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**April 2022 Parish Bulletin**

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### **CLERGY MASS SCHEDULE**

***All Worship Services are at 2:00 PM unless otherwise noted.***

April 3, 2022: Fifth Sunday of Lent  
April 10, 2022: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
April 17, 2022: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord  
April 24, 2022: Second Sunday of Easter

### **Pastoral Staff:**

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## Prayer Intentions

If you would like us to remember a special intention for you at Mass, please contact one of our priests.

If you or someone you know is in need of spiritual assistance (prayers, Sacrament of the Sick, etc.), please contact one of our priests.

Inquiries regarding the administration of Sacraments or services (Baptisms, First Communion, Marriages, and Funerals) are welcomed.

## **SUNDAY SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS**

+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div.

**April 3, 2022 – Fifth Sunday of Lent:** Jesus turns the tables on those who condemn the sinful woman, saying, “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” He wants us to pursue God’s call to holiness. We are not to condone sin, but to realize that *God is doing something new*: extending mercy. We are asked to do this, too! (Isaiah 43:16-21, Philippians 3:8-14, John 8:1-11)

**April 10, 2022 – Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion:** Although Jesus enters Jerusalem in triumph to shouts of “Hosanna!” he is forced to leave beneath the weight of the cross and cries of “Crucify him!” What brought about such a change of opinion? We will carefully follow his sacred journey through the liturgy. On our knees we will adore him, thank him, and “confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.” (Isaiah 50:4-7, Philippians 2:6-11, Luke 22:14-23:56)

**April 17, 2022 – Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord:** Today’s Gospel highlights Peter and Mary Magdalene, both of whom found new life in their relationship with Christ. They both needed a second chance, and both found blessing in the miraculous happenings of Easter. Their faith became as “the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.” May we, too, “think of what is above, not of what is on earth.” (Acts 10:34a, 37-43, Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-9)

**April 24, 2022 – Second Sunday of Easter:** How wonderful it would have been to witness the many *signs and wonders* that took place in the early Church. Yet each year at this time we see the wonderful sign of *more and more believers, men and women in great numbers, being added to the Lord*. Through God’s mercy, we too are part of the great body of believers. Let us support and pray for them! (Acts 5:12-16, Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19, John 20:19-31)

## *Along the way*

*reflections  
selected by +Fr Carl*

As we end our observances of Lent this year on April 16, we begin to celebrate anew the resurrection from the dead of our Lord Jesus Christ. The 50 days between Easter and Pentecost are days of joy: "Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed." *Along the way*, we exchange our sorrowful praying of the **Way of the Cross** to the joyful praying of the **Way of the Light** (aka: the **Way of the Resurrection**).

Life is an unending journey. We do not travel this road alone. The Risen Christ has promised us: "I am with you always, to the end of time." (*Mt. 28:20*) Life as a Christian is a process of continuous resurrection. We are called to be people of the Resurrection. We are called to realize that our life is an Easter journey with the Risen Jesus who guides our footsteps. We walk this pilgrimage of faith, the *Via Lucis*, as daughters and sons of the light and as witnesses of the Risen Lord. Let us meditate upon the resurrection of Christ. and discover the pathway of light that Christ brings us....

### *+ Suggested approach to each Via Lucis Station +*

- 1) Carefully read the Station Title (imagine the scene)*
- 2) Read the New Testament passage: all from Matthew, Luke, John, and Acts of the Apostles.*
- 3) Pause to consider the meaning of this event to you. What action does it inspire?*
- 4) End with this brief prayer:*

**I adore You, O Christ and I praise You! Because by the Wood of the Cross and the Light of the Resurrection: You have redeemed the world!**

### *Stations of the Resurrection (Via Lucis)*

- 1. Jesus Rises From the Dead** (*Matthew 28:1-10*)
- 2. The Finding of the Empty Tomb** (*John 20:1-10*)
- 3. The Risen Lord Appears to Mary Magdalene** (*John 20:11-18*)
- 4. Jesus Appears on the Road to Emmaus** (*Luke 24:13-27*)
- 5. Jesus is Known at the Breaking of Bread** (*Luke 24:28-35*)
- 6. Jesus Appears to His Disciples in Jerusalem** (*Luke 24:36-43*)
- 7. Jesus Gives the Disciples the Power to Forgive Sins.** (*John 20:19-23*)
- 8. Jesus Strengthens the Faith of Thomas** (*John 20:24-29*)
- 9. Jesus Appears by the Sea of Tiberias** (*John 21:1-14*)
- 10. Jesus Tell Peter to Feed His Sheep (Primacy of Peter)** (*John 21:15-17, 19b*)
- 11. Jesus Commissions the Disciples on the Mountain** (*Matthew 28:16-20*)
- 12. Jesus Ascends into Heaven** (*Acts 1:6-12a*)
- 13. Mary and the Disciples Wait in Prayer**  
(*Acts 1:12-14*)
- 14. The Holy Spirit Descends at Pentecost**  
(*Acts 2:1 - 13*)

A beautiful Via Lucis service, with Scripture readings, songs, images, and prayers is available at:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fsKg-J6Z9hk>



**From the Pastor's Desk**  
+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div.

**Congratulations!** Congratulations to our parishioners who have a special reason to celebrate this month!

Birthdays:           Jan Williamson – 4/9  
                          Emily Jacobi – 4/19

Anniversaries:       +Carl & Rosann Swaringim – 4/3 – 51 years!

**Blessing of the Altar and St. Joseph Bread:** On Sunday, March 20, +Fr. Bob blessed the Altar and St. Joseph Bread. Thanks to Mr. Michael Vitale, Owner of Vitale's Bakery ("On The Hill") and Vitale's Deli ("Off The Hill" in Glendale, Mo.) for his very generous donation of specially baked bread for the occasion. Everyone at mass that day took home the delicious, blessed bread for their homes.

