**The Feast Of The Resurrection: Easter Sunday**

**Holy Eucharist: Rite II**

**April 4, 2021**

**The Word of God**

**Opening Hymn 207 Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

**1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!**

**2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!**

**3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation hath procured, Alleluia!
now above the sky he’s king, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!**

**4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!
praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!**

Opening Acclamation: Said 3X

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ is Risen

**People: The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia*.***

*Officiant:* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen*.*

The Gloria *All together.*

**Glory to God in the highest,
    and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
    we worship you, we give you thanks,
    we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
    have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
    receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
    Jesus Christ,
    with the Holy Spirit,
    in the glory of God the Father. Amen**.

The Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant: Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

Reader: A Reading from The Acts of the Apostles 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm** **118:1-2, 14-24** *All together.*

***Confitemini Domino***

**1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*
his mercy endures for ever.**

**2 Let Israel now proclaim, \*
"His mercy endures for ever."**

**14 The Lord is my strength and my song, \*
and he has become my salvation.**

**15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \*
in the tents of the righteous:**

**16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \*
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"**

**17 I shall not die, but live, \*
and declare the works of the Lord.**

**18 The Lord has punished me sorely, \*
but he did not hand me over to death.**

**19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the Lord.**

**20 "This is the gate of the Lord; \*
he who is righteous may enter."**

**21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*
and have become my salvation.**

**22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*
has become the chief cornerstone.**

**23 This is the Lord's doing, \*
and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

**24 On this day the Lord has acted; \*
we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

The Second Reading

A Reading from Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel Mark: 16:1-8

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you**.

Officiant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**People: Glory to you Lord Christ.**

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you Lord Christ.**

The Homily

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
    the Father, the Almighty**

**maker of heaven and earth,
    of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
    the only Son of God,
    eternally begotten of the Father,
    God from God, Light from Light,
    true God from true God,
    begotten, not made,
    of one Being with the Father.
    Through him all things were made.
    For us and for our salvation
        he came down from heaven:
    by the power of the Holy Spirit
        he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
        and was made man.
    For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
        he suffered death and was buried.
        On the third day he rose again
            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**.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
    who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
    With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
    He has spoken through the Prophets.
    We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
    We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
    We look for the resurrection of the dead,
        and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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Prayers of the People: Form III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
***That we all may be one****.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and
Sacraments****.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations
of the world;
***That there may be justice and peace on the earth****.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest. We pray for the repose of the soul of John Diozzi.
***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We pray for those for whom our prayers have been asked of St James: For Helen, Barbara, John, Kelly, Linda, Todd, Carol, Mos, Diana, Andrea, August, Sandy, Betty, Chris, Bill, Julie, Kimberly, Rip, Jacob, Larry, Anna, Hugh, Barbara, Victoria, Michael, Steve, Liesel, Bill and Charlotte. You know their needs, dear Lord.

We pray for those for whom our prayers have been asked of All Saints’: We pray for Lynn and Lori, Josh and Kourtney and all our professors and teachers and students. For Grove, Kristen, Barbara, Herb, Karen, Kevin and Paula, Herb and Pamela, Harry, Della, Anna, Leann, Anne, Jubilee, Helen, Judy, Beverly, Juan, Rick, Bonnie, for Naiana's friend, for Oscar, Monica, and Juan. For our health workers: Melissa, Anne, Margie and Zach doing COVID nursing and vaccinations, for Lillian’s daughter Sarah, Beth, and Becky, and for our elders: Christine, Sally, for Lori's Aunt Lura, Nicholas's grandfather, and Betsy.

We hold in prayer the families and friends of the victims of the horrific shootings over the last two weeks.  We pray that they will feel your presence in their lives.  We pray for an end to gun violence in this country and the world.

We pray for an end to racism and hate. We pray for the Asian American community and all who suffer threats of violence.

We pray for all those struggling with COVID-19.  We pray for places where the COVID-19 virus is surging and overwhelming.

We thank you for the administration of vaccines.   We pray for patience as we wait to be vaccinated. We pray for us all that we will continue practice mask wearing, social distancing.

We pray for the people and law enforcement at our southern border, that all will be safe.

We pray for our country. May you O Lord restore health and peace to our divided country in a new affirmation of each American's worth and the need for restorative justice based on repentance and reconciliation

We pray for the homeless survivors to the massive fire in the Rohingya people's refugee settlement in Bangladesh.

We pray for the Myanmar protesters of the military take-over of their country.

We give thanks for our faith communities, that we are able to come together in worship.  We give thanks for all faith communities and our Diocese.

*Silence*

Celebrant: O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**The Holy Communion**

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

**Song of Praise** Hymn 204

1 Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

2 In the grave they laid Him, Love who had been slain,
Thinking that He never would awake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

3 Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,
Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead the risen One is seen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

4 When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Jesus' touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

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| ***People*** |  **And also with you.** |
| *Celebrant* |  Lift up your hearts. |
| ***People*** |  **We lift them to the Lord.** |
| *Celebrant* |  Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. |
| ***People*** |  **It is right to give God thanks and praise.** |

*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-
where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of
heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious
Resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the
true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken
away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed
death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us
everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and
Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever
say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
    Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
    Hosanna in the highest.**

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us
for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become
subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus
Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human
nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the
God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself,
in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole
world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our
Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks
to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take,
eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the
remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given
thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you
and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink
it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***Celebrant and People***

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in
this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death,
resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the
Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new
and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully
receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy,
and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints
into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and
with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor
and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***AMEN.***

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
     hallowed be thy Name,
     thy kingdom come,
     thy will be done,
         on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
     as we forgive those
         who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
     but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
     and the power, and the glory,
     for ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The Communion*

*The People remain in their places for Communion. Please wait until after the Celebrant leaves your space before consuming the Bread.*

**Communion Hymn 174 At the Lamb's high feast we sing**

**1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing
praise to our victorious King,
who hath washed us in the tide
flowing from his pierced side;
praise we him, whose love divine
gives his sacred Blood for wine,
gives his Body for the feast,
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.**

**2. Where the Paschal blood is poured,
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, Paschal bread;
with sincerity and love
eat we manna from above.**

**3. Mighty victim from on high,
hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;
thou hast conquered in the fight,
thou hast brought us life and light:
now no more can death appall,
now no more the grave enthrall;
thou hast opened paradise,
and in thee thy saints shall rise.**

**4. Easter triumph, Easter joy,
these alone do sin destroy.
From sin's power do thou set free
souls newborn, O Lord, in thee.
Hymns of glory, songs of praise,
Father, unto thee we raise:
risen Lord, all praise to thee
with the Spirit ever be.**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

**Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

 The Blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.*

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen.*

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, those you love, and those you struggle to love, and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

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**Hymn** 180 He is risen, he is risen!

1. He is risen, he is risen!
Tell it out with joyful voice:
he has burst his three days' prison;
let the whole wide earth rejoice:
death is conquered, we are free,
Christ has won the victory.

2. Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,
with glad smile and radiant brow!
Death's long shadows have departed;
Jesus' woes are over now,
and the passion that he bore–
sin and pain can vex no more.

3. Come, with high and holy hymning,
hail our Lord's triumphant day;
not one darksome cloud is dimming
yonder glorious morning ray,
breaking o'er the purple east,
symbol of our Easter feast.

4. He is risen, he is risen!
He hath opened heaven's gate:
we are free from sin's dark prison,
risen to a holier state;
and a brighter Easter beam
on our longing eyes shall stream.

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**