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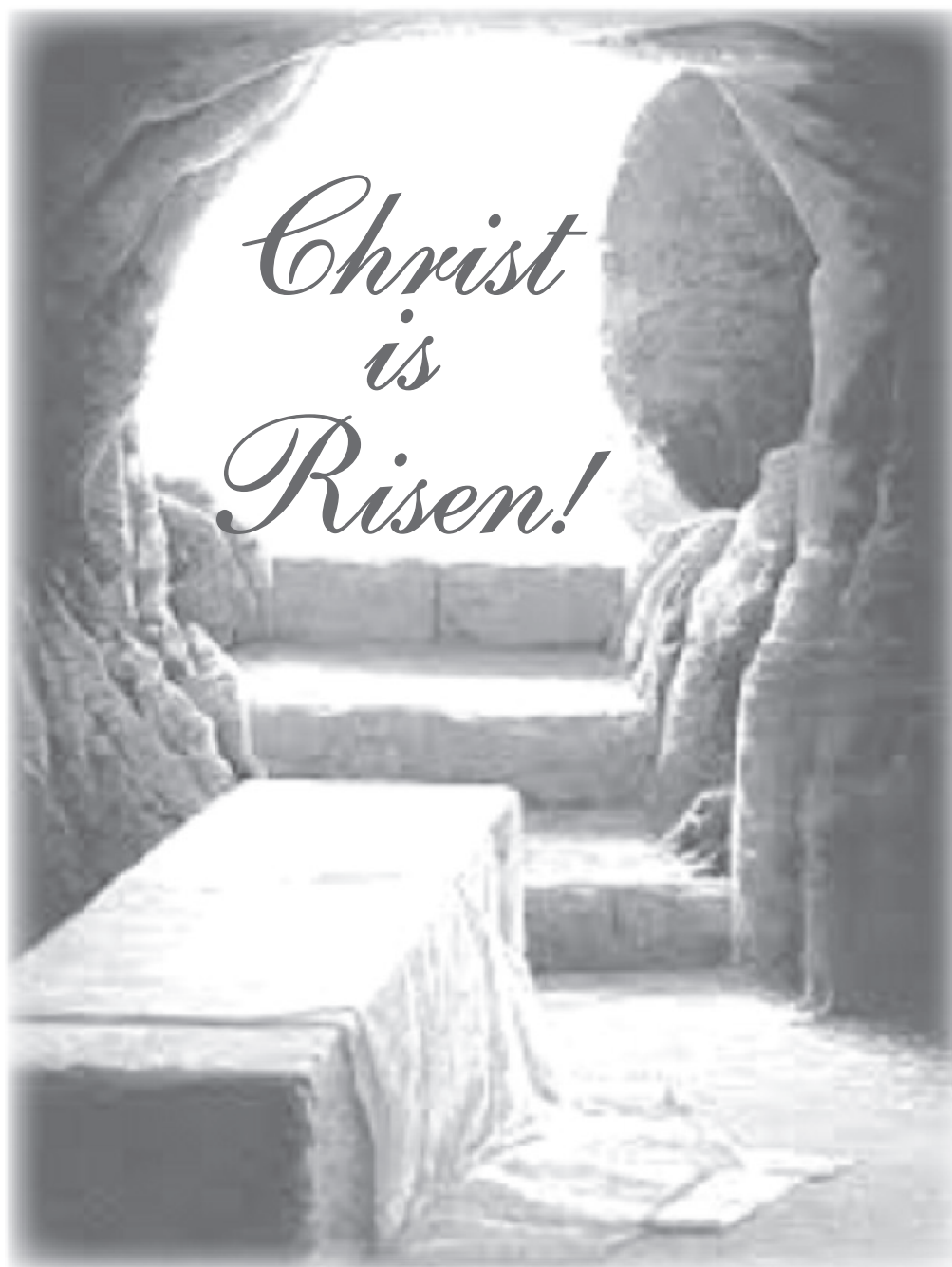
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RESURRECTION SUNDAY

CELEBRATE THE SAVIOR

Sunday Reflection.....

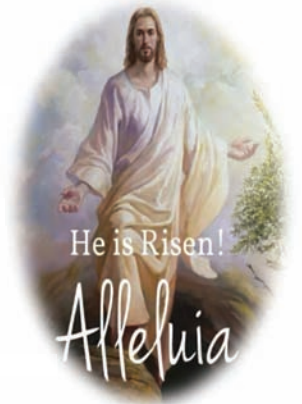
Mary of Magdala finds that the stone has been removed from Jesus' tomb (John 20:1-9).

Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

Each of the four Gospels tells us that Jesus' empty tomb was first discovered by women. This is notable because in first-century Jewish society women could not serve as legal witnesses. In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. Unlike the Synoptic accounts, John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Simon Peter and the beloved disciple race to the tomb, presumably to verify Mary's report. The beloved disciple arrives first but does not enter the tomb until after Simon Peter. This detail paints a vivid picture, as does the detail provided about the burial cloths. Some scholars believe that the presence of the burial cloths in the tomb offers evidence to the listener that Jesus' body had not been stolen (it is understood that grave robbers would have taken the burial cloths together with the body).

The Gospel passage concludes, however, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the passage that follows, Mary of Magdala meets Jesus but mistakes him for the gardener. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus—in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit.



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.

BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE AND TO YOUR FAMILIES!

Fr. Lorenzo

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



April 10th-16th 2023

Monday, April 10th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 11th

7:00pm—Zenaida Viray Fulgencio
 Maria Lourdes Aitchison

Wednesday, April 12th

(Multiple Intentions)

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Thursday, April 13th

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Friday, April 14th

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Saturday, April 15th

5:00pm—Pro Populo

Sunday, April 16th

10:00am— Susan Lamanilao
 12:00Noon—Pro Populo
 5:00pm (Tagalog)—Pro Populo
 7:00pm —Community of
 Our Lady of Assumption
 Josel Tara Olasiman




THE FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY

Sunday, April 16th, 2023

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

Everyone is Welcome!




Installation of Archbishop Francis Leo: Regional Mass and Live Broadcast

Tuesday, April 11, 2023
 at 7 p.m.
 Blessed Trinity Parish,
 Toronto

2022 Free Personal Income Tax Return

The AFCM - Social Action, Family Apostolate Ministry in collaboration with the Association of Filipino-Canadian Accountants (AFCA), is inviting everyone to avail of the 2022 Free Personal Income Tax Return Preparation on April 23, 2023 (Sunday) from 10am to 4pm. **Income Tax Preparation will be at the Parish Hall.** This is on a first-come, first serve basis. Please ensure that the information that will be provided to the income tax preparers are complete and accurate so that your income tax returns are prepared correctly and in a timely manner. We wish to emphasize that taxpayers are responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the information they are providing. Please grab the opportunity of this free service. Thank you.



Let us pray!

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EASTER SUNDAY ALL MASSES LIVESTREAM

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