

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 17, 2022

To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.

- Acts 10:43

EVERYTHING IS CHANGED

Easter changes everything. Having been raised from the dead, Jesus shatters the frightful images that haunt humanity. Betrayal, torture, crucifixion, death, burial—these terrors pale in the brilliant glory of Jesus resurrected. Today's psalm guides our response to God's power: "it is wonderful in our eyes." Today is indeed a day for wonder, for gasping in astonishment at Jesus' resurrection. For all of human history, death had been final. In the Acts of the Apostles, though, Peter testifies that Jesus, who was publicly executed, was raised to life by God. John's Gospel admits that the disciples "did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." Even Jesus' closest friends were not expecting this innovation: life after death. In response to the Easter miracle, Paul tells us to become "a fresh batch of dough." Everything, even our very selves, must become new. Easter changes everything. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118

- (1) **Second Reading** All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4)
- (2) Second Reading Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

TODAY'S GOSPEL

— Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; Each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) or

Luke 24:1-12 (or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48 Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15 Sunday: Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Easter Sunday of The Resurrection
of the Julian Calendar Palm Sunday
Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter
Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter
Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter;
Julian Calendar Good Friday; Earth Day
Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
At the Mass during the Day
O God, who on this day,
through your Only Begotten Son,
have conquered death
and unlocked for us the path to eternity,
grant, we pray, that we who keep
the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection
may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit,
rise up in the light of life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How can I keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection in my daily life?

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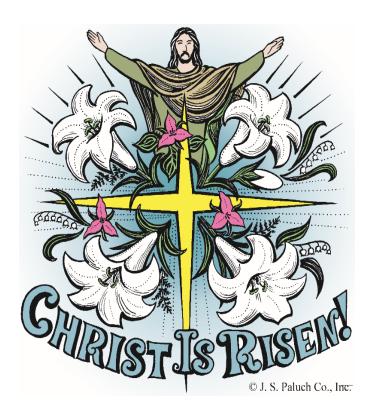
WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY

800 a.m. Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass (Recorded)

WEDNESDAY

9:00 a.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting
Masks are Required.



WE REMEMBER YOU, O RISEN LORD

We remember you, O risen Lord,
New Covenant at the feast of the cross.
Your resurrection dresses the table
for the bread of heaven and the cup of salvation.
Blessed are you!

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OUR SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

Edith Bolder, Jeanette Hamilton, Rosa Birch, Delores Bazy, Vera Brown, Kevin Brown, Ray Myers, Vauncille Bartlett, Mary Ann Grayson, Donald and Mable Parson, Serge Mendoza, Michael Mize, Paris Harrington, Earl Greene, Ovell and Frances Thomas, Dorothy Mustin, Earnestine Nard, Flora Waddell, Elaine Lomax, Donna Dupree, Cheryl Warren, Rhea Holloman, Clara Mays, Melva McClellan, Carlos Nix, Velma Jennings, Debra Johnson, John Johnson,

CONDOLENCE

We were saddened to hear that the family of John Johnson, and his family are mourning the loss of both his brother, Mr. Joy Johnson, (Wichita, KS) and his sister, Mrs. Geneva Bale, on Wednesday, April 13, 2022. Please lift -up this family in your prayers during this time of mourning.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

In order for us to begin our bereavement ministry again, we need lots of volunteers. If you are willing to be a part of this ministry, please contact Carolyn Greene at 816-522-8630. Many of our previous volunteers are no longer available. St. Monica, we need you to get involved for the success of our parish. We must have active .ministries.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The First Communion Class and the Sunday School classes, will meet in Ferguson Hall, next Sunday after the 10:00 Mass.

THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY /ST. JOSEPH

- is Committed to combatting sexual abuse in the church, if you are a victim of sexual abuse or suspect abuse
- 1) Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3728 (If the victim is currently under age 1) and
- 2) Contact your local Law Enforcement Agency or call 911, and 3) After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, crayonombudsmankc.org. if he abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing and healing resources to victims of

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sexual abuse and their families.

The Lenten journey is now complete, its mission of renewal and preparation to receive new life fulfilled. The call to worship the Risen Lord has been received, and we gather to experience together the consoling presence of Christ in word and sacrament. We are at our best today, crowded and cramped to be sure, but the fullest sign of who were are meant to be.

Christ has claimed us in the waters of baptism, we have acquired wonderful companions, and together we can accomplish great things.

This is the day for rekindling the old flames of baptismal commitment, so we light the paschal candle, and by its light we make yet again the ancient promises to reject evil's grip and empty promises. Today we do not recite the Creed, but respond with one voice to age-old questions. New life has to be nurtured, both the life of the newly baptized and the renewed life of those who have passed through Lent's refining prayer, fasting, and giving alms. At any Mass during the next fifty days, you may be surprised by grace and splashed by water!

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.