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April 12, 2020

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Χριστός ανέστη εκ νεκρών, θανάτω θάνατον πατήσας, και τοις εν τοις μνήμασι ζωήν χαρισάμενος. Translated: **“Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and to those in the tombs, granting life!”** This is from a traditional Orthodox Easter hymn sung during the week of Easter. This is a beautiful hymn that speaks to us that the time of Lent is over, and fifty days of celebrating Easter begins. We are called to be Easter people because we know where our peace and victory comes through.

However, I know this will be tough for many people to celebrate. For many, there is a challenge to truly rejoice because we cannot celebrate Easter Sunday Mass and visit with family. I will be experiencing that this year. For some, they are working in the medical field and worry about carrying this virus home. I know some have lost loved ones recently. Even more, there is a cloud that seems to be hanging over us, and we do not know when it will finally move on. It is important to remind ourselves that we still need to celebrate our faith in both the good and rough times. This question to me as I thought about what to write for my article this week, how was the first resurrection celebrated?

It wasn't with great joy but a lot of uncertainty, people scattered, and the apostles huddled in a room. The Lord slowly visited and revealed himself to different people, and the stories began to spread until he revealed himself to the apostles. Of course, I believe he revealed himself to his mother, Mary, first. Eventually, they all came back together and started to spread their joy and the Faith. We see this explained in the scriptures during this coming week and over the Easter season. The first Easter was kind of celebrated like what we are going through. In time, we will all

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm - St. Elizabeth

Sunday Mass: 8:30 am - St. Jules , 10:45 am - St. Elizabeth, 6:00 PM St. Elizabeth

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, 6:00 pm - St. Jules Tuesday, 6:30 am - Sister's Chapel Friday, 8:00 am -

St. Elizabeth Church, Holy Days: As Announced

ADORATION:

Monday, 4:45 pm - St. Jules Tuesday, 7:00 am- 5:00 pm - Sister's Chapel

CONFESSIONS:

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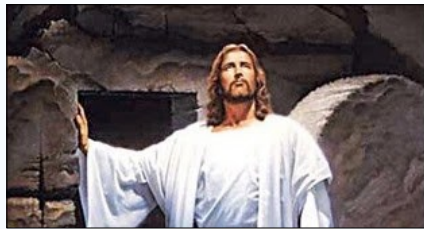
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gather again to truly celebrate, but we should not wait until then. Share your joy in whatever way you can. Show it through your love to your spouse, to your children, your neighbors, the people you call or FaceTime or Zoom with. Live out the celebration truly in your home centered around our Lord. We have fasted and sacrificed the past 40 days, and now we can uplift our hearts to know where the true victory lies! Nothing can take that away unless we allow it to happen.

Χριστός ανέστη! **Christ is risen!** He has risen indeed! Let the 8 days of Easter celebration begin. Over the next 50 days, let us continue to share with the world the joy, the freedom and the mercy that has been offered to us.

Through the Alliance of the Two Hearts,
Fr. Matthew



This ancient chant tells the story of death and life locked in a struggle, where in Christ, the Paschal victim, victorious over death, reconciles us to the Father. It tells the story of Mary Magdalene, who upon finding the empty tomb of the risen Christ and of finding the clothes which once covered his head and limbs, proclaims “Christ my hope has arisen.”

Sequence victimae paschali laudes

Christians, to the Paschal Victim, Offer your thankful praises!
A Lamb the sheep redeems; Christ, who only is sinless,
Reconciles sinners to the Father.
Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous:
The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal.
Speak, Mary, declaring
What you saw, wayfaring.
“The tomb of Christ, who is living,
The glory of Jesus’ resurrection;
bright angels attesting,
The shroud and napkin resting.
Yes, Christ my hope is arisen;
to Galilee he goes before you.”
Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining.
Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!
Amen. Alleluia.

Listen on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sAo30la5fUE>

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A Prayer for Easter Eyes

My Lord, Jesus,

You have risen to new life!

Give me new eyes with which to recognize
your presence in the world around me.

Sharpen my vision so that I see beyond the
ordinary events of each day and into the
extraordinary reality of your grace.

Brighten my view of the world with renewed
hope in the coming of your Kingdom.

Soften my gaze so that I view others with the
kind of tenderness and compassion you
showed to so many.

May each day of this Easter season provide
glimpses of your glory.

In your sacred name, I pray.

Amen.



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Mass Intentions

Sunday, Mass - April 12, 2020 - For the People

Monday Mass - April 13, 2020 - STE - For the Sisters of CMC

STJ - Rachel, Margaret & Kent Morris, Thomas J. and Erna B. Richard, Shelby Lucita and Judy Lewis, Adam and Marie Bergeron, Albert and Lellia Richard and their deceased family, Julie Blanchard Acosta, Ruth Dupre, Lovelece Gros, Sr. and Lassie May Gros, Allen, Sr., Pearl and Keith Charlet, Gilbert Blanchard, Mr. Martin Cancienne, Rene and Dolores Poirier, Ruth Dupre, Elmina B. Landry, Elaine Landry, Clem Hebert, Desi Clark

Sunday, Mass - April 19, 2020 - For the People

STE - Yvonne Simoneaux, Delta T. Bal-lay, Mederic and Mildred LeBlanc, Lenny LeBlanc, Julie LeBlanc, Henry, Sr. and Tillie C. George, Henry George, Jr., Carrie Broussard, Robert Landry, Death Anniversary of Fr. Leopold

STJ - Elaine Landry, Mullet Landry

**Easter Sunday
April 12, 2020**

The Lord is risen; let us rejoice! Could Jesus be calling you to help proclaim this Good News to the world through the priesthood or religious life? If so, call Fr. Andrew Merrick at (225) 336-8778, amerrick@diobr.org.

Please Pray For:

Robert Brower, Sandy George, Special Request, Dorthy Caballero, Percy Falcon, Kathleen Rousseau, Spencer Guillot, Max Prejean, Brayden Hood, Lauren Duiery (Special Intention), Beth Boudreaux, Butsy Suarez

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April 4—5, 2020**

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