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He is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD



April 18th– 24th, 2022

Monday, April 18th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 19th

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Wednesday, April 20th

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Thursday, April 21st

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Friday, April 22nd

7:00pm—Geronimo Fulgencio

Saturday, April 23rd

5:00pm—Cirilo Nelmidia

Sunday, April 24th

10:00am—Eddie Rodrigues

12:00Noon—Elena Puzon and Family

5:00pm—Susan Lamanilao

Rogelio Lamanilao Sr.

Justin Rosales

Rorelyn Adelan

7:15pm—Ashley Ong

Imelda Ignacio

Jesus is Risen, Alleluia!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,,



CHRIST IS RISEN! For the believing Christian, this is the greatest news ever. For it is on this good news (gospel) that his faith is anchored. Take away the Resurrection and Jesus would only be one of those run-of-the-mill charlatans. Worse, He would be the biggest fraud ever for He did not come across with a promise so outlandish - to rise from the dead. But with the Resurrection, Jesus proved what He claimed Himself to be: the Son of Father, God-Made-Man, our Brother and our Savior. This is what we celebrate today. The Gospel reading (Jn. 20: 1-9) talks about the "mystery of the empty tomb". At the end of the reading, John, speaking for himself, said that he saw and believed. At that time, he and Peter did not yet understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead. But seeing the empty tomb, he believed. The "light" began to shine on him. He believed that Jesus would not remain buried in the "darkness" of the tomb.

The empty tomb, though very important, is not enough. It is not an absence that we seek but a PRESENCE. The Easter gospels tell us of this presence. Where? In many places. Outside of the tomb, Mary Magdalene met Jesus after which she excitedly told the disciples, "I have seen the Lord." In the upper room where after Jesus showed His followers His hands and side, Thomas exclaimed, "My Lord and my God!" On the road to Emmaus where the two disciples reflecting on their encounter with Jesus, said, "Were not our hearts burning inside us as he talked to us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?" These are definitely real experiences of the Risen Lord's presence.

Experiencing the presence of Jesus changed their lives for good. They began to love and ceased to be timorous. They considered it their glory to suffer in His name. They proclaimed the Easter Message, Jesus' Gospel of Love, in the open, far and wide.

With His Resurrection, Jesus is victorious over death. He is called the first born of the dead whom we are to follow: "I came that they may have life, and have it in abundance." Following Jesus is not just being baptized and coming to life again with the grace of baptism. In between, we have to join ourselves to God by goodness, love and faithfulness. This is the difficult part. This can mean a lot of dying to ourselves as we follow in the footsteps of the Risen Jesus. When we fail, we rely on His divine mercy.

For us, the challenge of Easter is to follow Jesus in love. This is what His post-resurrection appearances did to His disciples. This is what Jesus is asking from us now. When we respond, when we also begin to love Jesus and in Him, our neighbor, then His Resurrection will finally begin to have meaning in our lives. For then Jesus has become the Light of our lives.

**May the Risen Jesus Bless you and your families
on this joyous day! BLESSED HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE!**

Fr. Lorenzo, and the Staff



Let us pray!

For those who are sick members of our parish and those who love and minister to them.



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SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

FIRST COMMUNION

Saturday, April 23rd, 2022

at 2:00pm

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CONFIRMATION

Saturday, April 30th, 2022

at 2:00pm



Please include in your prayers for all our candidates who will receive the sacraments this year

Cardinal's Breakfast Invitation



I extend an invitation to the young men in our parish, **ages 14 years and older**, who would benefit from the grace-filled experience of an Ordination. As your pastor, I will join you. As in the past, the Cardinal's Breakfast is by invitation only and the ordinations are open to all who would like to attend.

If you are interested, Please see Fr. Lorenzo.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our neighboring building at 22 Shallmar Blvd. will be renting our parking from April 18–August 15th. The building will undergo a major garage renovation for the same period. This will reduce the number of parking spots that will be available to the parishioners during Sunday Masses. We apologize for any inconvenience. Thank you for your understanding.



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THE FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY

Sunday, April 24th, 2022



- 4:00pm– Praise and Worship
- 4:20pm—In Church Procession
- 4:30pm— The Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 5:00pm—Holy Mass

Everyone is Welcome!

EASTER THANK YOU!



Thank you all for all the wonderful and hard work you have done for our parish community especially during Lent and Easter; to all choir directors and members; to all Sacristans and Altar Servers, Ministers of Hospitality, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Decorators, other ministries from both the parish and AFCM and those who helped us behind the scenes. With heartfelt thanks to all catechists and teachers for their dedication preparing our First Communion and Confirmation candidates for the Sacraments this Easter Seasons, and all the wonderful parishioners that help our Church in many other ways. God Bless!

May your dedication and gift of your time be rewarded bountifully by the Risen Lord.

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