

APRIL 04, 2021- YEAR B
EASTER SUNDAY



Easter Message

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

Easter is here again! Alleluia! Easter is a season like no other; it resounds the foundation of our faith and the restoration of our relationship with God. It is a time for great rejoicing and that is why the liturgy of Easter begins by proclaiming the Exultet - one of the most beautiful hymns ever composed to the honour of God.

The Easter story provides the definitive example of how God gives meaning to suffering. Through the Lord's suffering and death, we are liberated from death's grasp. The Lord will also transform the difficulties of today into profound grace - but we must allow Him to do so. St. Paul says: "but we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him anymore. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus" (Rom 6:8-11). This is the reason for our rejoicing despite the lockdown response to the pandemic. The coronavirus situation has brought with its certain ugly realities of death, isolation, fear, anxiety, sickness, and pain. But we Christian people have been able to accept this length of time as a period of grace for us to grow in holiness of life, faith in God, charity towards others.

We also open ourselves to the Lord when we do good. While we will not be able to make all things well, we can follow the example of St. Teresa of Calcutta to, "do small things with great love." Grow closer to your family and loved ones, being gentle and patient with them during this time together. Call on family, friends, neighbors, and the vulnerable. Help those in need as you are able. If you are able, continuing to support our parish financially will help our parish to overcome this ordeal. Financial uncertainties abound, and we must ensure we take care of our families; not everyone will be able to maintain their giving. However, we play our part in whatever way it is possible. Thank you for support and love.

Finally, I pray for our families, for our parish, for healthcare workers, for our political leaders, for those who are sick, and those who are dying. I wish you an abundance of Easter blessings. May the Easter Alleluia resound in your heart. Happy Easter! May the Risen Lord Bless You!

Fr. Vijay Martin



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CLOSED on MONDAYS

MASS TIMES

Sunday:

Saturday 4:00 PM

5:30 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM

10:30 AM

Week Day:

Monday-Friday 7:30 AM

*** PLEASE NOTE THAT**

THERE ARE NO MORNING

MASSSES ON SATURDAY

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE *

SACRAMENT OF

RECONCILIATION:

Wednesday 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 - 11:00 AM

OR BY APPOINTMENT

ADORATION OF THE

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday 5 - 6 PM

WEDDINGS - Please call the rectory for an appointment six months before planning the wedding date.

BAPTISMS - A pre-Baptism course is required. Please call the rectory for an appointment.

Jesus himself spoke to St. Faustina Kowalska, teaching her about His Great mercy towards sinners. He asked that on the Sunday following Easter a feast be solemnly celebrated. On this day, our Lord promised that the divine flood gates through which mercy flows, would be wide open and the soul that will have gone to Confession and received Holy Communion shall obtain a Plenary Indulgence.

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday. He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena. In her diary, St. Faustina wrote that Jesus told her: *"On each day of the novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy ... On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls."*

Divine Mercy Sunday was fixed on the Church calendar on April 20, 2000 and has been officially recognized by the Vatican. This devotion was close to the heart of St. Pope John Paul II and has rapidly spread throughout the world. The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has urged us to keep in mind that we are now living in a time of mercy. Prepare for this great Feast of Mercy by praying the 9-Day Chaplet of Divine Mercy Novena beginning on Good Friday.



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Download the Novena from <https://www.ewtn.com/img/catholicism/downloads/divine-mercy-novena-pandemic.pdf>

- DAY 1 (Good Friday) - All mankind, especially sinners
- DAY 2 (Holy Saturday) - The souls of priests and religious
- DAY 3 (Easter Sunday) - All devout and faithful souls
- DAY 4 (Easter Monday) - Those who do not believe in Jesus & those who do not know Him.
- DAY 5 (Easter Tuesday) - The souls of separated brethren
- DAY 6 (Easter Wednesday) - The meek and humble souls and the souls of children
- DAY 7 (Easter Thursday) - The souls who especially venerate and glorify Jesus' mercy.
- DAY 8 (Easter Friday) - The souls who are detained in purgatory.
- DAY 9 (Easter Saturday) - The souls who have become lukewarm.

Jesus I Trust In You!



JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN!

Message from Pope Francis - Christians, by the grace of Christ, "seek to live in service to one another, not to be arrogant, but rather respectful and ready to help," this is not weakness, but true strength.

MARY'S PANTRY - Its unfortunate that we can not gather for Easter. May you all have a blessed one anyway. Next weekend, April 10/11, is our next collection for Mary's Pantry. Donations may be dropped off in the back of the church during the week. Thank you for your continued support.



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH
December 8, 2020 - December 8, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS There is one scheduled mass per week day. The Sunday masses and Holy Days of Obligation are for parishioners, We try to accommodate all masses on the day they are requested but this is not always possible. All others are sent to the Missions. Mass for souls of the deceased is indicated by the + symbol.

APRIL 04 - APRIL 11, 2021		
MASSES BEING OFFERED PRIVATELY BY FR. VIJAY		
SUNDAY EASTERN	8:30 AM	Intentions OLPH Parishioners
SUNDAY EASTERN	10:30 AM	LIVE STREAMING MASS
MONDAY	7:30 AM	+ Francesco Rondinelli
TUESDAY	7:30 AM	+ Frank DeBartolo
WEDNESDAY	7:30 AM	+ Helen Saemerow
WEDNESDAY	5:00 PM	ADORATION & CONFESSION
THURSDAY	7:30 AM	Intentions Shirley Beveridge
FRIDAY	7:30 AM	+ Lidio Marchi
SATURDAY	9:00 AM	+ Irene Layland
SUNDAY MERCY SUNDAY	8:30 AM	LIVE STREAMING MASS
SUNDAY MERCY SUNDAY	10:30 AM	Intentions OLPH Parishioners

Suspended until Further Notice



PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH
 Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
 Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 To you God entrusted his only Son;
 in you Mary placed her trust;
 with you Christ became man.
 Blessed Joseph, to us too,
 show yourself a father and
 guide us in the path of life.
 Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
 and defend us from every evil. Amen.

"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." - COLOSSIANS 3:2

STEWARDSHIP
 On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died and rose for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how He is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

Time * Talent * Treasure

ALL PUBLIC MASSES ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. We are blessed to have Father Vijay continue to say private Masses for our intentions. Please remember to keep Fr. Vijay in your prayers. Pray for his spiritual strength and that he remains healthy.

COLLECTION MARCH 28: Envelopes \$1,788.00; Loose \$56.00; EFT \$415.00; Other Envelopes \$391.00;

THURSDAY FAMILY TAKE HOME DINNERS
 The menu for this coming **THURSDAY, APRIL 08TH** is:
THAI RED CURRY CHICKEN, JASMINE RICE & THAI NOODLE SALAD

- Dinner for 2 - \$25.00
- Dinner for 4 - \$50.00
- Dinner for 6 - \$75.00

Orders are filled via munchalunch through the Fundraiser tab (please read the description of all the sides served with this meal).
 Orders close every week on **Tuesdays at 9:00 pm sharp!** Family Dinners will be ready for pick-up at the Parish Centre on Thursday from 2:30 pm until 3:00 pm.
Click on the following link to order your Family Dinner: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/OLPHKamloops> [Or if you prefer, Parishioners can order through the Parish Office]
 We accept the following payment options: Cash, Cheque payable to "OLPH School" or Debit/Credit Machine at the office. Thank you for your support!



AN 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.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL
UNIVERSAL: Fundamental Rights ~ We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.



Please continue to pray ... for all the sick of our parish; those homebound, in the hospital, and nursing facilities; and for all the souls in purgatory.

