

## April 9, 2023

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# **Easter Sunday**

## **ENTRANCE HYMN** (Traditional CFR-RSV Psalm 139:18, 5b-6a; 118:1-2)

V. I have risen: I am with you once more; you placed your hand on me to keep me safe. How great is the depth of your wisdom. Alleluia.

**R.** O Lord, you have probed me and you know me; you know when I sit and when I stand. Alleluia.

V. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



#### Gospel

JN 20:1-9

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

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. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.



**FAITH SHARING** We are not supposed to lie buried in the

tomb of our sins, evil habits, dangerous addictions, despair, discouragement, or doubts. Instead, we are expected to live a joyful and peaceful life, constantly experiencing the living presence of the Risen Lord Who loves us in all the events of our lives and amid the boredom, suffering, pain, and tensions of our day-to-day life.

Proclamation and witness-bearing are the main themes of today's readings.

In the first reading, St. Peter shares his own experience of Christ's Resurrection and its joy with the members of the pagan Cornelius' family who received the Holy Spirit as he spoke and then were baptized.

In the second reading, St. Paul, bearing witness to his conversion experience and Faith in the risen Lord, reminds the Colossians, "you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God! When Christ your Life, appears, then you, too, will appear with Him in glory."

Today's Gospel explains the emptytomb Resurrection experiences of Mary Magdalene, Peter, and John. Mary Magdalene proclaims her personal experience: "I have seen the Lord" (Jn 20:18).

Responsorial Psalm R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.



## Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn Christ is Alive

**Hymn to the Holy Spirit** 144 Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today

**Communion Hymn** At the Lamb's High Feast

**Recessional Hymn** Glory, Laud and Praise

#### WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, April 9 Easter Sunday Resurrection of our Lord 12:00 Noon – Resurrection Mass

Sunday, April 23 3 Sunday of Easter 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

#### **SECOND COLLECTIONS IN 2023**

5/7 - For the Mission Fund 6/4 - For the Mission Fund 6/18 - Father's Day – For the Clergy Pension Fund 7/2 - For the Mission Fund 8/6 - For the Mission Fund 8/27 - Youth Sunday – For the Youth Fund 9/3 - For the Mission Fund 9/10 - Solemnity – Brotherly Love – For the Bp. Hodur Retreat Center 10/1 - For the Mission Fund 10/15 - Heritage Sunday – Outreach to Poland Collection 11/5 - For the Mission Fund 12/3 - For the Mission Fund 12/31 - Solemnity- Humble Shepherds - Seminary Fund 1/7 - For the Mission Fund

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Let us pray for all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, especially: Howard Friedman, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Tom Goff, Donald Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, Jan Cherneski, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko, Richard Golazewski, Jane Aldorshoff, Elizabeth McAlanis, Dolores McGlone, Marianna Pelka

Please keep us informed that we might minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home.

#### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

## EASTER GIVES MEANING TO OUR PRAYERS

Easter supports our belief in the Real Presence of the Risen Jesus in and around us, in His Church, in the Blessed Sacrament, and in Heaven, hearing our prayers, and so gives meaning to our personal as well as our communal prayers.

Easter is a feast which gives us hope and encouragement in this world of pain, sorrows and tears. It reminds us that life is worth living. It also gives us strength to fight against temptations and freedom from unnecessary worries and fears.

#### **RENEWAL OF OUR BAPTISMAL PROMISES**

#### My dear brothers and sisters:

In this most sacred time, we recall the death and burial of our Lord Jesus Christ. In return for His great love, we keep watch. And, celebrating His glorious resurrection, we are filled with joy that knows no end. As the Apostle Paul teaches, by our baptism we have been buried with Christ into death. As Christ has risen from the dead, by our baptism we too are raised up to walk in newness of life. We know that by baptism our old self has been crucified with Christ, so that we may no longer be slaves to sin. Let us remember, then, that we have died to sin, and are to live for God, in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Now that we have completed our preparation during this Great and Holy Lent, let us reaffirm the promises of our baptism, by which we once renounced all evil and turned our backs to that world which is the enemy of God, and promised to serve God faithfully in the Holy Catholic Church.

- C. And so I ask you: Do you renounce the evil one?
- R. I do.
- C. Do you renounce all evil works?

R. I do.

- C. Do you renounce all pomp, lies, and hypocrisy?
- R. I do renounce them.
- C. Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty,
  - Creator of heaven and earth?
- R. I do believe.

C. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only-begotten Son, our Lord,

Who was born and Who suffered for us?

#### R. I do believe.

C. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

R. I do believe.

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