

Easter Sunday
April 12, 2020



The Resurrection
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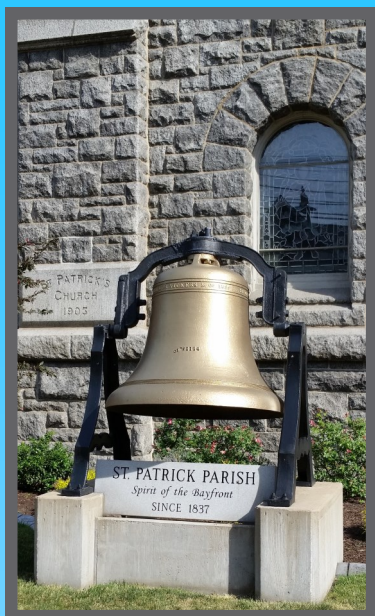
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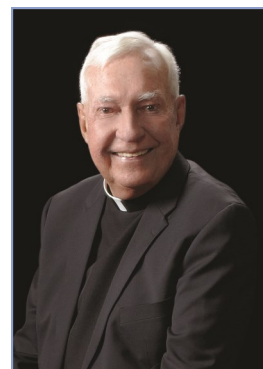
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Saturday Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Holy Day Mass: 12:00 PM

From the Pastor's Desk...



Today is Easter Sunday, one of the most important days of the church year. Beginning today the first reading every day of the Easter season is taken from the Acts of the Apostles. The book begins in Jerusalem where the risen Jesus gives his disciples a commission and a promise before he ascends into heaven. He promises that when they receive the Holy Spirit they are to be his witnesses beginning in Jerusalem and extending to the ends of the earth. Although the majority of the Gentile mission as recounted in Acts is undertaken by Paul, in today's reading we hear a speech given by Peter in the house of the Gentile centurion Cornelius. Peter had a vision which led him to Cornelius' house, something a good Jew like Peter would never do. He speaks about the salvation now brought to the Jews, but continues on to extend it to everyone, Jew and Gentile. This was unheard of.

Christ's resurrection from the dead is the beginning, the foretaste and the source of new life for those who have been immersed into him at baptism. In this baptismal catechesis to the Colossians, Paul explains that everyone who has been baptized into Christ has died with him and has been raised with him. Paul uses the image of the Risen Christ seated at the right hand of God which is an allusion to Psalm 110, a psalm cited some twenty-five times in the New Testament. He tells his audience that, since they are baptized, they must think always of things above. Seeking what is above involves more than engaging in quiet meditation of Christ at God's right hand. Seeking implies a continuous, intense focus on Christ that includes a sustained union with him and imitating his way of life.

In John's gospel, Jesus crucifixion and death occur in the context of the Passover. Now, that feast is no longer mentioned for it is now "the first Day of the week," signaling a new stage in the story. In the early morning of the first day, it is still dark. In John, darkness symbolizes sin, doubt, ignorance. The darkness is on the verge of becoming daylight for Mary and the others. As she sees the empty tomb and runs to Peter, she is

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

still in darkness, her words to Peter show that she has no understanding or expectation that Jesus would rise. Peter is remembered for his denial and John for being a faithful witness at Christ's death. For the beloved disciple, seeing the empty tomb and the burial cloths was enough: "he saw and believed." He believes, even though the evangelist John adds that they did not yet understand. Their darkness will eventually be transformed into joy and understanding so great that they will proclaim it to others who also come to believe.

Allow me the opportunity to wish each of you a Happy Easter and a prayer that you will be able to spend part of it with people you love.

I will again be hosting our bridal couples for an evening at the rectory. It's not any type of instruction or anything like that; simply a casual evening with drinks and dinner as an opportunity for me to get to know them a bit better and to welcome them to St. Patrick's Parish. Any more the majority of our bridal couples live out of town while their families are members here, and so they are not able to join for the dinners. While Calamari's caters the meal, I'm grateful to some volunteers from the parish who serve and clean up. Given the present circumstances, I don't know when—or if—we will be able to schedule those dinners this year.

Although we've already had 3 weddings this year, now we go into high gear. In addition to our own weddings, we have tried to accommodate some couples from the cathedral as the center aisle of the cathedral is full of scaffolding as part of the 2 year, \$4 million restoration that is underway there. Fr. Michael Ferrick, rector of the cathedral, will be here to celebrate those weddings.

I have to add a note for brides to consider in planning their wedding. The nicest weddings I have are the instances when the bride and groom have no more than a bridesmaid and a best man. When a bridal party includes eight and ten attendants on each side, the attention is drawn away from the bride and groom to all of the hoopla that surrounds them. Nicest weddings are when the attention is totally on the bridal couple.

We have weddings on both Friday evening and Saturday. If it's a Friday evening wedding, about 95% of guests come to church as they are going

straight to a reception. If it is a Saturday wedding at either 2 or 2:30, only about 60% of guests come to church because of the long gap between the wedding and the reception. Friday evening weddings can be at any time, though they are usually around 6 PM. Saturday weddings have to be a set time so that we can accommodate a funeral as well as confessions and the Vigil Mass.

The German Bishops Conference has elected Limburg Bishop Georg Batzing as president. In his acceptance speech he positioned himself as a reformer, including a lifting of mandatory celibacy for priests. He was also critical of the exclusion of women from ordained ministry positions in the church. He went on to say that we need to arrive at "a new evaluation of same-sex relationships" which were seeking acceptance and support from the church. Pope Francis named Batzing bishop of Limburg in 2016 to succeed Bishop Tebartz-van Elst, who stepped down amid a major controversy over the \$31 million-euro cost of his new residence.

Latin American bishops are preparing to ask Pope Francis for permission to ordain married priests. The pope himself, in a response to a recent Synod on the Amazon region, did not mention the bishops request for the ordination of married men but told them to "make concrete proposals." Some Catholic commentators had felt that since the pope did not mention married clergy in his response to the Synod, that he had ruled it out. However, the leading cardinals and bishops who participated in the Synod say the opposite is true and so they are requesting that they be allowed to ordain proven married older men to the priesthood. They are also asking that women be admitted to the ordained diaconate as was the case in the early church. They cited the change that Pope Francis has made in allowing divorced and re-married Catholics to receive communion.

Some thoughts on the Coronavirus. "I'm either coming out of this quarantine 20 pounds lighter and a house full of completed craft projects or... 20 pounds heavier with a drinking problem." "Our cleaning lady just called and told us she will be working from home and will send us instructions on what to do." "My wife and I just had an hour long conversation. She's really nice, apparently she works in the medical field. Also, TVs are black when they are off." "This virus must be wrecking India. I haven't had one phone call in 3 days about my extended car warranty."



Saint Patrick News



*The Sanctuary Lamp
burns in loving memory of
Bill Dougherty
from Pauline Osmer*

MARRIAGE MOMENTS—



April 22 is the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. Pick one day this week to especially enjoy creation together. Take a hike, plant something, gaze at the moon and stars. Be creative together.

We continue to thank those who make special donations to our parish and we pray for those people in whose memory and honor the donations were made:

Donations were made to **The Restoration Fund** in memory of **Pete Ciacchini** from Dan & Mary Ann Tempestino and Mollie Sweeney.

Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

Donations made to the Food Pantry were made in memory of:

- ♦ **Rosemary Kaveney** from Mary Beth Abbott
- ♦ **Jeffrey Bomba** from Mom, Dad, Megan, Luke, Ben, Delainey and Norah
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Please call **Mary Alice Hartwell** at **454-5908** to have your prayer intentions placed on our joint parish prayer wheel. Please be assured that your prayer requests will be treated with respect and confidentiality.



Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments Child Abuse Prevention Month: Be Vigilant

It is vitally important that we are constantly vigilant concerning the behaviors of those who interact with children. And we must always communicate our concerns to the appropriate parties. Sometimes this means communicating our safety concerns to our children. And sometimes this means communicating our concerns about seemingly inappropriate behavior to those who are in a position to intervene. Parents must also listen carefully to their children and observe both their children's activities and the behavior of older children and adults who interact with them. When children exhibit dramatic behavioral changes, adults must find out what caused the changes. Being aware of what's happening with our children means talking to, listening to. And observing them—at every opportunity. Visit <https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/> to see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environment for children and youth

A Family Perspective—

Today's gospel tells us that several arrived to discover the tomb in which Jesus was buried was now empty. What does an empty tomb mean for your family? Failure, loss, defeat? Or victory, life and resurrection? Scripture says that he "had to rise from the dead." Families, too must rise above disappointments and be Easter people all year!



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Carol Cicero	IMO Raymond, Pearl & Jimmy Cicero
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Carolyn Crehan	IMO Rosemary Crehan, Glann Askey
Kevin & Mary Cuneo.....	IMO Gene & Pat Cuneo
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