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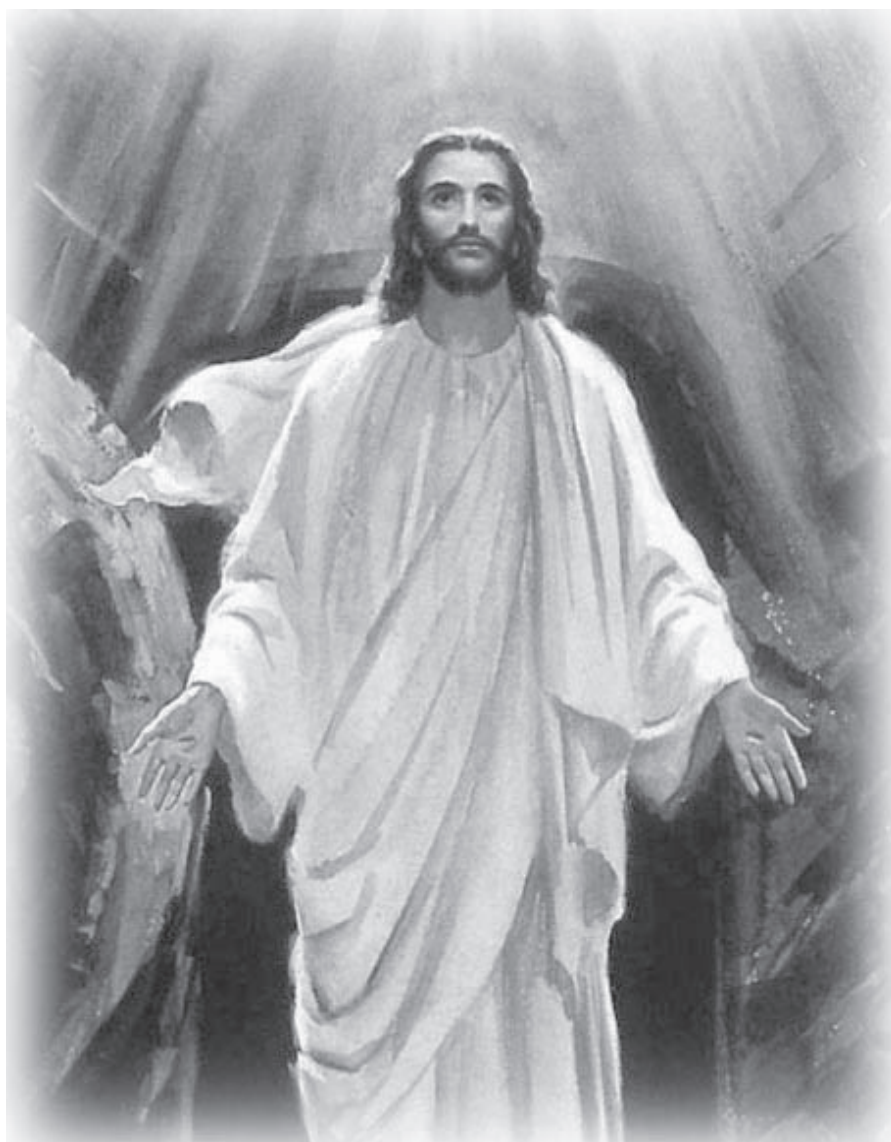
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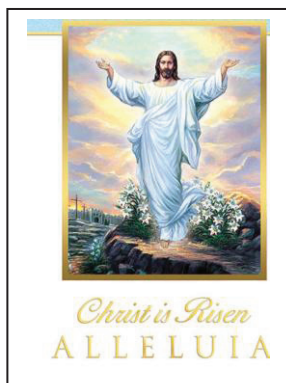
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Rejoice!  
For the Lord is truly risen!

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

### HAPPY EASTER!



Fr. Mario, Fr. Gerardo, Deacon Sergio, the Daughters of St. Paul and the Staff of St. Charles Borromeo Parish extend to all our parishioners and their friends our prayerful best wishes for a very happy and blessed Easter. May the resurrection of Jesus continue to be ever present in your lives.

### EASTER SUNDAY

The tomb was empty. In the early morning darkness of that first Easter, there was only confusion for Mary Magdalene and the other disciples. But as the daylight spread, they saw the dawning of a new creation.

At first, they didn't understand the Scripture, today's Gospel tells us. We don't know which precise Scripture texts they were supposed to understand. Perhaps it was the sign of Jonah, who rose from the belly of the great fish after three days. Or maybe Hosea's prophecy of Israel's restoration from exile. Perhaps it was the psalmist who rejoiced that God had not abandoned him to the nether world.

Whichever Scripture it was, as the disciples bent down into the tomb, they saw and they believed. What did they see? Burial shrouds in an empty tomb. The stone removed from the tomb. Seven times in nine verses we hear that word—"tomb."

What did they believe? That God had done what Jesus said He would do—raised Him up on the third day.

What they saw and believed, they bore witness to, as today's First Reading tells us. Peter's speech is a summary of the gospels—from Jesus' baptism in the Jordan to His hanging on a tree, to His rising from the dead.

We are children of the apostles, born into the new world of their witness. Our lives are now "hidden with Christ in God," as today's Epistle says. Like them, we gather in the morning on the first day of the week—to celebrate the Eucharist, the feast of the empty tomb.

We rejoice that the stones have been rolled away from our tombs, too. Each of us can shout, as we do in today's Psalm: "I shall not die, but live." They saw and believed. And we await the day they promised would come—when we, too, "will appear with Him in glory."

### DIVINE MERCY

Please join The Union of the Blood of Christ of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood to the Divine Mercy Celebration on Sunday, April 12.

3:00PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy  
Benediction

Light refreshments to follow in the Parish Hall.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REHEARSAL

There will be a rehearsal for the First Holy Communion Candidates of Regina Mundi School on Friday, April 10 at 4:00PM.

### EASTER MONDAY

There will be **NO MASSES** on **Easter Monday April 6**. The church and office will be closed for this holiday.

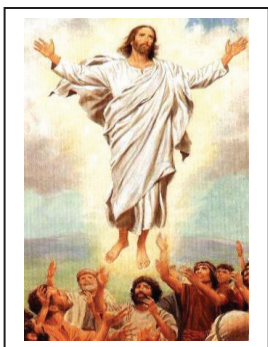
### DAY OF REFLECTION & PRAYER FOR THE BEREAVED

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Center is having Day of Reflection & Prayer for the Bereaved, on Saturday, April 11 9:00AM-5:00PM. "Where is God in my pain? How is God working in my grief?" Grieving a loved one can shake or give a new shape to our faith. At this gathering, you will have the opportunity to share your grief story in a community of faith and to reflect in a prayerful way on your experience, to draw renewed strength and hope to continue the journey. Facilitated by Sr. Claire Marchal and Mary Hyland. For more information and to register, please contact Mary Hyland at 905-441-0957. Suggested offering: \$ 75 per person. Includes coffee/tea & muffin break, lunch, the program and Mass.

### SPECIAL PRAYER SERVICE FOR SICK & SUFFERING

The Divine Retreat Centre (69 William Street, Toronto) invite you to come and join on Saturday, April 18 for a Special Prayer Service for the Sick & Suffering for cancer patients/ Survivors and the terminally ill from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please spread the message to your friends, family members and to those in need of prayers. Prayer service led by Fr. Roni George, VC. For more information, please call 647-949-4932.

### **BUONA PASQUA!**



Padre Mario, Padre Gerardo, il Diacono Sergio, le Suore di San Paolo e lo staff della parrocchia di San Carlo, augurani a tutti i parrochiani e agli amici i più sentiti auguri e benedizione per la Santa Pasqua. Possa la risurrezione del nostro Signore Gesù Cristo, essere viva e presente nei vostri cuori e nella vita giornaliera.

### **DOMENICA DI PASQUA**

La tomba era vuota. Nell'oscurità del primo mattino di quella prima Pasqua, per Maria Maddalena e gli altri discepoli regnava solo la confusione. Ma con il diradarsi della luce del giorno, videro l'alba di una nuova creazione.

Inizialmente, non compresero le Scritture, come ci racconta il Vangelo di oggi. Non sappiamo quali precisi testi biblici avrebbero dovuto interpretare. Forse si trattava del segno di Giona, che risorse dal ventre del grande pesce dopo tre giorni. O forse della profezia di Osea sulla restaurazione di Israele dall'esilio. Forse era il salmista che gioiva perché Dio non lo aveva abbandonato nell'aldilà.

Qualunque fosse il passo biblico, mentre i discepoli si chinavano nella tomba, videro e credettero. Cosa videro? I sudari in una tomba vuota. La pietra rimossa dalla tomba. Per sette volte in nove versetti sentiamo quella parola: "tomba".

Cosa credettero? Che Dio aveva fatto ciò che Gesù aveva promesso: lo aveva risuscitato il terzo giorno.

Ciò che videro e credettero, lo testimoniarono, come ci dice la Prima Lettura di oggi. Il discorso di Pietro è un riassunto dei Vangeli: dal battesimo di Gesù nel Giordano alla sua crocifissione, fino alla sua risurrezione.

Siamo figli degli apostoli, nati nel nuovo mondo della loro testimonianza. Le nostre vite sono ora "nascoste con Cristo in Dio", come dice l'Epistola di oggi. Come loro, ci riuniamo al mattino del primo giorno della settimana per celebrare l'Eucaristia, la festa del sepolcro vuoto.

Rallegriamoci perché anche le pietre sono state rotolate via dalle nostre tombe. Ognuno di noi può gridare, come facciamo nel Salmo di oggi: "Non morirò, ma vivrò". Essi videro e credettero. E noi attendiamo il giorno che

promisero sarebbe venuto, quando anche noi "appariremo con lui nella gloria".

### **LUNEDÌ DI PASQUA**

**Non ci saranno MESSE il lunedì di Pasqua 6 aprile.** La chiesa e l'ufficio rimarranno chiusi per questa festività.

### **DIVINA MISERICORDIA**

Vi invitiamo a partecipare alla celebrazione della Divina Misericordia domenica 12 aprile, a cura dell'Unione del Sangue di Cristo delle Missionarie del Preziosissimo Sangue.

Ore 15:00 Esposizione del Santissimo Sacramento  
Coroncina della Divina Misericordia  
Benedizione

Seguirà un rinfresco leggero nella sala parrocchiale.

### ***Masses of the Week***

#### **MONDAY, APRIL 6**

**NO MASSES – EASTER MONDAY**

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 7**

8:00AM Gianluca Primucci, Gregorio Ma  
9:00AM Rosario & Calogera Falzone, Luisa & Giovanni Celenza, John Mores, Santo Giordano, Sebastiano Montoni, Benito Porco

#### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8**

8:00AM Michele Corvinelli  
7:00PM Diane Iacobucci

#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 9**

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue  
9:00AM Rocco Tacconelli, Guido Giardinazzo, Rev. James Reposkey, C.P.P.S., Wolfram Pannier, Anna D'Silva

#### **FRIDAY, APRIL 10**

8:00AM Maria Incoronata Corvinelli  
7:00PM Carlo e Gioganna Zuzek

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 11**

**12:00PM First Holy Communion Regina Mundi School**  
4:30PM Vittoria Iozzo, Maria Da Luz Pereira & Family

### **REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for the souls of Pasquale Venditti, Angela Armilio whose funerals were celebrated during this past week in our Church.

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