

April 4th, 2021

The Resurrection of the Lord

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PICK OF THE WEEK



FORMED NOW: EVANGELIZING MILLENNIALS

After his Resurrection, Christ told his disciples to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation" (Mk 16:15). To continue this evangelical work today, we have to adapt to diverse audiences. In this series, Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down to discuss how to reach one of those audiences-millennials.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 1st

7:30 p.m. (Live Stream) Int of Vocations

Readings: Ex 12.1-8, 11-14 / 1 Cor 11.23-26 / Jn 13.1-15

Good Friday, April 2nd

Passion of the Lord

11:00 a.m. (Live Stream) & 3:00 p.m. (Live Stream)

Holy Saturday, April 3rd

7:30 p.m. (Live Stream) Intention of families

Easter Sunday, April 4th

9:00 a.m. (Live Stream) † Deceased members of St. Vital Parish

11:30 a.m. St. Maurice School

8:00 p.m. Missa Pro Populo

Readings: Acts 10.34a, 37-43 / Col 3.1-4 / Jn 20.1-18++

Tuesday, April 6th

11:30 a.m. **(Live Stream)** † Deceased members of Kowalik Family req. the family

Readings: Acts 2.36-41 / Jn 20.11-18

Thursday, April 8th

11:30 a.m. **(Live Stream)** † Lidia Fiorino req. the family

Readings: Acts 3.11-26 / Lk 24.35-48

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Parish News

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Reflecting on the Readings and Gospel

GOOD NEWS

Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34,37-43; Psalm 118; Colossians 3:1-4; Mark 16:1-8 or John 20:1-9 John Craghan, Th.D., S.S.L.

The Easter readings bring us face to face with statements that seem contradictory or opposed to common sense. We are surrounded by alleluias and yet we often take the empty tomb for granted. This is the greatest solemnity of the Church year, a time to wonder at the marvelously mysterious divine paradox!

The passage from Acts is the inauguration of the mission to the Gentiles. The author, Luke, has Peter explain to Cornelius and his household that the Spirit-filled Jewish Jesus of Nazareth now embraces the Gentile community as well. The paradox in this passage is the fact that God has turned the heinous acts of Good Friday's killing into the beautiful reality of new life.

The New Testament associates Psalm 118 with the Resurrection (see Matthew 21:42). The psalm deals with the king's miraculous escape from seemingly unbeatable enemies; the New Testament focuses on God's activity for Jesus. The Jesus of Good Friday is a toppled structure; the Jesus of Easter is the cornerstone for all creation. The paradox: "The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone" (Psalm 118:22).

Mark's gospel passage for Easter Sunday shows the contradiction between Calvary and the empty tomb. The evangelist records the surprise of the women upon observing the stone already rolled back. The white-robed angel announces the mystery: The crucified one has been raised up. Ironically, in Mark's gospel the women fail to share this good news. Mark implies that Christians, in spite of occasional suffering, must go boldly into the world to announce the fulfilling message of the empty tomb. Easter means the transformation of failure into success, of sorrow into joy, of death into life.

None of us has difficulty listing the less than glorious moments in our living. The empty tomb is our challenge to rebuild -- to fill the void that may still exist and move from Good Friday to Easter Sunday. That same meaning and purpose we extend to those around us. If we want to fully experience the good news of Easter, we must share it with others.

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