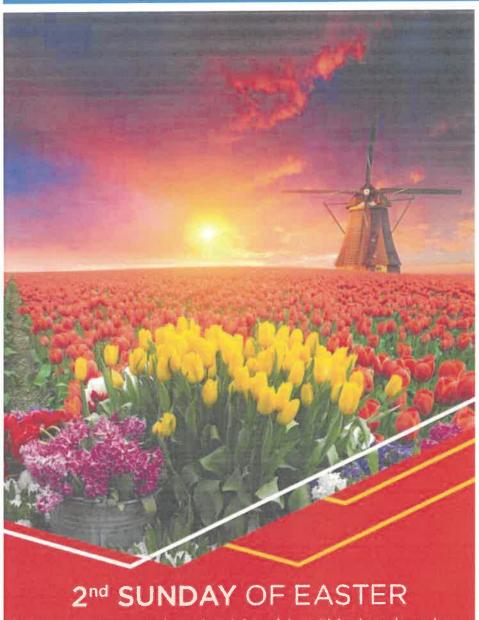
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April 7, 2024 | Second Sunday of Easter Sunday



Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:28-29

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday 8:15 am

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am and 5:00 pm

Rite of Reconciliation (Confessions) Saturday following the 8:15 am Mass in the church.

Anointing of the Sick Please call or visit the parish office to make an appointment.

Parish Office Hours Mon-Fri: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday & Sunday Closed

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FROM OUR PASTORAL STAFF

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

As some of you know, I took part in our mission trip to Poland a few weeks ago, from March 14th through the 22nd. Since I returned, a number of you have asked about the trip; today I would like to share with you some highlights.

We spent several days in the city of Opole, a couple of hours' drive from Krakow. We were hosted by Ostoja, a Pentecostal church which our group had spent time with last year. There we got to participate in children's ministry as well as the regular Sunday worship. Sunday evening we participated in a candlelight Mass at a local Catholic parish. The next two days we helped at a ministry for the homeless called House of Hope. Helping to feed the people who came there was a good and satisfying experience. We also bought them some important supplies. Before we left Opole, we were able to spend some more time with a local Catholic priest, who showed us the Diocesan Museum; and the Pentecostal minister, whose friendliness, faith, and passion were truly inspiring.

After we left Opole, we had the opportunity to visit several important places. Our Lady of Czestochowa (also known as the Black Madonna), and the sanctuary containing it, was a wonderful experience. The Divine Mercy Shrine, which includes the tomb of St. Faustina Kowalska, was also inspiring. Some of us visited Auschwitz and Birkenau: a sobering and somber experience, but very important to remember and learn from.

For me, another important aspect of the trip was the opportunity to spend time with the wonderful group of parishioners with whom I had the pleasure of travelling with. It was fun to get to know each other more. Andrew Watson, our Youth and Young Adult Minister and Director of Confirmation, did a fabulous job of coordinating and directing the entire trip. And many of you contributed to the trip and the charitable work we were able to do. Thank you so much!

Fr. Philip



THE WEEK AHEAD



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb

10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/

Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/

Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/

Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1

Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading: The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. (Acts 3:15)

Second Reading: He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. (1 Jn 2:2)

Gospel: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." (Lk 24:46)

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SSJ HAPPENINGS

Monday, April 8 - The Annunciation of the Lord

- 8:15 am Mass | † Mike Maudsley |
 † Charles "Chuck" Baker | † Young Ja Chang
- 7:00 pm Evening Centering Prayer (Church)

Tuesday, April 9

- 8:15 am Mass | † Paul Du Luu
- 9:45 am Moms Group Bible Study (FR)
- 5:30 pm Quilt Guild (CH)

Wednesday, April 10

- 6:30 am Men's Bible Study (FR)
- 8:15 am Mass | † Michael Schwartz
- 9:00 am Women Creating Community (FR)
- 3:30 pm Parking Lot Prayer
- 4:00 pm Centering Prayer (FR)
- 7:00 pm Men's Club General Meeting (CH)

Thursday, April 11 - St. Stanislaus

- 8:15 am Mass | † Michael Blodgett
- 9:00 am Sunday Readings Study (FR)

Friday, April 12

• 8:15 am Mass | † Margaret Giljum

Saturday, April 13 - St. Martin I, Pope

- 8:15 am Mass | † Marcella Smith |
 † Geraldine Mudd | † Mike Noone
- 9:00 am Confessions
- 4:00 pm Mass | † Tony Chapman

Sunday, April 14 - Third Sunday of Easter

- 8:00 am Mass | Kara Grant & Children
- 9:30 am Family Mass | † Phyllis Adams
- 9:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word/Tot Liturgy (FR)
- 11:15 am Mass | † Elena & Andres Tommasini
- 5:00 pm Mass | Saints Simon & Jude Catholic Community



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Pictured here is KOC representative, Tom Andrews, presenting Fr. Philip and Fr. Reynold with a generous donation check to use at our discretion.

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FAITH FORMATION & SACRAMENTS









MEXICO MISSION TRIP



Ensenada, Mexico June 15th - 21st, 2024

SSJ is offering the opportunity to serve on a week-long Mission Trip! We will be continuing our partnership with Praying Pelican Missions to offer individuals and families the opportunity to serve together in intergenerational, relational ministry. Please visit www.ssj.org/missiontrips or contact Andrew Watson awatson@ssj.org for more information.







9am - 10am in Franciscan Room Q-3 yrs old with adult



AROUND THE COMMUNITY





CENTERING PRAYER



A CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER PRACTICE

All are Welcome to Join our Prayer Community

2nd and 4th Mondays of the Month 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Church

Tuesdays 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm via Zoom

Wednesdays 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm In the Franciscan Rooms

No experience is necessary.

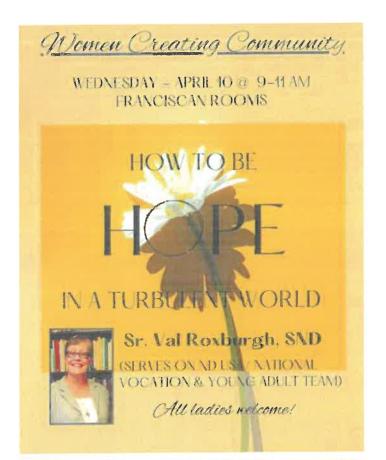
"Easter is the soul's first taste of Spring." Richelle E. Goodrich-Author

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Brian Graves
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Virginia Rivera

AROUND THE COMMUNITY





Wednesday, April 10th 7:00 pm | Colman Hall

Men, would you like to feel more connected to your parish and your fellow parishioners? Come to this month's SSJ Men's Club get together to enjoy fellowship and food with men from your church community.

We will be discussing our upcoming Golf Tournament and other spring events.

All men in the parish are automatically members and are welcome, so please join us and bring a friend.





AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council

Community Service Day

Saturday, April 20, 2024

For all projects, visit CommunityServiceday.org



Food Packaging Event Saints Simon & Jude Colman Hall 9:00 - 11:00am

If you would like to volunteer, please register at http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/ interfaithcouncilhb24 or scan the QR code



For more information: MarshaRechsteiner@ssi.org



Join the St. Vincent de Paul Society and Make a Difference in Our Community!

Are you passionate about helping those in need and make a positive impact on the lives of others? Join SVDP and become part of a dedicated team that serves our community with compassion and kindness.

We are seeking new members to join the team to provide person-to-person service to those in need in our parish community and Huntington Beach.

When individuals and families come to SSJ for emergency assistance, SSJ turns to its SVDP team to respond - 24/7, year-round.

If you would like to learn more about joining the SVDP team, please contact Bernie Lebrun at ssj@ssj.org.

Conversations in the Spirit

"...an exercise of mutual listening, conducted at all levels of the Church and involving the entire People of God." - Pope Francis

"Conversations in the Spirit" is an opportunity to actively participate in shaping our Church through spirit guided discussions of thoughts and feelings about the direction of the Church. We will reflect, share, and seek discernment around key questions from the USCCB and the Vatican, which have asked parishes to consider.

From April 18 to May 16, we will meet each Thursday evening, 7:00pm-8:30pm in the Franciscan Rooms. Over the five sessions participants will learn and put into practice becoming a synodal church.

For more background and information, please contact Jo Ann Conte or Chris Sumpter at ssj@ssj.org of visit our table in Mondor Plaza after Masses on April 6/7 and April 13/14.



PRAYERS, READINGS & WORSHIP

Entrance: Alleluia! Love Is Alive - Steve Angrisano

People of God, see the morning is new;

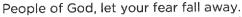
rise from your sleeping and run to the tomb.

Come and see! Come and see! He is alive!

A grave that is empty, a promise fulfilled.

God who was with us is here with us still. He is here! He is here! He is alive!





Your chains have been broken; abandon your shame.

Lift your hearts! Lift your hearts! He is alive!

Here now is mercy embracing your soul;

here the fulfillment that once was foretold. It is true! It is true! He is alive!



The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118 - Owen Alstott



Reading II: 1 Jn 5:1-6

Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

Gospel Acciamation: Alleluia - Mode VI



V: You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; Blessed are those who have not seen me, but still believe



PRAYERS, READINGS & WORSHIP

Gospel: Jn 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

Preparation of the Gifts: O Sons and Daughters - O FILII ET FILIAE



11:15 Mass: Crown Him - Dan Forrest

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne. Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified; no angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his wondering eye at mysteries so bright.

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (BOW) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS, READINGS & WORSHIP

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save; his glories now we sing who died and rose on high, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heaven: one with the Father known, one with the Spirit through Him given from yonder glorious throne. To Thee be endless praise, for Thou for us hast died; be Thou, O Lord, through endless days adored and magnified.

Communion: Behold the Lamb - Martin Willett

Those who were in the dark are thankful for the sunlight; we who live, we who die are grateful for his gift, thankful for his love.

Refrain

Behold, behold the Lamb of God. All who eat, all who drink shall live; and all, all who dwell in God shall come to know his glory.

Peaceful now, those whose hearts are blessed with understanding of the wheat, of the wine united with his word and the love we share.

Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table. Bless our lives; nourish all who hunger for this feast; shelter them with peace.

Lord of all, give us light. Deliver us from evil. Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that blow; cradle us with love.

Meditation: Beautiful Is Your Love - Josh Blakesely

Oh how beautiful is your love for me. Oh what joy is mine in this mystery. I will not fear the dark, here in the presence of your heart. Oh how beautiful is your love.

Oh how wonderful is your love for me: Lamb laid down for me on compassion's tree. How could I turn away from the mercy of your face? Oh how wonderful is your love.

Refrain

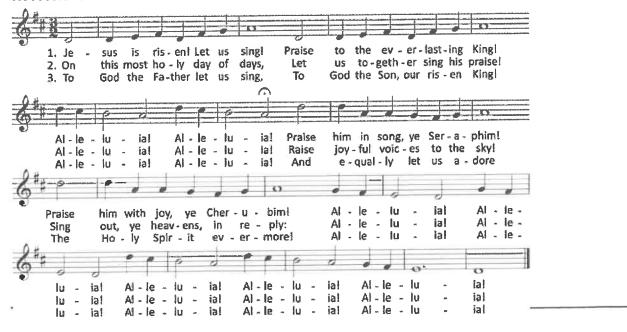
Jesus, Jesus! Oh how beautiful is your love! Jesus, Jesus! Oh how beautiful is your love!

So miraculous is your sacrifice: body broken here that I might have life. Take everything I own; let me be yours alone. So miraculous is your love.

11:15 Mass: Hallelujah, Amen! - G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

Hallelujah, amen! Rejoice, O Judah, in songs divine! With cherubim and seraphim harmonious join!

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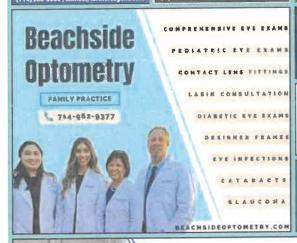
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