

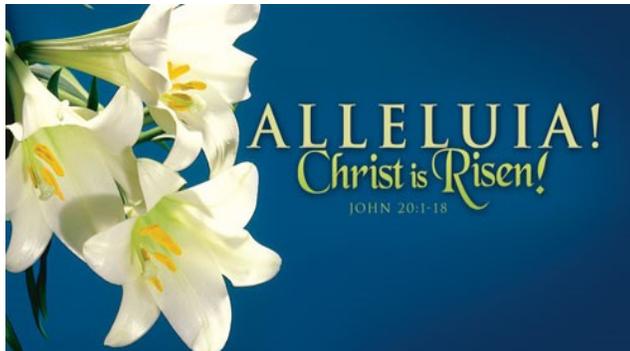


April 21st , 2019

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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Christ is Risen!

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles is part of an early sermon of Peter. In it he summarizes the ministry of Jesus, which culminated in his death. But it didn't end there – God raised him to life, allowing him to be seen by certain witnesses. Peter is one of those witnesses. He goes on to declare that Jesus is the one all the prophets spoke about, namely, the Messiah. All who believe in him will have their sins forgiven.

The Gospel tells about the discovery of the empty tomb. The empty tomb (with the discarded linen cloths) in itself is not a direct proof of the resurrection. Nevertheless, it was the first step towards establishing the truth that Jesus had escaped the bonds of death, and it prepared the disciples to encounter the risen Lord.

Many of the readings of the Easter cycle were meant to instruct the newly baptised on the Christian way of life. Today's second reading and its alternative are good examples. Thus the Easter season provides us with an opportunity to reflect on what it means to be baptised members of Christ's Body.



This Week

Easter Monday, April 22

10:00am Mass
Parish Office closed

Tuesday, April 23

6:00am Meeting Men's Prayer Group
8:00am Mass
6:30pm Meeting ALPHA
7:00pm Mass Int Cynthia Wing

Wednesday, April 24

8:00am Mass
2:00pm Event Oblate Gathering
7:00pm Mass +Doreen Mendes
7:30pm Meeting Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Thursday, April 25

8:00am Mass +Eric Lee Son
7:00pm Meeting Parish Pastoral Council
7:00pm Mass Int Evelyn Sharp

Friday, April 26

8:00am Mass
10:30am Meeting Moms & Tots Play Group
7:00pm Mass

Saturday, April 27

8:00am Mass
5:00pm Mass +Antonio Costosa
Baptism
Baptism
Baptism
Food Collection
6:00pm Event Parish Pasta Dinner

Sunday, April 28

9:00am Mass Food Collection
11:00am Mass Food Collection
5:00pm Mass Food Collection



OFFERTORY

We are grateful for these gifts.
 Sunday Envelopes: \$10,092.80
 Loose: \$673.70



Pope's message



After listening to the Word of God from this Gospel passage, there are three things that I would like to say.

First: the announcement. There is an announcement: the Lord has risen; that announcement which traveled by word of mouth ever since the

early days of Christianity: it was a greeting: The Lord has risen. And the women who went to anoint the Lord's body were met by a surprise. The surprise.... God's announcements always bring surprises because our God is the God of surprises. It has been like this from the beginning of salvation history; ever since our father Abraham. God surprises you: "Just go, go, leave your land and go". And one surprise always follows another. God is not able to make an announcement without surprising us. And the surprise is what moves your heart, what touches you in the very place you do not expect. To use the language of young people: the surprise is a low blow; you do not expect it. And he goes and moves you. First: the surprising announcement.

Second: haste. The women run, they hasten to say: "But we have found this!". God's surprises place us on a journey, immediately, without delay. And so they run to see. Peter and John run. The shepherds on that Christmas night run: "Let us go to Bethlehem to see what the angels have told us". And the Samaritan woman runs to tell her people: "This is the news: I found a man who told me everything I have done". And the people know the things that the woman has done. And those people run; they leave what they are doing, even the housewife leaves the potatoes in the pot – she will find them burnt [on her return] – but the important thing is to go, to run in order to see that surprise, that announcement. It still happens today. In our neighbourhoods, in the villages, when something extraordinary happens, people run to see; they go in haste. Andrew wasted no time and went in haste to tell Peter: "we have found the Messiah". Surprises, good news are always announced in this manner: in haste. There is a person in the Gospel who takes his time. He does not want to take risks. But the Lord is good. He awaits him with love. It is Thomas. "I will believe when I see the wounds" he says. The Lord also has patience for those who are in no hurry.

The surprising announcement, the hastened response, and the third thing I wish to mention to you today is a question: "What about me? Do I have a heart that is open to God's surprises; am I capable of going in haste or do I persist with the refrain: "well, I'll see tomorrow, tomorrow, tomorrow?". What does the surprise tell me? John and Peter hastened to the sepulchre. The Gospel said that John "believed". Peter also "believed", but in his own way; with his faith somewhat clouded by regret for having denied the Lord. The surprising announcement, the running, the hastening and the question: And what do I do on this Easter Day 2018? What do you do?

Pope's Pray Intention for April

Universal: For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

Did you know...

How Is the Date of Easter Calculated?

Why is Easter on a different day each year? Many Christians think that the date of Easter depends on the date of Passover, and so they get confused in those years when Easter (calculated according to the Gregorian calendar) falls before Passover (calculated according to the Hebrew calendar, which does not correspond to the Gregorian one). While there is an historical connection—the first Holy Thursday was the day of the Passover feast—the Council of Nicaea (325), one of the seven ecumenical councils acknowledged by both Catholics and Orthodox Christians, established a formula for calculating the date of Easter independent of the Jewish calculation of Passover.

Easter Sunday is always celebrated on the Sunday following the first full moon after the spring Equinox.

The Easter Season

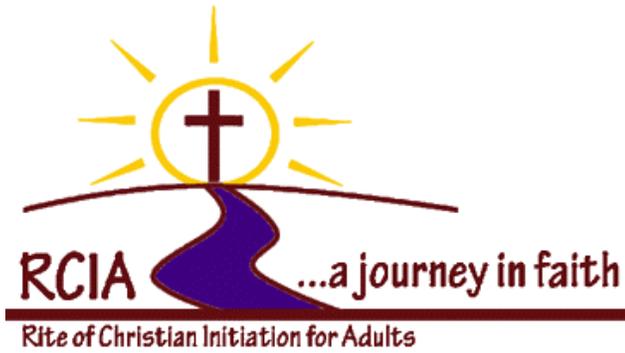
Just as Easter is the most important Christian holiday, so, too, the Easter season is the longest of the special liturgical seasons of the Church. It extends all the way to Pentecost Sunday, the 50th day after Easter, and encompasses such major feasts as Divine Mercy Sunday and Ascension.

In fact, Easter sends ripples out through the liturgical calendar even after the Easter season ends. Trinity Sunday and the feast of Corpus Christi, which both fall after Pentecost, are "moveable feasts," which means that their date in any given year depends on the date of Easter



WELCOME TO ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH

St. Augustine's Oblate Parish is a Catholic community centered in Christ and the Eucharist that has a shared mission to – welcome and invite all to participate – celebrate in Word and Sacrament – foster evangelization and spiritual formation – advocate for social justice – care for our common home.

**Catechumens**

Diana Power
Kelvin Chong

Candidates

Lizabeth Zoppi
Karen Hefford
Artur Antoniazzi
Katherine Kimball
Marcelo Sacchi de Carvalho

Profession of Faith

Lexcee Power

Children Baptized

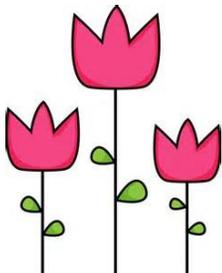
Max Power
William Power

Easter Vigil—Saturday April 20th, 2019

During the Easter Vigil candidates and catechumens are initiated into the faith. For eight months they have journeyed with the RCIA and discerned their call from God.

**Palm Sunday****Blessing of the Palms**

Sunday April 14th 2019

CWL news**Spring Fair Sunday May 5**

We are accepting donations for the fair....

- jewelry, raffle items/baskets, small treasures and/or donations of cash - please drop off at the Parish Office. If you have questions contact Karen [604-879-9744](tel:604-879-9744) or kza-wortny@gmail.com

- **home-baked goodies** (such squares, tarts, loafs, pies, scones, biscuits, biscotti, cookies, soda bread, etc.etc); homemade jams, chut-

neys and preserves (fruits & vegetables); etc. Please contact Geri for instructions concerning drop-off place and times at 604-738- 1155 or gerifuji@telus.net

Parish Pasta Dinner ~ Saturday, April 27, 2019, 6:00 PM

The *Community Life* team thanks the Parishioners who purchased tickets for the April 27th Parish Pasta Dinner. Please ensure that you place your \$10 dinner ticket payment in the Collection basket at Church in an envelope marked "Parish Pasta Dinner". We look forward to this evening of Community Life at St. Augustine's.

Food Collection

Due to Easter falling on the 3rd weekend of April, the FOOD COLLECTION weekend will be on April 27/28 weekend.

In May ,we will resume our regular schedule with Food Collection weekend being May 4/5 and May 18/19. HAPPY EASTER & thank you for your generous donations.

Parish Education Committee (PEC) Elections

The PEC has 2 seats coming up for election and are asking for nominations. The elections will be held on the weekend of May 25th and 26th with voting occurring 1 hour after each mass (Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9am, 11am and 5pm). The PEC has formed an Elections Nomination Committee consisting of the following members:

Chairperson: Adam Beaudin-Ball

Members: Father Andrew, Carolyn Wong Levesque and Liz Flores.

If you or someone you know is interested in serving on the PEC please go to <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4i9Nxzle051a2pRZ0lwMzBVNlk/view> and read, fill out and sign all the forms then Email them to pec.elections@staugustineschool.ca

All nominations must be received by May 16th. Note: The Voters List will be available to those wishing to see it. Please Email

pec.elections@staugustineschool.ca with your request.

St. Patrick's Regional Secondary School Fundraiser Raffle

Tickets for this **all-cash prize** raffle will be sold after all Masses on Saturday, April 27th and Sunday, April 28th. The prize money totals \$18,000. Tickets are only \$2 each. stpatsraffletix@gmail.com.

This year, the draw will be held at the annual St. Patrick's Secondary Mother's Day Tea on **Friday, May 10th @ 2pm**.

Thank you for supporting our Regional Secondary School.

First Prize = \$10,000

Second Prize = \$5,000

Around the Archdiocese...**The Catholic Faith – in plain English**

Learn the teachings and practices of the Catholic Faith in this robust course. This course is suitable for all adult learners including Catholics and non-Catholics. You can attend all sessions or drop in for specific topics as you please; there is no cost or pre-registration required.

Drop in 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. at the John Paul II Pastoral Centre).

For more information and for the list of topics and dates, visit <https://rcav.org/adult-catechesis-course>.

Oblate Corner..



LIVING HOLY WEEK WITH SAINT EUGENE: HOLY THURSDAY AND THE EUCHARIST

Posted by Frank Santucci

Eugene had made his first communion on Holy Thursday at the College of Nobles in Turin. It was always an important moment for him to recall the joy of this important event.

Antoine Ricard, who had been a diocesan seminarian in Marseille, showed this:

One Holy Thursday – as I personally recall – we were in the Cathedral of Marseille. The bishop (Eugene de Mazenod) was officiating with the gentle dignity and recollection that made him renowned among all the bishops, his contemporaries. Unexpectedly we saw him cry and, while trying, he could not conceal it. The seminarians who surrounded the bishop's throne, struck by the emotion of the Bishop, were moved as they looked at him. He noticed this, and turning to one of them, the author of these lines, whose short-sightedness made his staring more obvious:

"Young man," he said with that simplicity that made him win hearts, "do not be startled like that – today is the anniversary of my first communion."

Mgr Antoine RICARD, "Monseigneur de Mazenod, évêque de Marseille, fondateur de la Congrégation des Missionnaires Oblats de Marie Immaculée," p. 12.

As we celebrate the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper, perhaps we could make this the opportunity to recall our own first communion with joy and thanksgiving.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE RULE SHOULD MAKE A BIG IMPRESSION

As the novices prepare for their first retreat, it is in the light of the Rule that their vocation has to be presented. The house superior was to be the retreat preacher.

What I want is that in retreat talks, especially in the novitiate, there should be frequent and textual citation of the words of our Rules, both to form the attitude of respect that each of us owes them and for there to be a clear understanding that that is the code that lays down our duties.

It is the first general retreat in which our new men have participated, it is important that it should make a big impression on them: make it your concern to achieve this happy result.

Letter to Hippolyte Courtès, 21 October 1834, EO VIII n 494

Eugene repeats this important prescription to the novice master too:

...I have written to Father Courtès that I want the one who gives the talks to base himself largely on the text of our Rules which he is to cite as the Code of the Congregation. This method builds up respect for these Rules and is a better way of inculcating the precepts contained in them.

Letter to Casimir Aubert, 21 October 1834, EO VIII n. 495

The Constitutions and Rules remain for all of us today the light which guides our Mazenodian vocation in whichever state of life we are called to live it.

If you are new to our Parish Community or have an address or telephone change, please fill out the information below and submit it to the parish office or drop into the collection basket. please print in block letters.	
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Spouse First Name	Spouse Last Name
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