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Daily Masses

Monday - Friday

7:00 am
12:10 pm

Saturday

7:00 am

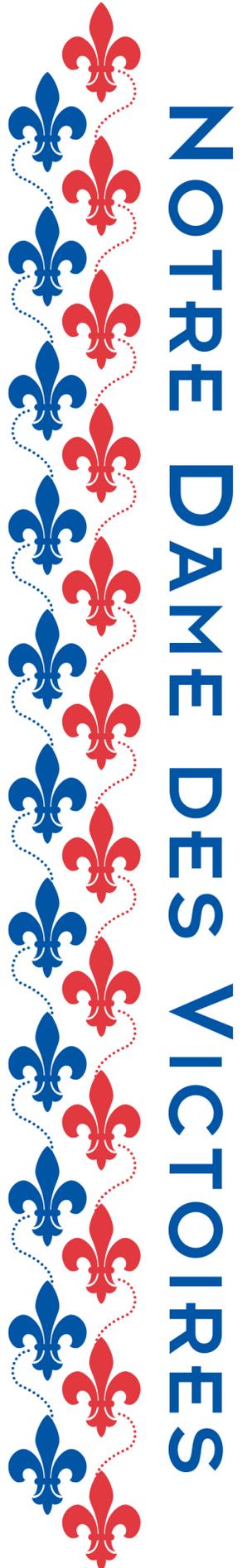
Sunday Masses:

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

Our Lady of Victories Church and School community founded to serve French Immigrant Catholics: serving God's people; proud of our past; living our today



Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of the Lord – April 4, 2021

TRUE 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 [our house] St. Mary of the Angels, 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, S. J. at Easter “the cross and passion past, dark night is over, bright morning comes at last!”** When we ourselves rise to meet our risen Lord, in that bright morning we will hear him 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

Sortir du tombeau

La plupart d’entre nous ne gardons aucun souvenir de la célébration de notre baptême. Mais, de nos jours, il est assez fréquent que des jeunes ou des adultes demandent à être baptisés. Aussi ces personnes se rappellent de ce jour si important pour elles, de la joie d’entrer dans la famille de Dieu, joie partagée avec les parrain et marraine qu’elles ont choisis.

Ce jour de Pâques nous donne justement l’occasion de réfléchir à la joie de nos parents et amis qui ont pu assister à notre baptême, à la joie d’accueillir un enfant dans sa famille, à la joie que nous devons éprouver de joindre tant de nouveaux baptisés.

Cette joie trouve sa source dans la découverte du tombeau vide au matin de Pâques. C’est la joie de Marie qui s’entend appelée par son nom et qui reconnaît ainsi son Maître. C’est la joie de Pierre et de Jean au terme de leur course vers le tombeau du Christ. C’est la joie des disciples qui, sur le chemin d’Emmaüs, retrouvent tout à coup celui qu’ils croyaient perdu à jamais.

Bref, c’est la joie de croire : croire que le Christ est sorti vivant du tombeau et qu’il nous entraîne à sa suite, dans sa vie nouvelle.

Fr. Etienne Siffert, S.M.

FROM OUR SCHOOL

Parishioners,

NDV is OPEN for full day instruction. NDV is accepting applications for the 2021-22 school year.

Ecole Notre Dame des Victoires is a Catholic Elementary & Middle School, Transitional Kindergarten (TK) through eighth grade. Our co-ed school features strong academics and enrichment classes including art, technology, and music, and daily French instruction located in the heart of downtown San Francisco. Please contact the Director of Admissions by email admissions@ndvsf.org to schedule a tour.

God Bless,
Sarah Currier, Principal



Mass Intentions for the Week

**ALL SUNDAY & FEAST DAY
MASSES WILL BE LIVE STREAMED**

EASTER SUNDAY April 4th

9:00 am Charlene Haught Johnson †
10:30 am For the People of the Parish
12:15 pm Odette Etcheverry - Needs

MONDAY April 5th

7:00 am Kenfe-Michael Bethe-Selassie †

TUESDAY April 6th

7:00 am GebreWold Woyessa †

WEDNESDAY April 7th

7:00 am Jean-Baptiste & Juliette Puts †

THURSDAY April 8th

7:00 am Askale Munga †

FRIDAY April 9th

7:00 am Andre Marc Le Bail &
Oscar Prieto †

WE REMEMBER OUR SICK

Monique Antolin, Elizabeth Desta, Patty Espiritu, Zachary Espiritu, Odette Etcheverry, Benjamin Haller, Lupita Herrera, Carmen López, Patrick Maher, Maria Manley, Grant Melton, Diana Munoz, Mary Jo Onopa, Ron & Erik Ongstad, Robert Potter, Roberta Renzi, Juan Gil Sanchez, Vinod and Cynthia Sheth, Josefina Tapia Solis, Peter Wang, and Rosie Zedamoi.

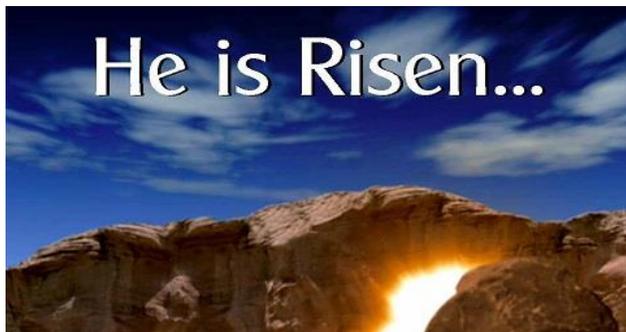


WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Alphonse Acheritogaray, Jacqueline Archieri, Pete Arendt, Fr. George Baricar, Anna L. Bernadico, Kenfe-Michael Bethe-Selassie, Claire Casabonne, Denise Carrade, Madeleine Constant, Jeannette Cornu, Magdalena Cravotto, Yvonne Delclaux, Mark Fischer, Jeannette Ganem, Georges Handras, Barbara J. Higgins, Charlene Haught Johnson, Nasif Khoury, Paul Jae Wook Koo, Ekho Lim, Lynn Leininger, Odette LePendu, Alejandro Lopez Luna, Claudia Ponce Marquez, Frances McFarland, William McKnight, Brook Mesfin, Askale Munga, Mary Orley, Christiane Pelletier, Bernard Picard, Rolande E. Pottier, Yolanda Prieto, Juliette Puts, Stephen Rice, Mary Jo Stechschulte, Dimitrios Tsokas.

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 SUNDAY DINNER PRAYER

Creative God and Lord of life,
 you who call forth from the darkness of death all those who
 love you, we rejoice, on this Easter Sunday,
 in the Resurrection from the dead of our Lord, Jesus Christ.
 Visit our home and this table with your bright blessing of
 peace and life.

We pause in the midst of this prayer
 to remember all the holy dead of our family
 who live now in you and who await the final and glorious
 resurrection of the dead.

May they and we, because of our faith in you, our God,
 taste in the victory of life over death.

May the Risen Christ, our Lord and Savior,

be our guest as we celebrate his Resurrection with this
 Easter Sunday dinner.

Bless those whose work to prepare this meal has truly been
 a work of prayer,

and bless all of us who shall share it with Easter love
 and joy.

May you then bless this table and this food, and each of us
 in your holy name:

Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

**STEWARDSHIP
 CALLED
 TO SERVE**

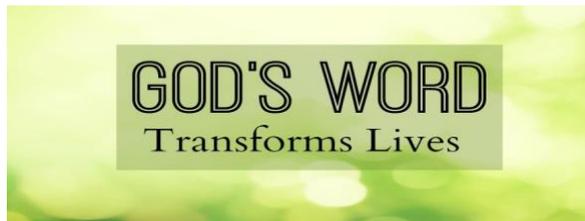
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

In the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, St. Peter recaps Jesus’ mission: to release us from the devil’s grip through His good works and sacrifice on the Cross and to send us forth as His missionary disciples to preach the Good News of salvation. In St. John’s Gospel, Mary Magdalene arrives first at the empty tomb on that first Easter morning. She then prompts Peter and John to go there. Scripture tells us that upon their arrival, they discover the burial wrappings. St. John saw and believed. This is the beloved disciple who sat at Jesus’ side at the Last Supper, who bravely stood at the foot of the Cross, who, at Jesus’ request, took our Blessed Mother Mary as his mother, and, through his faith, was one of the first disciples to believe in the Risen Christ. St. Paul, in his letters, illustrates how Christ has been raised up, raising us along with Him. Like St. John, may the gift of Easter grace strengthen our faith and deepen our relationship with our Lord so we, too, may boldly profess, Jesus is risen. Alleluia! Christ invites us to make Him personal in our lives and commissioned to spread His Good News to everyone we meet.

EARTH DAY 2021: Earth Day, April 22, 2021, marks the 51st anniversary of the first Earth Day, and the theme this year is Restore Our Earth, a theme that is in perfect harmony with our Catholic faith. As a critical leader in our Catholic Community, you provide the inspiration and hope to your parishioners. COVID-19 has left the entire world reeling, and our ability to restore our faith in God and our planet goes hand in hand. It is a core value of all faith traditions but particularly the Catholic faith that we are all stewards of our environment and that both caring for the health of our communities and the responsibility to protect the most vulnerable is part of our faith. In the words of Pope Francis, “Because all creatures are connected, each must be cherished with love and respect, for all of us as living creatures are dependent on one another” (Laudato Si’ 42). So too must the health of our planet. Earth Day 2021 comes at a crucial time, and your important words to the faithful in your parishes will help us build our spiritual well-being to reconnect with each other and the planet God gave us.

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 2020 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.**

2021 AAA Kicks Off: The 2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal, the "AAA," is underway. This year’s theme, **“For the needy will never be forgotten; nor will the hope of the afflicted ever perish,”** speaks to the particularly critical needs of so many at this time. The AAA provides the unique opportunity for all parishes and parishioners in our Archdiocese to unite in a common mission and provide this vital assistance. The past 11½ months have been unprecedented. We’ve all been impacted by the shelter-in-place mandate, by the virus itself, and/or by the economic shutdown. At the same time, the past year has also reaffirmed our tremendous sense of family in the Archdiocese. There have been countless examples of love, sacrifice, and outreach - parishioners checking on neighbors, bringing groceries, gathering in virtual communities of support, and in many other ways. Your support of the Annual Appeal is particularly appreciated and valuable at this exceptionally challenging time. By responding to God’s call to Stewardship and grace and participating in the AAA, you support parish ministries and schools, clergy, youth and young adults, social ministries, the greater Church, and our pastors and parishes in their financial and human resources efforts, among others. You impact many lives through your gift to the Annual Appeal. To donate to the Appeal, please visit our On-Line Parish Platform at <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com>



SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK

April 4, 2021 – April 11, 2021

Sunday	- Acts 10:34a, 37-43	- Col 3:1-4	- Jn 20:1-9
Monday	- Acts 2:14, 22-33		- 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 4:32-35	- 1 Jn 5:1-6	- Jn 20:19-31

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