

ST LAWRENCE

APRIL 1, 2018

Easter Sunday
He is Risen. Alleluia!



Sunday Reflection

Easter Sunday

**“Think of what is above,
not of what is on earth.”**

- COLOSSIANS 3:2

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.

The Day of the Resurrection



Even though Easter is not the beginning of the Roman Catholic liturgical year, it is the highpoint of the year. Easter is the celebration of the paschal mystery, coming from the word pascha, which means "Easter."

There are a number of aspects of the paschal mystery incorporated into the celebration of Easter that makes it so embracing. One of these aspects, and perhaps the one that comes to the minds of most Christians when they think about Easter, is the memory of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Another aspect of the Easter mysteries is the presence of the risen Christ beyond the time of his human journey. The Resurrection—indeed the whole of the paschal mystery—is not a past event that we merely commemorate. It is part of our lives today, part of the life of the Church since the days of the community that was formed around Jesus of Nazareth, continuing and being built up in love as you stand in your assembly each Sunday at your own parish.

In the Gospels we do not find Sunday as a day for assembling the followers of Jesus, but we discover in all four Gospels that the Resurrection took place on a Sunday. (See Matthew 28:1-7, Mark 16:1-8, Luke 24:1-8, and John 20:1-18.) In addition to being the day on which Jesus had been raised from the dead,

the first day of the week was also the day on which Jesus appeared to the disciples after the Resurrection....

We cannot, on the one hand, think of the Resurrection as merely an event in the life of the historical Jesus. That is wholly true, yet the Resurrection continues in the life of the Church. We experience the Resurrection when we celebrate the initiation of new members into our communities at the Easter Vigil. We experience the Resurrection when we celebrate the baptism of infants. We experience the Resurrection whenever we celebrate the sacraments. And we experience the Resurrection whenever we bond with those we love because they are gifts of God. Yet these experiences are only one side of the coin.

The Resurrection also was part of the experience of Jesus, the Son of God who shared his human life with us by his incarnation. And so the Resurrection also was part of the experience of the paschal mystery in the life of Jesus two millennia ago. That is the other side of the coin that is the Christian faith.

by Martin F. Connell | <https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/easter/the-day-of-the-resurrection>



Sharing God's Blessings 2018 Annual Appeal

Thanks to all of our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2018 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal towards our goal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the pews or in the lobby of the church. Please help support the many programs and ministries that assist so many in our community.



50/50 CASH RAFFLE

DRAWING

**THIS SUNDAY
APRIL 1, 2018**

**FOLLOWING
10:30 AM EASTER MASS**



*Is your child
being called to
become an
Altar Server?*

The Altar Server Ministry is a very special group of young people in our parish who have answered God's call to ministry. The altar server helps the priest celebrate the Mass for the congregation. It is important for servers to assist the priests so that they may focus more on the celebration. An altar server must commit 1 Hour on Sunday. For more information, contact Nick Leeper at officemanager@stlweehawken.com

**WE ARE GRATEFUL
FOR YOUR
DONATIONS TO
EASTER FLOWERS!**



WISHING YOU

A Blessed Easter Weekend!

"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me." -John 11:25-26

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY FOR PARENTS WHOSE CHILD HAS DIED The 31st Annual Liturgy for Parents Whose Child Has Died will be held on Friday, May 11, 2018 at 7:30 PM at Notre Dame RC Church, 359 Central Avenue, North Caldwell, NJ. All parents who have suffered the death of a child of any age are invited to attend with their families and friends. The mass includes a personal witness and the reading of each child's name. **Pre-registration is requested by contacting Lauren Egan at 973-497-4327 or Lauren.Egan@rcan.org.**

HEALING RETREATS Sponsored by the Newark Archdiocese Respect Life Office. Are you suffering from an abortion experience? Do you suffer from depression? There is Hope! Rachel's Vineyard Retreats: rachelvineyard.org Have you endured physical, emotional, and/or spiritual abuse? Find healing through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ! Grief to Grace: griegtograce.org **For more information contact the Respect Life Office: Cheryl A. Riley 973.497.4350 or via email, rileyche@rcan.org**

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER March 31-April 1, 2018 He is risen! May the joy of Easter be with you. Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help you resurrect the romance in your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends **For more information contact Mike and Janet Turco at 973 427-7016 or 609 335 6880 or email mikeandjanetwwme@gmail.com**

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK PRO-LIFE YOUTH RALLY *Heal Their Wounds: Becoming a Minister of Mercy* Last year 1,901 people died in New Jersey alone from opioid addiction. This epidemic is destroying lives and families. The Pro Life Youth Rally on Wednesday, April 25th hosted by the Respect life Office will address this epidemic. Guest speaker: Kayla Grammer on addiction and recovery. MC- Dr. David Hajduk, Theology Teacher & Youth Minister. **We encourage as many students to attend. Cost: \$10 per student. For more information, contact: Cheryl Riley - Rileyche@rcan.org or 973-497-4350**

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURY			
WEEKLY BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$5,367	BUDGETED YEAR TO DATE 3/18/18	\$203,941
COLLECTED AMOUNT 3/18/18	\$3,486	COLLECTED YEAR TO DATE 3/18/18	\$159,915
*INCLUDES E-GIVING			
		DEFICIT	(\$42,026)

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PARISH SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8 AM (no music) • 10:30 AM • 12 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 3 PM - 8 PM
Tuesday • Wednesday 9 AM - 3 PM
Thursday 9 AM - 10:30 AM
Friday • Saturday • Sunday Closed

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Tuesday • Wednesday 9 AM - 3 PM
Thursday 9 AM - 10:30 AM
Sunday 8 AM - 1 PM
Monday • Friday • Saturday Closed

The Weekday Mass also serves as Funeral Mass as needed. No Daily Mass on Mondays, Fridays or Saturdays unless a funeral is requested.

DAILY MASS

Tuesday ▶ Thursday Mass 9:30 AM

Other Daily Masses available in the Deanery:

St Ann	Monday ▶ Friday	7 AM
St Francis	Monday ▶ Friday	8 AM
St Peter & Paul	Tuesday ▶ Friday	12:10 PM
OLG	Monday ▶ Friday	12:30 PM
OLG	Monday ▶ Thursday	7PM

ST JUDE PRAYER After the Sunday noon Mass

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 1 EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 am † Anna & Joseph Rana
10:30 am † People of the Parish
12:00 pm † Nancy Poggi - Steiger

Tuesday, April 3

9:30 am † Sister Roberta O'Hea, SC

Wednesday, April 4

9:30 am † George Edwards

Thursday, April 5

9:30 am † John & Helen Fitzgerald