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He is Risen!
Alleluia, Alleluia

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION



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, Christ 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!

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.

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? Saint 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.

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 resurrection 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 resurrected Lord, Your Sacred Body and soul are forever united as one in a new and glorified way. You now invite all of us to share in Your suffering and death in this life, so that we can share in Your Resurrection. Please fill my mind with understanding of this gift in order to fill me with hope so that I will work tirelessly for that day on which I hope to share in Your Resurrection. Jesus, I trust in You.



Parish office is closed on Easter Monday, April 21st

Tuesday, April 22

8:00 am + VIRGINIA BRAGA & FAMILY - Fatima

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Wednesday, April 23

1:00 pm – Prayers for the Sick - everyone welcome. Please enter through parking lot side door.

7:00 pm Mass + SOULS IN PURATORY

+ ANITA FIGUEIREDO – her parents and family

+ JOSEPH CSERGO – Ildiko and Robert

+ MARIA MOURA daROSA – Maria DaSilva

+ FRANCISCO daROSA – Zelia B.

+ DECEASED FAMILY OF Silvino and Maria Chaves

CONFESSIONS at 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6pm to 7pm

Thursday, April 24

8:00 am + DON ARTHUR – Phyl and Mike

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Friday, April 25

8:00 am + JAN JAGIELLOWICZ - Yolanta

CONFESSIONS at 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 – 9:30 am

Saturday, April 26

CONFESSIONS at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

5:00 pm + DIMAS DIAS – Suzy

+ JOSE MONTEIRO & FAMILY – Fatima

+ SIZALTINA & VIRGINIO FERREIRA – Laudalina

+ NANCY FERNANDES – her family

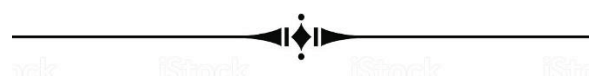
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Sunday, April 27 – Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00 am + HARRY & JOSEPHINE STRYBOSCH

11:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners

CONFESSIONS: 8:00 to 8:45 am and 10:15 am to 10:45 am





Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Over the next few weeks, students of our parish will be receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. Please keep these children, and their families, in your prayers as they prepare to receive our Lord in the Eucharist.

St. Anne School	Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 1:00 pm
St. Vincent School	Saturday, May 3, 2025 at 1:00 pm
Holy Spirit School	Saturday, May 10, 2025 at 1:00 pm

Save the Date: Saturday May 31 Prepare to Save a Life

St. Ambrose Parish will host a one-day Emergency First Aid with Child/Adult **CPR training course** provided by HeartZap Safety Training on Saturday May 31, 9am to 4pm. Upon completion of this program, you will be confident to assist when someone is injured, choking, or experiencing a heart attack. Learn to be prepared!

Registration required. Contact the parish office for cost and further information. **Current parish volunteers will receive a discounted price.**

Just a reminder... on the last weekend of each month the St. Vincent de Paul Society have their donation boxes at the church exits. Your financial support of those in need is greatly appreciated! There are requests from families and individuals almost daily asking for help with food

Mom & Tots Pray & Play: Do you want to introduce your child/children to Eucharistic Adoration? Would you like some quiet time praying with Jesus at the Blessed Sacrament? If so, this program is for you. Bring your children to adoration, and when you're ready you can drop them off to enjoy supervised play with other children for the remaining time while you adore alone. This will be held the LAST Monday of each month from 10:00-11:30am in the Adoration Chapel and Children's Liturgy room at St. Ambrose Church. Registration is required, please email momtotsprayplay@gmail.com Please register for the upcoming date of **Monday, April 28.**

Knights of Columbus Meeting

The next Knights of Columbus Galt Council # 2184 meeting will be held at **1:00 pm on Friday, April 25** at St. Patrick Church in the parish hall. All men 18 years of age and older are invited to attend.



Divine Mercy Hour: Sunday, April 27

3:00 pm in the Church. Join us for music and praying of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Everyone welcome!

"A Biblical Walk Through the Mass."

Join us for this series, which begins May 8th at 7 PM, in St. Ambrose Church Hall.

This study is published by Ascension Press and narrated by Dr. Edward Sri, a respected theologian, international speaker, and author.

The program spans five weeks and will provide an in-depth examination of the Mass, focusing on the Eucharist, scripture readings, prayers, and gestures.

The cost for the textbook and workbook is \$40.

Please register by Sunday, April 25, so we can order the books for you. To register, please contact Barb at the church office or Deacon Paul and provide your contact information.

What is the charism of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul?

The vocation of the Society's members, who are called Vincentians, is to follow Christ through service to those in need and so bear witness to His compassionate and liberating love. Members show their commitment through person-to-person contact. Vincentians serve in hope. No work of charity is foreign to the Society. **If you would like to assist as a volunteer, please leave your name and phone number at 519-623-8764**

Just a reminder – there is no youth group here on Monday, April 21st.

Prayer For Those Who Care for the Sick

Lord God, by the grace of our baptism, You have given us new life in Christ and called us to serve as pilgrims of hope. We pray in thanksgiving for those who have responded to Your call to care for the sick. We praise You for the healing gifts You give to our healthcare providers: our doctors, nurses, personal support workers, pastoral care ministers and family members who accompany the sick with compassion. Through their varied ministries, may they touch the hearts of all in our community who long for the hope, born of our Christian faith, that never disappoints. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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