



April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday

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Psalm 118



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Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:45 am in the Main Church

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Monday through Friday 8:00 am in the Little Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday: 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm in the Main Church
or by appointment

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Sundays: 1:00 pm

Arrangements must be made in advance of the date.

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Contact Religious Education Office at 847-234-2179

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Bulletin Deadlines

All articles must be submitted by noon of the deadline date. Please contact the parish Ministry Office.

Bulletin Date

April 27

May 4

May 11

Due Date

April 14

April 24

May 1



April 20, 2025

From the Desk of Fr. Jerry

I noticed that the gospel for Easter Sunday morning begins in darkness. Mary Magdalene comes to the tomb "...while it is still dark." At the end of the Easter morning gospel, we are told that the disciples were still in the dark. "They did not understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead." Characters in John's gospel are usually being invited from whatever level of faith they are at currently to a deeper level of faith. We can guess that at the empty tomb, Mary faced an ambiguity which required the light of a deeper faith.

Admitting that we still do not fully understand the meaning of "had to rise from the dead" is a good way to begin our reflection. Perhaps we can let these three characters tell what they came to see and believe.

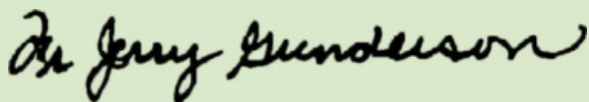
People who get up before sunrise often have something on their mind. They awaken to the feeling that there is something they must do. For Mary Magdalene, the few days before "the first day of the week" had been traumatic. She had witnessed love amid hate, forgiveness amid brutality. Like many people recovering from trauma, her initial shock is yielding to deep sorrow and sadness. While it was still dark, she went to the tomb. What she chose to do is to seek closeness to Jesus at his burial place. Mary was the first to discover the empty tomb.

Simon Peter awoke to his own unfinished business. When Mary came to him with news of the empty tomb he had his own baggage, a feeling of remorse about his triple denial. Although all the disciples abandoned Jesus, Peter alone is singled out. Mary goes first to him. Weighed down with this baggage, Peter races to the tomb, but not alone.

The other disciple was with him. Why such a vague identity? Why was the evangelist not more specific? All we are told is that he ran faster. That's a strange focal point in such an important story. If Peter was loaded with guilt that slowed him down, what was it that increased the pace of the other disciple? Elsewhere in the gospel we learn that this "other disciple" was the one Jesus loved, "the beloved disciple." Today the supposed author of the fourth gospel is the community of the beloved disciple.

What are we to make of these unexpected details of the story? Maybe we are being told that love outpaces fear, anxiety, and guilt in the journey to a deeper faith. We may begin in a darkness of unknowing, but that is not a place we want to stay very long. So we let the scriptures tell the story, "he had to rise from the dead and we ponder its meaning for our lives till this celebration of the paschal mystery deepens our faith and strengthens our love.

Happy Easter!



Fr. Jerry Gunderson

This Week

Sunday, April 20

Easter Sunday

8:00am Mass - Msgr. Dempsey

10:00am Mass - Fr. Jerry

11:45am Mass - Fr. Hennessey

Monday, April 21

Offices Closed

No RE Classes

Tuesday, April 22

No RE Classes

Wednesday, April 23

8:30am Adoration - OC

8:30am Prayer Group - CR

9:05am St. Mary Mass - MC

7:00pm Bible Study - CR

Thursday, April 24

9:30am Thursday Morning

Scripture Group - PC

Friday, April 25

Saturday, April 26

5:00pm Mass - Fr. Webb

Sunday, April 27

Feast of Divine Mercy

8:00am Mass - Msgr. Dempsey

10:00am Mass - Fr. Jerry

Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:45am Mass - Fr. Hennessey

1:00pm Divine Mercy

Reconciliation - MC

2:00pm Divine Mercy Mass - MC

3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
and Holy Hour - MC

Monday, April 28

4:30pm RE Classes - PC

Scripture Questions of the Week

First Reading:

In his speech, Peter emphasizes that he and the Apostles were chosen as "witnesses" to tell others of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. *Have you ever told anyone why you believe in Jesus?*

Second Reading:

Paul urges the Corinthians to celebrate Jesus' death and resurrection with sincerity and truth. *How does your family celebrate Easter Sunday?*

Gospel:

We hear how Mary of Magdala, Peter and the Beloved Disciple initially react to seeing Jesus' empty tomb. *How do you share startling news with others?*

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This Week's Readings

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 Lk 24:1-12
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Finances

Due to early bulletin printing deadlines, financials are not available for this edition and will be updated in next week's bulletin.

Our Prayers

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 20
8:00 am

10:00 am

† Roger Radonsky, req. Mark & Lorraine Condic
† Diane Lapelle, req. Bill Lapelle
† Jim Kaczmarek, req. Anthony & Marie Lacko
† Theresa Ranieri, req. Anthony & Marie Lacko

11:45 am

People of St. Patrick Church

Monday, April 21

8:00 am

† F. Wesley Baylor, req. Ted & Liz Brandt

Tuesday, April 22

8:00 am

† Holy Souls in Purgatory, req. Madeleine McCoy

Wednesday, April 23

8:00 am

For a Special Intention, req. From the Picchietti family

Thursday, April 24

8:00 am

† Adrian Elich, req. The Morris family

Friday, April 25

8:00 am

† Lost Souls in Purgatory, req. Menuhin D'Souza

Saturday, April 26

5:00 pm

† Mary daRoza, req. The Picchietti family
† Nicole Silva, req. Gail & Patrick Geary

Sunday, April 27

8:00 am

† Aida Gemini, req. Tim Murphy

10:00 am

† Adolph K. Ranieri, req. Anthony & Marie Lacko
Special intention for the Schall & Passalino families
† George Kackert, req. Wal & Peg Wade
Special intention for Dianne Kackert & family,
req. Wal & Peg Wade

11:45 am

People of St. Patrick Church

Those Serving Our Country

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Son of Tom and Marilyn Fahey

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Joseph Zittnan
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Carolyn Welby
Florence Gatti
Jennifer Mikell
Gianfranco Isaia
Cindy Wakat
Ron Moskal
Mariann Gregory
Michael Kozak
Trish Tivnan
Gina Wessel
Lore Nugent
Jeff Neumayer
Bob Mack
George Kouba

Names added to the prayer requests will remain for 1 month. To add or re-add a person please email jmanarik@stpatrick-lakeforest.org or call the ministry office at 847-234-1401.

Our Deceased



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Easter 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

For more than a thousand years, the Church has sung five words that capture the message of Easter: *Christ our hope has risen.*

This simple phrase powerfully expresses the conviction that our hope is the very person of the Risen Christ. He not only rose from the dead two-thousand years ago but is present and active in our world today. As the Risen One, he shares with us his victory and triumph over sin and death, drawing us into the fullness of life that God has ever desired for humanity. Yes, indeed Christ our hope has risen.

We recall this core belief in this Jubilee Holy Year when Pope Francis has called us to be *Pilgrims of hope*. This is an invitation to be a people who journey together, confident that we are sustained by this closeness to the Risen Christ as we face the challenges of life. As pilgrims of hope, we walk with the Risen One and lean on his presence for personal support, but we also discover the power to bring hope to our world, our families, communities, workplaces, and nation. This is a great grace and responsibility.

May our Easter faith that Christ our hope has risen grow stronger, so that we will join in his work of bringing hope to our world with new enthusiasm, putting aside all of our fears and anxieties, in the knowledge that by conquering death, the Risen Lord has given us the sure hope and promise that we too have risen with him and will live forever. Yes, Christ our hope has risen and so have we. Happy Easter!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Blase Card. Cupic".

Archbishop of Chicago



Easter Flower Donation Remembrance

The beautiful flowers decorating the church during this Easter season have been donated by parishioners in loving memory of beloved departed family and friends, or in honor of someone. We, as a parish, are grateful for the floral beauty afforded in our worship space by our fellow parishioners. We commend them to your prayers.

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In Honor Of:

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Fr. Gunderson
Fr. Dunn
Msgr. Dempsey
Fr. Franzmann
Fr. Hennessey
Fr. Webb

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025

Confessions

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Holy Mass

2:00pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

3:00pm

Confessions

3:00pm - 4:00pm



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7:30 a.m.: Mary, Seat of Wisdom Parish
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Drop-off: 12 p.m.: Mary, Seat of Wisdom and Mother of the Americas

Scan code to register. For more information contact Katie Hazen at
khazen@archchicago.org.



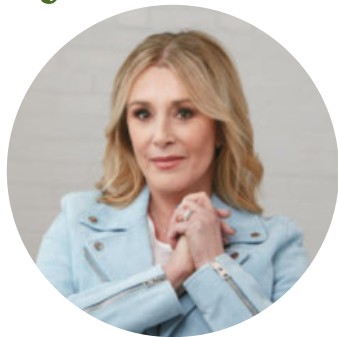
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