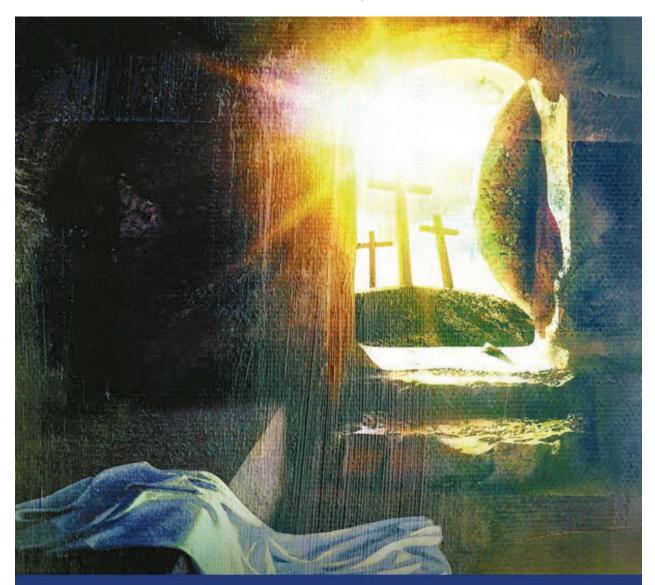


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EASTER SUNDAY

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He bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. - Jn 20:5-7

March 31, 2024

FROM FR. MIKE

I remember as a boy once visiting a rather well-off family friend to play at his house. He had many nice things like games, a big yard, and a tree house which all impressed me very much, though he seemed to be used to it all. His sweet mother had made us a nice lunch and then she was very excited to show us the homemade dessert.

She opened the fridge and there before us were two large dessert glasses with layers of chocolate pudding, whipped cream, and cookies on top...it was like something out of a commercial! My eyes went wide with wonder and as I was ready to thank this kind woman my friend began to whine and say, "But I don't want pudding right now!" I was ready to say to him "Be quiet you fool, or we may not get anything." On a deeper level I was stunned that he did not seem to value his blessings.

When we get too used to hearing or experiencing something, we may lose appreciation for it, no matter how wonderful the blessing is. Sometimes the truth that Jesus died for our sins and rose from the dead, might seem like old or boring news. So, the Church in the Easter Vigil Exultet must reawaken us to the amazing gifts Christ has won for us:

"Rejoice, let Mother Church also rejoice...

Our birth would have been no gain,
had we not been redeemed....

This is the night, when Christ broke the prison-bars of death and rose victorious from the underworld."

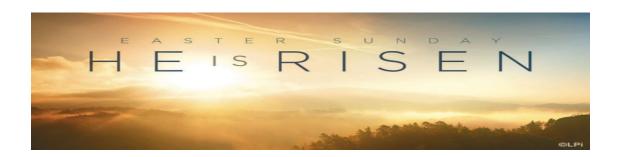
After Jesus died, the disciples were hiding, terrified in the upper room and probably ashamed for their cowardice in abandoning Him, despite all their boasting. When Jesus first appeared, He didn't shame them but offered them peace and showed them the wounds He suffered. We can also receive the Lord's mercy, love, and peace now. He came for you and me, by name.

Many people are living and dying deaths of despair in the western world right now, through substance abuse, distractions, anxiety, and even suicide. Many think they have no purpose, that they aren't lovable, and wrestle with seeing any hope. That is why Jesus came, to rescue us from the works of death and the power of Satan so that we don't need to be afraid anymore.

Because Jesus Christ is truly risen from the dead, we all can have a future full of hope. There is a light at the end of the tunnel. We only die once then we never die again, for Jesus Christ is risen. Alleluia!

Happy Easter,

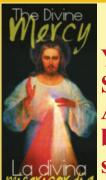
Fr. Mike





Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter, we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection that comes through our own lives of self-sacrifice which brings new life to others.

As you place your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Society Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering and you give them Easter hope and joy.



CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

You are invited to join us next Sunday, Divine Mercy Sunday, at 3:00 p.m. in church as we take time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and sing and pray bilingually the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and listen to a short meditation. Confession will also be available.



HAPPY EASTER



As our CRS Rice Bowl journey comes to an end, may the Eucharist continue to transform our lives and help us respond to God's call to serve our global family. Let us commit to sharing the joy of the Resurrection with people in our local community and around the world.

Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl to the basket near the baptismal pool. or donate online at crsricebowl.org/donate.

We kindly ask that you convert your coins into currency or a check. If you are writing a check make it payable to St. Elizabeth of the Trinity and write "Rice Bowl" on the memo line.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, APRIL 1 IN OBSERVANCE OF THE EASTER HOLIDAY.

Join Us for Our Next Session Starting April 15th



How Our Past Participants Described Their Experience of Encountering Jesus in the Rescue Project:

"It was a compelling and transformative experience, inspiring spiritual growth and deepening of faith"

"It was enlightening and thought provoking"

"I enjoyed meeting new people and talking about faith openly"

"I enjoyed the interaction with my table mates and hearing their perspectives."

"It was worth hearing and being reminded about what is really important"

Come join us each week for a meal followed by an engaging video and faith sharing conversation. If you want more information or to register please email Ashley at aguinn@archchicago.org, call the parish office or use the QR Code

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Together we can discover The Story.





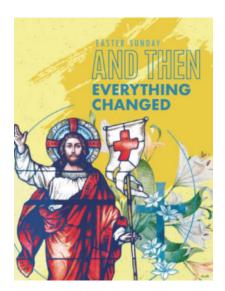
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Easter 2024



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The resurrection of Jesus stands at the center of our faith. We believe, as Saint Paul says, that Jesus "died for our sins and rose for our justification." He entered the very darkest corners of human existence, took our pain, suffering, and death upon himself, and then drew us into the fullness of risen life.

As we celebrate the Lord's resurrection this Easter 2024, we are clearly aware of those dark corners of human existence that Jesus took upon himself. With troubled hearts, we watch war and violence unfold in the Holy Land, in Ukraine, in parts of Africa, and in our own city of Chicago. We know the crippling effects of climate change and the natural disasters that have affected so many people throughout the world. We struggle with the social and political polarization that threatens our life together.

We step back from all of this, and we can surely affirm that we need the transforming and life-giving power of the Resurrection. We also stand together as a church, a synodal church, that journeys together and reclaim our faith and trust in the power of the Risen Lord who makes all things work for the good for those who love him. We stand together in our often broken and wounded world to witness hope to all humanity, to proclaim that God's life and not death will have the last word.

May this feast of Easter be a graced moment to rediscover and reclaim our great faith and hope in Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, who goes before us and leads us home.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR THE ONE PARISH ONE PRISONER MINISTRY

We will take up a special second collection next weekend, April 6 & 7, Divine Mercy Sunday, to support the One Parish One Prisoner Ministry in our parish.

Make checks payable to St. Elizabeth of the Trinity with "OPOP" written on the memo line. There are special envelopes in the vestibule or you can use a plain envelope with your name on it. You can also donate electronically using Faith Direct.

There is a descriptive brochure available in the vestibule or on our website with detailed information on this important ministry.



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For more information, contact **Ashley Guinn** and **Hugo Munoz** at **773.763.8228** or **aguinn@archchicago.org**

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Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. - Emerald Isle, private room \$20.00 per person includes appetizers. Cash bar. Pay using Zelle. Send a follow-up text to make sure your money was received. Contact Nancy Gutzman Soprych at 773-805-3254. Only 100 people who pay will be able to attend!

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Payment Options: Cash or check made out Troop 969.



Step-by-Step Walk Through the Mass Do This in Remembrance of Me, Part 34, Collection & Procession By FR. LUKE SPANNAGEL



It's time to pass the basket for the **Offertory**. For many people, the word offertory might make us think simply of the money offerings we place in the collection basket. While that certainly is part of the typical Sunday offertory, this is also an important spiritual moment for uniting ourselves to the offering on the altar.

The Collection in the Early Church

The practical details of this part of the Mass have looked different at various points in history. In earlier times, the gifts would typically be things that people brought from their homes. People would bring all sorts of food, along with bread and wine, and gifts for the poor (money or otherwise). These gifts would all be brought up and then sorted. The bread and wine were used for the Mass, some food and money were given to the priest to provide for him, and the remainder of the food and money were divided up and given to the poor. So, one can see that even in the earliest times, this part of the Mass was about offering and giving. In our modern day, to simplify the offertory, the ushers collect money. This money still symbolizes our gift: what we give to God for the Mass (bread, wine, candles, etc., are purchased for the Mass), what we give to provide for the needs of the priest and the upkeep of the church, and what we give to provide for the needs of the poor and those less fortunate. As the ushers prepare to collect the offerings, we can take a look at our lives, all that we have, all that the Lord has provided for us. We can show our gratitude and thank the Lord by offering a portion of what we have back to him for the good of the Church and others.

Along with the collection, the bread and wine (and water in some places) are brought forward, just as in the days of the early Church. Around the year 150 A.D., St. Justin Martyr describes this part of the Mass by saying simply: "bread, water, and wine are brought" (Understanding the Mass, p. 109). The gifts are brought forward by members of the faithful. Whether it is the ushers, family members who requested the Mass intention, or other parishioners, whoever brings the gifts forward represents the whole congregation, bringing forth our offerings to God.

An Offering of Spiritual Gifts

As we think about our practical or material gifts during this part of the Mass, we should not overlook the opportunity to also offer spiritual gifts. Mother Teresa of Calcutta was known for asking priests to leave room on the paten for her intentions. One priest also recalled her saying that she would place her heart on the paten so that it would be near Jesus in the Mass. If we think about this part of the Mass, offering the gifts we have in thanksgiving to God and in union with Jesus, it is true that one of the best offerings we can make is ourselves! Along these lines, Charles Belmonte teaches, "Together with Christ, we offer everything that we are and all that we possess, all that we have done or try to do. We offer our memory, intelligence, and will; our family, profession, hobbies, success, sufferings, failures, and worries; and our aspirations, [joys and hopes], and spiritual communions. Likewise, we offer our small and big mortifications: all those acts of love we performed yesterday and as many as we plan to perform today" (Understanding the Mass, p. 110).

If you haven't thought about the offertory in this way before, I encourage you to think about including your personal spiritual offering along with whatever you drop in the basket. It certainly is a great way to join to the prayers the priest offers at the altar spiritually and a great way to deepen our unity with the perfect offering of Jesus!



Watch St. Elizabeth of the Trinity 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass live on You Tube - search for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish channel.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2024

7:30 PM — THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024

7:30 AM — Eugene Fraczkowski, Alex Cabrera (death Anniversary)

9:00 AM — George E. Van Durme, Henry & Mary Ciecko, Charles Boyd, Fr. Dan Fallon, Don Love Jr., Eugene & Irene Chmielowski

11:00 AM — Rose Carlson, Mary Coyne, Alex Cabrera (death anniversary), Carmen Rosario Castro, John Mruczek, Geraldine Pfister, Milka Stanojevich, Salvador M & Gloria D Dignadice

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish) Hector Aguilar, Diana Calderon, Cesar Hernandez Marin

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024

8:30 AM — deceased members of the Gonsalves & D'Souza families, Eugene Fraczkowski, Stanley Sokol, Olan Wheeler

TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024

8:30 AM — Eleanor, Samuel, Grace & Joseph Holden, Conrad Deane

11:00 - 6:00 PM - Adoration / Benediction at 6:00

5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSION

6:30 PM — Joseph & Katherine Misiuda

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2024

8:30 AM — Lawrence Bellak (2nd anniversary)

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024

8:30 AM — Phyllis Pfeiffer

6:30 PM — Bilingual CONFESSION

7:00 PM — Spanish Mass

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2024

8:30 AM — Xochiti Salto, Teresa Travina

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024

8:30 AM — Kepros & Pryst families, Eugene Chmielowski (1st anniversary)

5:00 PM — Marcos Fernandez Sr, Vincente Ormachea, deceased members of the Ognibene family, Lorraine Piasecki, Bernadette Colletti, Frank Cullen, Eugene Chmielowski (1st anniversary), Fr. Dan Fallon, Clara Rangel

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024

7:30 AM — Rita Skowronski, Odila B Swinkle

9:00 AM — Dawn Cavins, Fr. Dan Fallon, Elaine Miller, Mary Nowik, Women's Group, souls in purgatory

11:00 AM — Antonia Janiak, Eugene Chmielowski (1st anniversary)

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish) Jose Luis Bucio, Cesar Hernandez Marin

3:00 PM — DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

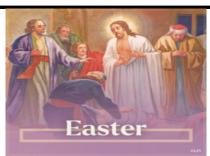
Presider Schedule - April 6 & 7

5:00 p.m. — Fr. Sepulveda / organ 7:30 a.m. — Fr. McCarthy / organ

9:00 a.m. — Fr. Sepulveda / parish choir / piano /

Deacon Miles preaching

11:00 a.m. — Fr. Grisolano / organ 1:00 p.m. — (Spanish) Bp. Bartosic





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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Easter Sunday

Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter;

April Fools' Day

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 Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22

-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn

20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-

10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/

Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk

24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk

24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, and 4, 22-24, 25-

27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-

18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

(1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31



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SERVICES

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. & Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (English) and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 a.m., Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. and First Thursday: 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Rosary:

Prayed daily immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass Church is open daily for private prayer until 5:00 p.m. Confession:

Tuesday: 5:30 to 6:00 p.m., Thursday: 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. (bilingual) Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. , Sunday: 12:00 to 12:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Benediction at 6:00 p.m.)

Last Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Benediction at 7:50 p.m.)

Rectory (Parish Office): Monday - Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg Bzdon to make arrangements: gbzdon@archchicago.org

Becoming a Catholic:

Would you like to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The Church calls this process *The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)*. It is a small group forum where interested people learn more about initiation and membership in the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office for more information.

Marriage:

Must be arranged six months prior to the ceremony. Please contact a priest to make arrangements.

Religious Education for Public Grade School Students: Contact Peggy Bradley for more information.

Parish Registration: New parishioners are asked to register at the Rectory. Forms are also available on our website under the Our Parish tab or in the rear of church.

Communion Visits: Ministers of Care bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Tony Lupinski through the parish office to make arrangements.

Food Pantry: Open Tuesdays - 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the lower level of the gym For more Info email us at: food-pantry@stelizabethtrinityschool.org

Bulletin Deadline: Noon on Fridays (9 days prior to bulletin date)

"It seems to me that I have found my heaven on earth, because my heaven is You, my God, and You are in my soul.
You in me, and I in You – may this be my motto."

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity