

DIARY FOR THE WEEK CYCLE A
MONDAY 10 APRIL 2023
MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
TUESDAY 11 APRIL 2023
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WEDNESDAY 12 APRIL 2023
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THURSDAY 13 APRIL 2023
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FRIDAY 14 APRIL 2023
FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
SATURDAY 15 APRIL 2023
SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
SUNDAY 16 APRIL 2023
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
SUNDAY MISSAL PAGES: OR DAILY MISSAL PAGE:
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MASS TIMES

Weekend Obligation:	
Saturday	17h00
Sunday	07h30 ; 09h30 ; 17h00
Weekday Masses	
Monday	08h30
Tuesday	06h15
Wednesday	School Mass at 08h00 17h30
Thursday	08h30
Friday	06h15 & 17h30
Saturday	08h00
Public Holidays	08h30
CONFESSION::	
Thursday	After morning Mass
Saturday	After morning Mass

*Mass intentions are to be booked
through the office ONLY
You can phone or WhatsApp your
request: 082-444-4665*

***St Thérèse Worshipping
Community:***

Vision Statement:
"To live and grow as a worshipping
community in order to walk closer
with our Trinitarian God."

Mission Statement:
"To engage our worshipping
community by celebrating, renewing
and sharing our Catholic Faith
through Liturgy, Sacraments,
education and serving our brothers
and sisters."



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09 April 2023
**Easter Sunday of
the Resurrection of
Our Lord**
SUNDAY MISSAL PG: 240
OR (OLD) 316
DAILY: 432

Pastors:
Rev. Fr. Jonathan Petersen OMI
Rev. A.R Bishop (Deacon)
Rev. D Gregory (Deacon)
Rev. F. Graham (Deacon)
Rev. M. Hughes (Deacon)

Entrance Antiphon:

I have risen, and I am with you still;
Alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me,
alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this
knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

-or-

The Lord is truly risen, alleluia. To him be
glory and power for all the ages of
eternity, alleluia, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Responsorial Psalm

*R: This is the day the Lord has made; let us
rejoice and be glad.*
OR: Alleluia.

1. Give praise to the Lord for he is good,
his mercy endures forever.
Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy
endures forever."

2. The Lord's right hand has done mighty
deeds; his right hand is exalted.
The Lord's right hand has done mighty
deeds.
I shall not die; I shall live and recount the
deeds of the Lord.

3. The stone that the builders rejected has
become the cornerstone.
By the Lord has this been done, a marvel in
our eyes.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4
Or: 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Christ, our Paschal Lamb, has been sacrificed;
Let us, therefore, celebrate the festival in the
Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Communion Antiphon:
Christ our Passover has been sacrificed,
alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with
the unleavened bread of purity and truth,
alleluia, alleluia!

Communion Reflection:
*Lord Jesus Christ, you have triumphed over
the grave and you have won new life for us.
Give me the eyes of faith to see you in your
glory. Help me to draw near to you and to
grow in the knowledge of your great love
and power.*

COMMUNITY

VARIOUS INTENTIONS

TO PRAY FOR:

Our Sick - Dear Lord, in your great compassion and love, we ask you to lay your healing hands on the sick and aged of our parish and all our loved ones.

The Unemployed - Dear Lord, we pray for those struggling to find employment, that through their hardship they will put their faith and trust in you.

End to Violence – Dear Lord, we pray that your Holy Spirit may touch the hearts of those who continue to use crime and violence as a way of life.

In your kindness please pray for the repose of the souls of the recently departed:

RODRIGO DA SILVA

BABY KYRA ALBANO

FIRST FRIDAY MASS & BENEDICTION

Will begin at 5pm every first Friday.

Every other Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 5 followed by Mass at 5.30pm.

SACRAMENTS AND PREPARATION

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you have a family member in the parish who is housebound and in need of Holy Communion, please contact the office.

BAPTISM

Parents are required to attend a course of instruction before the baptism of their child. Contact the parish office to make an appointment.

Please ensure that you book your baby's baptism date with the office – no baptisms will be done without a booking.

MARRIAGE

Couples are required to attend a pre-marriage course of instruction or an *Engaged Encounter* weekend. Contact Fr. Jonathan three to six months before the event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CATECHETICS

Catechism classes resume as follows:

Primary School : Gr 2 – 7 :: Monday 17 April

Gr 8: Wednesday, 12 April

Gr. 9: Tuesday, 18 April

Gr. 10: Thursday, 13 April

Remember: 85% attendance is required!

Fr. Jonathan, and Deacons Tony, Dennis, Francis and Martin wish the parishioners of St. Thérèse and their families a blessed and Christ-filled Easter.

Alleluia! He is Risen!

Saying those words is like drinking a tall glass of cold water after being out in the desert all day. Lent is over and it is now time to celebrate the great joy of Easter!

At the Easter Vigil, the Exsultet, a beautiful hymn of rejoicing in Christ's triumph over sin and death, is sung. One part states:

“O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ! O happy fault that earned for us so great, so glorious a Redeemer!”

This line stands out because it calls the sin of Adam “necessary” and refers to it as “O happy fault.” At first, this may seem strange. Why is it that we refer to the sin of Adam, Original Sin, as “necessary” and “happy.”

The answer is Easter. It's because God, in His perfect wisdom and love, took sin and the consequence of sin (death) and used them as the means of the salvation of the world.

That's what Easter is all about!

This may be hard to comprehend so it's worth thinking about more deeply. Without Adam's sin, there would be no Jesus. God would not have had to become one of us. So even though the original sin of Adam, as well as all future sin, is evil and wrong, God in His perfect power and love chose to use it as the very means of the salvation of the world. How? By allowing the sins of the world to persecute Him and crucify Him, and then, by turning that suffering and death into the very means of salvation. Jesus destroyed sin by destroying the consequences of sin which is death.

Death is lost in the Resurrection! Jesus' Resurrection takes away the effects of all sin for those who cling to Him.

Easter is a time when we must do just that. We must “cling” to our resurrected Lord! We must cling to Jesus who is alive and well. We must cling to His Resurrection and strive to share in it.

How do we cling to our Resurrected Lord? There are many ways. Here is one:

Take joy in everything. Start with whatever it is that burdens you the most. Whatever it is that makes you angry, sad or depressed. Whatever that is, it can potentially become one of your greatest sources of grace and joy.

Seriously, it can. If the brutal Crucifixion of Jesus, the Son of God, can turn out to be the greatest event in all of human history, then your personal suffering, your burden, or even your sin can very much become

a source of great joy as long as you let God transform it into part of His Resurrection!

This is the meaning of Easter! Easter means that nothing can keep us from the joy that God wants to give us. Nothing can steal that joy away. At times we will struggle just as Jesus did in the Agony of the Garden and the Way of the Cross, but those sufferings will not win. The Resurrection won with Christ and it will win with us when we cling to Him.

Jesus persevered and, in the end, rose victorious. This is Easter!

Know that God wants you to experience the joy of Easter in your life. Let Him fill you with hope and with the joy that only the Resurrection can bring. God wants Easter to begin now in our lives! Happy Easter!



Lord, help me to cling to You in Your Resurrection. Help me to let you transform every cross and burden in my life into joy. Lord, may Your joy fill my life and be my strength in all things. Jesus, I trust in You.