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Prayers & Mass Times of the Week

Monday	No Service	
Tuesday	9.15 AM	Mass,
Wednesday	9.15 AM	Mass;
Thursday	9.15 AM	Mass; followed by Rosary
Friday	9.15 AM	Mass;
Saturday	6.30 PM	Mass
Sunday	9.00 AM	Rosary
	9.30 AM	Mass
	2.45 PM	Blessing of the Image of Divine Mercy
	3.00 PM	Solemn Mass
		No Evening Mass
Reconciliation:	Sunday: 1.00 pm—2.45 pm	

Last Fortnight’s Collection

Thanks Giving Offering	\$1,365.75
Presbytery Offering	\$977.70
Thank you for your commitment and support	

Next Week’s Reading

Sunday of Divine Mercy, Year B

First Reading	Acts 4:32-35
Second Reading	1 John 5: 1-6
Gospel	John 20:19-31
Thank you for your commitment and support	
BAPTISMS <i>(Baptism requires a months’ notice)</i>	
Upcoming baptism:	
Laundry in March	
Church Cleaning — (coming week)	

Week’s Roster

	Ministries	SATURDAY, 6.30 PM	SUNDAY, 9.30 AM	SUNDAY, 5.30 PM
THIS WEEK	Commentator	Easter Volunteer	Easter Volunteer	No service
	Reader	Easter Volunteer	Easter Volunteer	No service
	Eucharistic Minister	Easter Volunteer	Easter Volunteer	No service
NEXT WEEK	Commentator	Chatarina Pereira	Janine Phillips	No service
	Reader	Chatarina Pereira	Belinda Liew	No Service
	Eucharistic Minister	Volunteer	Volunteer	No service

Please pray for...

Those who are baptised:

Those who are sick:

Those who recently died:

Those whose memories are sacred to us at this time.

Cecile Hien Pham, Kamari Family members, Frank Maning, Annita Diaz, Simeona Wilson, Jaime & Maria Cruz, Rafferti Florida, Vivian Martin, Sandra James, Elizabeth Yambao, Anslam Diaz, Marlon Pereira, Therese Back

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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD , YEAR B

31 March 2024

First Reading Acts 10:34, 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: ‘You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.’

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. or (R.) Alleluia.

Second Reading Col 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God’s right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled. Death with life contended: combat strangely ended! Life’s own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ’s glory as he rose! The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting. Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious king, thy mercy show

Gospel Acclamation 1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel In 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. ‘They have taken the Lord out of the tomb’ she said ‘and we don’t know where they have put him.’

‘So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Women go to the tomb as dawn is breaking. The Power of Darkness which had Jesus unjustly sentenced, cruelly tortured and buried in the pitch blackness of the tomb, is conquered by the Son-Rise of all sun rises flooding our world and the whole of human history with Divine Light and Energy.

This is the heart of our faith as Catholic Christians, which we celebrate with bonfire (good fire) in darkness at the Easter Vigil. From that earthly element we light the Easter candle and the Exsultet is sung: ‘Be glad, let earth be glad as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King.’

The resurrection itself is nowhere described in the gospels, but we do have appearances of the Risen Lord Jesus. The first appearance was to a woman, Mary of Magdala. A title given to her by the early church was ‘Apostle to the Apostles’ because she was the bearer of the message which the male disciples initially did not believe. But eventually they too believed that Death had been done to death because the Son had risen.

Christ’s body was transfigured by the energy of Divine Love and we can, by grace, participate in that resurrection life of Our Lord. A glorious destiny awaits us, as indeed it awaits the whole cosmos as it is to be transformed by that resurrection life recreating the whole of creation.

We could take a moment to pray that we, along with all that matters, are graced with the life-giving energy of the Risen Son and that we may join Mary of Magdala in spreading the Good News of Christ’s victory over death. Alleluia!

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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

- HYMNS “AS ONE VOICE”
- GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 9.30 am
- Alleluia No. 1

No 15; Page 18
- PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG
- Eat this bread

No 125; Page 124
- COMMUNION SONG
- We remember

No 81; Page 82
- COMMUNION REFLECTION
- Quiet Music
- FINAL SONG
- Majesty, Worship His Majesty

Text attached

MAJESTY, WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY

(Jack Hayford)

Majesty, worship His Majesty

Unto Jesus be all glory, honour and praise.

Majesty, Kingdom, Authority,

Flows from His throne unto His own, His anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.

Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.

Majesty, worship His Majesty,

Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all Kings

Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all Kings.



Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

(Colossians 3:16)

SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION



On this day we proclaim that he, the Lord of our life, is “the resurrection and the life” of the world (cf. *Jn* 11:25). Today is Easter, the Pasch, a word that means “passage”, for in Jesus the decisive passage of humanity has been made: the passage from death to life, from sin to grace, from fear to confidence, from desolation to communion. In him, the Lord of time and history, I would like to say to everyone, with heartfelt joy, Happy Easter!

May this Easter be for each of you, dear brothers and sisters, and in particular for the sick and the poor, the elderly and those experiencing moments of trial and weariness, a passage from affliction to consolation. We are not alone: Jesus, the Living One, is with us, forever. Let the Church and the world rejoice, for today our hopes no longer come up against the wall of death, for the Lord has built us a bridge to life. Yes, brothers and sisters, at Easter the destiny of the world was changed, and on this day, which also coincides with the most probable date of Christ’s resurrection, we can rejoice to celebrate, by pure grace, the most important and beautiful day of history.

Christòs anesti! – “Christ is risen; he is truly risen!” In this traditional proclamation of the Churches of the East, the word “truly” reminds us that our hope is not an illusion, but the truth! And that, in the wake of Easter, humanity’s journey, now marked by hope, advances all the more readily. The first witnesses of the resurrection show this by their example. The Gospels speak of the haste with which, on the morning of Easter, the women “ran to tell the disciples” (*Mt* 28:8). Mary Magdalene “ran and went to Simon Peter” (*Jn* 20:2), while John and Peter himself then “ran together” (cf. v. 4) to the place where Jesus had been buried. Later, on the evening of Easter, after meeting the Risen Lord on the road to Emmaus, two disciples “set out without delay” (cf. *Lk* 24:33) and travelled several miles, uphill and in the dark, spurred on by the irrepressible joy of Easter that burned in their hearts (cf. v. 32). The same joy that led Peter, on the shore of the Lake of Galilee, after catching sight of the risen Jesus, to leave the boat with the others, to throw himself immediately into the water and to swim quickly towards him (cf. *Jn* 21:7).

At Easter, then, the journey quickens and becomes a race, since humanity now sees the goal of its journey, the meaning of its destiny, Jesus Christ, and is called to make haste to meet him, who is the hope of the world.

Pope Francis, Easter Sunday 2023.

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday	8.45am - 12.45pm
Wednesday	11.30am - 3.30pm
Thursday	8.45am - 12.45pm
Friday	11.30am - 3.30pm

JESUS I TRUST IN YOU



Bl. Michael Sopoćko (St. Faustina’s spiritual director) with St. Faustina Kowalska

FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY

WHEN: Sunday 7th April 2024

TIME: 1.00 PM – 2.45 PM Confessions
Rosery– Divine Mercy Chaplet
2.45 PM - Blessing of Divine Mercy Image
3.00 PM – Solemn Mass
followed by veneration of St. Faustina's 1st class Relic.

WHERE: St. Elizabeth’s Church
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THE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 2024

Jesus said,

“I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter ... I want it to be venerated publicly. ... I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. ... The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous; the red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls ... These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonised Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. ... Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him. ... My gaze from this image is like My gaze from the cross.” (Diary 341, 48, 299, 326)

Jesus asked Saint Faustina:

“Gather all sinners from the entire world and immerse them in the abyss of My mercy . . . On the day of my feast, the Feast of Mercy, you will go through the whole world and bring fainting souls to the spring of My mercy. I shall heal and strengthen them.” (Diary 206)

“The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.” (Diary 699)

“When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul.” (Diary 1602)

Jesus said to Saint Faustina:

“I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day, the very depths of My mercy are open.

The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.” (Diary 699)

9 DAYS OF THE DIVINE MERCY 2024

WHEN: Good Friday 29th March—Easter Saturday 6th April

TIME: Easter Sunday 7.00 PM Novena

Easter Monday 7.00 PM Novena

Easter Tuesday 7.00 PM Novena

Easter Wednesday 7.00 PM Novena

Easter Thursday 7.00 PM Novena

Easter Friday 7.00 PM Novena

Easter Saturday 4.30 PM Novena

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