



Easter—The Resurrection of the Lord

1st Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

- By virtue of your baptism, how are you like Peter called to witness Jesus' resurrection in your life?
- How does Peter's connection to eating with the resurrected Jesus influence how you view the Eucharist?

Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

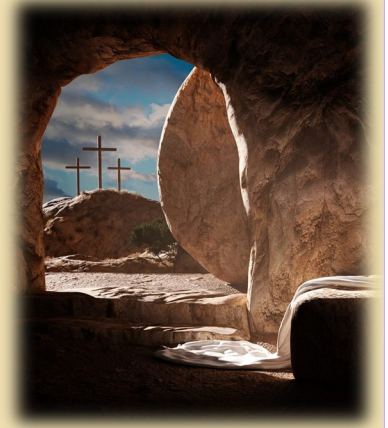
- How do you practically make Jesus the "cornerstone" (the foundation, the starting point) of your daily life, family, and decisions?
- In what ways have you experienced God's merciful love in your life recently?
- How does the Resurrection change your perspective on life's hardships or the fear of death?

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

- What does it mean to "seek things that are above" in your daily life?
- How can we reconcile "setting our minds on things above" with fulfilling our responsibilities in the physical world?
- What is a specific "earthly thing" (anxious thought, worldly ambition, habit) that you need to stop setting your mind on this week?

Gospel: John 20:1-9

- When Mary Magdalene sees the stone removed, her first thought is that the body was stolen (v. 2). What does this reveal about her state of mind and her expectation of what happened to Jesus?
- What does the empty tomb tell you about Jesus' promise of eternal life?
- How can you share the joy of the Resurrection with others this Easter season?



EASTER SEQUENCE

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.