



# April

Oct. 2020 –  
Sept. 2021

## Resurrection: Jesus lives.

Jesus died, but it was His resurrection that proves that Jesus was the perfect sacrifice, and that His sacrifice was accepted. Our sin is forgiven, in Christ. Jesus' sacrifice gives us hope of eternal life after death.

### PRAY

Pray the Divine Mercy Novena (9 days of praying!) starting on Holy Saturday and ending on Divine Mercy Sunday (the Sunday after Easter!). \*Live-stream\*

Offer one Our Father prayer every morning for those who are in prison, chronically ill, or on their deathbeds. Remember to also pray for those who have no one praying for them.

Pray a Glory Be every night before you go to bed in thanksgiving for the blessings you have received.

Encourage the women in your family to attend the Diocesan Women's Gathering on April 24<sup>th</sup>. More information here:  
<https://www.victoriadiocese.org/arise-women>

### PLAY

Make a pilgrimage to one of the Painted Churches during the Easter season. See our website for details about these hidden treasures.

Take a walk and enjoy the nature that surrounds you. Listen for the birds. How many can you identify?

### EAT

Once a week, celebrate Easter with a special meal! Include dessert, candles, table cloths, and whatever you might have to make it extra special!

Remember to pray BEFORE and AFTER you eat!

Make "Empty Tomb" rolls or Resurrection cookies. See our website for more information.

Discuss some of these questions during your meals:  
Why do you think it was important that Jesus rose from the dead?  
Who do you think needs the power of the resurrection in their lives?

Participate in an at-home Easter retreat! See our website for more information.

Make a Bunny Service Jar. For every act of kindness a family member performs, put a bunny tail (cotton ball) in the jar. When the jar is filled, celebrate as a family with a special treat.

## Want More?

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<https://www.victoriadiocese.org/year-of-the-family>



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