

March 31, 2013: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. — Lk 24:1-3

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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Acts

10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9)

6:30 am- Bill & Helen Mitchon

8:00 am- Hilbert & Agnes Bludau

10:30 am- For our Parish Family

5:00 pm- Serapo “Chapo” DeLaRosa (Spanish Mass)

Monday, April 1 (Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15)

7:00 am- Marie Voelkel Holy

10:00 am- Residents of Hallettsville Rehab
(H'ville Rehab)

Tuesday, April 2 (Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18)

7:00 am- Richard & Stazie Jahn

Wednesday, April 3 (Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35)

7:00 am- Louis & Anna Kartman

8:05 am- Gilbert Butschek

Thursday, April 4 (Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48)

7:00 am- Bernie & Stephen Bludau

10:00 am- Julius & Sidonia Mikulenska, Benefactors
(Stevens)

Friday, April 5 (Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14)

7:00 am- Herbert, George & Adela Bludau

8:05 am- Weldon Schaefer

Saturday, April 6 (Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15)

5:30 pm- Mollie, Tom & Rosie Pesek

Sunday of Divine Mercy, April 7 (Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31)

8:00 am- Lillie & Willie Wagner, & Willie, Jr.

10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Bulletin Sponsor: Bob Kubena in memory of Raymond & Elizabeth Linhart Brosch & Helen Marie.

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In memory of Hilbert & Agnes Bludau.

Vigil Light: Special Intention for Health.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$5,292.50; Church Endowment-\$47; School Endowment-\$268; Manna-\$1,062; Rice Bowl-\$1,425; Loose- \$2,095; Children's (2 wks.)-\$129.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Adolph Kraatz*, father of *Trey Kraatz*; and, *Lawrence Voigt*, father of *Pam Wick*. *May they rest in the peace of Christ.*

Please pray for the blessing of beneficial rainfall!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

-Easter Egg Hunt after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

-Covered dish supper after Spanish Mass, Family Center

MONDAY, APRIL 1

-Rosary & Evening Prayers, 5:30 p.m., Church.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

-Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., K.C. Hall of Fame Room.

-Fr. Tommy's Adult Ed. Class, 7:00 pm, Family Center.

-K.C. General Meeting, 7:30 p.m., K.C. Hall.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

-CCD: K-12th Grades, 6:00-7:15 pm.

-Divine Mercy Study/Prayers, 7:30 pm, Church Cry Rm.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins 6:00 p.m. in church. Intention for the month: *For families suffering tragedy of any kind and for maintaining Christian values in our country.*

-Holy Hour for priestly vocations, 7:00 p.m., church.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

-First Friday Adoration ends with Benediction at 6 pm.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

-Serra Club Mass, 8:30 a.m., St. Mary's Church, Praha.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

-Mandatory Confirmation Practice for sponsors & candidates in church after 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Among our sick: Edna Key, Frank Fishar, Faith Del Castillo, Michael Gerdes, Renae Ross, Doug Blumberg, Ed Aulick, Rose Thumann, Sterlin Ritchie, Ricky Skelton, Larry Appelt, Milissa Zamora, Chris Layton, Hank Morris, Frances Moore, Frank, Patrick & Robben Nemec, LaNora Konvicka, Delores Grahmann, Benedict Bujnoch, Lorene Christ, Matt Pohler, Donna Coldewey, Donna Avant, Wilbert Kalinec, Mary Bonorden, Dorothy Allen Hass, Rev. Lundy Hooten, Josephine Muniz, Vivian Janak, Rose Mary Etzler, Rosalee Gaskamp, Helen Kresta, Clinton Henneke, Tillie Schott, Bobbie Lee Drozd, Lucille (Cudlum) Werner, Donna Steffek, Frank Gutierrez, Glenn Rabel, Jonathon Drozd, nursing home residents, & the homebound.

Promise of Marriage: Debra Smirak & Robert Technik on April 12.

Anniversaries:

Leroy & Marjorie Rychlik 50 years April 6

Perpetual Adoration resumes today, Sunday, 6:00 pm.

KJT No. 3 District Meeting, April 14, St. Mary's.

Registration 11:00 a.m. Mass 11:30 a.m.

Annual Veterans Appreciation Day, April 7, KC Hall

Doors open 10 a.m. Memorial Service begins 11 a.m.

Meal served at Noon. All veterans and their families are invited. The event is free. For information, call 772-6201, 798-4524, 573-3849 or 578-0678.

From the Desk of Msgr. John

We have just celebrated Holy Week and prepared ourselves for this great Feast – the Resurrection of Our Lord – Easter. As Church and as community we have experienced tragedy with the loss of two of our young parishioners, Rebecca Ann and Julie Ann Steffek. We, along with the family, unite our sufferings with those of Jesus on the cross. In our faith, we know that after the cross comes the Resurrection. We pray that we will all experience the Resurrection and be joined together in heaven after our life here on earth.

Happy Easter! We wish each other this joyful greeting on Easter Sunday – and yet, for Catholics, Easter is so much more than a single celebration. Easter is so important that we cannot celebrate it in one day. To fully celebrate the Easter Season it takes fifty days, or a Pentecost (the Greek word for *fifty*). And each one of these fifty days, in fact, *is* Easter. That is why the Church speaks of the Sundays of Easter, rather than the Sundays after Easter.

And what do we celebrate during this fifty-day Alleluia? Jesus' resurrection from the dead, His eternal and everlasting victory over death, and the gift of salvation poured out upon the world. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (#638) reminds us, "The Resurrection of Jesus is the crowning truth of our faith." The heart of our very identity as Christians is this belief that God has radically changed the universe in the birth, life, Passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus.

The Easter mystery celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus. But what does that really mean? Throughout the Gospels, Jesus predicts His own Passion – the suffering, crucifixion, and death that He will endure in fulfillment of the Scriptures. But it is only after we roll the stone away, and the tomb is found empty, that Jesus' predictions are truly fulfilled.

He appears in risen form first to Mary Magdalene (Jn 20:14) and then to the other women and disciples (Mt 28:9). His resurrection is bodily and complete. When the resurrected Christ visits His disciples in the Gospel of Luke, He understands their disbelief and allows them to touch Him so that they may come to believe. He even eats with His disciples as a sign of His real presence among them.

The disciples are filled with joy and amazement at the presence of the Risen Christ! And we, too, are filled with joy and amazement at the real presence of the Risen Christ throughout the Mass. As Catholics, we believe that Christ is really and truly present in the celebrant, in the Word, and in the full assembly gathered as the Body of Christ, and most especially, in the Holy Eucharist.

The new life of the Resurrection "reinstates us in God's grace" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #654) "so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life" (Rom 6:4).

Pray for vocations to the priesthood & religious life!

Religious Education (CCD) –

Apr. 10: Confirmation. No regular CCD.

Apr. 14: Mandatory Freshman Confirmation Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Cafeteria.



Sacred Heart Catholic School –

Apr. 1-5: No school. NCEA Convention for faculty.

Apr. 19: Marathon for Catholic Education. A Marathon pledge/donation form is enclosed. If interested in being a corporate sponsor, please call the school office.

Raffle Prizes for our Spring picnic are needed. Please call or come by the Rectory. *Thank you!*

"Come & See" Vocation Discernment Weekend, April 13-14, Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria for single Catholic women 18-50. For information or reservations, call 575-7111 or iwbsvoc@yahoo.com.

Men's ACTS Retreat, Apr. 18-21. Registration forms are at entrance of church. Mail form to address on application.

The Devil's Box, a documentary about Texas style fiddling and the Fiddler's Frolics, will be shown at the Cole Theatre at 2:00 p.m. on April 6 and 7.



Easter Flowers Donors: Anita Barrera-Rocha-\$10; Marcella & Henry Joe Henke-\$10; Mary Ann Pavliska-\$15; Lillian Gohlke-\$25; S. E. & Mary Golsch-\$10; Jerry & Margaret Kallus-\$20;

Tommy & Elsie Grahmann-\$5; Charles & Irene Matula-\$25; Ella Mae Bludau in memory of Ervin Bludau, Sr.-\$20; Leo & Evelyn Hoffer for living & deceased members of Schneider & Hoffer families-\$100; Martha Sitka & Family in memory of Henry J. Sitka-\$25; Jimmie & Sylvia Steffek in memory of Raymond & Judith Ohnheiser, Johnathon Shimek-\$20; A.J. & Jo Kutac in memory of Stanley Kutac, Freida & Newton Renken-\$20; Roland & Georgia Schaefer for living & deceased family-\$25; Mike & Helen Technik in memory of Louis R. Kallus & Carolyn Steffek-\$25; Glenn, Shara & Luke Steffek in memory of Rebecca & Julie Steffek-\$75; Henry & Frances Kallus in memory of Henry & Silvia Kallus-\$10; Ron & Marie Ridgeway in memory of loved ones-\$10; Deborah Janak in memory of David Janak, Sr.-\$10; Robert & Rita Chase in memory of Alois Bittner-\$25; Gail & Willis Jones in memory of Al & Joyce Wagner-\$40; Sarah Jansky in memory of Paul Jansky & Alex Thomas-\$20.

Sacred Heart Youth – It has been good to see the youth participating in our activities, giving up their personal time for prayer, service & fellowship, despite their busy schedules. Upcoming events: Farewell to Seniors BBQ, April 28, and Social at Splashway Water Park, May 19. More information to follow.



*Happy
Easter!*

