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MARCH 31, 2024 - EASTER SUNDAY



ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK,
MARY OF MAGDALA CAME TO THE TOMB

EARLY IN THE MORNING, WHILE IT WAS STILL DARK,
AND SAW THE STONE REMOVED FROM THE TOMB.

“... AND WE DON’T KNOW WHERE THEY PUT HIM.”

JOHN 20:1,2B

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Weekly Readings

Readings for the week of EASTER 2024:

Sun: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7
Mon: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
Tue: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wed: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thu: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Fri: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Sat: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/
Jn 20:19-31

A
MOMENT
WITH



IL POVERELLO
FOR EASTER

... But in the holy love that is God, I beg all my brothers as they overcome every obstacle and put aside every care and anxiety, to strive as best they can to serve, love, honor and adore the Lord God with a clean heart and pure mind, for this is what He desires above all things.

- St. Francis of Assisi, from "The Earlier Rule"

YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The Finance Council is providing a regular look at contributions.

MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2024

Stewardship	\$ 39,139
(Stewardship budget for the month)	\$ 40,221
Building Fund	\$ 1,835
Assistance to the Needy	\$ 254

Thank you for your generosity!



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CELEBRATING THE
FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS
WITH A PARISH PICNIC IN
OCT' 2024 IS RIGHT AROUND
THE CORNER!



A 2024 Parish Picnic Coordinator
is Needed!

Last year's picnic was fun and there were many volunteers to help with food, decorations, set up, and break down. Here is an opportunity for a parishioner to organize this year's event. The coordinator will have plenty of support.

If interested, please contact **Richard** at rah95816@aol.com or **Melba** at stepping2016stones@gmail.com for more information.

Act of Spiritual Communion



My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the
Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into
my soul. Since I cannot at this
moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my
heart. I embrace You as if You were
already there and unite myself wholly
to You. Never permit me to be
separated from You. Amen.

Prayer Before the Crucifix



St. Francis prayed this prayer
before the crucifix in the little
church of San Damiano in
1205/1206, in the early
days of his conversion:

Most High, glorious God,
enlighten the darkness of
my heart and give me true
faith, certain hope, and
perfect charity, sense and
knowledge, Lord, that
I may carry out Your holy
and true command.

Amen

THE POPE TWEETS

MARCH 17, 2024

Glory, for God, does not
correspond to human success,
fame and popularity, it is not a
grandiose manifestation of power
to be followed by public applause.
For God, glory is to love to the
point of giving one's life.

Franciscus



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Sacred Triduum
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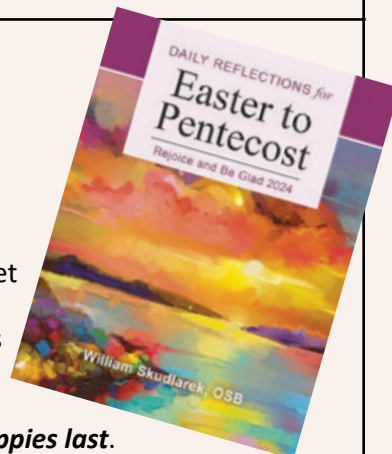
PRAY

REJOICE AND BE GLAD: DAILY REFLECTIONS FOR EASTER 2024

Pick up a copy of this booklet of reflections for the Easter season, available after Mass starting on Easter Sunday, and available until sold out.

\$1 donation each, while supplies last.

Continue the journey!



Easter Sunday Morning Coffee and Goodies All Are Welcome!

A St. Francis Parish Easter Celebration
Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

Please join St. Francis families and friends for **"Coffee and Goodies"** between 8:30am-9:30am on the front church steps.

"Rejoice! He Has Risen"



**TAIZE FOR EASTER
 PRAYER SERVICE IN PERSON**
 EACH WED AT 6:00PM IN THE CHURCH
 (OR VIA YOUTUBE AT [HTTPS://BIT.LY/37XEfK3](https://bit.ly/37XEfK3))





*Iftar Dinner at Salam Center Mosque,
April 07, 2024*

**4545 College Oak Drive,
Sacramento
Sunday, April 07, 2024**



IN THE YEAR 1219 ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI went to Egypt to visit the Sultan, Malik-al-Kamil. In April of 2017 Pope Francis also visited Egypt, urging Christians and Muslims to walk together not as enemies but as **“fellow travelers.”**

Following their examples of interfaith understanding, the **Pathways for Justice Ministry** invites parishioners to join them in serving an Iftar meal for our local Muslim sisters and brothers. Iftar is the meal of fast-breaking at sundown during the holy days of Ramadan (March 10-April 9).

For more information, to make a donation to defray costs, or volunteer serving in this act of inter-religious fellowship with Muslim families, please email pathwaysforjustice@stfrancisparish.com.

Iftar is the evening meal with which Muslims end their daily Ramadan fast. Muslims break their fast at the time of the call to prayer for the evening prayer. This is their second meal of the day; the daily fast during Ramadan begins immediately after the pre-dawn meal and continues during the day-light hours, ending with sunset with the evening meal of Iftar. (Wikipedia)



FRANCISFEST
April 28, 2024

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is hosting our second annual **FrancisFest on Sunday, on April 28.**

The festival starts at 8:00 a.m. and runs continuously until around 1:00 p.m.

Admission is FREE.

Everyone should come who loves food, fun and fellowship including a gigantic yard, book and plant sale, silent auction, kids activities, fresh baked goodies and a cookout with hamburgers, hot dogs and veggie burgers. Wash them down with soda, bottled water and sangria. The location is in the playground area behind the church. Come early and get the best “treasures” at the sale! Bid high and bid often on the silent auction items. Have lunch with friends! All proceeds benefit the church.

Safeway has generously volunteered to be onsite furnishing many vaccines like the latest COVID booster, RSV, pneumonia and shingles. Preregistration is appreciated! Be sure to bring your health insurance card. Most vaccines are covered. Plus, you’ll get a 10% off coupon for your next visit to Safeway with every vaccine.

Don’t miss this once-a-year opportunity for food, fun and camaraderie. Tell your family and friends.

All are welcome!

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EASTER SUNDAY

OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

St. Francis of Assisi Parish
March 31, 2024

Gathering:

Halle, Halle, Halle

Tony Alonso, Gabe Huck, John L. Bell

REFRAIN

Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah!
Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah!

Cantor: Glory ...

All: Halle, hallelujah!

Cantor: Glory ...

All: Halle, hallelujah!

Cantor: Glory ...

All: Hallelujah, hallelujah! (Refrain)

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Kyrie:

Mass of Creation

Marty Haugen

Ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son. Chri-ste, e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son.

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Gloria:

Mass of Remembrance

Marty Haugen

REFRAIN

Glo-ry to God in the high-est and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.
Glo-ry to God in the high-est and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father. **(Refrain)**

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. **(Refrain)**

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. **(Refrain)**

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Psalm: Psalm 118: "This is the Day..."

Scott Soper

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad; for
this is the day that the Lord has made; al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

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EASTER SUNDAY

OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Easter Sequence:

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer your thankful praises!

A Lamb the sheep redeems; Christ, who only is sinless, reconciles sinners to the Father.

Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous: The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal.

Speak, Mary, declaring what you saw, wayfaring. "The tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus' resurrection; Bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting. Yes, Christ my hope is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you."

Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! Amen. Alleluia.

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Gospel Acclamation:

Owen Alstott



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Renewal of Baptismal Promises & Sprinkling Rite: Wade in the Water

M.D. Ridge



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Preparation of Gifts:

Gather in Your Name

Lori True

REFRAIN

VERSES

1. Bread, the gift of your bod - y. Wine, your life blood out - poured.
2. Bread, our light and our life. Wine, our truth and our way.
3. Bread, your man - na from heav - en. Wine, the fruit of your heart.
4. Bread, your mys - t'ry be - fore us. Wine, the hope of our dreams.

Come, join the feast! Take and be believe! Be - come what you re - ceive. (When two or

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Liturgy of the Eucharist:

Mass of Remembrance

Marty Haugen

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. 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. Hosanna in the highest.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen!

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (x2)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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EASTER SUNDAY

OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Communion:

Worthy is the Lamb

Ricky Manalo, CSP

REFRAIN



Wor-thy is the Lamb that was slain to re-ceive hon-or and glo-ry.
Wor-thy are the ones who be-lieve to re-ceive the good-ness of God.

Worthy are you, O Paschal Lamb. Wisdom and strength belong now to you.
You laid down your life and died upon the cross: we've become a people of hope. **(to Refrain)**

Worthy are you, O Bread of Life. Salvation and joy belong now to us.
By conquering death and rising to new life, we've become a people of praise. **(to Refrain)**

Worthy are you O Risen Christ. Wonders and signs, revealing your might.
Your power and glory shine upon our lives: we've become your light for the world. **(to Refrain)**

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Alleluia! Love is Alive

Steve Angrisano, Jesse Manibusan, and Sarah Hart

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!

REFRAIN: Alleluia! Love is alive; conquered the grave and defeated the night.

Alleluia! Love is alive! The son has arisen for all. Your people sing alleluia!

People of God, let your fear fall away. 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! **(to Refrain)**

People of God now rejoicing in Christ, carry your joy to the darkness of night.

Tell the world! Tell the world! He is alive!

Hear the good news of this glorious day, every heart singing as heaven proclaims:

He is Lord! He is Lord! He is alive! **(to Refrain)**

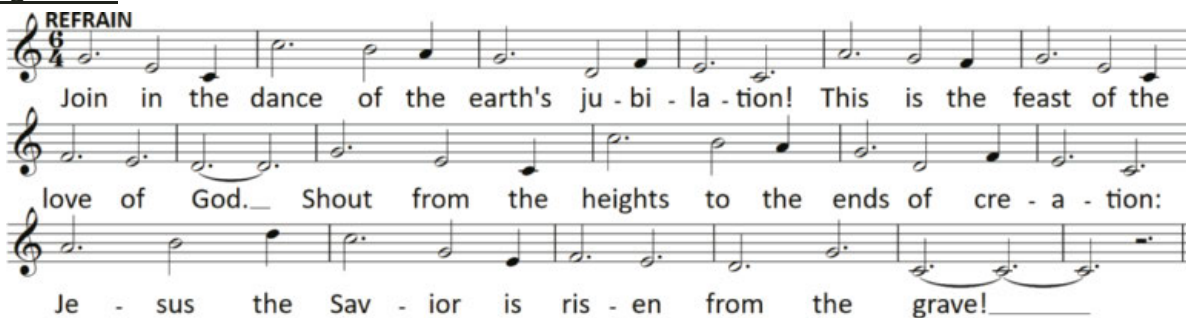
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Sending Forth:

Join in the Dance

Dan Schutte

REFRAIN



Join in the dance of the earth's ju-bi-la-tion! This is the feast of the
love of God. Shout from the heights to the ends of cre-a-tion:
Je-sus the Sav-ior is ris-en from the grave!

Wake, O people sleep no longer: greet the breaking day!
Christ, Redeemer, Lamb and Lion, turns the night away. **(Refrain)**

All creation, like a mother, labors to give birth.

Soon the pain will be forgotten, joy for all the earth! **(Refrain)**

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