

## 4, 5 April 2015 \* Sunday of The Glorious Resurrection



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### Resurrection Sunday

**“The Eastern Rites are the Treasure of the Catholic Church”**

Pope John XXIII

**Liturgies:** Saturday 4:00 p.m., \* Sunday 10:00 a.m. \* Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. in the St. Jude Chapel  
The Miraculous Medal and the St Jude Novenas are on Tuesday following the 9 a.m. Liturgy

**Sick Calls:** To receive the Eucharist and/or the Anointing of the Sick, Please call Fr. Larry.

**Confessions:** A Half-hour before all scheduled Liturgies, emergencies, and by appointment.

**Baptisms:** Call the Office

**Marriage:** Call the Office **6 months** before you finalize a date for your wedding and book your reception.

\***Suggested donation** for the Sanctuary Candles, St. Jude Chapel \$20, St Joseph Church \$20, for the Altar Bread, \$25, and the Wine, \$25.  
Suggested offering for Liturgies: \$10 for weekdays - \$15 for weekends.

<b>Choir Director:</b> Fefa Deeb	<b>Sacristans:</b> Theresa Nemer & Laurie Nale	<b>Parish Secretary:</b> Paula Mitchell
<b>Teachers</b>	<b>DRE:</b> 3-5 <sup>th</sup> Lenore Boles, K-1 <sup>st</sup> Rosanna Joseph, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jane Lee	
<b>Parish Council:</b>	Sheila Bonenfant, Lisa Grard, Lowell Hawes, Rosanna Joseph, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, Aaron Rowden, & Elizabeth Wilson	
<b>Ex-officio:</b>	Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus	

## *Christ has Risen! He truly has Risen!*

### **Mark 16:1-8**

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him.

But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

### **Dear Parishioners and Friends:**

Faith is a gift from God, finding an empty tomb does not prove Jesus was raised from the dead. The first impulse was that someone stole the body. In a variety ways, with different details presented in each of the four Gospels, each drew the same conclusion; His body was not stolen, He was alive and was appearing to many of those who were His followers. It never entered their minds to get together, and come up with a story to convince others that He was now Alive. This is the reality of life, each of us has their own story of how they heard about Jesus, and each has their unique experience to tell how they became convinced that Jesus is the Son of God, risen from the dead.

There are millions who still need to hear about Jesus the Living God and Redeemer of humanity. There are billions who still need to have the experience of personally believing in Him as the promised Messiah and Savior.

The stone did not have to be rolled away for Jesus to escape from the tomb. He now has a glorified body;

nothing material can stand in his way. It is rolled away so we can be aware of the power to remove the heavy obstacles in life that overcome the emptiness, so prevalent in our world. We need to come out of our darkness and discover the fullness of Life found in the Risen Lord. It is important that we are able to go into the tomb, not necessarily the tomb He was buried in, but into our own emptiness. We then discover that we too, are dependent on the power of God to be raised up, and completed through His loving grace and mercy.

Christianity believes that we need a compassionate form of transformation to live eternally with God. We believe we can be restored to exist in peace, and embraced by an all-consuming love.

We don't need proofs that people die, hurt, grieve, and struggle with pain, disappointment, and can be devastated by betrayal. The fact that we can imagine a more perfect world to live in is innate because a perfect world was created for us and our spirit hungers and searches for this place.

Jesus the Son of God entered our world to experience it the way a human experiences life. He can carry our burdens, forgive our sins, and restore our broken lives. The first to experience this is the thief that confessed Him on the cross who then entered Paradise to be with Jesus. The thief who wanted to judge others rather than his self, wouldn't even look at the path to Paradise. The thief who knew he was wrong in the choices he made asked to walk the way of redemption with Jesus.

Jesus knows His message changes the way we exist. In the miracles that He worked, He healed the broken bodies and hearts of whomever He touched. Our bodies can do wondrous things in self-healing and with medicines, but ultimately there comes a time and situation where the body and science can do no more, and to live again comes through Jesus.

The ultimate power is the power that Christ has over death. The Good News is that we don't forever have to suffer the consequences of our actions if we turn away from the wrongs that we do. The power of God's love is that we change our responses to the world that we live in. When the soldiers were arresting Jesus, Peter used his sword to defend Jesus, in doing so; he cut the soldier's ear off. Jesus told Peter, that those who live by the sword die by the sword and then healed the soldier.

In the dramatic events leading to the crucifixion, and resurrection, choices were made to act in fear or faith, make decisions to not follow based on the deeds of followers. Times have not changed. Jesus heals, transforms, forgives, challenges, teaches, rescues, and finally brings us into His safe and protected Kingdom. Our creator still lives!

**Aboona**

## Liturgy Helps:

### **Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:** Easter Env. April 12 Fuel. May 3 Shrine

### **Liturgy: Sunday of the Resurrection**

Entrance chant: Pg. 317, Creed: Pg. 748,  
Anaphora of Twelve Apostles, Pg. 774

**This weeks Songs:** The Song number and page are on the back of the bulletin.

## Liturgy Intentions

**Sat 4 8:00 p.m.**  
**Intentions of the Parish**  
(No choir at this Liturgy)

**Sun 5 10:00 a.m.**  
**Intentions of the Parish**

When the servers go to the side altar, those who will be carrying the gifts may go at this time.

**Tue 7 11:00 a.m. Funeral**  
† **Marilyn (Corey) Miller**

**Wed 8 9:00 a.m.**  
† **Bertha Jensen**  
By Dan & Bernice Hallack

**Thu 9 9:00 a.m.**  
† **Deacon Peter Joseph**  
By Michelle Cothran

**Fri 10 9:00 a.m.**  
† **Bryan Levesgue**  
By Dan & Pam Casavant

**Sat 11 4:00 p.m.**  
† **Gerard Nadeau**  
By The Nadeau Family

**Sun 12 10:00 a.m.**  
† **Yvonne Nemer**  
By John Thomas

**Liturgy Codes:** †= Faithful Departed, SI=Special Intention, BD=Birthday, AV.=Anniversary, H=Health.

## Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,977.00

God bless you for your generosity.

If you are not receiving envelopes and would like to start, please let the office know.

**The 2014 Financial Report is at the two entrances of the Church. Please help your self.**

## Fuel Budget for the 2014 – 2015 Winter:

<b>Fuel Budget</b>	\$20,000.00
Collected last week	\$585.00
Collected previously	\$11,858.00
Total yet to collect	\$(7,557.00)

## April Food Pantry

Variety soups Ravioli  
Jelly Personal care items

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

### PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

*Heal Your servants, who are sick,  
O Lord, and send them help  
And comfort from Your holy place.*

Those who seek our prayers: **Richard Ayoob, Dianne Fjeldheim, Jerry Fortin, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, John M. Joseph, Debbie Leary, Theresa Lee, Dr. Ronnie Marrache, Mary Morneau, Hope Murphy, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin.**

Be sure to let Aboona know if you would like a name added or removed.

### April Devotions - Sanctuary Candles St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

**For All our Soldiers**  
By Doris Labranche

### St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

**For All our Soldiers**  
By Doris Labranche

### Altar Bread and Altar Wine:

**For All our Soldiers**  
By Doris Labranche

**See someone new?** Make them feel at home, and hopefully they will call it their home. There is no such thing as outsiders.

### Thank You - Choir

Thank you **Fefa** and **choir members** who gave that extra time to make sure that the music for Holy Week and Easter were exceptionally inspiring.

### Thank You - Altar Care

Thank you **Theresa Nemer** and **Laurie Nale** for making sure the altar area was prepared for the special services we had over this past week.

### Thank You – Servers of the Altar & Lectors

Thank you for giving of your time, **Subdeacon Steve, Kevin Michaud, Ben & Jake Hodgkin**, and Lectors, **Lila Hallowell, Lenore Boles, Joe Rowden** and **Mary Jo Hodgkin** at the Holy Week and Easter Services.

***Forgiveness is the final form of love.***

~Reinhold Niebuhr

## READERS SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

Philippians 1:1-13 John 12:12-22

**8 p.m.** April 4 Lila Hallowell  
10 a.m. 5 Mary Jo Hodgkin

### New Sunday – Divine Mercy Sunday

2 Corinthians 5:11-21 John 20:26-31

4 p.m. April 11 Lenore Boles  
10 a.m. 12 Joe Rowden

### EVENTS FOR APRIL

#### FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION

Sat 4 8 p.m. Sundown  
Sun 5 10 a.m. Sunday of the Resurrection  
Wed 8 6 p.m. Parish Council Meeting  
Sun 12 Rosary Sodality Meeting  
12 Religious Education  
Sun 26 Lebanese Supper

### Coffee Schedule

Apr 5 Laya Joseph, Rosanna Joseph  
Apr 12 Mary Hawes, Mary Jo Hodgkin

### Religious Education Dates for 2014-2015

4/12, 5/3 May Crowning.

### Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations

A family or an individual takes home with them a devotional of prayers and an Icon to pray for a week for vocations. It is returned at the end of the week and the next individual or family takes it home.

Apr 12 Pearley & Alice Lachance  
Apr 19 Nancy Fairfield  
Apr 26 Larry & Paula Mitchell  
May 3 Lowell & Mary Hawes

27 Ryan & Mary Bard  
29 Randy & Ellen Maroon

### The World Rejoiced – Maronite Hymn

The world rejoiced when the Savior rose in might. Death and Satan were destroyed. ... Let all people sing with joy; he fulfilled the prophecies, and freed Adam from his sin, then ascended to his throne.

## **Song Books are located in the pews.**

**LB=Liturgical Book SB=Song Book**

**Liturgy of the Word: Healing of the Blind Man**

**Entrance Hymn:**

**SB - Pg.48 # 403 Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

**Entrance Chant: LB - Pg. 286**

**Glory: SB - Pg.01 # 02 LGlory**

**Hymn: SB – Pg. 02 # 05 I will Lift**

**Procession Hymn; SB Pg. 48 # 404 Ya-soo**

**Liturgy of the Eucharist – After the (748) Creed**

**Transfer of Gifts:**

**LB – Pg. 750**

**Incense Hymn: SB – Pg. 3 #08**

**Peace Hymn:**

**SB Pg. 22 # 138– Let There Be Peace**

**Anaphora Acclamations after Consecration:**

**when Sung: SB - Pg. 4 # 10**

**Qadeesh SB - Pg. 33 # 160**

**Communion: Joyful Song & Alleluia He is Risen**

**After Communion: Christ is Risen**

**Closing Song: SB - Pg. 47 # 402**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise**

### **Questions regarding the Maronite Traditions**

Over the years I was asked a variety of questions, regarding the Liturgy, here are some samples.

**Does going to a Maronite Liturgy fulfill the Sunday Obligation for a Latin Rite Catholic? Yes.**

## **GOD'S CREATIONS**

The wondrous things God gave us,  
Surround our lives each day.  
His love will always guide us,  
Should shadows fall our way.  
Take time to look around you.  
There is beauty to behold.  
He gave us the seasons four,  
And rainbows dipped in gold.  
He gave us friends, and family,  
Our love is daily shared,  
He fills our days with faith,  
And the comfort of blessed prayer.

*Florence Barclay*

### **A Nun asked her class to write notes to God.**

**Here are some they handed in:**

- Dear God: I didn't think orange went with purple until I saw the sunset You made on Tuesday. That was cool.

- Dear God: Instead of letting people die and having to make new ones, why don't You keep the ones You already have?

- Dear God: Are You really invisible or is it just a trick?

- Dear God: Maybe Cain and Abel would not have killed each other if they had their own rooms. That's what my Mom did for me and my brother.

- Dear God: If You watch me in church on Sunday, I'll show You my new shoes.

- Dear God: I bet it is very hard to love everyone in the whole world. There are only 4 people in our family and I'm having a hard time loving all of them.

- Dear God: In school they told us what You do. Who does it when You are on vacation?

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***“The Catholic Church, East and West,  
breaths as two lungs in the same body”***