

The Catholic Community of Divine Savior

Norridge, IL

Easter Sunday
April 21, 2019



He Has Risen!

Easter Sunday 2019

What does it mean that Jesus rose from death? We hear the story every year on Easter Sunday but its familiarity can cause us to lose sight of its impact across our existence. How does this event affect our person and our world? For starters, we grieve the loss of the ones we love but as scripture reminds, "you will weep and mourn for a time, but then your grief will be turned to joy". We will see them again. Death is not final. Christ and all with him live forever. Shocking but true, once we heal and surrender our loved ones to his greater life.

David Brooks, the eminent *New York Times* columnist, in a recent essay adapted from a forthcoming book, has observed that most people construct two mountains with their lives. The first mountain is their striving to prove themselves with worldly accomplishments and a related lifestyle. The second occurs when there is some disruption to this linear plan they've adopted for their success—a loss, a failure, a catastrophic upheaval, which becomes the catalyst for self-reflection, soul-searching, and new insights. Out of bad, good happens. Out of loss, hope is enabled. These personal discoveries often involve the honest admission that for all their striving, happiness, contentment and fulfillment has eluded them.

What happens next is often a period of reflection and re-invention—of the focus of their identity, core purpose and efforts, followed by a re-creation and transformation of their self. Brooks wisely opines that what's present for most of them is a hunger for true joy and true fulfillment, that despite all their striving, hasn't been sated.

How can Jesus' defeat of death, and his presence alive in us, change that? Our emptiness can make room for his life to fill us, our superficial pursuits can surrender to what's more important, our individualism can be uprooted by our longing for communion and community. Ambition and success, prized by our culture, can give way to practicing values of honesty, compassion, and kindness. The result: a kinder, more loving, more moral and just society, where the bonds of friendship, love, and connection with others are celebrated and prized over individualism and ambition. Happiness is often elusive and short-lived; genuine joy is found when we give ourselves away in commitment and unconditional love.

What is all this if not the radiance of the Risen Lord revealed among us in the divine sunshine of his love, goodness, and embrace of all humanity inviting us to this life in him.

Today and every day may we heed our Redeemer back from death, and find true, real and lasting life in him—for us, for our world.

A blessed and joyous Easter celebration of endless hope and eternal love in the Victorious Son is wished for you and all you love.

On this joyful and glorious day,
Gratefully,

Father LoBianco



Next weekend, April 27/28, the targeted items for our weekly food collection are: SPAGHETTI & SPAGHETTI SAUCE, CANNED VEGETABLES & FRUITS, HOT & COLD CEREALS, POWDERED MILK, CANNED FRUIT, PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY. Your donations may be left in the church vestibule.



The food pantry at our sharing parish, St. Eulalia in Maywood, IL, is in great need of the donations we receive each week. **We respectfully request that you check expiration dates on canned goods and food items that you are donating and be sure that packages are unopened and properly sealed.** God bless you for your continued generosity to assist our sharing parish.

Weekly Offering

April 6/7 Envelopes used: 219

Cash/Checks in Envelopes	= \$ 3,911.00
Loose cash	= \$ 454.25
Give Central	= \$ 989.00
Collection Total	= \$ 5,354.25

Children's Envelopes: \$ 23.00

Due to early bulletin deadlines the collection for the weekend of April 13/14 will be reported in the April 28th bulletin.

As members of this faith community, we are invited to become good stewards of what God has entrusted to us. God Bless all those whose support has enabled Divine Savior Church to continue its mission.

Please remember to mark the amount of your contribution on your envelope each week. This will ensure that your contributions are recorded accurately.

 **give Central** is the



easiest and safest way to donate to Divine Savior Parish! Go to www.givecentral.org/location/263 to get started today! Or call Mary Coban at the Parish Office.

*Blessed are those who are generous,
because they feed the poor.
- Proverbs 22:9*



Please remember Anita Aiello, Joseph Bachmeier, Lillian Baureis, Maria Bordignon, Donna & Jerry Bruss, Peggy A. Carolan, Marilee Cass, Greg Cazolas, Biagio Cirrincione, Marge Clemens, Al Corrado, Dawn Crimmins, Josephine Davi, Rosemary DiBiase, Rosa Dillie, Raymond Dorsz, MaryAnn Entrup, Glen Erickson, Geraldine Fergus, John Gaydos, MaryAnn Gaydos, Lucille Gibula, Lola Golonka, Rosemary Hauck, Gina Hess, Renee Holm, Sylvia Johnnic, Virgil Kolb, Jackie Kukielka, Gloria Lesniak, Erica Lursky, Rosalie McAteer, Maria Makos, Mary Ann Maro, Glenn Mateus, Berniece Michna, Ernest Morris, William Murray, Edward Pasdiora, James Pastorino, Mary Ann Romito, Lillian Ross, Joanne Rupert, Caterina Savarino, Hope Scharpenter, Alicia Schmitz, Matt Schoenbach, Maria Scimeca, Dominic Senese, Billy Southerton, Mickey Stefanski, Steve Strzelecki, Anthony Taurina, Vincent Thome, Raymond Tomaszak, Arlene Ventura, Martha Wrobel, and all parishioners, family members, and friends in your prayers.

Please pray as well for Victor Stramaglia and all who have died. May they now rest in eternal peace.

When a Family Member is Hospitalized

Please notify the parish office, 708.456.9000, when a family member is hospitalized. Because of HIPPA (privacy) laws, Presence Resurrection Medical Center and other hospitals are no longer permitted to notify us when parishioners are admitted to the hospital.

If you know of any member of Divine Savior Church who is homebound or temporarily homebound and would like a Minister of Care to bring them the Eucharist please let us know. Just call the Parish Office, 708.456.9000, and ask for Frank.





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Easter 2019

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As we walk on our life journeys in this world, we may often feel overwhelmed. Struggle and suffering can mark our lives because of health issues, job insecurity, family concerns, or the painful loss of a loved one. The world itself, in Saint Paul's words, "has been groaning" (Roman 8:22), as it struggles with wars, violence, ecological degradation, economic injustice, and natural disasters. And as we are keenly aware this past year, the Church herself has struggled mightily with the shameful legacy of abuse and its mismanagement.

It seems that the landscape of our lives is entirely shaped by struggle and suffering. And that might seem to be the sum and substance of it all, but, in faith, we know that it is not. Our celebration of the Lord's Resurrection in this Easter season opens our eyes beyond this desperate landscape to a new and hope-filled horizon. There is more to the story than our struggle and suffering. In the Resurrection of Jesus, we can begin to see a new life ahead of us that God offers to us.

As we go forth in this Easter season, I am reminded of the great Psalm 118 that the Church so often prays:

*I was thrust down, thrust down and falling,
but the Lord was my helper.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
and has been my savior.
There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just. (vv. 13-15)*

May this Easter season renew within you and your loved ones the conviction that God is your helper and an abiding awareness of your victory in the Risen Lord Jesus.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago



Prayers matter! Come and join the Intercessory Prayer Group on the first and third Tuesdays of every month in the Rectory basement from

6:30—8:00 PM. There, we give praise and thanks, share the scripture, recite the rosary, and share teachings and songs, giving witness to the goodness of our Lord. People of any age are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Tessie at 708.452.1187.

For those who cannot join us in person, we would like to pray for you. Please place your intentions in the box near the statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe in the back of the church.

Golden Fellowship Club

Golden Fellowship Club meets the second Tuesday every month April-December, at Estelle Sieb Center, Irving Park & Ozark. Membership is open to Norridge, Harwood Heights & Norwood Park Township residents, 55 years of age and older. Yearly Dues \$10.00. Fun Guaranteed! Contact Mary at 708.456.6127.



Andres

December 7, 2012

Itaugua, Paraguay



I am six years old and live in a brick home in Itaugua, Paraguay with my mom and two sisters. I am in kindergarten class and I love to draw pictures and enjoy playing ball games with my friends. When I grow up I want to be a soccer player! I am from a humble family. My mother works hard to support our education.

Sponsoring me makes it possible to attend class every day and have the supplies I need to complete my education, grow up healthy, and achieve my dreams!

To learn more about Chalice US and sponsoring children like Andres visit www.chaliceus.org or call 855.444.5432.



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Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8

In 20:1-9

Persevering in Pursuit of Jesus

The key to our faith is the testimony of the apostles who witnessed Jesus resurrected from the dead. For this reason, the Easter scriptural passages carefully record who saw him, when, and under what circumstances.

Particularly powerful is the testimony of Mary Magdalene. She was at the foot of the cross with Mary and John. She saw Jesus' passion and death in all its brutal reality: carrying the cross, the nailing, spearing, his last agonizing words, lowering his body from the cross, cleaning his corpse, and anointing it according to Jewish customs. She would have wrapped him in linen and then stood outside the tomb as soldiers sealed it shut. She, more than anyone, could testify that he was most definitely dead.

Imagine her surprise when, early Sunday morning, she found the stone rolled away and the tomb empty.

After Peter and John came to confirm that it was as she said, Mary Magdalene stayed at the tomb. Having been forgiven much, she loved much. Saint Gregory the Great comments that the woman who stayed behind to seek Christ was the only one to see him, for perseverance is essential to any good deed.

Piece: *The Resurrection of Christ*, 1575
Artist: Hendrick van den Broeck
Location: Sistine Chapel



For Reflection

Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

What do I treasure?

What do I spend my time seeking after?

What saddens me the most when I don't have it?

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

John 20:1

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Tweet for the Week!



Pope Francis
@Pontifex

"May the Lord always give us hope for the future and the strength to keep going."

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SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Readings for the Week

Monday, April 22, 2019

7:30 AM— Divine Savior Parishioners

Tuesday, April 23, 2019

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Wednesday, April 24, 2019

7:30 AM— Alice & Hillard Castan

Thursday, April 25, 2018

7:30 AM— Divine Savior Parishioners

Friday, April 26, 2018

7:30 AM— Divine Savior Parishioners

Saturday, April 27, 2018

Vigil: Second Sunday of Easter

4:00 PM— Bridget Conneely
Ronald Kostrewa
Walter & Marie Szaflik

Sunday, April 28, 2019

Second Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM— Roy E. Murray
William Nelson, Jr.
Intentions of Judith Nelson

10:30 AM— Frances & Charles Clark
Francesco & Domenica D'Andrea
Brigida D'Andrea
Leonardo & Domenica DiVito
Betty Glomski
Frances Nimietz
Leonard Stancy

Monday: Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-33
Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 36-41
John 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts of the Apostles 3:1-10
Luke 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts of the Apostles 3:11-26
Luke 24:35-48

Friday: Acts of the Apostles 4:1-12
John 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts of the Apostles 4:12-21
Mark 16:9-15

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter
Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16
Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19
John 20:19-31



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

After the Resurrection the disciples were saying,
"The Lord has truly been raised and has ...

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S	A	M	N

A _____ !"

Answer: to Simon

Ministers & Servers Schedule for the weekend of April 27/28

	Presider	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers		Servers
4:00 PM	Fr. Beath	D. Sulimowski	M. Alto J. Caponigro J. Rein	P. Wang T. Wang	M. Maro
8:00 AM	Fr. LoBianco	J. Klawfta	M. Flesch M. A. Glassner D. Jarosz	S. Kumiega I. Petryszak	
10:30 AM	Fr. LoBianco	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

Mission Statement of The Catholic Community of Divine Savior

We are a faith community that seeks the fullest relationship with Jesus, by our communion with each other, through the Eucharist, Sacraments, Prayer, and Service.

Pastoral Staff

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This Week

Tuesday — Morris Drop-In
 11:00 AM—Parish Hall
 — Bible Discussion
 11:00 AM—Rectory
 Wednesday: — YAH Board Meeting
 8:00 AM—Parish Hall
 Sunday — First Eucharist Liturgy
 10:30 AM

WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday-Friday: 7:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 PM. Please call the rectory.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

One Sunday a Month. Please call the rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the rectory.

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