

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.
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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) *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 Luke 24:1-12.

OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
Last Week's Collection	\$3,450.00	\$2,619.00
Number of Families contributing	97	87
Total Pledge for 2022	\$160,375.00	\$163,292.00
Pledged to Date (15 Weeks)	\$47,065.00	\$47,835.00
Received to Date	\$38,032.00	\$30,377.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$9,033.00	\$17,458.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$116.00	\$2,095.00

Seventeen ladies made a contribution last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$10.00	\$46,141.00

1 person made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$69,865.00

POOR BOX totaled \$29.00.

11 **CHILDREN** contributed \$45.00

BAA totaled \$135.00.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

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

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?

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 29th Anniversary of her death;
2. the Wife and Family of Cracker in loving memory of him on his Birthday;
3. Jay and Family in loving memory of Hody's Bridget Marie on the 19th Anniversary of her death;
4. the Loving Wife and Children of Tom Paul Riley in loving memory of him on the 4th Anniversary of his death;
5. Mary Martha in loving memory of Kate Hunn on the 13th Anniversary of her death;
6. the Family of Eddie Jude Mulholland in loving memory of him on the 3rd Anniversary of his death;
7. a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite;
8. and also, another Parish Family 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 16th Easter Sunday, April 17th
8:30 P.M. Easter Vigil Services 10:00 A.M. Mass

GOD BLESS THE CHILDREN who are going to receive Holy Communion for the first time this Monday, April 18th. Mass will be at 5:00 P.M. All are invited to participate in the Mass. The children who have been prepared are:

Allure Carroll *Scarlet O'Hara*
Boston Carroll *Kendall Riley*
Dean Carroll *Brajette Sherlock*
Hampton Carroll *Denver Sherlock*
Rozlyn Carroll *Ever Sherlock*
Johnny Harrison *Isla Sherlock*
Nayvie Harrison *Palmer Sherlock*
John Gage McGuire *Styles Sherlock*
Quinton O'Hara

THE BANNS OF MARRIAGE are announced for the third time for Edward Thomas Carroll and Dallas Riley.

EASTER EGG HUNT will be held Easter Sunday at 4:00 P.M. It will be a fun-filled event for all children. Thank you to the Youth Group for organizing this event.

THANK YOU to a member for a donation in honor of St. Joseph, the Infant of Prague, and St. Expedite for a miracle needed; and a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA will be held daily at 3:00 P.M. in the Church.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The second collection next weekend will be for *Catholic Home Missions*. Please be generous.

MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER SCHEDULE

MORNING PRAYER	Monday thru Friday	9:30 a.m.
EVENING PRAYER	Monday thru Thursday	3:30 p.m.
	Friday	6:30 p.m.

JOKE OF THE WEEK The boss returned from lunch in a good mood and called the whole staff in to listen to a couple of jokes he had picked up. Everybody but one girl laughed uproariously.

"What's the matter?" grumbled the boss. "Haven't you got a sense of humor?"

"I don't have to laugh," she replied. "I'm leaving Friday."

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Easter Sunday of the 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; Earth Day
Saturday:	Saturday within the Octave of Easter

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday:	<i>First Communion.</i>
Tuesday:	In thanks for Chi on his 4 th Birthday.
Wednesday:	In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the holy souls in purgatory and for the repose of the soul of Big Pierre on his Birthday.
Thursday:	For the repose of the soul of Beasley on his Birthday and for the repose of the soul of Beasley's Bridget Ann.
Friday:	In honor of the Holy Souls and Precious Blood and for the repose of the soul of Cracker on his Birthday.

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. 16th, 8:30 P.M.		Sun. Apr. 17th, 10:00 A.M.
<i>Proclamation</i>	Dominique	<i>1st Reading</i> Jimmy Joseph
<i>1st Reading</i>	Cathy Lisa	<i>2nd Reading</i> Blue
<i>3rd Reading</i>	Dayna	<i>Sequence</i> Jimmy Joseph
<i>5th Reading</i>	Savannah	
<i>7th Reading</i>	Leah	
<i>Epistle</i>	Montella	

Sat. Apr. 23rd, 4:00 P.M.	Sat. Apr. 23rd, 7:00 P.M.
Christina & Julie Ann	Leah & Dayna

Sun. Apr. 24th, 10:00 A.M.	Taniel & Jersey
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READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday	- Skylar
Tuesday	- Luxe
Wednesday	- Bryce
Thursday	- Tatum
Friday	- Julie Ann

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

Monday	- Winnie Ann
Tuesday	- Nora
Wednesday	- Catherine Ann
Thursday	- Mary Cat
Friday	- Rosie Cat

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 8:30 P.M.	April
16th	
Front	Winnie Ann
Right	Cathy Pole
Left	Catherine Ann
Saturday 7:00 P.M.	April 23rd
Right	Rosie Cat
Left	Blue

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

April 17th	April 24th
Rose Marie	Rose Marie

WISDOM OF FULTON SHEEN

God does not always spare the god from grief. The father spared not the Son, and the Son spared not the mother.

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!

~~~~~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.