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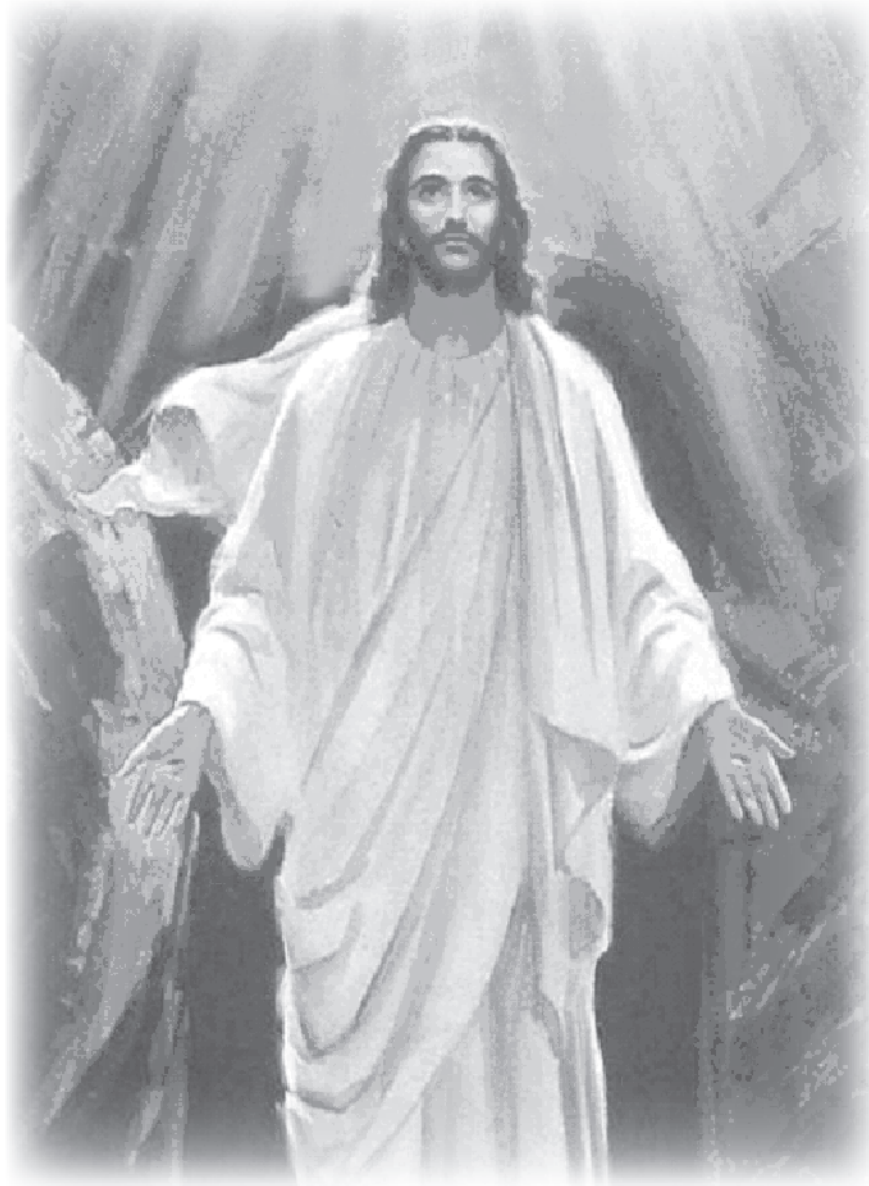
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Christ is Risen!

EASTER SUNDAY

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



April 1st-7th, 2024

Monday, April 1st

No Mass

Tuesday, April 2nd

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Wednesday, April 3rd

(Multiple Intentions)

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Thursday, April 4th

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Friday, April 5th

7:00pm —Pro Populo

Saturday, April 6th

5:00pm—Community of Our Lady
of the Assumption

Sunday, April 7th

10:00am—Pro Populo

12:00 Noon—Pro Populo

5:00pm (Tagalog Mass)—Pro Populo

7:00pm—Pro Populo



Let us pray!

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



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Offertory Collection

(March 24, 2024)

Sunday Collection—\$14,294.00

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Sunday Reflection.....

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

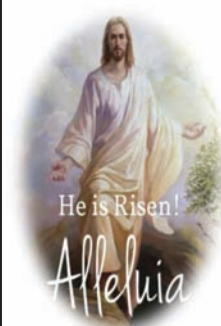
Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not 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 in preparing our First Communion and Confirmation candidates for the Sacraments this Easter Season, 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 & Staff



THE FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY

Sunday, April 7th, 2024



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

Everyone is Welcome!



COFFEE SUNDAY !!!

Please come and join us at basement hall after the Sunday, 10am mass. Please bring any baked goods you want to share with our fellow parishioners."

COFFEE SUNDAY WILL RESUME ON APRIL 14th, 2024



Calling for **volunteers and different parish ministries** to help with our

gardening around the church and rectory this Spring. Please call the Parish office.

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

FIRST COMMUNION

Saturday, April 13th, 2024

at 11:00pm

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CONFIRMATION

Saturday, April 20th, 2024

at 11:00pm

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



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2024 Parish Goal - \$26,000

First Collection (March 17th) \$ 6,836

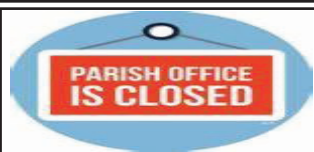


HOLY HOUR with Jesus

Thursday, April 4th, 2024

after the 7:00pm Mass

"Praying for the sick"



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, April 1st & 2nd, 2024



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