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MASS SCHEDULE

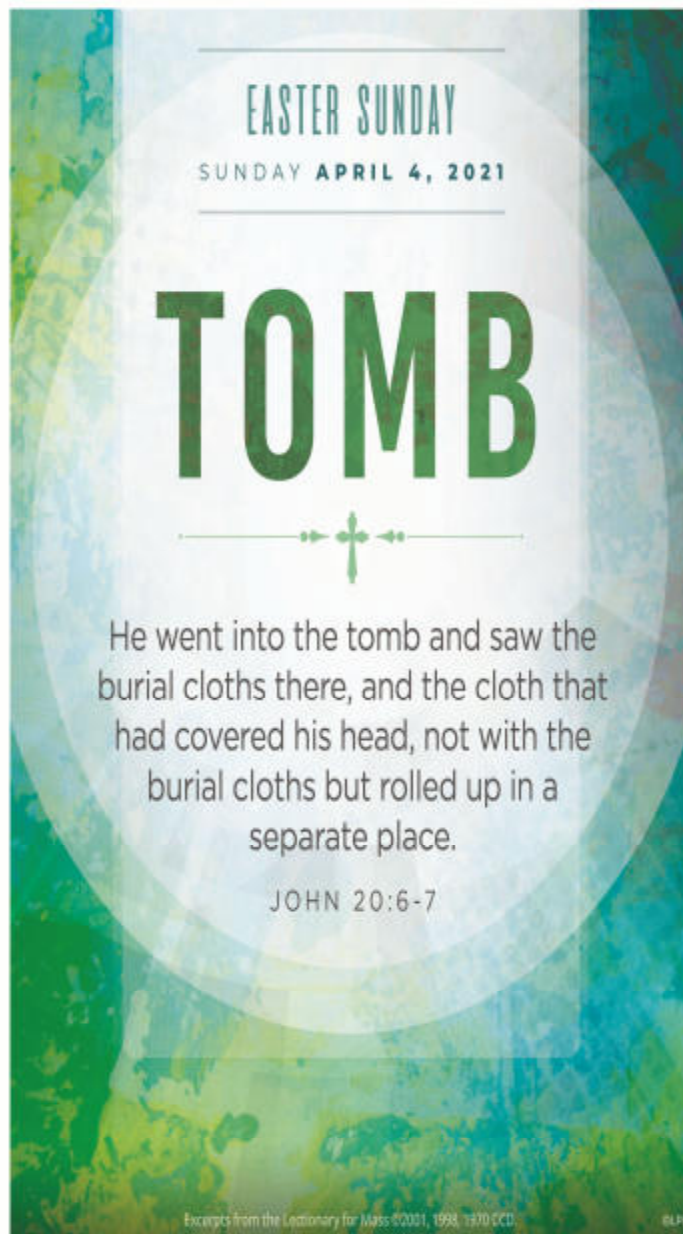
Sunday	9:00 AM
Monday & Tuesday	9:00 AM
Holy Days	9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS - upon request

BAPTISMS - Contact Parish Office well in advance.

WEDDINGS - Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance to make arrangements for marriage.

April 4, 2021



OFFICE HOURS

Monday and Tuesday
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Dee Daly
Administrative Assistant

FINANCE COUNCIL

Third Tue of the month 5:45 PM

PARISH COUNCIL

Third Tue of the month 6:30 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**

Jon Keith (483.6489) work
Jon Keith (483.2029) home

ONLINE GIVING <https://osvhub.com/st-alphonsus-liguori-parish/funds>

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

4 SUN Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of the Lord
Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9

✠ 9:00 AM **Ed & Vivienne Ryan** by Elaine & Bill Ryan

5 Mon Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15

✠ 9:00 AM **Queen Family** by the Estate

6 Tue Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18

9:00 AM **Lucille Bolla** (Get well) by the Crafters

7 Wed Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35

8 Thu Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48

9 Fri Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14

10 Sat Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

11 SUN Sunday of Divine Mercy
Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

6:00 PM Vigil Parishioners

✠ 9:00 AM **Alex & Sophie Shutek** by the Estate



The butterfly is a great Easter symbol. The three stages of its life can be associated with the three phases of Christ's life we have just celebrated in the Triduum.

Holy Thursday and Good Friday are the culmination of Jesus' earthly life. This time could be associated with the butterfly's existence as a caterpillar. At this stage, the caterpillar is limited to crawling on foliage and other vegetation. This stage of the caterpillar's life ends when it enters the cocoon. At this phase, Jesus walked the earth, taught his people, and ministered to their needs. Jesus' earthly life came to an end when he died on the cross and was laid in the tomb.

After some time in the cocoon, after three days in the tomb, new life appears.

When breaking forth from the cocoon the caterpillar has a new bodily form. The beautiful colorful creature now has wings and can fly. When Jesus rises from the dead, he also has a new bodily form. Mary Magdalene, when first seeing the risen Christ, thinks he is the gardener. The two on the road to Emmaus do not recognize the risen Christ. Only in the Breaking of the Bread do they come to know Him.

After forty days, on the Solemnity of the Ascension, Jesus will ascend into the clouds.

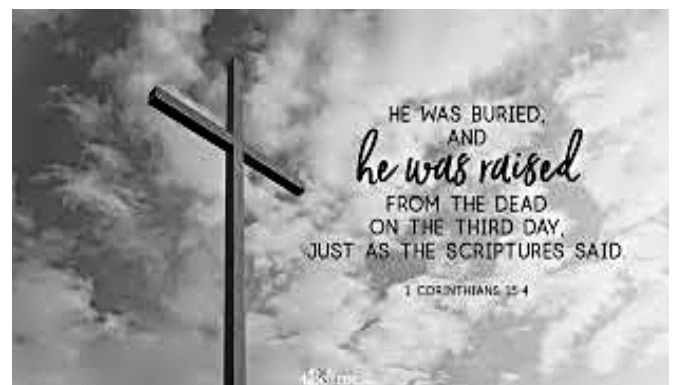
The life stages of the butterfly call us to reflect on the miracle of Easter, that the old self must give way to newfound life.

Happy Easter, Fr Moe

THINGS TO REMEMBER AND KNOW

- Please wear a mask and bring a small bottle of sanitizer to sanitize your hands when entering the church and before communion.
- Social distancing must always be adhered to.
- Families and others who socialize together should sit as a unit. This will free up needed space.
- Per request of the Bishop to ensure the churches stay open, contact tracing is required. Please note the forms in the pews.
- A device was added to the forced hot air heating system to purify the air of unwanted airborne pathogens.

YOU TOUCH IT, YOU TAKE IT HOME! The weekly bulletin and any handouts are placed in the pew in front of you. Please take these items home with you. This practice of "you touch it, you take it home" is to ensure that we are not passing on any possible infectious germs.





A Prayer for Easter Eyes

My Lord, Jesus,
You have risen to new life!
Give me new eyes with which to recognize
your presence in the world around me.
Sharpen my vision so that I see beyond the
ordinary events of each day and into the
extraordinary reality of your grace.
Brighten my view of the world with renewed
hope in the coming of your Kingdom.
Soften my gaze so that I view others with the
kind of tenderness and compassion you
showed to so many.
May each day of this Easter season provide
glimpses of your glory.
In your sacred name, I pray.
Amen.

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Sunday 3/21 Offertory \$ **1,554.00**
Online Giving \$ 50.00
Total \$ **1,604.00**
Last Year this Date \$ 1,015.00

Thank you for making up your envelopes

Sunday Offertory for 3/28 will appear at a later date

Sunday April 4th

2nd Collection — Easter Offering

3rd Collection—Building and Maintenance

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES For those who would like to donate the wine and hosts used at Mass for the week in memory of a loved one can stop by the rectory. the suggested offering is \$10.00.

*This week, the wine and hosts are donated by
Catherine Taggart in celebration of
Frank Cioffi's birthday.*

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP— LPi

A Thought from Tracy Earl Welliver

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

A Happy Ending Isn't the Whole Story

“Is there a happy ending?”

When my kids were young, we never made it past the first whiff of any narrative tension before I got this question. As soon as whatever princess or furry woodland animal who was the hero of the story got into any small scrape, they wanted that reassurance, “Is there a happy ending?”

I can't say I blame them. Don't we all feel that way sometimes? We enter into a relationship with someone or some situation, and we just want to protect ourselves. We want to know it's not going to go badly — or, if it does, that we will be able to come back from it. It's a human instinct, a reflex. Our inclination to protect ourselves makes it so that we sometimes want to press fast-forward on the bad stuff and skip straight ahead to the happily ever after.

Easter is the ultimate happy ending. It's the day of miracles. The day when all the stones roll away and all the sins are forgiven. It's the day that puts everything right.

But if we learned anything from this week — from the Passion and death of the Lord — it's that we can't press fast-forward on the hardships of life. That tension, that loss, that fear — it's crucial, isn't it? As Catholics, we are who we are because of Easter. But Easter doesn't happen without Good Friday.

So, does the story of salvation have a happy ending? We know it does. But we also remember that the ending isn't all that matters.



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