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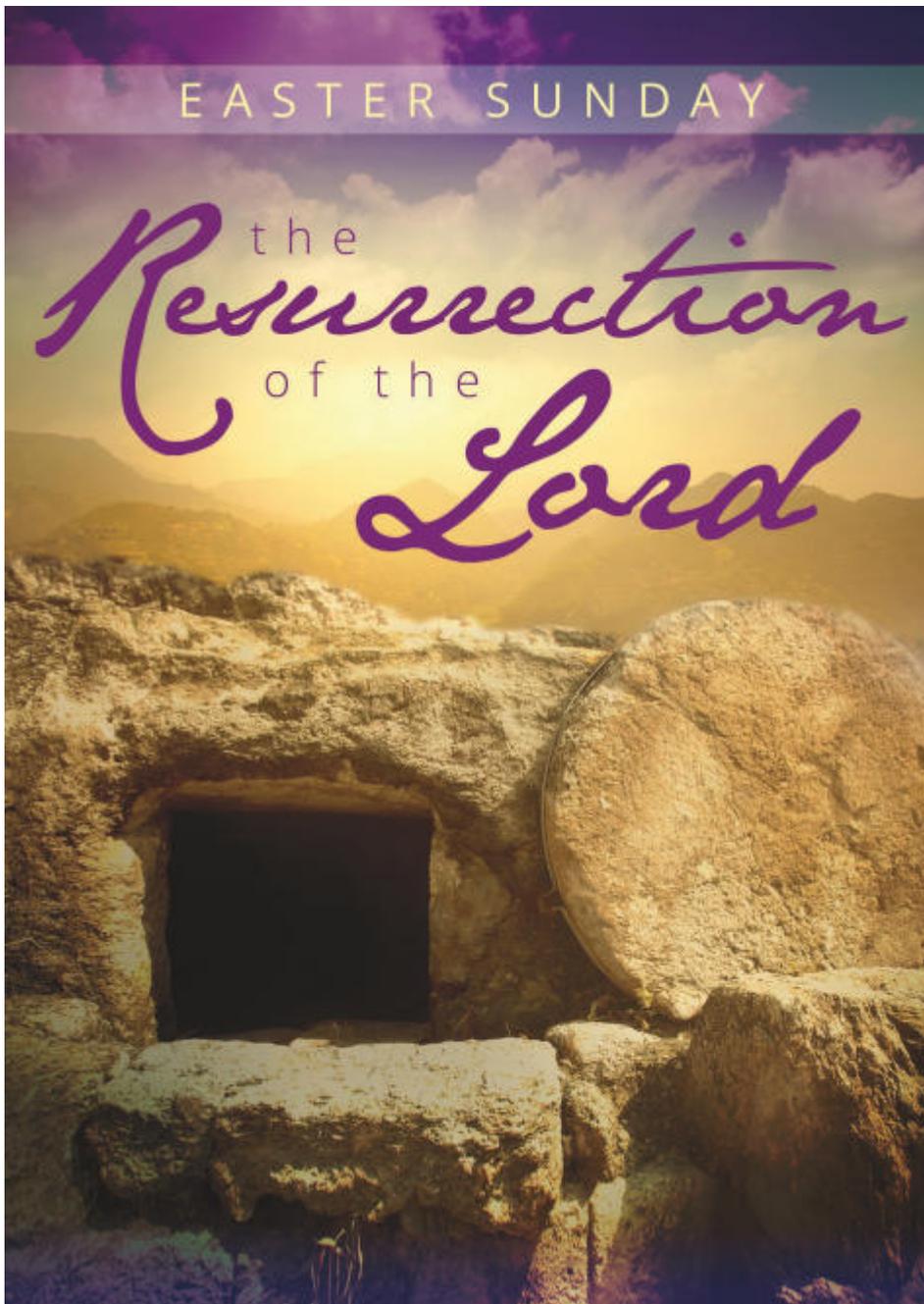
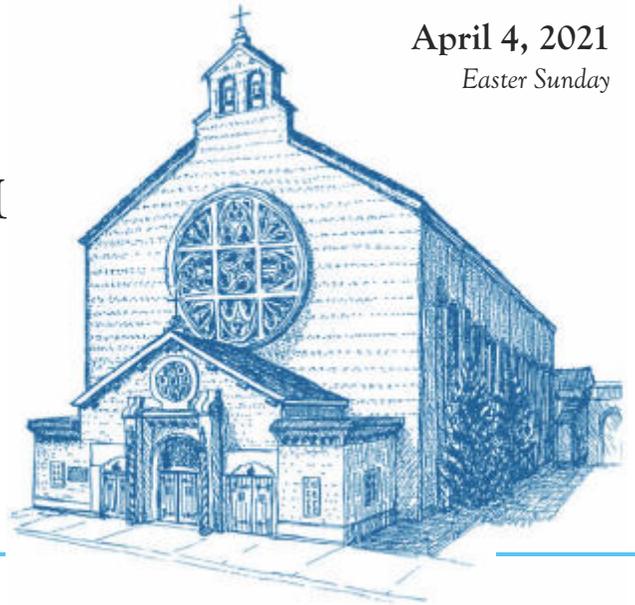
April 4, 2021

Easter Sunday

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Saturday

4:00 pm (English)

6:00 pm (Vietnamese)

Sunday

7:30 am (Vietnamese)

9:30 am (English)

11:30 am (Vietnamese)

1:30 pm (English)

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Easter Sunday – Year B

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We have journeyed together through the season of Lent, a special time of prayer, penance, sacrifice and good works. This past week our parish community commemorated the Passion and Death of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Today we are rejoicing with the Universal Church. This is the day of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ! We joyfully proclaim together: Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!

Our Lenten journey has brought each of us, whether in small ways or in large ways, closer to Jesus and experienced His love and forgiveness. So now we are ready! Now we can share in the joy of Easter, in Jesus' triumph over death. Indeed, through Jesus' death and resurrection the power of darkness was defeated. We are God's children. We are allowed to share in the new life of the Risen Lord, and we are called to bring the Good News to others.

The new life of the followers of the Risen Lord is not lived by staying in a corner to carve a road which takes us into heaven, but it's a dynamic that encourages one to stay on the path that was traced out for us. That is to live and proclaim that Christ has reconciled us to God by his death and resurrection.

Let us encourage each other to faithfully live out our faith – offer up our daily activities as a sacrifice to the Lord.

Happy and Holy Easter!

Fr. Phi Nguyen

The word "REJOICE!" is written in a highly decorative, calligraphic font. Each letter is filled with a different color and has a multi-colored, wavy border that gives it a sense of movement and joy. The colors include shades of red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple. The exclamation point is also stylized and colorful.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
RITE OF ENROLLMENT

Congratulations to all the First Communicants and Confirmandi and their families who participated in the Rite of Enrollment at the 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Masses on Sunday, March 21. Holy Child Jesus Parish is committed to the religious and spiritual education of all of our young people. We appreciate the support of all of our youths' family and friends.

Deacon Joseph and his team of catechists and volunteers have done an amazing job of getting these young people ready for their First Communions and Confirmations. Let's keep all of those preparing for the sacraments in our prayers.

COLLECTION REPORT

March 28, 2021

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| Sunday Envelope Budget | \$8,942.00 |
| Sunday Envelope Actual | \$3,740.50 |
| Loose Money | \$7,278.93 |
| Total Collection | \$11,019.43 |
| Variance | \$2,077.43 |
| Weekly Budget Amount | |
| Envelopes Used | 75 |

LENTEN SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

God's love and care for us was manifested in a special way at Holy Child Jesus Parish on Sunday, March 21 when almost three hundred people received the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of our mutual Lenten pilgrimage.

Thank you to the priests who gave their time to be with us. Thank you to the volunteers who made this event run smoothly.

Thank you to God who was with us in a special way.



HAPPY EASTER!

May the unified parish of Holy Child Jesus continue to come together in our diversity and our unity. We are truly one, united through Christ with each other, through our faith, our worship, our works, and, above all, through the Eucharist. We will do whatever we can to bring the Kingdom of God to fulfillment on earth.

Happy Easter!





The exclamation rings out across the land, and we who are disciples of Jesus Christ pause to reflect on the reality that he rose from the grave and, in turn, conquered death. In today's colleges and universities, in pulpits of every denomination, and in books and journals, there are those who say it is unimportant whether or not he really rose from the dead. They say that the facts do not impact the moral of the story. Of course, two thousand years of Christianity give evidence that they are incorrect. What the faithful of many generations have experienced and given testimony to is not something built on an idea. It is not a philosophy or a self-help psychology.

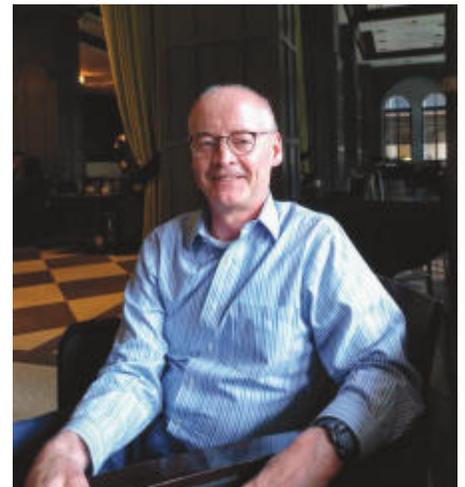
The church is a direct result of real events in the course of human history. Without those real events, we simply follow a man who showed us a different way to live. Instead, we follow a God who emptied himself into a human form, suffered the pain of torture and death at the hands of those he had created, and then shattered the chains of death so that we in our human form may follow suit. Today, humanity is redeemed. It is time to face the facts!

PARISH COUNSELING PROGRAM

Our Parish Counseling Program provides confidential, nurturing and goal-oriented support for parishioners who've experienced depression, anxiety, grief or other challenges. Counseling can be helpful when you:

- feel more sad or anxious than you want to feel
- have lost a job or struggle with problems at work
- experience difficult feelings because of COVID-19
- have challenges with relationships
- have experienced the loss of someone close
- have trouble adjusting to change or transition
- desire a closer relationship with your spouse or partner
- want to bring a new sense of purpose and meaning to your life

Counseling services are provided by Mike McCauley, MA, LPC, who is a Licensed Professional Counselor and a psychotherapy resident at Claret Center. Spanish-language counseling is available from Aleja Sastoque, who is a psychotherapy intern at Claret. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, please contact Mike at 773-234-4640 or mikemccauley.claret@gmail.com. You can also visit Mike's Web Profile [at this link](#).



CYCLES OF FAITH

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Who are you? This question was most assuredly asked of Jesus on the day of resurrection and it is a question asked of each of us. Our identities can be described in so many ways. We can start with our gifts and our talents, expertise and unique personality expressions. We can describe things we like and things we prefer to set aside. As descriptive and captivating as these can be, none come close to our essence, our real and true self. While accurate in their own right, the self who lives and interacts with the world is the self we want others to see, the one we project. But there is much more to us just as there is much more to Jesus.

Jesus could describe himself based on all of the same criteria we use for ourselves. After all, Jesus is totally human. With all that people witnessed and all that Jesus knew about his physical human self, his divinity also shined forth. There was so much more to know about him. Whereas once Jesus was transfigured on top of a mountain before his disciples' eyes, so today he is transfigured before our eyes as he reveals his resurrected self as the Christ. Alleluia, Christ is risen! His glorified presence stands before us showing us that we are all much more than we see ourselves to be and show to others. We have a depth, purpose, and essence that go way beyond the superficial treasures of our existence to the very core of who we are.

Within each one of us is a spark of Divine Love where creature and Creator meet, and we are known uniquely by the name God whispers to us. It is not the earthly name that was given to us but the one that flows from Divine Power and claims us as one who is special and chosen in God's eyes. This is the self that will rise one day with the eternal Christ of God and live eternally as God provides. This is the self that when free from all superficial constraints layered upon it in this life can discover and know freedom in a way never possible before. This is love lifting us up and transforming us into who we really are, not who we want or need ourselves to be. Who are you? A special, unique child of God who has been fashioned in God's image, sustained by the power of God's love and kept eternally with the Blessed Trinity in heaven. Get to know this deeper, truer self as it is who you really are.



Readings for the week of April 4, 2021

- Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35
- Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48
- Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15
- Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3

REST IN PEACE

Our blessed Lord has called home **Hilferay McGhee, Jr.** and **Merly Grenee** for whom we promise our prayers that they may live in joy in His presence.



SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Arrangements should be made at least three months in advance.

Baptism: Sunday, 3:00 pm

2nd in English
3rd in Vietnamese

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:00 - 3:30 pm

1st & 3rd in English
2nd & 4th in Vietnamese

R.C.I.A

Program/Process for adults interested in the Catholic Faith (Sept.-April). Call the Rectory for information.

HOLY HANDS

Call the Rectory office for assistance.

6 WORSHIP CALENDAR

MASS INTENTIONS

Easter Sunday, April 4

Resurrection of the Lord

Vietnamese

7:30 am Xin cầu theo ý nguyện người xin
Cầu cho linh hồn Maria và Phaolô

English

9:30 am Barbara Isaacson
Julita & Crispin Trovela
Juanito & Irinea Tiongson
Ann Donohue
Christopher Murtaugh
Hilteray Mc Ghee

Vietnamese

11:30 am Cầu cho linh hồn Rosa Phạm Thị Lượ.
Cầu cho linh hồn Albert Ba Hầu

English

1:30 pm Rafael Florentino

Monday, April 5

8:00 am Cầu cho linh hồn Anna Huỳnh Thị Kính.

Tuesday, April 6

8:00 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

Wednesday, April 7

8:00 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

Thursday, April 8

8:00 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

Friday, April 9

8:00 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

Saturday, April 10

8:00 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

English

4:00 pm Ann Donohue

Vietnamese

6:00 pm Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

Sunday, April 11

Divine Mercy Sunday

Vietnamese

7:30 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

English

9:30 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

Vietnamese

11:30 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

English

3:00 pm Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus



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