

# Alleluia!

## APR 5TH — EASTER SUNDAY

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Reverend Leonard T. Chuwa, Pastor



### SACRAMENTS

#### HOLY MASS

Monday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.  
Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00, 11:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

#### CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.  
Sunday 6:00 - 6:45 p.m.

#### ADORATION

Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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## ✠ APR 5TH — EASTER SUNDAY ✠



Rev. Leonard Chuwa

### PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear St. Paul's family, friends,  
and visitors,

*A little Easter humor to begin:  
Why did the Easter egg hide?  
Because it was a little chicken!*

A blessed and joyful **Happy Easter** to each and every one of you! Today, we celebrate the greatest victory in human history: the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. The tomb is empty, death has been conquered, and hope has been restored.

I also want to extend a very warm welcome to all of our visitors joining us here at **St. Paul's**. Whether you are visiting family, returning after some time away, or simply exploring, we are truly glad you are here. You are always welcome in this parish family.

And with great joy, we offer heartfelt **congratulations to our newly received Catholics** who entered the Church at the Easter Vigil. What a beautiful witness of faith you are to all of us. Your “yes” to Christ is a reminder that the Church is alive, growing, and filled with the grace of new beginnings.

In our first reading from Acts, we hear Saint Peter boldly proclaim that Jesus is Lord of all, and that through Him, forgiveness of sins is offered to everyone who believes. Peter speaks not just from knowledge, but from experience. He encountered the risen Christ, and it changed everything.

Saint Paul, in his letter to the Colossians, invites us to “seek what is above.” Easter is not just something we celebrate for one day, it is a way of living. If Christ is truly risen, then our lives should reflect that truth. We are called to rise with Him, to leave behind whatever keeps us stuck, and to live with renewed purpose, hope, and faith.

In the Gospel of John, we see Mary Magdalene, Peter, and the beloved disciple rushing to the tomb. At first, there is confusion. The stone is rolled away. The body is gone. But then comes that quiet, powerful moment, “he saw and believed.”

That is the journey of Easter. It often begins in uncertainty, in questions, even in grief. But it leads us to faith. Not because everything is perfectly explained, but because we encounter the living Christ.

Easter reminds us that God is always at work, even when we cannot see it. The Resurrection tells us that no darkness is final, no failure is permanent, and no suffering is without meaning. God brings life out of death, hope out of despair, and joy out of sorrow.

So today, as we celebrate, I invite you to ask yourself:  
Where is Christ calling me to new life?  
What needs to be rolled away in my own heart?

Let us not leave Easter in the Church today. Let us carry it into our homes, our families, our workplaces, and our daily lives.

Once again, **Happy Easter** to you all. May the joy of the Risen Christ fill your hearts, strengthen your faith, and guide you always.

Alleluia, He is risen!

With gratitude for each of you,  
Fr. Leonard Chuwa, PhD.

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b> Easter Vigil	<b>Apr 4th, 2026</b> 8:30 p.m.: <b>Larry Blume</b> <i>Requested by: Gia &amp; Kevin Donnalley</i>
<b>Sunday</b> Easter	<b>Apr 5th, 2026</b> 9:00 a.m.: † <b>Rocco Morabito</b> <i>Requested by: Tina Frady</i> 11:00 a.m.: † <b>Julianna Dizor</b> <i>Requested by: Dizor Family</i>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Apr 6th, 2026</b> 8:00 a.m.: † <b>Father Conrad Cowart</b> <i>Requested by: Patty Howell</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Apr 7th, 2026</b> 8:00 a.m.: † <b>Wanda Hollack</b> <i>Requested by: Diane Hollack</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Apr 8th, 2026</b> 8:00 a.m.: <b>Justin &amp; Kristin</b> <b>Moredock</b> <i>Requested by: Ann Staley</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Apr 9th, 2026</b> 8:00 a.m.: † <b>Jean Lawrence</b> <i>Requested by: Rudie Perry</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Apr 10th, 2026</b> 8:00 a.m.: <b>Rosemary Horne</b> <i>Requested by: Rudie Perry</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Apr 11th, 2026</b> 4:00 p.m.: † <b>Paul Groeschel</b> <i>Requested by: Joann Bellas</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Apr 12th, 2026</b> 9:00 a.m.: † <b>David Inrgram</b> <i>Requested by: David &amp; Claudia</i> <i>Ingram</i> 11:00 a.m.: <b>Julia Mago</b> <i>Requested by: Janette Tolentino</i> 7:00 p.m.: † <b>Ricardo M. Chu</b> <i>Requested by: Inah Canlapan</i>

## DAILY READINGS

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Easter Sunday—The Resurrection of the Lord</b> Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35
<b>Monday</b>	<b>within the Octave of Easter</b> Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5,7-11; Mt 28:8-15
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>within the Octave of Easter</b> Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>within the Octave of Easter</b> Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>within the Octave of Easter</b> Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
<b>Friday</b>	<b>within the Octave of Easter</b> Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>within the Octave of Easter</b> Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15b, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sunday of Divine Mercy</b> Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Apr 11th, 2026   4:00p.m.</b> EMHC: Rachel DeClemente, Cris Gaddoni Lectors: Midge Daniell
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Apr 12th, 2026   9:00 a.m.</b> EMHC: Jeanette Bruce, Suzanne Murphy Lectors: Andrea Boos, Youth Reader
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Apr 12th, 2026   11:00 a.m.</b> EMHC: Dave Waugh, Laura Dodson Lectors: Barb Daly, Mary Pat Rogers
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Apr 12th, 2026   11:00 a.m.</b> EMHC: Christine Bushman, Joan Wingfield Lectors: Bret Wilkinson

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*If you have a loved one you'd like added to our sick and healing list, please call our Parish Office to be added, names will be included for consecutive weeks and will be removed unless otherwise notified.*

### Deceased

†Julianna Dizor; †Donald Jordan Thompson; †Marta Lancho; †James A. Pasticci; †Milagros T. Risos; †Evelyn Pankok; †Margaret Ryals; †Tyler Snead; †William Lyons; †Jean Lawrence; †Megan Schultz; †Paul C. Staley, Sr.; †Easton Elijah Gage Bruce; †Nicholas DeBiase; †Frances Baccash; †Brianne Eileen Sloan; †Margo Torres; †Nancy Lucas; †Faustino Lopez, †Caroline Narramore, †Tom Moritz

### Military Service

William Joseph Staley, Jr., USAF; Gabriel Roberts, USA; Drew Baker and company; Johnathan Neufville, USN; Alex Ondina, USN; Shelby Wood, USAF; Michael Palaski, USN; Justin Moredock, USAF; Allen Watkins, USN; Romeo Antolini, USN; Steven McAdams, USN; Matt McGee, USN; Caleb Sellers; Caleb Vargo, USN; Albie Bailliee, USN; Connor Sidman, USN; Steve Martin, USN, Maxwell Busch; USN

### Expectant and New Mothers

Holly Bailey, Paige Pattishall, Katia Gravenstein, Siobahn Wyatt, Gabrielle Vastardis, Morgan Bellas, Melissa Churus, Nicole LaReau

### Recently Baptized

Weston Golonka, Jake Golonka, Blakely Golonka, Olivia Veneman, Kassidey Schroeder, Gemma Maranto, Chloe Maranto, Herschel (Tommy) Vinyard, Theodore Griffith, Deng Deng, Henry King, Charolotte King, Cassius Crowell, Jack Fetner, Loreli Bunker, Isabel Byrne, Javarus Willingham Jr., Gabrielle Willingham, Eliana Nalos, Alexander Nalos, Aria Nalos, Owen Nalos, Neela Osorio, Achilles Osorio, Andrew Mullaney

## YOUTUBE CHANNEL

We livestream our 11:00 a.m. Mass every week! If you have friends and family who live around the world or are otherwise unable to worship with us in person, make sure they subscribe to the YouTube channel: [www.youtube.com/@stpaulsjax](http://www.youtube.com/@stpaulsjax).



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## 9am Sunday Children's Mass Needs You!

Looking for Youth to serve as:  
Youth Lectors, Youth Ushers, Choir Members,  
as well as families to bring up the gifts.

Contact - [jeff.staffaroni@spsjax.org](mailto:jeff.staffaroni@spsjax.org)

## FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

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**Join the Youth Ministry Core Team!**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for adult volunteers to help with high school youth ministry!

[onie.lee@spsjax.org](mailto:onie.lee@spsjax.org) **Contact Onie if you can help!**

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**Tuesday, February 24th  
Thursday, March 19th  
Monday, April 13th**

For more information, contact Anne Spencer  
(904)860-3029

**PREP (Parish Religious Education Program)**  
For students in a Non-Catholic school.

**Next class is April 26, 2026, @10:00 am in the Rectory Dining Room for parents and students.**

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# Youth Group GATHERING

SUNDAY, APRIL 12  
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## **Come find Joy, Peace, Love!**

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Even on this most glorious of days, the gospel incorporates contradictions: Mary of Magdala arrives at an empty tomb, and sees that Jesus is gone and “we don’t know where they have put him” while the disciple whom Jesus loved enters the tomb and “saw and believed”; they “did not yet understand the Scripture.” Our own Alleluias and Easter joy are perhaps filled with some of the same contradictions. It seems as though we, too, peer into the empty tombs of the ups and downs of our everyday lives and are challenged to see and believe. But we are the disciples whom Jesus loves; and we surrender ourselves to the Easter mystery when we return love. All we need to do is hand ourselves over into God’s hands. Filled with God’s love, we are then able to love in return. Alleluia! The tomb is empty; by our love we see and believe, and we are filled with new life. Alleluia! (Living Liturgy, p.112)

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Please keep our Elect, who continue their journey toward full communion with the Church, in your prayers. As a parish family, we walk alongside them with prayer, encouragement, and great joy.

Pictured: Curtis Chariston, Kevin LaReau, Joanna Massey, Jordan Perry, Kristina Miller, Nicole LaReau, Susette Lista Oveido, Monica Osorio, Mande Morris, Atak Ngom, Jordan Lott.

Not Pictured: Justin Drost, Lily Henderson, Daisy Henderson, Abigail Naugle, Zachary Phillips, Wyatt Sheffield, and Brock Sheffield.

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