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EASTER SUNDAY

(We offer the Mass Propers in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

Who can express the joy of Easter Sunday, the Feast of Our Lord's Resurrection? On this most glorious of all days of the liturgical year, the Apostle to the Gentiles exhorts us to purge out the old leaven, or yeast, in order to be a new paste, the bread of sincerity and truth. Both the Apostle and Our Lord know well our weakness, and that our penances of the preceding forty days often leave much to be desired. In a sense, though, it does not matter!

This is the season of Christ's victory over the world, the flesh and the devil, and therefore over our infidelity. Abundant graces are now available to all of us, graces for the renewal of our souls by leaving behind our past sins and imperfections. Let us go to the living water of the grace of Christ, and drink heartily. Let us make concrete changes – a recommitment to daily prayer, especially mental prayer and the Holy Rosary, visits to the Blessed Sacrament, daily spiritual reading, a renewed devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and regular (at least monthly) confession.

God has worked dramatic changes in the lives of his saints, including saints like Mary Magdalene, who sometimes had quite the checkered past before their conversions. He is no less capable of powerfully reforming us as well. Such a transformation will not fail to renew our joy and hope in the promises of God. Dom Guéranger summarizes exquisitely the spirit of this wonderful season in *The Liturgical Year*:

“The Church would, therefore, have us consider ourselves as having already risen with our Jesus, and as having already taken possession of eternal life. The holy Fathers bid us look on these fifty days of Easter, as the image of our eternal happiness. They are days devoted exclusively to joy; every sort of sadness is forbidden; and the Church cannot speak to her divine spouse without joining to her words that glorious cry of heaven, the Alleluia, wherewith, as the holy Liturgy says, (*Pontificale. Rom. In dedicat. Eccles*) the streets and squares of the heavenly Jerusalem resound without ceasing.”

Speaking of joy, some of the attendees of the 7 am Mass caught wind of our planned Easter Egg hunt for next Sunday, April 7 after the 12:30 Mass, and decided they wanted to get in on the fun! There will be an Easter Egg hunt this Sunday after the 7 am Mass. One thing is for sure in Oakland – we're not putting all our eggs in one basket.

The monthly dinner for our Apostolate's Men's Group, the Men of St. Joseph, will be Wednesday, April 10 at 7:15 pm in Fr. Kozina Hall. Join us for a brief spiritual talk on living out our Catholic Faith in the world today, Q&A, and a relaxed, convivial catered dinner. Catholic men need fraternity among themselves, so we hope to see you there! RSVP to Felipe Vásquez: MANofStJoseph@gmail.com or: 510-432-8995.

Enrollment for St. Michael's Patrol is in full swing. The annual California father-son summer camp of the Institute of Christ the King, with participation from the Oakland, San Jose and Tucson Apostolates, has as its primary goal the growth in holiness of each camper and volunteer. The means employed in attaining this end, after of course the Holy Mass (Traditional Latin Rite), prayer and spiritual



The Resurrection of Christ, Gallery of Tapestries, Vatican Museum

conferences, is wholesome summer fun – games and sports, activities in nature, teamwork-building exercises, and nightly campfire entertainment. The dates of the camp are Wednesday, July 24 – Saturday, July 27. Contact Canon Norman by email to RSVP.

Hot off the presses! Sixteen brand new copies of *My Catholic Faith*, a comprehensive traditional Catholic Catechism, have arrived and are ready for purchase. Composed by Bishop Louis LaRavoire Morrow in 1954, this solid manual of Catholic teachings is filled with brilliant explanations and defenses of Catholic teachings, drawing on Sacred Scripture, the Early Church Fathers, reason and Catholic philosophy, and history. Armed with this knowledge, you will be sure to confound the detractors of our holy Faith. Get your copy for the reasonable price of \$25, a fifty-percent discount compared to most online sellers.

A reminder: the seasonal Marian anthem is now the “Regina Caeli”, which also replaces the daily Angelus during Paschaltide: “Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, for the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.”

There will not be a reception this Sunday after the 12:30 Mass. There will however be some light refreshments on the sidewalk. Specifically, the King of Pastries will be served – donuts! How appropriate for the joy of Easter.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun. 3/31	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Easter Sunday The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ <i>1st Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Doug Zeitz
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Canon Michael Wiener
Mon. 4/1	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Easter Monday <i>1st Class / White</i>	Father Staal	Anna Gelo
Tue. 4/2	6:00 pm <i>High Mass</i>	Easter Tuesday <i>1st Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Margaret Britton †
Wed. 4/3	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Easter Wednesday <i>1st Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Phyllis Patterson
Thurs. 4/4	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Easter Thursday <i>1st Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Lermit Diaz
Fri. 4/5	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Easter Friday <i>1st Class / White / First Friday Devotions after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Sergio & Julia Yoc
Sat. 4/6	10:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Easter Saturday (in Albis) <i>1st Class / White / First Saturday Devotions after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Nguyen Thi Ngoc Bach
Sun. 4/7	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Low Sunday "Divine Mercy Sunday" <i>1st Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Fr. Alfonso M. Mararilla †
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Lermit Ramon Diaz Salazar

SACRAMENTS

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each Mass, and also during the Adoration after the 6 pm Mass each Friday. Please contact Canon Norman if you are in need of or have questions regarding reception of any of the Sacraments.

CATECHISM CLASSES

Weekly catechism classes online: Please contact Canon Norman to request the Zoom link.

Youth Class: Tuesdays at 4:00 pm

Adult Class: Saturdays, at 2:30 pm (**Resumes on April 6**)

Prospective Catholics: contact Canon for class times

First Communion Class: Wednesdays, at 4:00 pm

NB: My Catholic Faith is once again available for purchase!

Flocknote: Sign up at icksapoakland.flocknote.com or text "ICKSPOakland" to 84576

PRAYER LISTS *

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Gigi Cunningham	Peter Trong Nguyen
Paulann Dymond	Lianne Claver	Msgr. David Link
Steve Farinano	Marianne Martinez	Angie Gonzalez
Eurydice Buenger	Sylvia Duenas	Catherine Willis
Fil Marquez	Joshua Nascimento	Rick Pawek
Catherine Duenas	Linda Richter	Lillian Jimenez
Diana Henriksson		

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Dario Gonzalez	William M. Williams	Fr. Stan Zak
Nancy Duenas	Canon Fragelli	Ernest Jacob
Louisa Siu	Gabriel Fernandez	Camdan McWright
Mme. Guillemette de Guernon	Count Wolfgang von Waldstein	
Bernadette Moreau	Fr. Prokop Jozef Zboron, OCarm	
Thomas Apple	Alan Wong	Carole Jenkins
Fr. Alexander Snyder		<i>Requiescant in pace.</i>

***Prayer lists:** If you wish to add a name or revise an entry on the prayer lists, please send an email to oakland@institute-christ-king.org. A longer list of the Apostolate's faithful departed is attached to the weekly Flocknote. *Thank you!*

UPCOMING EVENTS AND LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

April 5 & 6—First Friday and First Saturday

April 7—Low Sunday (Children's Easter Egg Hunt after the 7:00am and 12:30pm Masses); Divine Mercy Sunday (plenary indulgence available)

April 8—Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (transferred)

April 10—Men's Group Dinner, 7:15-9:15pm in Fr. Kozina Hall; RSVP to Felipe Vásquez: MANofStJoseph@gmail.com or 510-432-8995

April 14—Good Shepherd Sunday (please support the Seminary!)

THANK YOU!

ALTAR SERVERS, FLORAL TEAM, & THE SCHOLA

Our volunteers from the Floral Team, Altar Servers Corp, and the Sacred Music Schola (and organists!) work hard all year long to support the Sacred Liturgy. They work especially long and hard for Holy Week, which requires many extra hours of extensive preparations. Please offer them your thanks and prayers for their sacrifices and generous contribution of time and talent in the service of God. If you would like to join any of these apostolates in the future to honor Our Lord through the beauty of the liturgy, please contact Canon Norman by email: canon.norman@institute-christ-king.org. God will never be outdone in generosity!

SOCIETY OF THE SACRED HEART NATIONAL RETREAT

This year's National Retreat will take place June 7-8, in Milwaukee *and* at the Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Burlington, Wisconsin. Registration is available now at <https://bit.ly/SSH2024Registration>. A detailed Welcome Letter is included on the site and this week's Flocknote. Have questions? Please send an email to: sacredheart@institute-christ-king.org.

SUNDAY SERMONS AND BULLETINS

Audio recordings of the Sunday sermons and digital copies of the Sunday bulletin can be found at the following links, respectively:

<https://institute-christ-king.org/oakland-sermons>

<https://institute-christ-king.org/bulletins-oakland>