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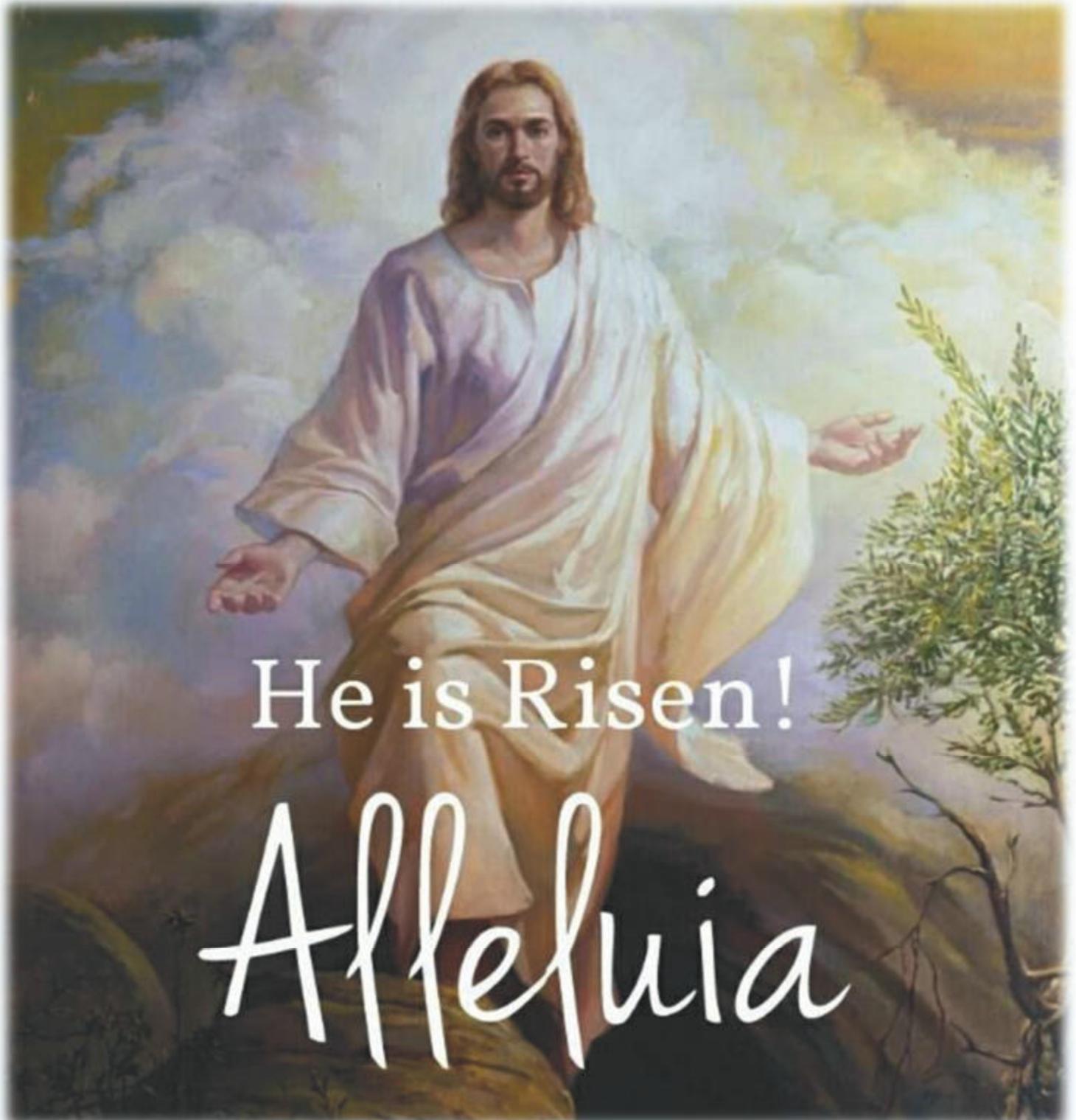
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He is Risen!

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, April 3, HOLY SATURDAY

- 12:00 p.m. BLESSING OF THE EASTER FOOD
- 6:00 p.m. EASTER VIGIL MASS (ENGLISH)
- 8:00 p.m. MISA DE VIGILIA PASCUAL (ESPAÑOL)

SUNDAY, April 4, EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

- 7:30 a.m. Mass for Pro Populo
- 9:00 a.m. Mass for Pro Populo
- 11:30 a.m. Mass for Pro Populo
- 6:00 p.m. Missa Brasileira

MONDAY, April 5, Within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 a.m. Mass for Elizabeth Bubser req. by Barbara Cerruto
The Intentions of John Durham req. by the Phillips Family

TUESDAY, April 6, Within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 a.m. Mass for Margaret Griffiths req. by the Phillips Family
Robert Thompson req. by Walter & Carol Conklin

WEDNESDAY, April 7, Within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 a.m. Mass for Clement Esposito, Jr. req. by Sandy Sansevero
Arlene Dobbin req. by Judy Pester

THURSDAY, April 8, Within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 a.m. Mass for Helen Lupone req. by The Lupone Family

FRIDAY, April 9, Within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 a.m. Mass for Bob Thompson req. by Mary Jane Thompson
Special Intentions for Tina Hansen req. by Gail Larkin

SATURDAY, April 10, Within the Octave of Easter

- 9:00 a.m. Mass for Arlene Dobbin req. by Maria & Paul Prete
Treesa Thaikootathil
- 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. Confession
- 4:00 p.m. Mass for Pro Populo
- 6:00 p.m. Misa para Español

SUNDAY, April 11, SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

- 7:30 a.m. Mass for Pro Populo
- 9:00 a.m. Mass for Pro Populo
- 11:30 a.m. Mass for Pro Populo
- 6:00 p.m. Missa Brasileira



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MICHAEL R. COTE, D.D.**

Easter Message, 2021

“The two recounted what had taken place on the way and how He was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.” Luke 24:35

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Lord,

One of the most interesting and often puzzling aspects about the appearances of our Lord after His resurrection is that in most cases, those to whom He appears fail to recognize Him. Mary Magdalen, the Apostles, and the two disciples on the road to Emmaus all fail to recognize that it is Jesus with whom they are speaking, at first. The ways in which the Lord reveals His identity to them through these interactions can teach us about the power of the Resurrection, as well as give us some food for thought about our own encounters with the Risen Lord who continues to make His presence known to us!

In the particular appearance to the disciples journeying on the Road to Emmaus, Jesus draws near and begins to speak with them. St. Luke, who narrates the account for us, includes an interesting detail: “their eyes were prevented from recognizing him...” (Lk 24:16b) This sounds like Jesus deliberately concealed his identity from them. The Lord likewise seemed to conceal Himself or His intentions twice more throughout the interaction – both when He asked why they appeared to be upset, and when He “pretended” that He is going to continue His journey beyond the town itself. This can sound somewhat shocking to us: why would Jesus do that? The answer is that He wanted to inspire and strengthen their faith, not simply give an “easy” answer to their longing and questions. In other words, He had a deeper purpose in remaining “hidden” to them for the time being.

Jesus asked these disciples to recount what had taken place in Jerusalem so that He, the Word made flesh, could explain and break open the Word of God for them. Jesus gave the impression of going on farther so that, at supper, when the Lord took the bread, said the blessing, broke and gave it to them, the disciples would recognize Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist – the way the Risen Lord Jesus has chosen to remain with us until the end of time, hidden to our senses, under the humble appearances of bread and wine!

What does this mean for us? By reflecting on this resurrection appearance on the first Easter as recounted in the Gospel, we too are called to recognize that although the Lord Jesus may be hidden from our physical eyes, it is the very same risen Lord who is present to us when we read Holy Scripture and gather together to celebrate the Holy Eucharist. This begs an important question: Do we really believe this? Do we not only live, but orient our lives, i.e., prioritize how we live and use the time we have been given us in a way that acknowledges this profound reality?

It seems that we are also reminded that when we are downcast because of the situation of our lives, wearied as we have been throughout the past year due to the ongoing pandemic for example, Jesus draws near and speaks words of comfort and hope to us. Sometimes Jesus conceals his presence among us as a way to challenge us to deepen our faith in Him, and in His enduring presence among us in both Word and Sacrament. But dear brothers and sisters, once we do recognize Him and encounter the power of His presence, most of all in the Holy Eucharist, we, like those first disciples, are called to go forth and tell others so that they might believe that Jesus is real; that He is alive; that He is truly risen, and that He continues to make Himself, and the redeeming grace He won for us present in so many ways!

Please be assured of my prayerful closeness to you all, particularly in these challenging times. May you and your loved ones have a truly blessed and grace-filled Easter!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Norwich

COMPARTIENDO EL EVANGELIO

Juan 20,1-9

Que maravilloso queridos hermanos poder celebrar la Pascua, ser testigos de la resurrección, como lo fue María Magdalena, como lo fueron Pedro y Juan. La promesa se ha cumplido, El lo había anunciado, que sufriría la pasión y la muerte y que al tercer día resucitaría... Y aquí lo tenemos, triunfante, vencedor. También nosotros estamos llamados a compartir esta Pascua con Jesús, "Si con el morimos, con el resucitamos".

La experiencia de esta semana Santa, después de haber vivido el confinamiento el año pasado debe llenar nuestro corazón de gozo y gratitud, nuestro Padre Dios sigue mostrando su infinita misericordia en su Hijo Jesucristo que ha muerto para liberarnos de la esclavitud del pecado, para reconciliarnos con Dios, para devolvemos la condición de hijos amados del Padre.

Es pascua hermanos, el Señor ha pasado por nuestras vidas, será que te percastaste de esto o lo dejaste pasar de largo?. Es Pascua, su paso nos lleva a la conversión, a revestimos del hombre nuevo que ama, perdona, sirve, ora, vive la justicia, la verdad, que construye la paz, la solidaridad, unidad.

La resurrección de Jesucristo es lo que da sentido a nuestra fe, dice San Pablo: "Si Cristo no hubiera resucitado, vana sería nuestra fe".

Que Dios les bendiga y les permita gritar con su vida: "EL CRUCIFICADO HA RESUCITADO".
DOMINGO DE RESURRECCION

PORQUE LOS HUEVOS Y EL CONEJO EN PASCUA?



La tradición de los huevos, muy arraigada en Estados Unidos, el centro de Europa e Inglaterra, empezó debido a que los cristianos católicos que seguían la abstinencia de la Cuaresma, no podían comer, entre otras cosas, huevos ni productos lácteos. Los seguidores de esta tradición guardaban los huevos, y para mantenerlos frescos los bañaban con una fina capa de cera líquida. Una vez terminada la Cuaresma, se reunían delante de la iglesia de su ciudad, y los regalaban. Con el tiempo, la iglesia católica fue cambiando las tradiciones, y hoy solamente recomienda la abstinencia de carne los viernes de la Semana Santa.

Sin embargo, la tradición de regalar huevos el domingo de Pascua siguió y de hecho continúa en muchos países del mundo. La única diferencia es que antes se pintaban y decoraban huevos de gallina y de pavo para regalar en pequeñas cestas.



Desde principios del siglo XIX se regalan también los huevos de chocolate, los preferidos por los niños.

En muchas culturas, los huevos representan 'vida' y 'fertilidad', y tanto en Roma como en Grecia, se regalaban huevos pintados en las fiestas y festivales de primavera. Si hablamos de los huevos como símbolo cristiano, estos huevos tienen el sentido de una 'vida nueva', tal como significa palabra Pascua. Una vida que nos da el Jesucristo resucitado.

Y el conejo, ¿qué pinta en toda esta historia? Pues el conejo ya ha sido una fantasía inventada por los padres para dar una pizca de ilusión al domingo de Pascua. Los niños creen que es el conejo es que trae los huevos. Los padres esconden los huevos de chocolate por el jardín o la casa y los niños van a buscarlos el domingo de Pascua.

RECUERDA QUE:

1. El 9 de Abril a la 6:30 pm continuamos con el estudio de la Encíclica del Papa Francisco Fratelli Tutti. Todos son bienvenidos.
2. El siguiente domingo después de el domingo de resurrección se celebra LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA, celebración instituida por el Papa San Juan Pablo II. Esta es una devoción muy difundida en el mundo entero y muchas personas suelen orar la coronilla de la misericordia cada día a las tres de la tarde. Sumérgete en este mar de Misericordia que es el amor de Dios en Jesucristo Nuestro Señor. Después de la Eucaristía tendremos al Adoración Eucarística en honor a la Divina Misericordia.
3. Si necesitas que se visite a un enfermo y se le lleve la comunión, déjalo saber a Sr. Gloria.



Semana Santa e Páscoa

Domingo da Páscoa - 04/04
Ressurreição de Jesus Cristo
6pm (Português)

Quinta-feira Santa - 04/01
Instituição da Eucaristia
7:30pm (Espanhol e Português)

Sexta-feira Santa - 04/02
Celebração da Adoração da
Santa Cruz
5pm (Espanhol e Português)

Sábado Santo - 04/03
Vigília Pascal
8pm (Espanhol e Português)

Por que estais procurando entre os mortos
aquele que está vivo?

Ele não está aqui, mas ressuscitou". Lc 24, 5

Com esta certeza, todos nós cristãos espalhados pelo mundo, celebramos a ressurreição de Cristo. Alegremo-nos porque a Vida venceu a morte e o Senhor ressuscitado não morre mais; está vivo e ativo na Igreja e no mundo. Que Jesus Cristo, morto e ressuscitado, nos ilumine e nos anime, com seu Espírito Santo, a contribuir eficazmente para a construção de uma sociedade justa, humana e solidária! Nesta Páscoa ao celebrar o amor de Jesus, desejo a você as mais seletas bênçãos de Deus e muita paz, amor e união em sua família!

Cristo Ressuscitou! Alleluia .

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CHRISTIAN FAMILIES OF BETHLEHEM

RESCHEDULE DATE

Saturday, April 17 & Sunday, April 18

Christian Families will have religious artwork available to purchase, including crucifixes, rosaries and unique gift items... all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the Holy Land.

Please browse and buy some articles.

It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion.

Items will be available to shop after ALL masses on 4/17 and 4/18.

SUNG CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY

**Join us on Divine Mercy Sunday,
April 11 at 3pm, for a sung Chaplet of
Divine Mercy.**

**This live event will be streamed from the
Cathedral of Saint Patrick and can be
viewed on the Diocesan website -
NorwichDiocese.org/Masses and on the
Cathedral website -
*CathedralofSaintPatrick.org/Resources/Live
-Stream.***

**Social distancing guidelines will be in effect
for those wishing to attend in person.**

*"I Am The
Resurrection"*



*"My Redeemer
Lives"*

Knight NEWS

The Knights of Columbus Council 6376 is offering eighth grade students in Faith Formation classes at St. Mary Church of the Visitation the opportunity to participate in an essay contest.

The essay question is: *What is the role of a Catholic youth in today's society?*

Contest Rules

- Judges (three) will be selected.
- Essays will be judged on a 100-point scoring system.
- Essays must be typed and be between 500 and 750 words in length.
- For the contest to be valid, 3 or more participants are required.
- A \$100 or \$50 Amazon gift card will be awarded to the first and second prize winner, respectively.

Scoring

- 35 points: Content: How clearly is the theme presented?
- 30 points: Does the essay reflect proper sentence and paragraph structure and utilize correct spelling?
- 35 points: Does the essay show creativity, imagination and development of the topic in a compelling style?

Important Dates

-A parent of each child participating should reply to this email address: mattg222@gmail.com stating that the child will participate ASAP.

-The essay **must be emailed as a pdf attachment** to this email address: mattg222@gmail.com by Sunday, April 11, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.

Due to social distancing, I have adjusted some of the protocols by making entry, submission, and communication electronic. Please email me if you have any questions about the contest. - Matt Guarneri, KofC Member

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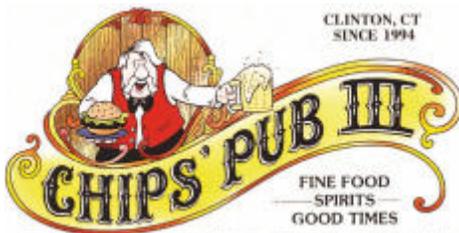


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