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## St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church

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He is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17**

7:00 am Za parafian & dobrodziejów (Pol.)

9:30 am ++ Aleksander & Janina Grabowscy (Eng.)

11:00 am + Maria Mui (**Eng**.) 12:30 pm + Piotr Drozdiuk (**Po**l.)

#### **EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 18**

11:00 (L) Helen Barbeau – for the grace of heath

(Eng.)

12:30 (L) O łaskę zdrowia dla Mariusza Szyjan

(Pol.)

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 19**

6:30 pm +Mirosław Knul

(Eng)

#### **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20**

6:30 pm ++ Karol & Maria Kulig

(Pol) + Paweł Socha

(L) Za Ojców Pallotynów (od członków

Żywego Różańca)

(L) Dziękczynna w dniu urodzin dla Daniela i

Natalii

+ Roman Matelski + Władysław Żuchowski

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 21

9:00 am + Karol Kulig

(Eng) +++ All Souls in Purgatory

+ Antonio Lopes + Charlie Phillips

+ For the unborn children

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 22

6:30 pm (L) Dziękczynna od Ireneusza i Danuty za

(Pol) otrzymane łaski

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 23**

9:00 am (L) W intencji osób uzależnionych i (Pol) podejmujących abstynencje

5:00 pm + Kazimierz Osioł

(Eng)

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 24 Divine Mercy Sunday

8:00 am No Mass

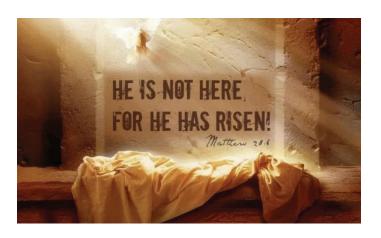
9:30 am ++ Jan & Władysława Biskup 11:00 am For Parishioners & Benefactors

12:30 pm + Mary Wołkowski

+ Józef Wołkowski

#### **OFFERING APRIL 2/3**

Regular Sunday Offering	\$5,624.10
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Dear brothers and sisters,

This year at the Easter Vigil we will hear the same words of encouragement which the Angel spoke to the women who came to Jesus' tomb in Jerusalem such a long time ago: "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen" (cf Lk 24:5-6).

These women had come to the tomb grieving because they assumed that Jesus had died, been buried, and that was the end of the story of his life. The words "He has been Risen" filled them with both confusion and hope — that perhaps there was another possibility other than suffering and death.

These words which are spoken to us as well every year at Easter likewise both confuse us at times and strengthen our hope in the Resurrection. They encourage us to push forward in time of difficulties encouraged by the inevitability of the Resurrection to follow. As the Angel reminded the first followers of Christ, the Resurrection always follows the passion and Cross.

We too take hope in the ultimate triumph of Christ over our own "personal ways of the Cross" that whatever difficulties we face throughout this coming year can be overcome by cooperating faithfully with the grace and power of God.

Wishing you a Blessed Easter and good celebrations • - Fr Paul

#### PARISH OFFICE EASTER HOURS

Please note that the Parish Office will be **closed** from Holy Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup> until Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup>. The office will reopen on Monday April 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – APRIL 24**

Please join us at 3:00 pm on Sunday April 24 for Divine Mercy Devotion in English and Polish (Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Scripture Readings & Chaplet of the Divine Mercy). Refreshments and St. Faustina Video in Parish Center following the Devotion. All are welcome!

#### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - NO 8 AM MASS**

Please note on Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup>, there will be no 8 AM Mass. Please consider attending 5PM on Saturday or 11AM on Sunday

#### ST. GABRIEL'S FOOD DRIVE

Non-perishable food items will make a difference for those less fortunate. If you'd like to help, you can drop off items in the bin located in the Narthex, at any time the church is open.

#### LITURGICAL PUBLICATIONS ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up advertisement opportunities for our church bulletin. The advertisement will begin in April 2022 and supports the bulletin service. To participate call Liturgical Publications at 1 800 268 2637.

#### **EASTER SUNDAY**

On Easter Sunday, the Church is recollected in contemplation of the risen Christ. Thus she relives the primordial experience that lies at the basis of her existence. She feels imbued with the same wonder Mary as Magdalen and the other women who went to Christ's tomb



on Easter morning and found it empty. That tomb became the womb of life. Whoever had condemned Jesus, deceived himself that he had buried his cause under an ice-cold tombstone. The disciples themselves gave into the feeling of irreparable failure. We understand their surprise, then, and even their distrust in the news of the empty tomb. But the Risen One did not delay in making himself seen and they yielded to reality. They saw and believed! Two thousand years later, we still sense the unspeakable emotion that overcame them when they heard the Master's greeting: "Peace be with you."...

... Christ's Resurrection is the strength, the secret of Christianity. It is not a question of mythology or of mere symbolism, but of a concrete event. It is confirmed by sure and convincing proofs. The acceptance of this truth, although the fruit of the Holy Spirit's grace, rests at the same time on a solid historical base. On the threshold of the third millennium, the new effort of evangelization can begin only from a renewed experience of this Mystery, accepted in faith and witnessed to in life....—Pope John Paul II

Mass is to be celebrated on Easter Day with great solemnity. It is appropriate that the penitential rite on this day take the form of a sprinkling with water blessed at the Vigil, during which the antiphon Living Water, or some other song of baptismal character should be sung. The fonts at the entrance to the church should also be filled with the same water.

The tradition of celebrating baptismal Vespers on Easter Day with the singing of psalms during the procession to the font should be maintained where it is still in force, and appropriately, restored. The paschal candle has its proper place either by the ambo or by the altar and should be lit at least in all the more solemn liturgical celebrations of the season until Pentecost Sunday, whether at Mass, or at Morning and Evening Prayer.

After the Easter season the candle should be kept with honor in the baptistry, so that in the celebration of Baptism the candles of the baptized may be lit from them. In the celebration of funerals, the paschal candle should be place near the coffin to indicate that the death of a Christian is his own Passover. The paschal candle should not otherwise be lit nor placed in the sanctuary outside the Easter season.

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