Cristo, estamos llamados a abrazar ambas cosas, en nuestra imaginación y en nuestra vida.

Estamos continuamente llamados a escuchar la historia de Jesús. Sabemos que la Buena Nueva de Dios ha entrado en nosotros, pero también sabemos que no lo ha hecho. Hay mucho en nuestros corazones que necesita la conversión y pide la misericordia de Dios, por lo que siempre buscamos la palabra desafiante y sanadora de Dios. También estamos continuamente llamados a compartir la historia de Jesús, a veces directamente, pero más a menudo en nuestras acciones. Nuestras vidas pueden hablar del amor de Dios, sanando y animando a los demás. Somos tanto Pedro como Cornelio.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Hechos 10:34a, 37–43

Salmo 118 (117):1–2, 16–17, 22–23

Colosenses 3:1–4 o

1 Corintios 5:6b–8

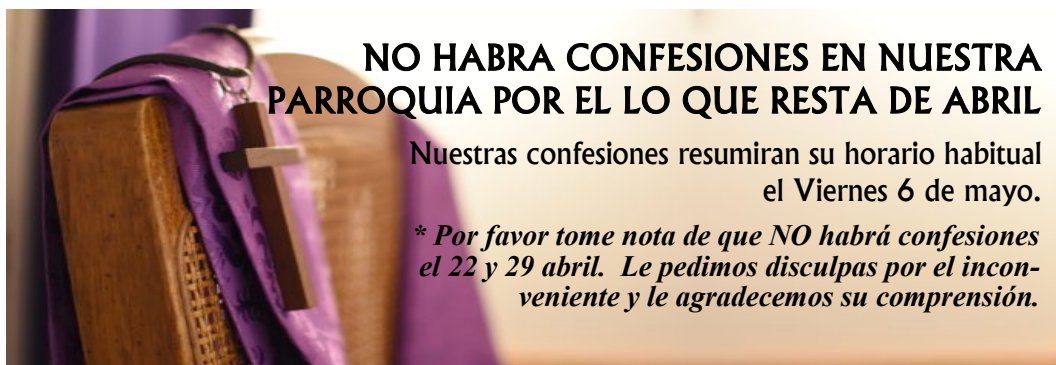
Juan 20:1–9



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OFICINAS CERRADAS EL 22 DE ABRIL

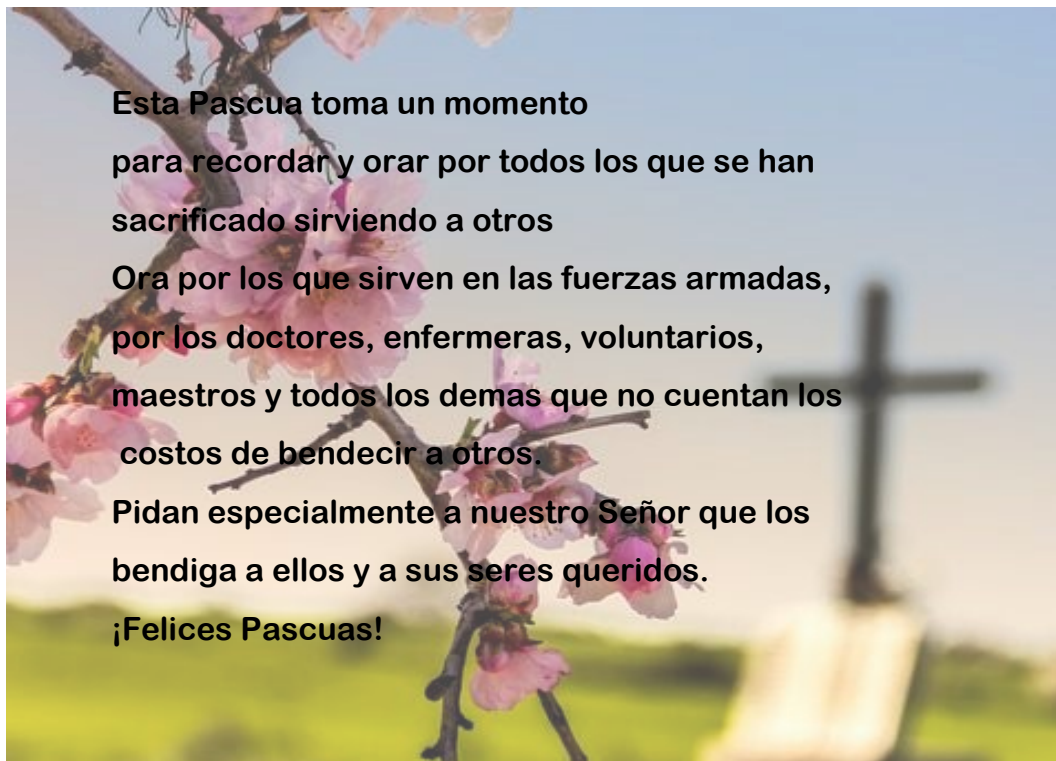
Debido a las festividades de la Pascua, nuestros empleados estarán tomando un día de descanso el **Viernes 22 de abril**. Todas nuestras oficinas estarán **cerradas** ese día. Por favor tome nota de que todas las reuniones para ese viernes han sido canceladas. En caso de **emergencia** donde se necesite la presencia de un sacerdote, llame a la rectoría y la llamada será transferida a un sacerdote.



NO HABRA CONFESIONES EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA POR EL LO QUE RESTA DE ABRIL

Nuestras confesiones resumiran su horario habitual el Viernes 6 de mayo.

** Por favor tome nota de que NO habrá confesiones el 22 y 29 abril. Le pedimos disculpas por el inconveniente y le agradecemos su comprensión.*



Esta Pascua toma un momento para recordar y orar por todos los que se han sacrificado sirviendo a otros
Ora por los que sirven en las fuerzas armadas, por los doctores, enfermeras, voluntarios, maestros y todos los demas que no cuentan los costos de bendecir a otros.
Pidan especialmente a nuestro Señor que los bendiga a ellos y a sus seres queridos.
¡Felices Pascuas!

SABIA USTED?

La Arquidiócesis continúa ayudando a sobrevivientes de abuso sexual y a sus familias

Durante el Mes Nacional de Prevención del Abuso Infantil, y en nombre del Arzobispo José H. Gomez, afirmamos nuestro compromiso continuo de reportar las denuncias de conducta sexual inapropiada a las autoridades policiales, de apoyar a las víctimas sobrevivientes en su jornada de sanación y de proteger a los niños y a los vulnerables. La Arquidiócesis creó un sitio web, <https://lacatholics.org/protect/>,

que sirve como una herramienta integral que contiene recursos, programas y servicios para proteger a los niños y denunciar abusos. Si usted, o alguien que usted conoce, es víctima de conducta sexual inapropiada por parte de alguien afiliado a nuestra Iglesia, comuníquese con las autoridades policiales y con la Coordinadora de Asistencia a las Víctimas de la Arquidiócesis al (213) 637-7650 o visite <https://lacatholics.org/reporting-child-abuse/> para ayuda y apoyo. Además, el Arzobispo Gomez les invita a unirse a él y a muchos en toda la Arquidiócesis a la Novena para la Protección y la Sanación del Abuso, del 22 al 30 de abril. Para unirse, visite <https://lacatholics.org/united-together/>.