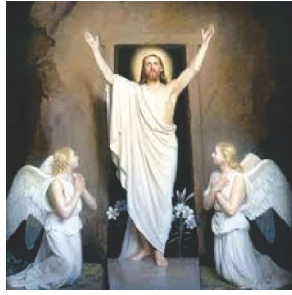


Easter Sunday
Announced Masses for the Week of April 21st , 2019



Sunday, Apr. 21, 2019
9:00 am † Arnold & Blandine Leroux
11:00 am For all parishioners
Monday, Apr. 22, 2019
9:00 am † Nancy Marie Serrao by her estate
Tuesday, Apr. 23, 2019
NO MASS

Wednesday, Apr. 24, 2019

7:00 pm For the intentions of Danny Mackin by Joe & Cathy Healy

Thursday, April 25, 2019

7:30 am For the intentions of Jessica Marinelli by Anna Marinelli

Friday, Apr. 26, 2019

7:30 am For the intentions of Brayden Marinelli by Anna Marinelli

Saturday, Apr. 27, 2019

9:00 am † Patricia McGillis Quaid by Rita Cullen
† Audrey Hewitt by Paul Hewitt

4:30 pm † Don Muldoon by his wife & family
† Greg McDonald by his wife & family

Sunday, Apr. 28, 2019

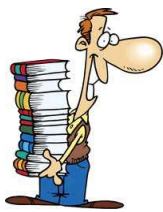
9:00 am † Dr. Carl Morin by Mary Moodie
† Mrs. Heidi Recoski by Joe & Cathy Healy

11:00 am For all parishioners

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43 In his sermon Peter sums up the good news, the Gospel. Salvation comes through Christ, the beloved Son of the Father, and the anointed of the Holy Spirit.

Second Reading: 1 Cor. 5:6b-8 Turn away from your old ways, from sin. Have a change of heart; be virtuous.

Gospel: Jn. 20:1-18 or 20:1-9 Let us ponder this mystery of Christ's rising, and like Christ's first followers be strengthened in our faith.



Booksale: after the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses April 27. Gently used paperbacks are welcome. No need for hardcovers.

Monies raised go to the Bursary Fund for our grade 12 students. All books are just one dollar and donations are always welcome!

Come one, come all! Coffee is served.

The Parish Office is closed Easter Monday.

PASTOR'S EASTER MESSAGE (APRIL 2019)

For centuries, the world has marked the Resurrection of the Lord with eggs. But the Easter meaning of the egg is found in the struggle of the chick to free itself from its confines so as to take flight into the much bigger world beyond it. We struggle to break out of a world that we perceive as going to pieces; we pick away at an existence that leaves us dissatisfied and unfulfilled. The promise of the Easter Christ is that we can break out of our self-contained little “shells” and take flight into a much bigger world: a world where peace and justice reign, a world illuminated by hope and warmed by love, a world that extends beyond time and place into the forever of God’s dwelling place.

[From a meditation by Brother David Steindl-Rast, O.S.B.]

The question asked by the angel of the women on Easter morning is asked of us every morning of our lives: Why do we seek the living among the dead? Why do we expect meaning from what is doomed to nothing? Why do we center our days on things of limited value when God’s love and grace abounds in our lives? Easter is God’s never-ending invitation to freedom, his raising us up from “tombs” of selfishness and fear and anger and hatred. In the light of Easter’s empty tomb, every moment of forgiveness, every triumph of justice over persecution, every insistence of goodness in the face of horrendous evil, every act of compassion (no matter how simple or small) proclaims the good news that Christ is risen. On this Easter Sunday, may we seek to bring such resurrection to the darkness and shadows around us; may we “bury” our own self-interests and wants for the sake of the greater good; may we allow ourselves to “die” in order that God may restore us to life in the wellspring of compassion and mercy that is the Risen Christ.

Fr. Stephen Liang



ARCHBISHOP'S EASTER MESSAGE 2019

“Christ is alive!”

This is how Pope Francis opened his recent exhortation to the youth.

The pope adds, “Jesus is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life.”

This papal message echoes the words the angelic messengers brought to the women who went to Jesus’ tomb that first Easter morning (Luke 24.1–12): “why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen.”

After the Resurrection, Jesus and death are incompatible. Henceforth, Jesus shares eternal life with God. And He offers it to us, who believe.

The “two men in dazzling white clothes” symbolize a new world order. They remind the women that Jesus often spoke of God’s mysterious plan of His suffering and death. “Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again?”

God had fulfilled His promise of resurrection power. Nonetheless, the disciples strain to believe. They probably thought the resurrection was only for the end-time.

On that Easter morning, Peter left the tomb puzzled, for he marvelled that Jesus’ sayings came true.

The linen grave cloths astonished Peter, but he could not yet come to faith. That had to await his encounter with the Risen One later that day. And Peter’s encounter with Jesus transformed him. Peter became more fully alive.

Pope Francis says that such a change can be yours, “Christ is alive and he wants you to be alive! He is in you, he is with you and he never abandons you. When you feel you are growing old out of sorrow, resentment or fear, doubt or failure, he will always be there to restore your strength and your hope.” My Easter wish is that you and your loved ones might allow Christ to come close and work a transformation in your wants and needs. Together, let us share with others this renewed relationship with Christ.

Happy Easter!

Terrence Prendergast, S.J. Archbishop of Ottawa