Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

March 31, 2024

The Lord is truly risen, Alleluia!



Sat 30 The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

07:00 pm +Javier Mancha (Zamora Family)

+Maria Louisa Castillo (Armando & Nena Colchado)

Sun 31 Easter Sunday

08:00 am NO MASS

Thr 04 Thursday within the Octave of Easter

12:05 pm +Gilbert & June Levendecker (Sandy Levendecker) +Javier Mancha (Zamora Family)

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

God is faithful. What he promised of old, he has brought to fulfillment: "Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed," and he has truly risen, just as he said. "We are witnesses" of these things, Peter proclaims, and so too are we. We revel in the same grace, communicated by the same Christ through the same Church. Easter confirms that salvation is real and present to us now—today and forever. Love now reigns definitively. Death and sin are overcome. Christ's Resurrection is our resurrection, for he has opened for us the gates of eternal life. It is on this truth that we stake our whole lives. Filled with the glory of Christ's Easter triumph, we cannot help but cry out: Alleluia!

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be Burning for

+All Souls in Purgatory (Sandra Leyendecker)

Good News!

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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (B) Acts 10:34a, 37-43 / Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 / John 20:1-9 or Mark 16:1-7

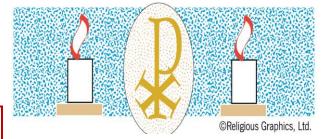
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Faith can have the look of high dives and learning to ride a bike without training wheels and life without one's "blankie." All are confrontations with the specter of death asking us to have faith. From youth to old age, our lives seem to be laced with the loss of control. and unless we embrace such moments, not only will we never really grow up, neither will we ever become people of faith who live in the resurrection.

The Easter Gospels are about women and men who arrive at the tomb but hesitate going in; it is the home of death. Yet they become believers after they have entered that home of death and discover it to be abandoned. Over the years, I have become convinced that the only way to become a believer in the resurrection is to walk into the tomb yourself and there discover that where you thought death was present now has been abandoned. That is the pattern of coming to faith.

Usually such moments do not have the look of faith. They tend to seem more akin to death than any promise of new life-like having to move to a new city or a new school, or abandoning an addiction, or confronting a problem through counseling, or aging, or grieving over lost love. They all can have the look of tombs yet they are also where we find the beginnings of new life. Risk it often enough and so discover new life, and we begin to believe in the reality of resurrection—Jesus' and ours.

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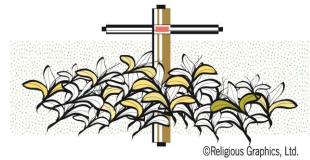


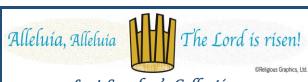


C.C.D. Classes

EASTER BREAK

There will be no classes on March 31 for students attending our CCD program. Classes will resume on April 7.





Last Sunday's Collection Envelopes: \$ 1,962.00 Loose: \$ 67.00 Children's Envelopes: \$ 3.00

Total Sunday Collection: \$ 2,032.00

Total Expenses Last Week: \$ 1,564.62

Dear Padre

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Where did the idea of an Easter bunny come from? What about the Easter egg?

The Easter bunny is really a hare which, according to an Egyptian legend, is a symbol of the moon. Easter falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon that occurs after the twenty-first day of March. Put this together, and we have an Easter

Early Christians gave new meaning to the Roman proverb Omne vivum ex ovo, which means, "All life comes from an egg." A hatching chick represented the risen Christ emerging from the shell of a tomb on Easter morning. Consequently, eggs were prohibited during the Lenten fast and were reintroduced at the Easter meal and also shared as decorated gifts. In 1610, a prayer by Pope Paul V blessed the egg "that it may become a wholesome sustenance to Thy faithful servants, eating in thankfulness to Thee, on account of the Resurrection of Our Lord."

In some parts of the world, children carry baskets and torches and sing Easter carols as they go from place to place. They are given brightly colored eggs to put in their baskets. In other places, eggs are carried to church and blessed by the priests. The eggs are taken home and placed in the center of the table as the main dish at the Easter feast. Visitors to the house during Easter week are offered this sacred food of the resurrection. Happy Easter! •

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