

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 31, 2024

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



EASTER SUNDAY

Then the other disciple
also went in, the one who
had arrived at the tomb first,
and he saw and believed.
- Jn 20:8

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WEEK AT A GLANCE

AC-Adoration Chapel, C: Church, CH-Church Hall, CL-Choir Loft,
Sa-Sacristy, Sc-School, WH-White House (aka Parish Ctr.)

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 *Easter Sunday*

MONDAY, APRIL 1
7:00pm Cursillo Rosary (AC)

TUESDAY, APRIL 2
6:30pm OCIA (WH)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3
6:00pm L.I.F.E. Ministry Mtg (WH)

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

FRIDAY, APRIL 5
9:00am First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus (C)
9:00am Bible Study (CH)

SATURDAY, APRIL 6
7:30am Men of Christ (CH)
8:30am First Saturday Rosary & Devotions

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 *Divine Mercy Sunday*
2:00pm Divine Mercy Sunday & Sundae Event
6:00pm Grief Ministry Group

LITURGICAL/DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE

MASS	Saturday Evening Vigil	4:30pm
	Sunday Morning	8:30am
		10:30am
	Monday through Friday	8:00am
	Tuesdays (school year)	9:00am
	1st Saturday	8:00am
CONFESSION	Saturday	3:00pm-4:00pm
	1st Thursday	6:00pm
	1st Friday	12:00pm
	1st Saturday	8:30am
	3rd Thursday	6:00pm
ADORATION	1st Thursday	6:00pm
	1st Friday	9:00am-Midnight
	3rd Thursday	6:00pm
ROSARY	1st Saturday	8:30am
	4th Wednesday	6:00pm
ST. PEREGRINE DEVOTION	3rd Thursday	7:00pm

*St. Joseph Parish humbly honors our Lord Jesus Christ
by sharing in divine worship, spreading the Gospel, and
serving others' corporal needs with joy, hope and new life.*

MASS INTENTIONS *

Saturday March 30, 2024

7:30pm Don McCoy by Denny Hachenberg & Sheila McCoy
Phil Bauer by Dan Morrissey
Linda O'Neill 1st Anniversary by Dorothy Ormsby
Geraldine Byar by Lori Siadek
Claudia Toldness by Donna Banas

Sunday March 31, 2024

8:30am People of our Parish
10:30am John Keigher by Judy Bunte
Mary Luzbetak by Tim & Mary McGrath
Thomas Family by Thomas Family
All Marriages by Thomas Family
Work for Immaculata Films by Thomas Family

Monday April 1, 2024

8:00am Bob Berg Birthday by Family

Tuesday April 2, 2024

8:00am Jerry Siadek by Ray Danko & Family

Wednesday April 3, 2024

8:00am John O'Neill Jr. Birthday by Dorothy Ormsby

Thursday April 4, 2024

8:00am Frank Carroll Birthday by Ron & Mary Johansson

Friday April 5, 2024

8:00am Roman Potempa Jr. by Stan Potempa

Saturday April 6, 2024

4:30pm Gladys Kestel by Eleanor Kestel & Family
Dcn. Thomas Edward Fricke by Dcn. Pat & Dorothy Forsythe
Donald & Dolores Lindsey by Fr. John
John O'Neill Sr. Birthday by Dorothy Ormsby
Roscoe Bailey by Barbara Mehmel

Sunday April 7, 2024

8:30am People of our Parish
10:30am Rita's Son by Rita
John Keigher by Jim Elaine Bishop
Jerry Siadek by Susan Hlebasko
Troy Allocco by Family

***MASS INTENTIONS** Offering Mass for a particular intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. A Mass offered for someone is for them to receive special graces. Masses are said for the souls in Purgatory, in memory of the deceased or to honor a birthday or special anniversary. If you would like a Mass, please stop by or call the Parish Office at 815-478-3341 for available dates/times. A stipend for a Mass intention is \$10.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS AT A WEEKEND MASS, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE.

WE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord
And may perpetual light shine upon them.*

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Diane Leff, Patrick Deloian, Diana Sereik, Brian Wellen,
Kristin Wellen, Mariann Whitemiller, JoAnn Hayden,
Sarah Traser, Beverly Landry, Wayne Landry, Jim Bishop,
Elaine Bishop, Mary Pycz, Jane Hosbach, Kathy Ford

SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNING

Sanctuary Candle

Blessed Virgin Mary Candle

Mary Beth Mirock by Gail & Phil Bauer

St. Joseph Candle

Bob Berg by Dan & Kathleen Berg

WE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Matthew Cook, Scott Gerdes, David Newtoff, Christopher
Vavouleas, Teresa (Kozak) Bissonnette, Bobby Dyer, Jeffrey
Merritt, Wade Lander, Mark Keough, Matthew Pirc,
Jack Broderick, Dale Clark, Luke Ruggiero

ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLE INTENTIONS

"Dave & Louise"

*"St. Joseph Parish Office Staff" (through April 30)
"In support of this church and for Danica & Warren
(through April 30)"*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAR. 31, 2024

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

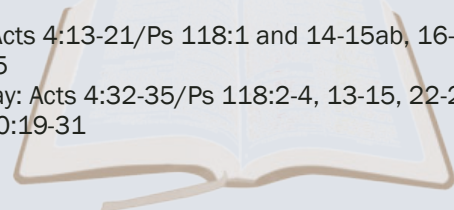
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-
18

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



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION

APRIL: FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Parish Family,

“Christ, our Passover lamb has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us keep the feast!” 1 Cor 5: 7-8

We have come to the highpoint of the Christian year. It is my sincere hope that the solemn rites of the Holy Triduum and the preceding forty days were a powerful experience for you. I pray that with the arrival of this Easter all of us believers will find ourselves renewed in faith, hope, charity and holy freedom. Now we must occupy ourselves with observing, celebrating, and keeping alive this greatest of feasts. While Lent was forty long days, notice that the Easter season is fifty! Our duty and our happiness is to bask in the radiant light of Christ's triumph over sin and death through His Glorious Resurrection. Stay in the light. Linger in His presence. And, do not be afraid to share with your friends and family the reasons for your hope.

He is truly risen as He said. Alleluia.

I pray that you too would be raised up in sure faith and lively hope. Let no doubt of His victory oppress you. Let no fear of being denied your own share in the Resurrection steal your hope. Jesus' blood poured out for us is effective and His rising is true. If we would only persevere in Him by Baptism, Holy Communion, and upright living our share in eternity will be secure. Alleluia.

On behalf of all the parish staff, we wish you and all your loved ones the happiest of Easters. May your hearts be filled with certainty, peace, and happiness.

Yours in Paschal joy,

Fr. Mike



**THE WOMEN OF THE WORD
INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM
IN PRAYING THE
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

**ON THE FEAST OF
DIVINE MERCY
SUNDAY, APRIL 7
3:00 PM**

IN THE CHURCH

“Jesus, I Trust In You!”

(Refreshments to follow)

Jeremiah

FOR BOYS IN GRADES 7-10

Day

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024
MUNDELEIN SEMINARY**



The story of the prophet Jeremiah tells us that it is never too early to think about God's plan for us.

For boys (Grades 7-10) to enjoy a day to grow closer to God and visit a seminary. The activities include a tour of Mundelein Seminary, talks about how God calls us, recreation time and open gym, and Mass.



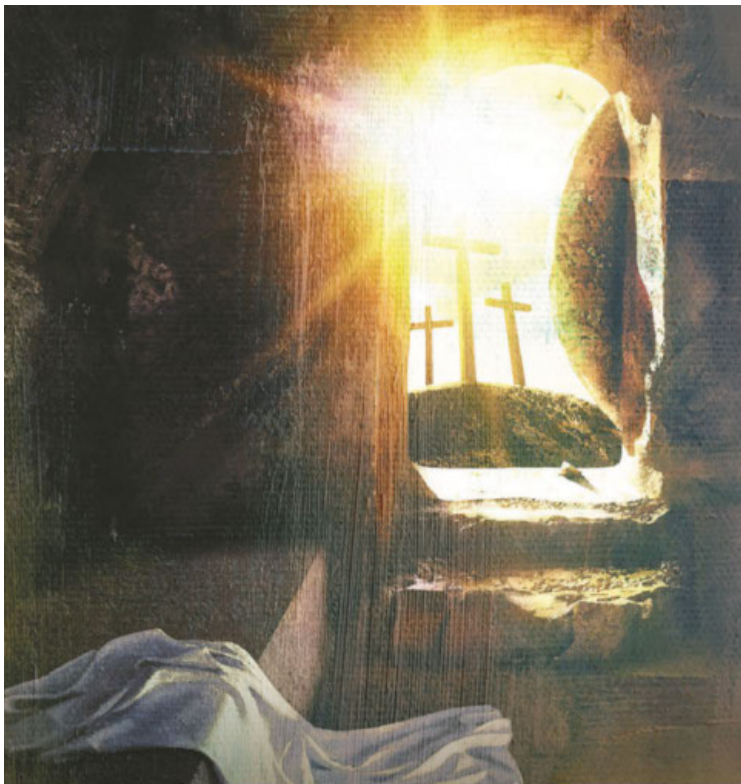
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THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, “They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they put him.” So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. —John 20:1–3

Happy Easter! Our Lord has risen, He has overcome death and He has opened the gates of Heaven to all who believe and receive the gift of salvation. Alleluia! What a glorious day we celebrate!

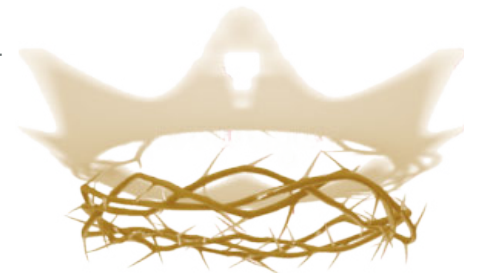
Today’s Gospel concludes by saying, “For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.” This is evident by the initial reaction of Mary of Magdala, Simon Peter and the Apostle John. Mary first thought that someone had taken the body of Jesus and moved it from the tomb. Peter was confused and ran to see for himself. John also went and when he saw the empty tomb, he believed. Eventually, all of the Apostles would come to understand and believe.

The initial reaction to the empty tomb teaches us an important lesson. Though the Resurrection of Christ is clearly known to us today, our knowledge of this glorious event must continually deepen. This is evidenced by the fact that the disciples of Jesus came to understand the Resurrection over time. They did not comprehend His Resurrection when Jesus first taught them about it. They did not fully understand it when they saw the empty tomb. They did not even fully comprehend it when they saw the risen Lord. It was only after they were given the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost that their minds were open to this incredible mystery of faith so that they could begin to penetrate and comprehend this mystery more clearly.

The Resurrection of Christ was a real historical event. But it is also an event that transcends time. It’s an event that must permeate all time and transform every moment of our lives. When Jesus rose from the dead, it was much different than a simple return to life. He did not simply come back to the life He lived before He died. Instead, His resurrected state was a new beginning. He was now different. He was transformed. His body would now never age. It could not die. It could pass through closed doors. This resurrected body of our Lord, which is perfectly united to His divine nature, will remain with Him forever.

The resurrected body of our Lord also made it possible for us to share in His resurrected state. We now have hope that, if we share in His suffering and death, we will also share in His Resurrection. But what does that mean? St. Thomas Aquinas believed that our resurrected bodies will be glorious beyond imagination. We will never age, require no food, never experience illness, be free from all disorders and will live this way forever. Somehow, through our bodies, we will also be able to share ourselves with others in a pure and holy way, communicating to others the love of God alive within our souls. We will have the gift of agility, being able to move from place to place with immediacy simply by thinking it. Our new glorified bodies will manifest the ways that we loved and served God in this world. For example, Jesus’ resurrected body had wounds in His hands, feet and side. But now those wounds radiate His glory and forever testify to His act of perfect love.

Reflect, today, upon the Resurrection of the Savior of the World. As you do, reflect also upon His invitation to share in this new life. Though much of our understanding of the Resurrection of Jesus, as well as our hope of sharing in this resurrected state, will only be understood when we share in it, it is important to place these ideas in our minds so that we have something to anticipate. At the very least, we must know and understand that our sharing in the resurrected state of Jesus is glorious beyond what we can imagine. This is what we celebrate today. And this celebration must fill us with hopeful anticipation of our participation in this glorious new life to come.



My Catholic Life!

L.I.F.E. MINISTRY MTG
1ST WEDNESDAY
APRIL 3
7:00 PM PARISH CENTER

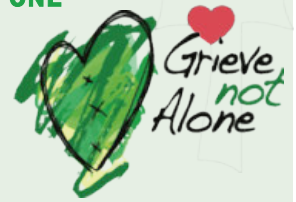


Our meetings are always open to anyone who would like to attend and be a part of a ministry that takes interest in life issues which our Catholic Church teaches morals and sensible attributes relating to life. Please give thought to coming to the meeting.

**LIVING WITH THE LOSS
 OF A LOVED ONE**

SUNDAYS at 6:00 pm
Church Hall (Basement)

January 14, 28
 February 11, 25
 March 10, 24
April 7, 21
 May 5, 26



Contact Jen Christiansen with questions: 815-478-4068.

PRAISE & WORSHIP NIGHT
 1st Thursday In Church

**NOT
 IN
 APRIL**

(See you in May)



**FRIDAY MORNING
 BIBLE STUDY**



9:00 AM † CHURCH HALL

All are invited to join us on Friday mornings To review the readings for the upcoming Sunday liturgy. We all find this very meaningful and informative. If you want to find out more about it, please call the office.



**SIGN-UP BOOK IS IN
 † CHAPEL (WEEKDAYS)
 † CHURCH NARTHEX (WEEKENDS)
APRIL 5**

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION TO
 THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

IN CHURCH

*"...could you not
 keep watch
 with me
 for one hour?"
 --Matthew 26:40*

8:00am	Mass
8:30am	Silent Prayer
9:00am-12:00am	Adoration
9:20am	Rosary
12:00pm	Confession
3:00pm	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
11:45pm	Night Prayer & Benediction

FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY
APRIL 6 -- IN CHURCH

MASS w/Procession of
 Our Lady of Fatima Statue **8:00 am**
CONFESSIONS/ROSARY **8:30 am**

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MARCH
3/ 29
APRIL
4/ 1-5
4/ 14

Good Friday – NO CLASSES **NEXT**

Easter Break
2nd Grade Communion Retreat
10:30-1:30pm

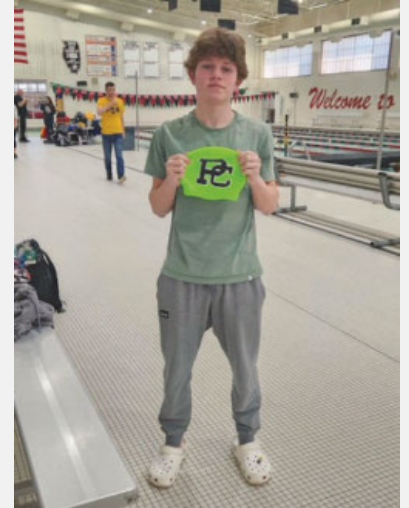


Happy Easter to our school and parish families!

SPORTS CATCH UP!



Congrats to SJS alumni Josh Torri who took 8th place in the 100 yard butterfly and 5th place at the 500 freestyle as a freshman at Providence Catholic sectionals.

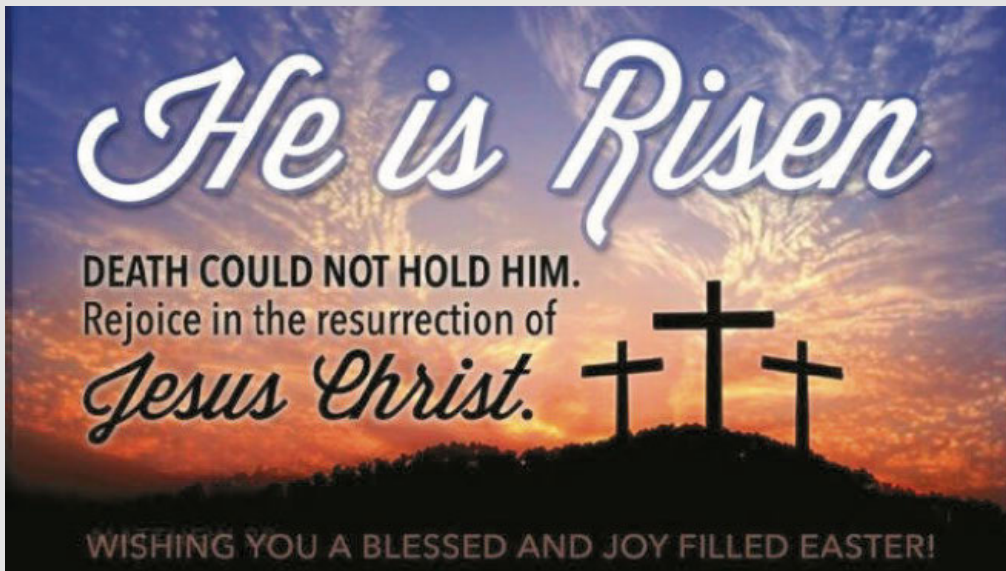


...When your opponent calls and forfeits because they don't have enough players on our 8th grade Spirit Night, and 10+ alumni show up to play against the 8th grade to make their night extra special!! That's St. Joe's/ Manhattan spirit in its finest!!!

RELIGIOUS ED.



Wishing you a blessed & joy-filled Easter!



**Spring Break—
March 26-27**

**Holy Week—
March 26-27**

**Easter Break—
April 1-2**

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

COLLECTION INFORMATION FOR
MARCH 24 WILL BE AVAILABLE
NEXT WEEK.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

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