



Daily Masses Monday - Friday

7:00 am
12:10 pm

Saturday
7:00 am

Sunday Masses:

Vigil 5:15 pm (Sat.)
7:30 am (quiet)
9:00 am
10:30 am (French)
12:15 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before each weekday Mass
Every Saturday from
4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

A Ministry of the Marist Priests and Brothers

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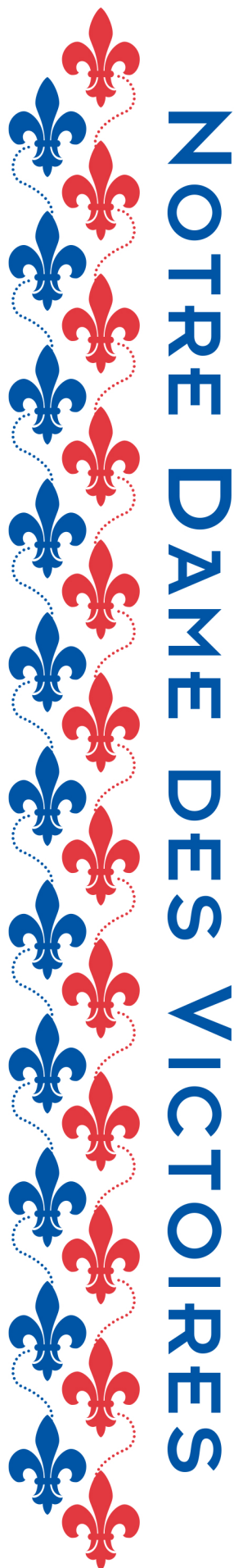
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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord – April 21, 2019

EASTER JOY

The Psalm for Easter Sunday says, "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." Above all days, Easter is a day of joy.

But what is joy? The answer St. Francis gave to this question is famous. St. Francis said to his Brother Leo, "When we come to St. Mary of the Angels [our house], soaked by the rain and frozen by the cold, all soiled with mud and suffering from hunger, and we ring at the gate of the place and the brother porter comes and says angrily: 'Who are you?' And we say: 'We are two of your brothers.' And ... he does not open for us, but makes us stand outside in the snow and rain, cold and hungry, until night falls—then if we endure all those insults and cruel rebuffs patiently, ... oh, Brother Leo, ... perfect joy is there!"

Whatever we may think of St. Francis's explanation of perfect joy, Easter reminds us that Francis's kind of joy is not the end of the story. At Easter, we celebrate the other kind of joy, the kind each of us longs for, when every tear is wiped away, and there is no sorrow anymore—no more suffering from weather or hunger or hurtful human beings. As we sing in the much-loved hymn by Fr. John Foley, SJ, at Easter there is only "the cross and passion past; dark night is done, bright morning come at last!" When we ourselves rise to meet our risen Lord, in that bright morning we will hear the Lord say, "Come away, beloved. The winter is past; the rain is gone, and the flowers return to the earth" (Song of Songs 2:10-12). In the loving union of that encounter, all the heartbrokenness of our lives will be redeemed. That will be perfect joy.

If all we had was the joy St. Francis describes, our courage might fail us in this life. Easter celebrates now the perfect joy waiting for us when we and all creation are reborn with our resurrected Lord into the everlasting love of God. This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Eleonore Stump



FRENCH CORNER

Il est vivant !... Célébrons-le !...

« ALLELUIA ! » chantent les chrétiens depuis plus de vingt siècles, dans tous les pays du monde, parce que leur Seigneur est ressuscité. Au début, les disciples ne pouvaient le croire, mais, bien vite, ils furent convaincus et partirent de Jérusalem pour faire partager leur joie à tous ceux qui acceptèrent le message de salut.

Certes, si le Christ a vaincu le mal, notre monde n'est pas devenu un nouveau paradis terrestre. Cependant nous savons qu'il est désormais possible que les humains travaillent ensemble pour qu'il y ait plus de justice et d'amour. Célébrer le Christ ressuscité, c'est le rencontrer à travers les autres, aussi bien dans la prière, dans la célébration eucharistique que dans nos activités caritatives.

Depuis la première Pâques, il est possible d'améliorer notre monde à condition que nous, les chrétiens, nous soyons ouverts à l'Esprit Saint et que nous avançons avec la force de Dieu, celle qui a permis à tant de disciples du Christ de quitter une petite vie tranquille pour que davantage de gens puissent célébrer dans la joie le Seigneur de la Vie.

Fr. Etienne Siffert, S.M.

FROM OUR SCHOOL

Parishioners,

Happy Easter!

This weekend we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ and the life that He has given us! We are overjoyed to celebrate as a community and are grateful for all of the prayers and support you offer to the school.

This week, the staff and students are enjoying a well deserved Spring Break. When we return, we will celebrate Marist Week. Marist week is a time for us to celebrate our Marist Charism and to prayerfully reflect on what it means to be Marist in our world today. As Marists, we believe that "we are called by gracious choice into the family of Mary" and we are looking forward to celebrating it at school.

Have a Wonderful Week and God Bless,
Sarah Currier, Principal



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY – VIGIL April 20th

8:00 pm Fernandez & Carvalho Families

SUNDAY April 21st

7:30 am For the People of the Parish

9:00 am Gezahegne GebreWold †

10:30 am Mr. & Mrs Szekely †

12:15 pm Amsale Buzenehe†

MONDAY April 22nd

7:00 am Aster Seifu †

12:10 pm Akelile Haile †

TUESDAY April 23rd

7:00 am Ayenalem Wodenehe †

12:10 pm Alfred Buccianeri

WEDNESDAY April 24th

7:00 am Funete Tegene †

12:10 pm Tefera Worke †

THURSDAY April 25th

7:00 am Alfred Buccianeri

12:10 pm Christiane Pelletier

FRIDAY April 26th

7:00 am Yilma Haile †

12:10 pm Alfred Buccianeri

SATURDAY April 27th

7:00 am Shiferaw Habte †

WE REMEMBER OUR SICK

Fanny Alcosiba, Simone Ampillac, Monique Antolin, Jacques Arceneaux, Wondifraw Asrat,

Michael Bartholomew, Annalyn Carlos, Alexandria Christakos, Jeannette Cornu, Patty Espiritu, Mark Fishcher, Jack Flynn, Charlene Johnson, Ernie Fox, Annemarie Gallagher, María Cerón Gamero, Yunina Graham, Georges Handras, Erich Herbitschek, Lupita Herrera, Louise Hughes, Charlene Haught Johnson, Diane

Kelley, Rose Le Bail, Matthew Lech, Lynn Leininger, Tom Leskie, Mike Leskie, Candi McMahan Lewis, Maria Lim, Jacqueline Lira, Carmen López, Grant Melton, Alma and Armando Morales, Dyan Ocampo, Christiane Pelletier, Catherine Stoner Persais, Rev.

Matthew Peters, Joan Rasby, Cathie Reece, Vinod and Cynthia Sheth, Dani Stecko, Dimitrios Tsokas, Alison Williams, Michael Wonderly, and Rosie Zedamoi.



WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Alphonse Acheritogaray, Fr. George Baricar, Anna L. Bernadico, Paul Arthur Domergue, André Fournier, Barbara J. Higgins, Karine Jardin, Lydia A. Jewell, Barbara Charlene Johnke, Nasif Khoury, Ekho Lim, Paulette Lusinchi, Frances McFarland, William McKnight, Bernard Picard, Yolanda Prioto, Juliette Puts, Stephen Rice, Arlene M. Sullivan, Marcel Uharriet,

REMEMBER OUR SICK AND DECEASED:

Please note starting next week we will automatically remove anyone who has been on this list over a year unless we are notified not to remove. Thank you for your understanding.



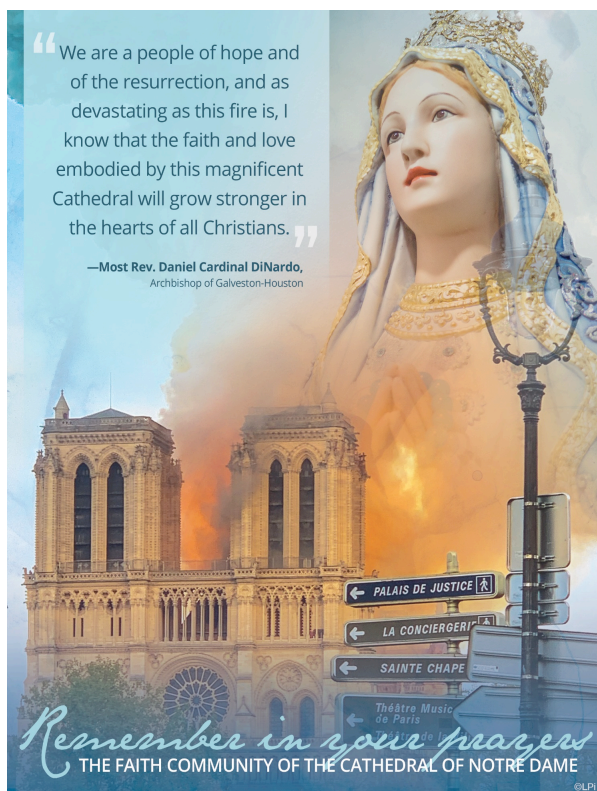
EASTER: The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils." Easter Sunday, then, is the greatest of all Sundays, and Easter Time is the most important of all liturgical times. Easter is the celebration of the **Lord's resurrection** from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. There are **50 days** of Easter from the first Sunday to Pentecost. It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death, expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian: Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching; empty, too, is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14) The octave of Easter comprises the eight days which stretch from the first to the second Sunday. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. In a sense, every day of the Octave is like a little Sunday.

**Draw us forth, God of all creation.
Draw us forward and away from limited certainty
into the immense world of your love.
Give us the capacity to even for a moment
taste the richness of the feast you give us.
Give us the peace to live with uncertainty,
with questions, with doubts.
Help us to experience the resurrection anew
with open wonder and an increasing ability
to see you in the people of Easter. Amen.**

CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSINGS: Our NDV Community rejoices with Amy Chow, our catechumen and David Clarkson our candidate, who received the Sacraments of Initiation during this year's Easter Vigil. May their journey of faith bring them closer to Christ each day of their lives. Blessed are you Amy and David. Thanks also to Daniel & Lupe Kaatz who participated in the RCIA 2019 as lay leaders and mentors for our new members in the faith!

MANY THANKS: What solemn and beautiful Triduum Liturgies we had! Thanks to the Liturgical Ministers, Choirs, Volunteers who decorated the church and the parishioners who participated, which all impacted the *noble simplicity* of our sacred celebrations. In gratitude, we realize that God wants us to experience the joy of Easter in our lives. Let Him fill us with hope and with the joy that only the Resurrection can bring. God wants Easter to begin now in our lives! Happy Easter!

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS: Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.



ROSARY: We will pray the Holy Rosary every Saturday before the 5:15 pm Mass and every Sunday before the 12:15 pm Mass. The Rosary is an important devotion that honors Mary while focusing on the events in the life of Jesus Christ. Please join us in prayer. We will commence the Rosary, 25 minutes before each of the above Masses.

HOSPITALITY: The Hospitality team is looking for volunteers. We are responsible for offering food and beverages and providing a warm welcome to parishioners and visitors in the church hall after Sunday Masses. If interested in helping, please contact Wendy Clem at: wendy@wendyclem.com or call the Parish Office. Thanks for the support.

MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like to request a Mass for a specific intention, please call the Parish Office at 415.397.0113 and speak to our secretary Mertenesh. The Mass Book for 2019 is available to reserve a Mass Intention. Per the Archdiocese of San Francisco, the offering for a Mass request is \$10.00. If paying by check, please make the check payable to the order of: **MARIST FATHERS.**

SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK

April 21st – April 28th, 2019

Sunday	- Acts 10: 34a, 37-43	- Col 3:1-4	- Jn 20:1-9	- Lk 24:1-12
Monday	- Acts 2:14, 22-23			- Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday	- Acts 2:36-41			- Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday	- Acts 3:1-10			- Lk 24:13-35
Thursday	- Acts 3:11-26			- Lk 24:35-48
Friday	- Acts 4:1-12			- Jn 21:1-14
Saturday	- Acts 4:13-21			- Mk 16:9-15
Sunday	- Acts 5:12-16	- Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19		- Jn 20:19-31

SUNDAY COLLECTION: April 13th & April 14th, 2019

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