

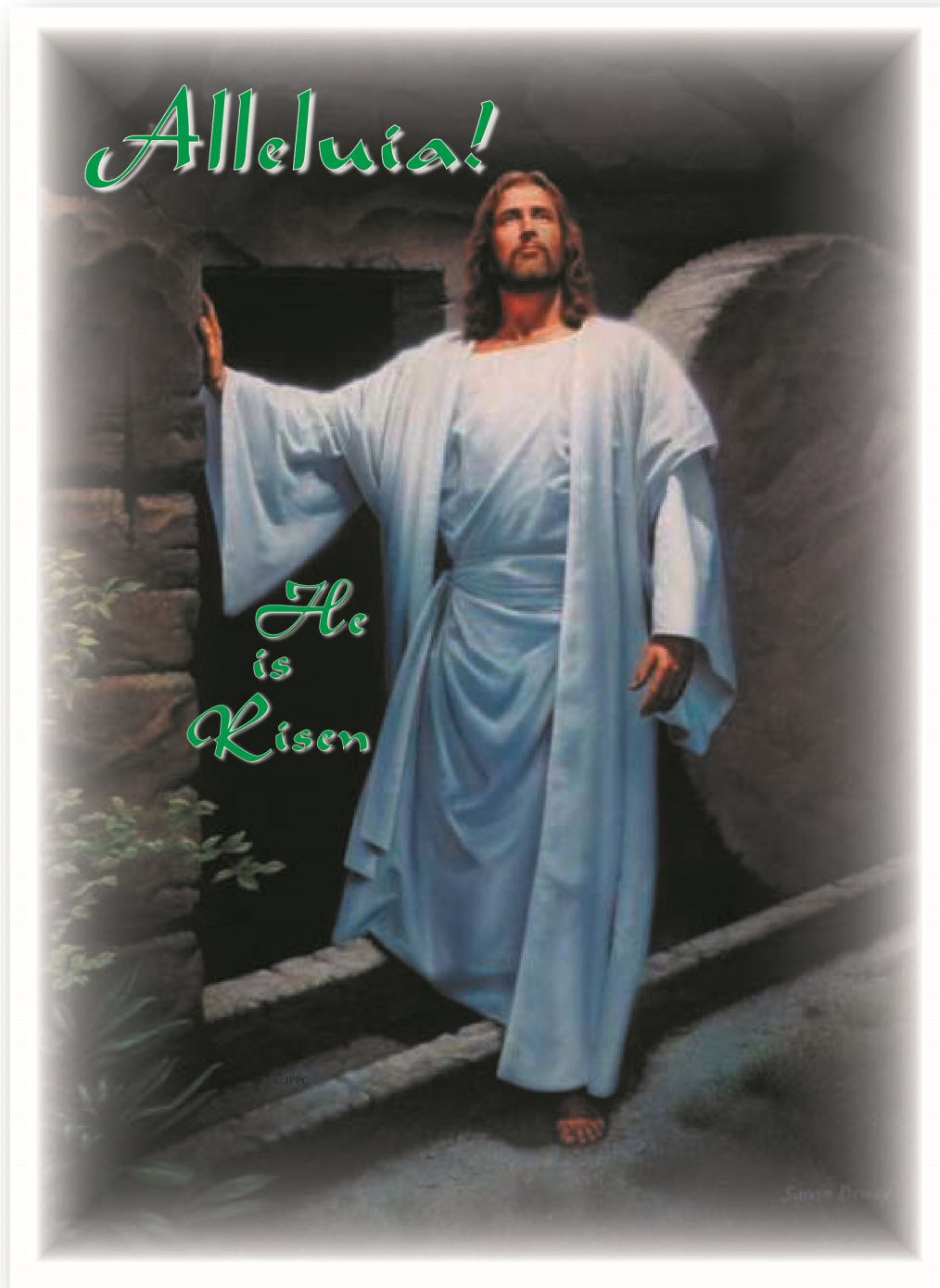
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April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week
(Octave of Easter); April 1-7

Sun. APRIL 1 RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Readings: Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Mk 16:1-7

8:00AM for the people

10:00AM Mae Traversari (+)

12:00PM Bill Goetz (+)

2:00 PM José Santos Rivas (+)

4:00PM

Mon. April 2

Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

8:30 AM Mae Traversari (+)

Tues. April 3

Readings: Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

8:30 AM Carol Daley and family (comfort/peace)

Wed. April 4

Readings: Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

8:30 AM Bill Daley (+)

Thurs. April 5

Readings: Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

8:30AM: Bill Daley (+)

Fri. April 6

Readings: Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

8:30AM: Mass at Precious Blood

7:00PM: Jim Murphy (healing)

Sat. April 7

Readings: Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

8:30PM For the catechumens and those in religious education may grow in their faith

5:00PM Jim and Phyllis Byrne(strength/courage)



LORD, HEAR THE PRAYER
FOR OUR SICK *ESPECIALLY*:

Brian Alexander, Janice Ambrose, Hector Baez, Natalie Batiste, Wayne Bentz, Mike Bosma, Rudy Bronesky, Mike Buckley, Christopher Byrne, Jim Byrne, Kriss Cordero, Roger Corum, Valentina Cruz, Cynthia Davies, Jo English, Tom Fealy, Paul Flynn, Arnold French, Jeraldine Frye, Kevin Gile, April Hair, Doris Houdesheldt, Alex Hyde, Sherry Judy, Emma Kaylor, Joe and Freda Kratochvil, Sr. Carolina Langschwager, Charlotte Larson, John Lochte, Martin Luna, Camila Lyme, Ana Magana, Rosalio Martinez, Kimberly Mendoza, Beth Moreland, Bill Mullins, Mary Neureither, Barbara Noonan, Cornelia Slabe Paczkowski, Luis Padilla, Shawn Peet, Elizabeth Pycha, Alice Schorr, Avery Scott, Dot Stockli, Enrica Scotto di Rinaldi, James Tietz, Cheryl Weagle, Ross Whittaker **and for all those who ask for our prayers and wish to remain anonymous: may they feel God's protective hand and return to good health.**

Please call the rectory to give us changes/updates

HOPE OF SALVATION

Reading I Acts 10:34, 37-43 (Peter's discourse)

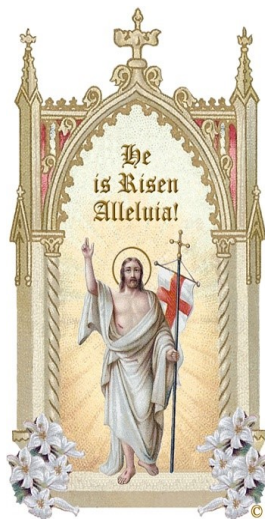
Reading II Colossians 3:1-4 (mystical death and resurrection)

Gospel John 20:1-9 (Peter and the disciple at the tomb)

Key Passage: When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. (Colossians 3:4)

Adult: Why do you believe that you will live with Christ for all eternity?

Child: Who has helped you believe that you will live with Jesus forever?



If you would like one of the priests to visit someone who is sick, please notify the rectory. Arrangements should also be made with the rectory for an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to bring the Eucharist to shut-ins on a regular basis.



Sacramental Emergency Only:
 #540-219-5232

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

At the time of this printing the collection had not yet occurred; next bulletin will have 3/25 and 4/1/18

Faith Direct Collections

Sunday Collections	\$3509.00
Building fund	\$ 176.00
Epiphany	\$ 53.00

BLA to date: 312/1295 24%
 \$103,378/\$125,000 83%



Congratulations Epiphany Catholic School! Voted the best of the best !

THIS WEEK AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

(within the Octave of Easter)

◆ MONDAY (4/2)

Mass: 8:30AM

◆ TUESDAY (4/3):

Mass: 8:30AM

◆ WEDNESDAY (4/4):

Mass: 8:30AM and Confessions: 6:30-8:00PM

◆ THURSDAY (4/5):

Mass: 8:30AM/adoration, 9AM-9PM

◆ FRIDAY (4/6):

Mass: 8:30AM/7:00PM

◆ SATURDAY (4/7):

Mass: 8:30AM/Vigil Mass: 5:00PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

BASH is the diocese's largest gathering of Catholic middle school students (6th-8th graders) every year! This event is a celebration of our Catholic faith and love of the Lord. Come gather for an evening of faith, fellowship, and fun! **WHEN:** Saturday, April 21, 3:30-9:00PM; **WHERE:** St. John Paul the Great High School, Dumfries, VA; **COST:** \$10.00 per participant (youth and adults), which includes all the great entertainment above, dinner, and snacks. **HOW TO SIGN UP:** Young people that want to participate must sign up through their parish; permission slips available in the office! Contact Fr. Mark for more details: memoretiti1958@gmail.com.

SPEAKERS LINED UP!

Katie Prejean McGrady - Katie is an international speaker, educator, & author. Since 2007, Katie has been traveling throughout the U.S. and Canada sharing a unique blend of humor & storytelling, coupled with teaching theological truth to engage audiences of all ages. To learn more about Katie, visit her [website](#).

Danny Ray – Danny is a highly sought after illusionist and speaker for youth and family events. For over 16 years now, as his full-time occupation, Danny Ray has been traveling the world sharing God's transforming message through captivating illusions. To learn more about Danny, visit his [website](#).



HELPING THE HOMELESS AND HAVING A SWEET TIME DOING SO!

Please join us for "A Chocolate Affair" the evening of Friday, April 6th, at Prince Michel Winery from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$75/person or 2 for \$125 and fully tax deductible. The ticket purchase includes a glass of wine, hot and cold appetizers, chocolate galore, a cash bar and non-alcoholic beverages (at no cost). Plus, you have access to a fabulous silent auction where you are sure to find something for your sweetheart or yourself. Tickets are available at the Cameleer on Davis Street in Culpeper; or you can call 513-256-5677. Please leave a message with your phone number in case no one answers. Your support goes toward helping both the Culpeper Housing and Shelter Services and the Culpeper Winter Heat Shelter. These non-profit organizations help to house, feed and provide a helping hand to those less fortunate in our community. Thank You all for your support this year and hope you all consider attending this incredible event!!!

LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE KNIGHTS OF

COLUMBUS: Monthly meeting is Tuesday, April 10, at 11:00 AM in the Parish Hall. K of C wives are invited to attend.

PARISH FIELD TRIP TO THE MONASTERY AND NATGEO MUSEUM:

We have a few seats left for this outstanding trip for the Tomb of Christ 3-D exhibit and the beautiful Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America. Contact the office of your interest.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU TO ALL THE MINISTRIES: Thank you to many different ministries (CCD, YOUTH, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, RCIA), Fr. Kevin, Fr. Mark, and Deacon Ramon for leading the Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent. In particular, thank you for the hard work put into the wonderful *Living Stations* presentation.

ST. JOHN PAUL II LIBRARY : DID YOU KNOW? — our church library has *many original documents* of the Church from the Vatican itself? **HOURS Mon/Fri-9:30-11:30; Wed 9:00AM-3:00PM . COME VISIT!**

MUSIC MINISTRY: After a long, Lenten absence, we return to singing "**ALLELULIA!**" beginning at the Easter Vigil with a triple chanting of Alleluia right before the Gospel. A term of great joy that has traditionally been seen as the chief term of praise of the choirs of angels as they worship around the throne of God in heaven, it is also, a reminder that the kingdom of heaven is already established on earth in the form of the Church and that our participation in Mass is a participation in heaven. For fun, have your child count how many alleluias we sing today!

ST. STEPHEN'S FOOD CLOSET: This week the pantry needs are: rice and pasta side dishes, canned chunky soups, and canned pineapple. Thanks so much!



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THE BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL is the primary means of support for more than 40 ministries, programs, services and charitable works of our diocese, which include the following: ***Evangelization Efforts*** -Events and initiatives are offered to strengthen the faith of practicing Catholics; to reach out to less active Catholics; and to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to those who do not know God. Our diocese is committed to ecumenical outreach, supporting our INOVA Hospital Ministry and Dominican Republic mission parishes. ***Chancery Offices and the Virginia Catholic Conference***- The Chancery Offices assist the Bishop in pastoral, financial and administrative areas. The Virginia Catholic Conference represents the public policy interests of the two Catholic bishops in Virginia. ***Catholic Schools, Office of Sacred Liturgy and Catechetics***-The Office of Catholic Schools provides assistance to school leaders for the spiritual, intellectual and social formation of Catholic School students. The Office of Catechetics works with parishes to guide religious education and R.C.I.A. programs for children, teenagers and adults.

SIGN UP FOR THE DIOCESAN E-NEWSLETTER! Receive special video messages from our bishop, learn about unique opportunities to get involved, and be the first to know the news about our Diocese — straight to your inbox. Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/CDAsignup>.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE! WALK FOR LIFE on **Saturday, April 21st, at 8:30 AM!** Help women choose life for their babies! Don't miss this fun family event benefitting The Pregnancy Centers of Central VA. The money you raise as a fundraising walker directly supports unborn babies and their mothers. Details for the event can be found at iWalk4lifeVA.org. The easy 1.5 mile walk will start and end at the Culpeper Baptist Church on West Street. **Questions?** Please contact The Pregnancy Center at : 540-727-0800.

ROPES COURSE VOCATIONS EVENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: For any high school students open to the idea of a priestly or religious vocation, don't miss the Quo Vadis Ropes Course & Zipline (for boys) on **Saturday, April 7** or the FIAT Ropes Course & Zipline (for girls) on **Saturday, April 21**. These are great opportunities to challenge yourself, enjoy the great outdoors and get to know men and women who are following God's call as a priest, seminarian or religious sister. For more information and to register, contact the Office of Vocations at vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 852-2514.

RETREAT FOR MARRIED COUPLES: A Retreat Day for Married Couples will be led by Fr. Paul Scalia, Episcopal Vicar for Clergy, on Saturday, July 7 at Holy Trinity, Gainesville, VA, from 9 am to 3 pm. Experience a profound and reflective retreat including talks, Adoration, Confession, and spiritual time with your spouse; the retreat will conclude with Mass.

PILGRIMAGES BEING LED BY DIOCESAN PRIESTS:

An Irish Adventure, from August 3rd – 14th, 2018: Join Father Steven Walker and St. Philip's Catholic Church on an extraordinary motor-coach adventure through Ireland this August! There are only thirty spaces available. On this trip we will climb mountains and explore castles. We will experience the unique beauty of Ireland, visiting many beautiful towns, coastlines and historic sites. We will also visit the holiest shrines and monasteries throughout the Emerald Isle, such as Knock, Glendalough and Skellig Michael. Most importantly, Father will celebrate daily Mass for us throughout the course of the trip. Complement all of this with luxury four-star hotels, private motor-coach transportation and private guides from start to finish and you have the trip of a lifetime. All for \$3595.00, including airfare! Interested? Contact the tour director Joe Long at jlong@prorome.com or (570) 309 1346 to sign up or for more information. **Holy Land and Jordan from October 1st –12th, 2018:** Join Father Jerry Wooton, parochial vicar at St. Patrick Church; please call the parish office 540-785-5299 or contact Fr.(202)277-2883.

ENTERING CANAAN - HOPE AND HEALING AFTER ABORTION: Have you or someone you know experienced the pain of abortion? There are millions suffering silently. There is a post-abortive healing program available now in our area which offers monthly Gatherings of Hope and Healing and all-day retreats. These events offer continued support and healing for women and men dealing with the many negative effects of abortion in their lives including the effects of the abortions of others. The gatherings and retreats are free of charge. For more information and confidential reservations please contact: Bobbie 540-383-1634, Pam 434-825-6013 or Dave 505-340-5891. **COME and EXPERIENCE THE MERCY and FORGIVENESS OF GOD!**

LIGHT THE WORLD! IS A SUMMER INSTITUTE THAT TAKES PLACE AT THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA. Rising Juniors and Seniors are invited to join us either **June 24-July 30, July 8-14** as we explore how our faith is lived within the fields and careers of Art, Science, Sport, Business, and Politics. Visit lighttheworldcua.org for more information and application materials.

WORD OF LIFE: "An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering." Visit www.goo.gl/fvSEYp for 10 ways to care for loved ones .

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Christ is risen! Χριστός ἀνέστη!
Truly, He is risen! Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!

This was the greeting in the early Church (as the above phrases in Greek indicate) during the entire 50 days of the Easter season until Pentecost Sunday. It is still used in some parts of the world today, especially in eastern Europe (and Greece). You'll hear me use it from time to time during the Mass as well.

After preparing throughout Lent to celebrate the Paschal Mystery (the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ), we now have a week of weeks (50 days) to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord.

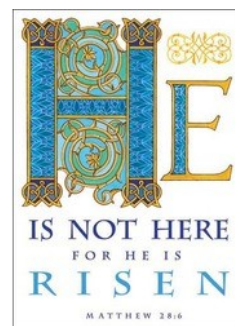
As I write this, we are expecting 15 Elect from our parish (the Catechumens) to receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil. As newly baptized, we now call them the "Neophytes" (which means the "newly planted ones" in Greek). Beginning with Easter/Resurrection Sunday, the Neophytes embark on a stage of their formation called the Mystagogia. This word from Greek means the time of being "led into the Mysteries". The word "Mystery" in the early Church was the first word used for the Sacraments. From now until Pentecost Sunday (May 20th this year), they will be formed in a deeper understanding and appreciation of the sacraments they have received. There will be an echo of the great Easter Vigil on the evening of May 19th when we have the (shorter) Pentecost Vigil and begin to close the Easter season. The recently baptized will have the right to wear their baptismal garments to the Pentecost Vigil and are encouraged to do so. We will continue to pray for them throughout the Easter season.

The Diocese is offering a seminar for those who would like to serve in their parishes as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If you would like to serve in this capacity, please let us know at the Rectory office.

I would like to re-constitute the Parish Pastoral Council. This Council exists to advise the Pastor. If you would like to serve on this Council, please let me know at the Rectory office. This Council would normally meet four times per year.

And thank you to everyone who brought food by the rectory this last week.

God bless, Fr. Kevin



Two Precious Blood parishioners spent last week on domestic mission trips through **CatholicMissionTrips.net**. Michelle Perez led a group of 17 from the University of Dallas to Beaumont, TX assisting with the reconstruction of a hurricane ravaged city. Mykelle Laws led a group of 12 from Ohio State to Baton Rouge, LA assisting in renovations from the floods of 2016. Catholic Mission Trips organizes mission trips domestically and internationally for high school and college aged students. The trips are led by a young group of well trained individuals that are on fire with the Holy Spirit throughout the spring and summer months.



Make sure to meet a missionary in May as training will be held here in Culpeper.