

Dear Parish Family,

As Christians what we celebrate at Easter lies at the very heart of our faith, the belief that Our Lord Jesus Christ rose from the dead, and through this we have the gift of new life here on this earth and in the life to come.

This year I am thankful that we can gather in person and celebrate the joy of the Resurrection. As Christians we are called to learn from every experience and to pray that we can see it in the light of our faith.

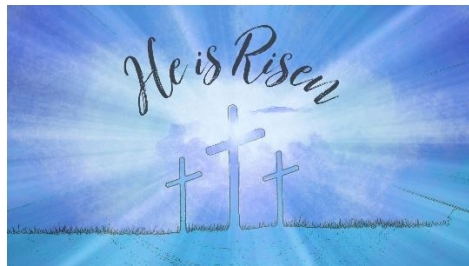
May we be filled this Easter with the gift of faith in the Risen Christ and to pray for our world in crisis that this light may shine in the darkest places and situations.

Many Blessings to you and your family.

Happy Easter

Christ is Risen indeed Alleluia!

Blessings, *Reverend Lynn*



Prayers of the People
Easter Day
April 17, 2022

Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed! At this, the heavenly choirs of angels rejoice, the earth exults, and mother church is glad. Therefore, I ask you, who praise the loving kindness of almighty God, to join in prayer for all of God's people, and for all people everywhere according to their needs. That all may know the benefits of the paschal victory of Christ, we pray, saying: **Alleluia, Christ is Risen.**

Almighty and merciful God, we give you thanks for those who have come through the waters of rebirth into the promised land of your eternal kingdom. Guide all your baptized people who struggle to know and to do your will in the kingdoms of this world, that by their lives they may show forth the new life in Christ to all nations: **Alleluia, Christ is Risen.**

We give you thanks for those who struggle for peace and justice in the world. Guide their efforts that they may act with prudence and vision to plant the signs of your dominion in the earth: **Alleluia, Christ is Risen.**

We give you thanks that Mary Magdalene found healing in the encounter with the risen Christ. Give wholeness and peace to those in need, especially those on the Ascension Prayer Cycle. We pray for the unloved and the forgotten, the poor and the hungry: **Alleluia, Christ is Risen.**

We give you thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith, who now rest from their labors awaiting the resurrection to eternal life and give thanks for all loved ones who have died, especially Wesley Manning. May we, like them, remain faithful to the end, and share in the fruits of the victory of Christ, the paschal lamb who takes away the sin of the world: **Alleluia, Christ is Risen.**

We give you thanks for the abiding presence of your Son in word and sacrament. As we feast this Easter Day on the true bread from heaven, set our minds on things above, that we may gain a new perspective on the things that are on earth: **Alleluia, Christ is Risen.**

Pray together

Loving God, we do not know why anyone should feel they have a given right, through senseless violence, to end the lives of others and sow such grief and pain. But of this we are certain, it does not come from you. Be close to all who grieve, ease the suffering of those affected by such atrocities, and through love shown and sown through communities, bring an increasing measure of healing and peace. Amen.

Hear our prayers on behalf of those for whom we pray, and give us peace in this time of our paschal rejoicing, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen and exalted Lord. Amen

ASCENSION PRAYER CYCLE: Aden, Alexa, Ambrose, Amelia, Amy, Angela, Ann, Annie, Arlene, Aubrey, Audrey, Barbara, Bertha, Brenda, Brian, Brittany, Brandon, Callum, Carl, Cathy, Christina, Cindy, Claire, Clarence, Connie, Debra, Delilah, Dennis, Derrick, Don, Donna, Doreen, Dot, Douglas, Dulcie, Ed, Baby Edward, Edie, Edgar, Elaine, Emily, Erin, Evelyn, Finnley, Frederick, Fred, Frank, Flo, Garrett, Gary, George, Gerald, Harry, Ike, Ina, Ingrid, Ira, Jack, Janet, Jason, Jenny, Josephine, Joan, Junior, Kent, Kevin, Kim, Laura, Leo, Leonie, Lori, Luke, Marie, Marsha, Marion, Marylou, Maxine, Maxwell, Melvin, Michael, Michelle, Mike, Mona, Nancy, Nicole, Oskar, Pam, Peter, Randell, Rochelle, Rodney, Rose, Roland, Ruby, Ruth, Sadie, Sam, Sean, Shirley, Stephen, Susan, Tina, Todd, Tom, Valerie, Wayne and Warrick