

# CHURCH OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

TO TEACH, TO BUILD, TO SERVE, TO SANCTIFY

246 Dodd St. corner Midland Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey 07017

APRIL 1ST, 2018

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Served by:

**Rev. Frederick A. Pfeifer**

*Pastor*

**Rev. Charles M. Kelly**

*Priest in Residence*

**Rev. Vincent Sebastine**

*Priest in Residence*

**Rev. Jeonghyeon (Andrew) Yoo**

*Priest in Residence*

**Rev. Mr. Leo Woodruff**

*Deacon*

**George Henderson**

*Music Director*

**Marilyn Spesak**

*Parish Secretary*

## SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

### **CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST:**

Saturday Evening: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM

**Weekdays:** 8:00 AM Monday through Saturday in Church

### **SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday: 4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

### **SACRAMENT of BAPTISM:**

Baptisms are scheduled on **Sundays** after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Parents must first register at the Parish Center for confirmation of a date. Parents should be registered members of the church prior to making baptism arrangements. A copy of your child's birth certificate must be presented as well as sponsor certificates for the godparents, if they are not members of the parish.

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Every First Friday of the month, 7PM-12AM in Church.

### **SACRAMENT of MATRIMONY:**

Couples planning to marry should make arrangements with the priest **1 year** in advance of the wedding date.

### **MINISTRY to the SICK and HOMEBOUND:**

If you are hospitalized and would like to be visited by your parish priest, please notify the parish directly. If you are sick or homebound and would like to be visited by a priest, deacon or a Eucharistic Minister to bring you Holy Communion, please call the Parish Center.

### **Divine Mercy Chaplet:**

Saturday after the 8:00 A.M. Mass.

**Parish Membership:** We invite new parishioners to register at the Parish Center. If you are moving, or have an address or phone change, please notify the secretary.

**Parish Website:** [www.hnjeo.org](http://www.hnjeo.org)

**CHURCH ADDRESS:** 246 DODD STREET, EO, NJ 07017

**RECTORY AND PARISH CENTER:** 184 MIDLAND AVENUE, EO, NJ 07017

Parish Center Hours - Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Rectory and Parish Center Phone:** 973-675-4444

**CCD Emergency Phone:** 201-953-5077

**E-mail:** [coholyname@verizon.net](mailto:coholyname@verizon.net)

**Social Services:** 1-800-227-7413

## PASTORAL PONDERINGS

### Background on the Gospel Reading

Each of the four Gospels reports that the women who had been followers of Jesus discovered the empty tomb after his death. Today we read from the Gospel of Mark, which contains the most succinct of all the reports of Jesus' Resurrection in the Gospels.

In today's Gospel, Mark reports the names of three women who go to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body. They are Mary Magdalene, Salome, and Mary, the mother of James. According to Mark, these are the same women who were among those watching Jesus' Crucifixion from a distance. Mark reports that these women were followers of Jesus in Galilee and that they ministered to him. Mark also reports that Mary Magdalene and Mary observed where Jesus' body was laid. After his death, these women come again to minister to Jesus. Mary Magdalene, Salome, and Mary, the mother of James, go to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body. It is clear from Mark's report of their conversation that they had not worked out all the necessary details. They know that a very large stone was used to seal Jesus' tomb, but they do not know how they are going to remove it. When they arrive at the tomb, they find that the stone has already been rolled back. Upon entering the tomb, they meet an angel who tells them that Jesus has been raised from the dead. The angel then recalls Jesus' promise to his disciples that he would go before them to Galilee.

Nonetheless, we can find some hope for the disciples, just as there is hope for us when we find ourselves unsure about Jesus. The disciples in today's Gospel were faithful followers of Jesus and remained present through Jesus' death on the cross. In fact, they came to the tomb that morning expecting to minister to Jesus once again. Instead, they were sent to minister in a different way, as apostles to Peter and the other disciples. Because we hear this Gospel proclaimed today, we know that they honored Jesus by accepting this mission. **Courtesy of loyolapress.com**

#### LITURGY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

**Pastor** – Rev. Frederick A. Pfeifer

**Deacon** – Rev. Mr. Leo Woodruff

**Chairperson** – Deacon Rev. Mr. Leo Woodruff

**Secretary** – Janet Lasher - 973-818-6327

#### Sub-committees:

**Coordinator of Music** – Kathy Yates 973-450-5721

**Coordinator of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** – Sharron Haynes -973-566-0524

**Coordinator of Lectors** – Jean Kuras - 973-743-1940

**Coordinator of Altar Servers** – Donna Daniel – 862-216-1797  
Marva Rudder – 862-216-6690

**Coordinators of Ushers and Greeters** – Mike and Bernice Mulvihill  
973-677-3029

**Coordinator of Devotional Activities (First Friday Devotion, Rosary Society, Altar Society, etc.)** –  
Beverly Mitchell – 973-954-1400

**Coordinator of Church Decorations/Hospitality** – Nita Malazo/Angelita Diaz – 973-634-8546/Donna Daniel - 862-216-1797

**Ministry for the Sick and Homebound** – Mary Ann Bulgia 973-678-6408  
All interested parishioners, please contact the sub-committee coordinator.  
We welcome you to join us.



REQUESTS  
FOR  
PRAYER

**Elizabeth Hegarty, Delano Kimbrough, Ellis Thomas, T.W., Fred Watson, Kevin Watson, Rev. Arthur Jackson, Dorothy Jackson, Helen Hiner, Adrien Marc Gilles, Mary Angela Kunst, Paula Del Vento, Julia Daniel.**



### HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS April 1st, 2018

**Saturday, March 31, 2018**  
**Easter Vigil**

8:00 PM – People of the Parish

**Sunday, April 1, 2018**  
**Easter Sunday**

9:00 AM – Rev. James, Stella,  
Matthew Sr. and Jr. Travers  
By Joan Travers

11:30 AM – Margaret Smith  
1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
By Mary Alice Petzinger

#### Masses For The Week



**Monday, April 2, 2018**

8:00 AM – Mike Viray  
Birthday Memorial

**Tuesday April 3, 2018**

8:00 AM – Harry and Katherine  
Ducat

**Wednesday, April 4, 2018**

8:00 AM – Marianne Morrissey  
By Toomey Family

**Thursday, April 5, 2018**

8:00 AM – Rev. Monsignor Thomas  
A. McCarthy

**Friday, April 6, 2018**

**First Friday**

8:00 AM – Josephine Dominguez  
7:00 PM – Victims of Parkland  
School Shooting

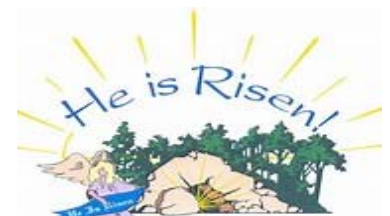
**Saturday, April 7, 2018**

8:00 AM – Marie Laurence Saturne  
Birthday Blessings  
5:30 PM – Edward Spahle  
By Roseanne and Jim Mulhearn

**Sunday, April 8, 2018**

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

9:00 AM – Deceased Members of  
The Forrester Family  
By Joyce Forrester  
11:30 AM – Ilustrisimo Family





**Monday, April 2, 2018**

Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14,22-23

Gospel: Matthew 28:8-15

**Tuesday, April 3, 2018**

Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:36-41

Gospel: John :20:11-18

**Wednesday, April 4, 2018**

Reading: Acts of the Apostles 3:1-10

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

**Thursday, April 5, 2018**

Reading: Acts of the Apostles 3:11-26

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

**Friday, April 6 2018**

Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:1-12

Gospel: John 21:1-14

**Saturday, April 7, 2018**

Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:13-21

Gospel: Mark 16:9-15

**What the Catechism of the Catholic Church Teaches...**

**What is the saving meaning of the Resurrection?**

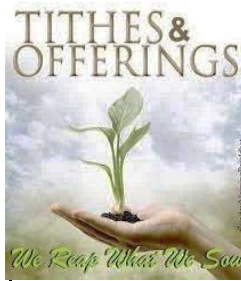
The Resurrection is the climax of the Incarnation. It confirms the divinity of Christ and all the things which he did and taught. It fulfills all the divine promises made for us. Furthermore the risen Christ, the conqueror of sin and death, is the principle of our justification and our Resurrection. It procures for us now the grace of filial adoption which is a real share in the life of the only begotten Son. At the end of time he will raise up our bodies.

**What is the condition of the risen body of Jesus?**

The Resurrection of Christ was not a return to earthly life. His risen body is that which was crucified and bears the marks of his passion. However it also participates in the divine life, with the characteristics of a glorified body. Because of this, the risen Jesus was utterly free to appear to his Disciples how and where he wished and under various aspects.



(CCC 651-655, 658,645-646)



**COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY**

**March 25th, 2018**

**STEWARDSHIP COLLECTION - \$1,854.00**

**Thank You for Your Faithful Giving!**

**Luke 6:38-39 - Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap.**

**SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS APPEAL**

We have been assigned a goal of \$16,551 for this year's Sharing God's Blessings Appeal. As of this week we have pledged \$9,898, which is 60 percent of our goal and sent in \$8,223, which is 50 percent. Thank you so much for your continued generosity to our Archdiocese.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Next Sunday, April 8 is Divine Mercy Sunday. Adoration and confession will take place at 2PM, followed by the Divine Mercy chaplet at 3PM.

**COMMUNION BREAKFAST**

Breakfast will be served after the Masses on Sunday, April 15.

**NEXT WEEKEND COLLECTION**

Next weekend the second collection will help defray the Parish's energy costs.

**50/50 DRAWING – PLEASE NOTE!**

We have just received word from the Archdiocese that 50/50 tickets can no longer be mailed; however, with your written permission we can. Please call the office for details. Also, we will have envelopes at the exits with 5 tickets in each; you may pick them up at any of the Masses. The next 50/50 drawing will be held on Tuesday, May 2. If you wish to be a sponsor please call the office with your intention. The stipend is \$100.

**MASS INTENTION BOOK**

The 2018 Mass intention book will be in the Sacristy at all the weekend Masses if you wish to reserve any.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

The sacrament of Reconciliation will take place on Saturdays from 4:30 to 5:00 PM or when you see Father Fred.

**Pilgrim Virgin – HNJ Home Visitation Program**

Parishioners are invited to participate in the "Home Visitation Program". Bi-weekly the HNJ Prayer Group moves the image of the Blessed Mother, referred to as the Pilgrim Virgin, from home to home. The Group or at least one member thereof (optional), will bring the Pilgrim Virgin to your home, pray the Rosary and leave her with you for the next two weeks. The only obligation is that you (your family) pray the rosary daily in her presence during this time that she remains in your home. The Group or a member will then return to your home, pray the Farewell Prayer and take her to another home until all homes are visited. This is strictly a pilgrimage and no social activity is required.

# Easter Sunday Meditation

By Fr. Rick Ganz, SJ

The text we consider this Easter weekend is John 20:1-10. How would you describe why Peter and John are *running* and *leaning* towards the empty tomb? Will you, can you, slow down – not run on by to your next thing – and think about this? “For they did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead.” (John 20:9 NABRE)

John was one who always caught on, whose capacity to guess at what Jesus meant was greater than that of any of the other disciples ... except perhaps Mary of Bethany. John loved Jesus by understanding Him – *look at those eyes*. Peter was he who often did not catch on – *look at those eyes*, but who moved toward Jesus anyway, wanting to stay near Him. Peter loved Jesus while misunderstanding him. Both are running and leaning towards the tomb, but with such different things happening, and hiddenly, within each!

Such a consciousness expresses itself when people say or think, “If I do this good thing, then I will earn a grace from God ... Who promised in justice (!) to deliver it to me if I act in this way.” (We like to remind God what He owes us ... except when we fail Him.) And just as often, “If I do this bad thing, then God in justice will do that bad thing to me.” Or worse, “I am sure glad that I have understood and am doing my life correctly, because God in justice is (happily?) going to punish those who, unlike me, are bad, or who do not care as much as I do.” What a terrible, even lethal, mess such ways of understanding God create in us and in our churches!

It is worth our thinking long and hard about this.

*Jesus cried out and said, “Whoever believes in me believes not only in me but also in the one who sent me, and whoever sees me sees the one who sent me. I came into the world as light, so that everyone who believes in me might not remain in darkness.*

What we have earned, to be honest, is death by our complicity in His – “Crucify him!”; what we have earned is to be forgotten by God – “But Peter denied it saying, ‘Woman, I do not know him’.” (Luke 22:57). Yet what Christ freely gave us was unearned access to His Father, what could not be earned or deserved, or ever imagined as possible by an “earning” consciousness.

The justly famous Easter proclamation, the Exsultet, captures with crystalline luminance the moment when sheer grace has begun to obliterate the persistent language of “earning” or of “deserving.” Never in any Christian literature do we see the verb “earned” so magnificently undermined, and so beautifully intoned by a single, clear voice raised in the darkened church at the Easter Vigil, on the first Sunday after the first full Moon after the vernal equinox:

*O wonder of your humble care for us!*

*O love, O charity beyond all telling,*

*to ransom a slave you gave away your Son!*

*O truly necessary sin of Adam,*

*destroyed completely by the Death of Christ!*

*O happy fault*

*that **earned** so great, so glorious a Redeemer!*

*Happy Easter, O children of Adam and Eve; awaken you children of God!*

*This is the night*

*of which it is written:*

*The night shall be as bright as day,*

*dazzling is the night for me,*

*and full of gladness.*