

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

APRIL 12, 2020

*When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.*  
— Colossians 3:4

### SEEDS OF FAITH

There is a brevity, a certain terseness, in the scripture readings for Easter Sunday. Peter's speech in Acts is built of direct, pointed sentences. Paul's letters are based on straightforward creed-like statements. Even the Gospel story only briefly recounts what will turn out to be one of the most remarkable events in human history—the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Advertising agents call these encapsulated points of information “bullet points.” Scripture scholars call them *kerygmata*, or “kernels” of our faith. Actually, “kernels” or “seeds” are good terms for these statements, since throughout the Easter season, we will hear in the Acts of the Apostles, the Letters of Paul, and the Gospel accounts of the days following the Resurrection exactly how these *kerygmata* began to flower, how they continued to grow through the life of the early church. May these Easter “seeds” of faith serve a similar purpose for us, too, so that the life of the Risen Christ will flourish in us and through our witness in the coming days.  
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### TODAY'S READINGS

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

**Psalms** — 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) *or*

**(2) Second Reading** — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

**Gospel** — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) *or* Matthew 28:1-10 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*).

### OUR GIFTS RECORD

Offertory                      Development

<b>Last Week's Collection</b>	\$4,584.00	\$3,261.00
Number of Families contributing	182	137
Total Pledge for 2020	\$167,031.00	\$162,928.00
Pledged to Date (13 Weeks)	\$46,135.00	\$45,448.00
Received to Date	\$42,343.00	\$30,975.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$3,792.00	\$14,473.00

### LADES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2020
\$607.00	\$4,896.00

Forty-six ladies made a contribution last week.

### PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2020
\$227.00	\$32,458.00

Seven people made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

### BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$43,642.00

**PARKING LOT** totaled \$0.00.

**POOR BOX** totaled \$64.00.

40 **CHILDREN** contributed \$244.00.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The good news of Easter is that Jesus has triumphed over sin and evil – and so will we if we open our hearts to His Easter power.

The good news of Easter is that every Good Friday in our lives can be turned into an Easter Sunday.

The good news of Easter is that nothing can defeat us anymore – not pain, not sorrow, not even death.

The good news of Easter is that Jesus will work a miracle in our lives on this very day if we will but open our hearts to His Easter power.

What miracle might I ask Jesus to work in my life this Easter day? How might I open my heart, in a special Easter way, to let the risen Jesus do this?

*When John looked into the empty tomb, he saw and believed.* — JOHN 20:8

*The story of Easter is the story of God's wonderful window of the divine surprise.*

### FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Family of Winnie Carter Carroll in loving memory of her on the 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her death;
2. the Family of Eddie Jude Mulholland in loving memory of him on the 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of his death;
3. the Family of Jack Suedle in loving memory of him on the 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of his death;
4. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

### EASTER GREETINGS FROM FR. CHERIAN

Easter Greetings to all members of St. Edward Parish Family.  
May our Risen Christ and His Loving Mother bless you with the happiest Easter of your life.

### EASTER MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>

5:00 P.M. Easter Vigil Services

Easter Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

10:00 A.M. Mass

### EASTER JOKES

- **How does Easter end?**  
*With the letter r!*
- **How does the Easter bunny travel?**  
*By Hare plane.*
- **What do you call a sleeping egg?**  
*Eggzosted!*
- **What do you call an egg from outer space?**  
*An eggstraterrestrial!*
- **What do you call a rabbit who tells jokes?**  
*A funny bunny!*

**THANK YOU** to a member for a donation in thanks to St. Mother Theresa and St. Raphael; and two members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite.

**DIFFERENT LESSONS**

**We learn something through everyone that passes through our lives. Some lessons are painful. Some lessons are painless and some lessons are priceless.**

**CRISIS MANAGEMENT**

**We are all in the same boat, in a stormy sea.**

**In this crisis situation, we owe each other a terrible loyalty.**

**Maintain physical distances but not in heart.**

**Help each other and be safe!**

**JOKE OF THE WEEK**

**There was a long line at 6:45 A.M. at the grocery store that opened at 7:00 A.M. for seniors only. A young man came from the parking lot and tried to cut in at the front of the line, but an older lady beat him in the back with her cane.**

**He returned and tried to cut in again but an older man punched him in the gut then kicked him to the ground.**

**As he approached the line for the third time, the young man looked at the crowd and shouted, "If you don't let me unlock the door you'll never get in there."**

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday:* Easter Sunday: Resurrection of the Lord
- 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
- Saturday:* Saturday within the Octave of Easter

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Monday:* For the repose of the soul of Tom Paul Riley on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of his death.
- Tuesday:* For the repose of the soul of Katie Nelson.
- Wednesday:* In thanks for Chi on his 2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday.
- Thursday:* For the repose of the soul of Winnie Carter Carroll on the 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her death.
- Friday:* In honor of the Holy Souls and Precious Blood.

**WITHOUT EASTER**

*Without Easter,  
there would be no hope of Heaven.  
Without the hope of Heaven,  
there would be no repentance,  
no personal transformation,  
no attempt to follow biblical principles.  
Without Easter,  
the world would be in chaos and darkness.  
Jesus' death and resurrection  
means we can be reborn,  
to live better, to do better,  
to shine light into the shadows.  
Hallelujah!  
Happy, Happy Easter.*

**READERS**

**Sat. Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.**      **Sun. Apr. 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.**  
Christina &      Mary Cat & Rose Marie  
Duggan's Mary

**Sat. Apr. 19<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.**      **Sun. Apr. 20<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.**  
Cathy Lisa      Mary Cat

**READERS – WEEKDAYS**

- Monday** - Taneil
- Tuesday** - Fallon
- Wednesday** - Ivana
- Thursday** - Natalie
- Friday** - Christina

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY**

- Monday** Cathy Pole
- Tuesday** Bridget Rat
- Wednesday** Margaret Butts
- Thursday** Betty Jo
- Friday** Mary Cat

**NEW DAY NEW BLESSINGS**

**Don't let yesterday's failures  
ruin the beauty of today,  
Because each day has its own promise of  
love, joy, and forgiveness.**

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**INTERESTING ANSWERS:**

- Girl:** *You would be a good dancer except for two things.*
- Boy:** *What are the two things?*
- Girl:** *Your feet.*
- Teacher:** *Can a kangaroo jump higher than the Empire State Building?*
- Student:** *Yes, because the Empire State Building can't jump.*

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**PROBLEMS**

**Every problem in life has a gift inside.  
So don't get upset when you face problems.  
It may have a more beautiful ending  
than your expectations.**

**~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~**

**EASTER SUNDAY PRAYER**

**Lord Jesus Christ, you have triumphed over the grave and you have won for us new life and resurrection power. Give me the eyes of faith to see You in Your glory. Help me to draw near to You and to grow in the knowledge of Your great love for us and Your great victory over sin and death. Amen.**