Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 4, 2021

Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."



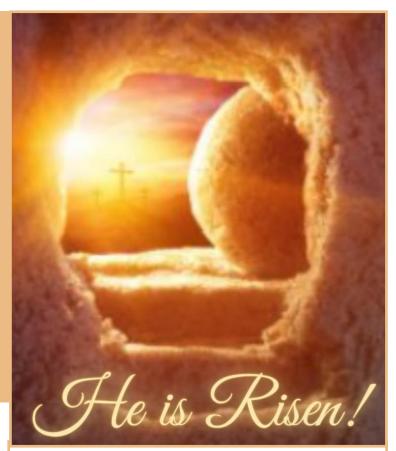
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Mass Intentions

Sun	04/04	Blessed Easter		
Mon	04/05	6:45 a.m. (B) Johanna Abrera		
		8:15 a.m. (B) Sr. Grace Marie, O.P.		
Tues	04/06	6:45 a.m. (D) Pacifico & Lilia Gutierrez		
		8:15 a.m. (B) Marta Soria		
Wed	04/07	6:45 a.m. (D) Celedonio Hernandez		
		8:15 a.m. (D) Barbara Roek		
Thurs	04/08	6:45 a.m. (B) Chong Lim David Lee		
		8:15 a.m. (B) Theresa Lee		
Fri	04/09	6:45 a.m. (D) Raul Lito Abesamis, Jr.		
		8:15 a.m. (D) Marsha Wright		
Sat	04/10	8:15 a.m. (T) Ricardo Ferraz		
		5:00 p.m. (D) Lydia Leveriza		
Sun	04/11	7:00 a.m. (D) Mike Swiderski		
		9:00 a.m. (D) Leonides de Joya		
		11:00 a.m. (D) Jennifer Fontecchio		
		1:00 p.m. (T) Priestly Intention		
		5:00 p.m. (T) People of the Parish		

Legend: (D) Deceased (H) Health (A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

Mass & Flower Intentions are available for April Contact Alisa aaquino@stdombenicia.org



Easter Masses

Easter Vigil: 8:15 p.m. (Reservations Only) In Church & Live-streamed*

Easter Sunday 7:00 a.m. (Reservations Only) In Church & Live-streamed*

Easter Sunday 7:15 a.m. – Cemetery Mass Outside (St. Dominic's Cemetery)

> Easter Sunday 9:00 a.m. Outside (Small Lot)

Easter Sunday 11:00 a.m. Outside (Small Lot)

Easter Sunday 1:00 p.m. In Church & Live-streamed*

*All live-streamed Masses will be followed by Holy Communion in front of church.



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Pastor's Corner

The Mysterious Passion and Glorious Resurrection

In just about every way conceivable, this week has been the heart of the matter. Jesus put it plainly: it is for this I have come. (*cf.* John 12:27). Ours is not the part of a spectator, but an active participant. St. Paul put it this way: "I have been crucified with Christ; yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me; insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me." (Galatians 2:19b-20)

Palm Sunday speaks to the fickleness of the mob mentality. The crowd which shouts "Hosanna to the Son of David!" turns to "Crucify, crucify him!" in less than a week. A modern hero can become a villain overnight because of damning revelation, video or even a tweet; far quicker than in the 1st century. I dare say most politicians are acutely aware of their constituents' ability to turn on them on a dime, especially given our culture's tendency to vilify those we disagree with. The challenge is to be firmly rooted in the Rock that is Christ, not in shifting sands of one another's approval. "In you [O God] I seek shelter. In the shadow of your wings I seek shelter till harm pass by. I call to God Most High, to God who provides for me." (Ps. 57:2b-3) It is only by that strength that we can withstand the betrayal of even those we hold most dear and our own Gardens of Gethsemane.

Holy Thursday evening is when we recall first and foremost the model that Jesus is for all who follow him. "You call me 'teacher' and 'master,' and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do." (John 13:13-15) It is in service to one another, not crucifying one another, that the image of Christ shines forth most clearly and radiantly from us. Second, we recall the institution of the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Christian life, our strength for the journey through life. We resolve not to repeat the Apostles' mistake, especially Judas Iscariot, of betraying Jesus immediately after receiving His Body and Blood. And in the Eucharist, we also have the strength and courage, like Peter, to turn back to the Lord Jesus again when we come face to face with our own unlovableness.

Good Friday shows us unfathomable love in the face of unimaginable horror. I think Jesus is most approachable on Good Friday; every human being knows what it means to suffer emotionally, spiritually and physically. We can see shadows of our own suffering as well as the horrendous price human sin, your and mine, exacts. There are also many characters that we can easily identify with: Jesus himself, if we are suffering at the moment; Mary, if we are watching another suffer; the Apostles, if we are wracked with fear and want to bolt; Pilate, if we are making a difficult decision and fear the consequences; Simon of Cyrene, if we feel pressed into service and so on.

Holy Saturday is a day of profound silence. The Lamb of God has been sacrificed on the altar of the cross; the price has been paid. Life now lies in a tomb. It is as if the whole universe is holding its breath, not knowing what will happen next. And we wait in sorrow and grief, along with Mary Magdalene, Jesus' mother Mary, the Apostles and disciples.

Easter Sunday is the climax and culmination of it all. Death is not the last word! "He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said." (Matthew 28:6) It is through the most human of events, an ignominious death, that God breaks the power of sin and death and gives humanity and all of creation new and everlasting life.

And to top it all off, like Jesus' tomb, the churches are empty because of the pandemic we are currently experiencing. And just like the Lord's Passion, we will get through this and come out the other side. Things may be different then, but the Church has been around for over two millennia, and a few things have changed in that time, yet she still stands strong. The Resurrection of Jesus is our guarantee that death, suffering, and yes, illness will not be the final word in our lives.

Christ has conquered death! Amen. Alleluia! On behalf of the friars, deacons, and staff of St. Dominic, have a most blessed and glorious Easter!

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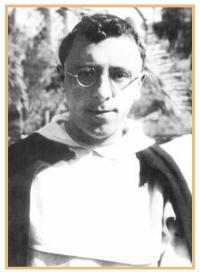
Please pray for the recovery of the sick listed in our Book of Intentions and the following:

Monica Pangilinan Dan Wolke Bob Dixon & Family Lisa Santini Daniel Foley Margaret Lobo Bill Telepak Ed Stone Tim & Michelle Wade Carl Viesti Lucita Rios Emilio Ermio Sheila Garvey Al & Anne Caruso Donna W. Peggy Burton Stan Gabel Alma Johnson Bessie Sharp Jane Gasper

Please remember the following recently deceased (and their families) in your prayers: Amelia Anne Talbot, Joanne Flanagan, Darlene Kerns, Celedonio Hernandez, William Young Roberson I, Larry Fullington, Jr., John Rachal, Rhina Maria Ty, Manuel Lira, Marie Miller Smith, Sr. Mary Angela, OP, Robert Dubois *names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows

Dominican Saints & Blesseds

April 1 Blessed Guiseppe Girotti, friar, priest and martyr

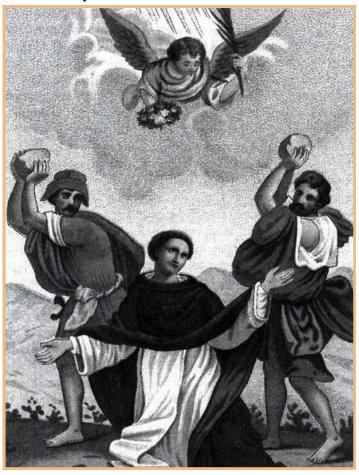


Giuseppe was born on July 19, 1905 in Alba, Cuneo, Kingdom of Italy. He died by lethal injection of gasoline, on April 1, 1945 in Dachau Concentration Camp. Nazi Germany. He was beatified by Pope Francis on April 26, 2014. Giuseppe took final vows on September 30, 1922, and he was ordained

to the priesthood on August 3, 1930. During the war, he helped many Jewish people avoid the Nazis in Italy. He was arrested in August, 1944 and sent to several prisons in Italy and finally was deported to Dachau, October 9, 1944. Guiseppe was branded with the inmate number 113355 and imprisoned with a thousand other priests in a space that had been designed for 180. He was recognized to be a "Righteous Among the Nations" by Yad Vashem for his work in helping Italian Jews during the War. It was determined by Pope Francis that Blessed Girotti was killed "in odiu fidei" (in hatred of the faith). Blessed Guiseppe Girotti, pray for us.

April 10 Blessed Anthony Neyrot, friar, priest and martyr

Anthony was a 15th century Dominican Friar from Rivoli, in northern Italy-he was a restless soul. He worked in Florence for the Archbishop St. Antoninus, although good friends with the Archbishop, Anthony grew dissatisfied with this work and asked for a transfer to Sicily. En route there, his ship was captured by Northern African Musilim pirates and was taken to Tunis. The Caliph of Tuis took a liking to Anthony, but due to his incessant preaching of the Gospel, he was thrown into prison and given only bread and water to eat. Near death Anthony committed the sin of apostasy and became an ardent member of the Musilim faith. He was released from prison, adopted by the Caliph, and was about to be married. News reached Antony of the death of St. Antoninus and in a dream and mystical conversation, he decided to renounce Islam and return to the Catholic Church. He was received back into the church on Palm Sunday 1460, and was readmitted to the Dominican order. After preaching in public, the furious Caliph ordered him stoned to death for his apostasy. Thus, on Holy Thursday the execution was carried out. Italian sailors brought his body back to Italy and Anthony became famous for the miracles he granted. He was beatified by Pope Clement XIII on February 22, 1767.





OPEN Everyday! 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The cemetery will close during burials, and all safety protocols will be followed at all times.

St. Dominic's Cemetery will be celebrating Mass on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. Looking forward to seeing you!

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