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Welcome:

If you are a new parishioner, or visiting for the first time, welcome to Holy Cross Catholic Church! We are glad that you are here and hope you find our parish home to be a warm and welcoming community. If you would like to become a member of our parish, please check with the parish office or give us a call.

Homebound: For Communion to the sick or the homebound, please call the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul: Food Pantry hours are Tuesday, 10am - noon and Thursday evenings, 5:30 - 7pm.

Funerals: To ensure the availability of a priest and the church, please call the office before you make arrangements with the funeral director.

Baptism Preparation: Classes offered as needed. Please contact the parish staff for more information. Se ofrece una clase cada tercer sábado del mes a las 10 de la mañana.

Senior Luncheon: We are working on re-establishing the Luncheons and will notify everyone when we are ready to offer lunch once a month at 11:30am in the school hall for Seniors and Friends.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday - Friday: 8am Rosary, 8:30am Mass

Saturday: 5pm Vigil, English

Sunday: 9am, English & 12pm, Español

Adoration: Thursdays, 8:30am-8:30pm

Adoración al Santísimo: jueves, 8:30am-8:30pm

Reconciliation: Tuesday and Wednesday, 7pm

Reconciliación: martes y miércoles, 7pm

Anointing of the Sick: Second Wednesday of each month following the 8:30am Mass.
(Anointing is available at all hours in emergency.)

School Mass: Friday, 8:30am (Sept.—June)

April 16th & 17th, 2022: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

The Church Teaches...



He is Risen! Happy Easter! On the Cross we venerated two days ago, the world did all it could to Jesus. At Easter, God does all God can do to the world – He heals it and forgives it, and the earth still shakes (in a good way)! We do not need to explain that, we need to witness it.

The Risen Christ appeared first to His own: the ones who heard Him teach, heal, and forgive. They witnessed His arrest, trial, and crucifixion. He went to them first because they would be the ones to recognize that He was the crucified Jesus. That crucifixion was not an unfortunate mistake in the Roman legal system. It was the inevitable and predictable result of saying the things Jesus said, and doing the things Jesus did. That is what the world does to people who threaten the way things are. Let's face the facts here!

On that first day of the week, God presented a new "fact." The God who made light from darkness and a world from a void took the worst we could do or be and turned it toward life. The earth shook then and still shakes (in a good way), and a new world is offered to us.

Jesus came back, in part, to forgive the disciples for abandoning Him. His rising shows us that the new world is about forgiveness, not vengeance. When the stone was rolled away, we got our first glimpse of this new world, where death does not have the last word, where injustice is made right, and innocent suffering is vindicated by the hand of God. Over the course of the Fifty Days that lie ahead, let us remember that once we experience (or witness) the risen Lord, His healing and forgiving, there is no going back. Alleluia!

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On behalf of the whole staff here at Holy Cross, parish and school, we wish you an Easter season of great joy!



***Masks are now recommended in the church! We encourage you to keep your masks on while in the church.**

- **Masks are welcome** – in order to protect the more vulnerable in our community, like children *and* those with compromised immunities.
- **On a practical note**, whether you wear a mask or not at Communion, please continue to say "Amen," step aside, consume the Consecrated Host, and then return to your pew.
- **Finally**, now more than ever, if you are sick in any way or even feeling a little "under the weather," please stay home! Our overriding concern is for *your* good health and the good health of others in the pews.
- A **"local dispensation"** is granted to all those unable to attend Mass because of poor health, age, or any other reason — like protecting the health of our kids!

Bulletin Announcements



School Development Drive Donor Dinner—

Invitations have been mailed for the Development Drive Donor Dinner at the University of Portland on May 11th.

Please return your RSVP card as soon as possible! **Please note that this dinner is for adults, age 21 and over only.** Wine is served during this event, so we are not able to have our students attend. (Student performers and Ambassadors will be participating at the dinner, but will be chaperoned at all times and eating in a separate room.) Questions regarding the Donor Dinner? Please reach out to Kyra Thompson, Development Director, at 503.240.6785. *Looking forward to seeing you soon!*

Summer News from Camp Howard—

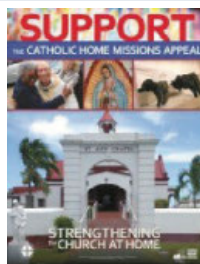
Spring is here and it's time to turn our attention to making summer plans. A week at Camp Howard provides campers an opportunity to create new friendships and experience fun outdoor activities in a faith-centered environment.



Registration for Summer 2022 has already begun and sessions are selling out fast. Make your plans now for a fun summer ahead!

To register online, please go to:

www.cvocamphoward.org



Catholic Home Missions Appeal— Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet their faith formation and sacramental needs.

Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at: <https://www.usccb.org/committees/catholic-home-missions>

Praying for Peace—Please join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Easter Sunday, April 17th at 6pm.

We are dedicating a "Holy Hour for Peace" (especially for war-torn Ukraine).



Holy Cross Parish Easter Mass Schedule—

April 16: Easter Vigil Mass, 8pm (Eng.)

April 17: Easter Sunday Masses, 9am (Eng.) & Noon (Span.)

Bulletin Announcements: Activities & Opportunities

7TH & 8TH GRADE Hangout

Join us Thursdays
3-4:30pm
in the Parish Center

Holy Cross Teen Programs—
Hello Holy Cross 7th and 8th grade families! We are happy to announce a new program for 7th and 8th graders in the parish.

James Henderson (Youth Ministry Coordinator) and Mary Jane Weber (Director of Evangelization) will be hosting a hangout time after school on Thursdays in the Parish Center from 3pm till 4:30pm. Join us for fellowship and a fun time!

Permission slips will be available at the front entrance of the church, please bring those with you when you join us.



All caregivers are welcome to attend the “Nourish for Caregivers” program thanks to the Health Ministry at Holy Trinity Parish in Beaverton.

This Christ-centered program focuses on supporting and empowering caregivers by ministering to their practical, emotional, and spiritual needs. Gatherings will be held via Zoom on the third Thursday of the month from 1 to 2pm, starting Thursday, April 21st.

The first meeting will be an introductory “meet and greet” with facilitators and an explanation of how Nourish for Caregivers will work.

Visit: [Caring for the Caregivers - Holy Trinity Catholic Church - Beaverton, OR \(h-t.org\)](http://Caring for the Caregivers - Holy Trinity Catholic Church - Beaverton, OR (h-t.org)) to learn more and sign-up to participate.



Parish Website—Please view the resources available at the parish website, including continuing education resources for all ages, and more!

Livestreaming our Masses—[We are once again livestreaming the Mass from Holy Cross Church. Join us at 9am on Sundays \(available all week\)!](#)

Our Website Team has made access to our Masses simpler and the site easier to use.

❖ Go to: www.holycrosspdx.org/holy-cross-church/
❖ Click on: the **English** Mass image

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...are available in the parish office “treasure chest.”



Homebound Ministry—If you are homebound or know of someone who is homebound who would like to receive communion at home, please contact Mary Jane at 503.953.8328.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter—May the love and forgiveness of Easter refresh your marriage. Take time for your marriage by attending a WWME experience on May 27—29 at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton. To apply or search other dates, please go to rediscoverthespark.org or call 503.704.0836.



Catholic Synod 2021—2023

Pope Francis wants our participation!

Next year, Pope Francis will host a Synod to learn about how parishes are doing globally. He has asked all parishes around the world to talk about the state of parish life.

Holy Cross will have this discussion after the Masses on **April 23rd** and **24th**. We invite parishioners to stay after the Masses to join the conversation. **Please join us!**



The Easter Season



A popular Easter legend: On Good Friday, when Jesus was crucified, a poor farmer went to the market in Jerusalem to sell his basket of eggs. He witnessed Jesus carrying His heavy Cross through the streets, being taunted by the Romans and mocked by the crowd. The Romans pressed the farmer – Simon of Cyrene – into service and he left his basket by the roadside to help Jesus carry the Cross.

When Simon returned to retrieve his eggs, he noticed that they were transformed, painted with bright colors and beautiful designs. Only after Easter and the Resurrection of the Lord, did he realize that these eggs were a sign of rebirth and new life for all people.

“Loving God, help us to work together to share what we have so that everyone has what they need. As the Easter season unfolds, help us to follow the good example of Simon of Cyrene: to build a better world, a better school, a better parish, and better families... where each of us can become the best person we can be. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who is Risen Lord and lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.”



Mary Magdalene Meets the Risen Jesus

EARLY IN THE MORNING AFTER THE SABBATH, MARY MAGDALENE WENT TO SEE THE TOMB WHERE JESUS HAD BEEN BURIED, AND FOUND IT EMPTY!

Woman, why are you weeping?

Because they have taken away my Lord...

Woman, why are you weeping? Whom do you seek?

Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him and I will take Him away!

Mary. Teacher!

Do not hold on to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father, but go and tell my brethren.

I HAVE SEEN THE LORD!

IMAGINE HOW MARY FELT EARLY ON EASTER MORNING- HER BEST FRIEND, JESUS, HAD JUST DIED. NOW IMAGINE HOW HAPPY SHE WAS TO FIND HIM RISEN FROM THE DEAD! WE SHOULD BE SAD WHEN WE REMEMBER THAT JESUS DIED BECAUSE OF OUR SINS BUT REJOICE THAT HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD! HAPPY EASTER!

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Jesus is Risen! Alleluia!



Today we celebrate the greatest feast day in the year! Jesus has come back to life! Alleluia!

Jesus died on the cross on Good Friday to take away our sins. But He didn't just die- He came back to life again so that we could come back to life one day too.

The Apostles were afraid when Jesus was killed. They were very sad and tried to comfort each other. Imagine their surprise when Mary Magdalene came rushing in and told them that the body of Jesus was gone from the tomb! Peter and John ran to see. When they saw the empty tomb they knew what had happened.



Jesus had come back to life!

Answer to puzzle on Front:
Jesus is Alive!
Answer to Word-Find Puzzle: Jesus was raised from the dead.

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Easter Word-Find

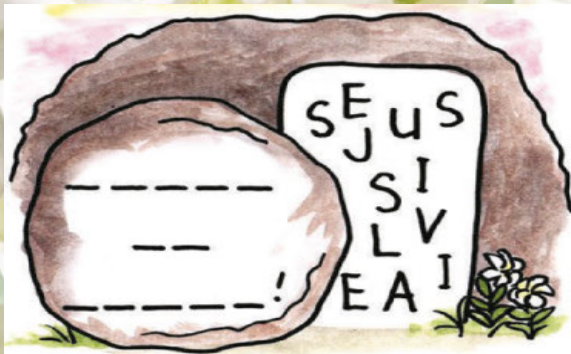
J G A R D E N E A R L Y
L E J E S U S I M O N S
O D U S T O N E M A R Y
O I B U R I A L O W M S
K S C R I P T U R E A W
I C A R T O M B N E G S
N I R E A I P O I P D S
G P E C D F E D N I A E
C L O T H S T Y G N L M
B E L I E V E D R G E P
O M T O D A R K H E N T
D E A N G E L S A D E Y

See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.



EARLY in the MORNING, while it was still DARK, Mary MAGDALENE had gone to see JESUS' TOMB. But when she got there she found it EMPTY! She ran and got SIMON PETER and the other DISCIPLE to show them. The STONE had been rolled back. The two men went in and saw that the BODY was gone, and only the BURIAL CLOTHS were sitting there. They BELIEVED although they didn't yet understand what the SCRIPTURE said about the RESURRECTION of Jesus. Mary stayed WEEPING outside, but when as she stood LOOKING in, she saw two ANGELS. Then she saw a man in the GARDEN. She thought He was the gardener until He said, "MARY!" Then she knew who it was:

_____!
_____!



What are we celebrating on Easter?
Unscramble the letters to fill in the blanks!

Alleluia!

Important Dates

April 16: Easter Vigil Mass, 8pm

April 17: Easter Sunday Masses, 9am (Eng.) & Noon (Span.) & Adoration, Praying for Peace (6-7pm)

April 19 & 20: Confessions, 7pm

April 21: Adoration, 8:30am-8:30pm

April 23: Confirmation Mass (11am)

April 24: Divine Mercy Sunday & Catholic Home Missions 2nd Collection Weekend

May 1: Third Sunday of Easter

May 11: Holy Cross Catholic School Annual Fund Drive Dinner—University of Portland, Bauccio Commons, 6pm

May 14: Community of Hope's Raise Hope Gala—University of Portland, Bauccio Commons, 5pm

Next Week's Readings – April 24th

Sunday of Divine Mercy—

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 5, 12-16 **Psalm:** 118

2nd Reading: Revelation 1, 9-11a. 12-13. 17-19

Gospel: John 20, 19-31



We would like to extend our congratulations to the newly Baptized, Confirmed, and Professed Adult Catholics who came into the Church during our Easter Vigil celebration.

Matthew Porter received all three of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. **Larry Wissbaum and Lina Lopez** made their Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church, were Confirmed and received their First Holy Communion.

We commend them and their generous sponsors for steadfastly participating in the process of coming into the Church and receiving the Sacraments of Initiation. Our prayers are with each of them as they begin the adventure of living the “challenging life” of a faithful Catholic in our world. They are not just new members of our parish, but new members of the Church.

Please continue to keep all new Catholics (around the world) and their sponsors in your prayers for their continued growth and perseverance in the Faith.

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Mass Intentions for April 18th—24th, 2022:

Monday Morning Prayer ~ No Mass

Tues. +Jim Wilson by Theresa Lang

Wed. +Madalyn Nytes by the Wilde Family

Thurs. +Al Nytes by the Wilde Family

Friday +Mary Alice Enright by Glenda Bell

Sat. (5pm) +Mary Hien Nguyen by Nga Tran

Sun. (9am) People of the Parish

(12pm) Int. of Maria Guadalupe Meza Vargas by family

To arrange for a Mass intention, please contact the parish office.

Please plan ahead if you are requesting a specific date.



In our prayers, let us remember all those who have died, including: Frances Keagbine, Miguel Exedio, Ruth Nuñez de Exedio, Juan José Valeri Exedio, and Mauro Aguirre Muñoz

Let us pray for all those who are ill or homebound,

including: Darlene Thayer, Shayna Ramirez, Joyce McNichols, Sue Boettcher, Sandy Barrera, Mary McNamara, Mary Ragland, Irene Heaverin, Tomasa Moreno, Bob Hungerford, Steve Unger, Bernie Verbout, Ernie Marbott, Jim Graiff, Amanda Holmberg, Erma Faoro, John Bachmeier, Helen Shamrell, Luisa Ritter, Christina Gardener, Yvonne Clendenin, Pat Schaeffer, Eleanor Archerd, and Armando De Los Reyes

Stewardship



Weekend Offertory/Online Giving for April 9th & 10th, 2022 will be included in the April 23rd & 24th, 2022 Bulletin due to early holiday print dates.

Stewardship: Poor St. Peter! What a life... and what a week! He followed Jesus for three years. He “chased” Jesus across a sea and sank. He gave up his fishing gig just when he caught the motherload of fish. He fell asleep in the Garden of Gethsemane. He said “goodbye” to Jesus by pretending he didn’t even know Him, not once, but three times. He watched Jesus die, be buried, and then disappear. Poor St. Peter!

Yet, who does Mary of Magdala run to when she finds the tomb empty? St. Peter. Despite all of his frailties and inadequacies, St. Peter remains the “go-to guy.” Why? Apparently, the other disciples saw what Jesus saw – a rock. Not the rock that guarded an empty tomb, but a rock who would tirelessly guard and defend the truth.

What kind of rocks are we? As disciples of the Lord we aren’t idle stones guarding empty tombs, but Easter rocks, fully alive, sent to be witnesses of the amazing Good News of Jesus! May the Great Fifty Days of the Easter season find us guarding and defending the truth, boldly proclaiming the new life we have in the Resurrection, and living like those who have truly turned away from sin – in order to live more fully the Gospel. **He is Risen, Alleluia!**

EL EVANGELIO



La fe en Jesús, resucitado por el Padre, no brotó de manera natural y espontánea en el corazón de los discípulos. Antes de encontrarse con Él, lleno de vida, los Evangelistas hablan de su desorientación, su búsqueda en torno al sepulcro, y sus interrogantes e incertidumbres. Santa María de Magdala es el mejor ejemplo de lo que acontece probablemente en todos. Según el relato de San Juan (20, 1-9), busca al crucificado en medio de tinieblas, “cuando aún estaba oscuro.” Como es natural, lo busca “en el sepulcro.” Todavía no sabe que la muerte ha sido vencida. Por eso, el vacío del sepulcro la deja desconcertada. Sin Jesús, se siente perdida, y con razón.

Los otros Evangelistas recogen otra tradición que describe la búsqueda de todo el grupo de mujeres. No pueden olvidar al Maestro que las ha acogido como discípulas: su amor las lleva hasta el sepulcro. No encuentran allí a Jesús, pero escuchan el mensaje que les indica hacia dónde han de orientar su búsqueda: “¿Por qué buscan entre los muertos al que vive? No está aquí. Ha resucitado.”

La fe en Cristo Resucitado no nace tampoco hoy en nosotros de forma espontánea, sólo porque lo hemos escuchado desde niños a catequistas y predicadores. Para abrimos a la fe en la Resurrección de Jesús, hemos de hacer nuestro propio recorrido. Es decisivo no olvidar a Jesús, amarlo con pasión, y buscarlo con todas nuestras fuerzas, pero no en el mundo de los muertos. Al que vive hay que buscarlo donde hay vida.

Si queremos encontrarnos con Cristo Resucitado, lleno de vida y de fuerza creadora, lo hemos de buscar no en la observancia externa de leyes y normas, sino allí donde se vive según el Espíritu de Jesús, acogido con fe, con amor y con responsabilidad por sus seguidores. Lo hemos de buscar allí donde vamos construyendo una comunidad que pone a Cristo en su centro porque, sabemos que “donde están reunidos dos o tres en su nombre, allí está Él.”

¿Qué experiencia única de alegría nos presenta la Resurrección de Jesucristo! Queremos mantenernos viviendo en la esperanza y felicidad de un pueblo que ha resucitado por encima del mal y del pecado, y se esfuerza por vivir para favorecer todo lo bueno, justo, y bello. ¡Aleluya!



El próximo domingo, el segundo domingo de Pascua, vamos a celebrarlo como el domingo de la Divina Misericordia: “*Den gracias al Señor porque es bueno, porque es eterna su misericordia.*” Así canta la Iglesia durante de la Pascua, casi recogiendo de labios de Cristo estas palabras del Salmo; de labios de Cristo resucitado, que en el Cenáculo da el gran anuncio de la misericordia divina y confía su ministerio a los Apóstoles: “*Paz a ustedes. Como el Padre me ha enviado, así también los envío yo.*”

Que se alegre nuestro corazón, que nuestra fe se fortalezca, y que nuestro amor aumente. Y que resuene en toda nuestra comunidad la acción de gracias al Padre, porque ha obrado tan grande maravilla.

Demos gracias a Dios porque Cristo Resucitado está realmente presente entre nosotros, y nuestra vida de comunidad es signo de esa presencia, y es Él mismo quien confía a los discípulos la misma misión que recibió del Padre, misión que debemos continuar nosotros.

PARA REFLEJAR



Celebramos hoy, con gozo desbordante, la Pascua del Señor, porque es el fundamento de nuestra fe, el vigor de nuestra esperanza, la fuerza de nuestro amor: es verdad, el Señor ha resucitado y está presente entre nosotros. Y es por eso que, en este día, la Iglesia celebra este Misterio central de nuestra salvación, desplegando al máximo todo su esplendor, gozo y alabanza.

¡Cristo ha resucitado! Ha pasado de la muerte a la vida, trayéndonos la vida nueva por la que podemos volver a ser hijos e hijas de Dios. Y esto nos exige un “permanente vivir” nuestra Pascua: renovar diariamente nuestras vidas, nuestro interior. Y también nos exige el ser testigos de Cristo Resucitado, proclamando el anuncio de salvación para que el mundo se convierta en Reino de Dios.

Nosotros celebramos la Pascua en el contexto de la Semana Santa. Por eso, si el pan partido y comido es el signo de la vida de Jesús, nuestra vida también debe responder a su reto y hondear la tierra con cariño como hacen las raíces del trigo y del maíz. Nuestra vida debe revelarse como el pan sobre la mesa. Se reconoce al Señor en el partir del pan: ¿cómo reconocerán a nosotros?



Unámonos a las personas que viven en *Ucrania* y en todos los países profundamente heridos por las guerras. **Confíemos** a la *Madre de Dios* el sufrimiento, la vida, y la muerte de tantos hermanos y hermanas nuestros que se ven afectados por el horror y la insensatez de la guerra.

Vamos a continuar en ofrecer la Adoración hoy, Domingo de Pascua, (6-7pm), para unirnos en oración por la paz en Ucrania y en el mundo entero.



“El tiempo que pases con Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento es el mejor momento que pasarás en la tierra. Cada momento que pases con Jesús profundizará tu unión con Él y hará que tu alma sea eternamente más gloriosa y hermosa en el Cielo, y ayudará a lograr la paz eterna en la tierra.”

—Santa Teresa de Calcuta

MINISTERIO HISPANO

Ana Carmina Pérez 503.289.7188
Por ahora la oficina no esta abierta
Si tiene preguntas o necesita algo llámenos
o mande un correo electrónico.

En estos momentos sin precedente que estamos viviendo a consecuencia del **Covid-19**, aunado a la salud de nuestro Párroco, el Padre Mark, **gracias por su comprensión...**

Platicas Pre-Bautismales:

pronto

Bautismos:

pronto

Preparación Sacramental para:
Iniciación Católica para Adultos (RICA)
y Bodas
por favor llame a la oficina.

Confesiones:
cada martes y miércoles a las 7pm

¡Gracias por su paciencia
y comprensión!

En nuestras oraciones recordemos:

...a todos los que están enfermos,
incluyendo: Darlene Thayer, Shayna Ramirez,
Joyce McNichols, Sue Boettcher, Sandy Barrera,
Mary McNamara, Mary Ragland, Irene Heaverin,
Tomasita Moreno, Bob Hungerford,
Michael Fitzgerald, Steve Unger,
Bernie Verbout, Ernie Marbott, Jim Graiff,
Amanda Holmberg, Erma Faoro,
Yvonne Clendenin, Armando De Los Reyes,
Eleanor Archerd, y John Bachmeier



...y a todos los que han muerto, especialmente Miguel Exedio, Ruth Nuñez de Exedio, Juan José Valeri Exedio, José Mendoza Contreras, Mauro Aguirre Muñoz, Frances Keagbine, y todos los que han fallecido a causa del Covid-19.

*“Te pedimos, Señor,
que tus siervos que han muerto ya para este mundo,
vivan ahora para ti y que tu amor misericordioso borre los pecados
que cometieron por fragilidad humana.
Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.”*

HORARIO PARROQUIAL

16 de abril: Misa Vigilia de la Pascua (8pm)
17 de abril: Misa Pascual (9am en Inglés y 12pm en Español)
17 de abril: Hora Santa por la Paz (6pm)
19-20 de abril: Confesiones (7pm)
21 de abril: Adoración (8:30am — 8:30pm)
23 de abril: Misa de Confirmación (11am)
24 de abril: Domingo de la Divina Misericordia
26-27 de abril: Confesiones (7pm)
8 de mayo: Día de las Madres



¡Gracias por su generosidad!

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¡Pobre San Pedro! Qué vida... qué semana. Siguió a Jesús durante tres años. Lo persiguió por el mar y se hundió. Abandonó su trabajo de pesca al momento cuando atrapó un montón de peces. Se quedó dormido en Getsemaní. Se despidió de Jesús fingiendo que no lo conocía, no solo una, sino tres veces. Vio a Jesús morir, ser enterrado, y luego desaparecer.

Sin embargo, ¿a quién corre María de Magdala cuando encuentra la tumba vacía? A San Pedro. A pesar de todas las debilidades e insuficiencias de San Pedro, éste es el tipo al que acudir. ¿Por qué? Aparentemente, los otros discípulos vieron lo mismo que Jesús – una roca. No la roca que guardaba una tumba vacía, sino la roca que guardaría y defendería la verdad, incluso hasta la muerte.

¿Qué clase de roca somos nosotros? Como discípulos verdaderos no somos rocas ociosas que vigilan tumbas vacías, sino rocas pascuales, plenamente vivas, enviadas a ser testigos de la maravillosa Buena Nueva del Evangelio. San Pedro, ¡eres lo máximo! Ruega por nosotros.

LA LITURGIA — LECTURAS

La Divina Misericordia

Primera Lectura: Hechos de los Apóstoles 5, 12-16

Salmo: 117 **Segunda Lectura:** Apocalipsis 1, 9-11. 12-13. 17-19

Evangelio: Juan 20, 1-9

CINCUENTA DIAS DE LA PASCUA

El Domingo de Resurrección es la fiesta más importante para todos los católicos, ya que con la Resurrección de Jesús es cuando adquiere sentido toda nuestra religión. Cristo triunfó sobre la muerte y con esto nos abrió las puertas del Cielo.

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