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Week of April 2nd – 7th



Prayer Requests

Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Ed Heinemann, Josephina McKay, Hether Ludwick, Samantha Winterer, Carol Cullinane, Thomas Lee, Michael Kluziski, Sebastian Romeo, Louise Ahern, Owen Burns, Bernice De Vries, Michael Vasquez, Paul Cummings, Patricia Dombrink, Laura Pierce, Marvin Johnson, Cora Rose, Tom Reid, Henry Souza, Rosa Santos and Juanita Estrelles.

- Easter Schedule 2018

Holy Saturday, March 31st

8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil Liturgy

Easter Sunday, April 1st

8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Easter Mass



The Parish Family of Corpus Christi has been increased and enriched through the recent baptism of:

Addison Eve Syliangco, daughter of Rina Rivera and Paulino Syliangco.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!



Happy Easter!

Easter Sunday

April 1, 2018

I shall not die, but live, and declare
the works of the Lord.

-- *Psalm 118:17*

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The message of Easter is:

GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES!

Before Adam and Eve walked the earth, God set into motion His plan for our salvation. He knew that once He created us and endowed us with the gift of Free Will, we would invariably abuse our freedom, that we would sin. God, in His wisdom, anticipated this eventuality and directed the course of salvation history in order to save us from ourselves.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. He came to tell us that we are God's creation of love; that we are destined for eternal life. The Resurrection of Jesus Christ gives us a preview of what awaits us!

Let us celebrate this joyous Easter with gratitude and with the confident assurance of knowing that God keeps His promises!

Happy Easter!

Fr. Leo, Fr. Basil, Fr. Dan
Katie, Joe, Sam, Lori, Ann, Rebeccah
René, Shaun, Karyn, Gail & Judy



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An *Easter* Prayer

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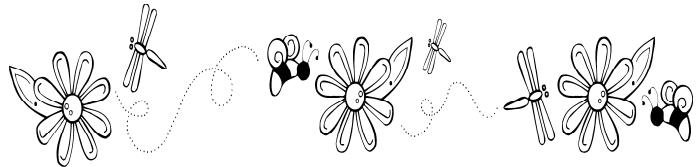
God of all ages and all people, the shadows and gloom of Good Friday have been dispersed by the light and color of Easter Sunday. We rejoice in your power that turns our sorrow into joy, our despair into hope, our defeat into victory and evil into goodness. Help us on this Easter morning, O God, to burst out of the tombs that have trapped us: tombs of selfishness and sinfulness, greed and gluttony, scandal and corruption, pride and prejudice. Let now a new life of divine grace and human love burst forth from each of us this Easter day!

Amen!



Angelina Augustine, Kera Bartlett Binns, Nat Binns, Kasia Ekstrand, Ryan Flynn and Jennifer Hayes come from diverse backgrounds but have decided to call Corpus Christi Church their spiritual home. Five of them grew up Catholic and have now chosen to be confirmed as adults, claiming Catholicism as the religious path. The sixth, Kera, has decided to join the Catholic Church after a circuitous route in Protestant and Jewish circles during her childhood and young adult years. She will receive her First Communion and be confirmed. All of them have been a part of the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) process this year and will receive their sacraments at the Easter Vigil on March 31st.

They, like most of us, have lots of questions: how to respond when we encounter homeless people, if/when we should mention our faith in public situations, what our faith has to say about how we treat the earth and how we are asked to live differently Mondays through Saturdays because we are followers of Jesus. Do you have similar questions? Do you wish you had others that you could talk to about these things? Are you searching for a spirituality that is life-giving rather than constrictive or irrelevant? If so, you are welcome to join the Corpus Christi RCIA program. Please contact Ann Naffziger, RCIA Director, at 521-8011 or email her at: ann@gospelliving.org.



Easter Vigil Reception

There will be a reception in the Gibson Center immediately after the Easter Vigil to honor the individuals who will be baptized and confirmed that evening. Plan to spend a few minutes after the Easter Vigil to congratulate the newest members of our community and to celebrate the end of the Lenten Fast and the beginning of the Easter Feast.

Upcoming Potluck!

The next Hospitality Potluck is Saturday, April 14th, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Come and "Take a Break from Taxes" Potluck. For additional information, contact Carol at: heardwhat@yahoo.com.

Treasures From Our Tradition!

Over the centuries, the Church has demonstrated a wonderful ability to adopt a culture's favorite symbols and customs, and assign them new meaning. Easter eggs have a very ancient pedigree: nature's perfect package, emblem of new life, dyed and decorated, and given as gifts in ancient Egypt, Rome, China and Persia. Just as the long hard winter is over, the egg bursts with promise of life and nourishment. Long ago, Christians came to see the egg, not as a symbol of spring's rebirth, but of ours, and as a sign of Christ's tomb. A Polish legend says that Mary, in compassion for the soldiers at the cross, gave them eggs, but that her tears stained their shells with brilliant color. Legends have their origin in tales told around a hearth, but they often contain a profound truth. The idea of Mary, the first Christian, engaged in a merciful act of forgiveness and tenderness even in the shadow of the cross, describes the age-old wish that Christ as "Easter in us."

Table Blessing for Easter Dinner!

*We praise you, Lord
with greater joy than ever in this Easter Season,
the thirsty have come to the water.*

*The poor have come to receive bread and eat.
Blessed are you in earth's bounty: the joy
of the resurrection renews the whole world.*

*We joyfully sing your praises, Lord Jesus Christ,
whom on the day of your resurrection
were recognized by your disciples
in the breaking of the bread.*

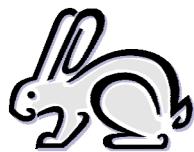
*Remain here with us
as we gratefully partake of these gifts.*

*At the banquet table in heaven
welcome us who have welcomed you in our brothers
and sisters,
for you live and reign for ever and ever.*

Amen!

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!



Easter Decorations

This is an invitation to become part of a beautiful tradition by giving towards the Easter decorations for our Church. Your gift is truly a loving way to remember or honor someone you care deeply about.

Enclosed is \$_____ in memory/in honor of:

Name: _____

From: _____

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