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He is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia



#### APRIL 20, 2025 EASTER SUNDAY

CYCLE C (LUKE)



#### **EASTER MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTORS**

Dear friends in Christ,

The antiphon of the invitatory Psalm of the Divine Office during Lent "Christ the Lord was tempted and suffered for us, come let us adore Him." This antiphon is not merely saying that Christ was tempted and that He suffered, but that He went through all these for our sake. Indeed, the passion of Christ which we celebrated is the climax of the incarnation, when God assumed our humanity in Christ and suffered the full burden of what all human beings have to go through in life each day—temptations, anxieties, pain, fear, hunger, injustices, betrayal, false accusations, being misunderstood, taken for granted, used and abused, manipulated, despised, ridiculed, humiliated, and sickness and death. Jesus went through all these to truly journey with us in life and in death. By His death and resurrection, Jesus gave us a sure hope that all we go through in our humanity will flower in the resurrection. His resurrection gives us confidence that suffering will be overcome by those who have faith in God and are willing to walk the way of our Lord. Without the resurrection, the mysteries of life would be inexplicable. Christ's life, death and resurrection are the answers to the riddles of suffering, sin, death and life. It is significant that after His resurrection, the angel instructed the women at the tomb to "go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him."" (Matthew 28.7).

As resurrected disciples of our Lord today, we must walk in faith, and always with the Risen Lord. Where is the Risen Lord to be found? He is found in the scriptures, especially when we share the Word of God with our fellow brothers and sisters. He is encountered in the sacraments, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist. As a resurrected people, we must walk with each other as a community so that we can recognize and encounter His presence in our lives. When we share our food, struggles, joys and life with each other; when we share the Word of God together; worship and pray together, the Risen Lord is in our midst. This was what the early Church did (Acts 2:43-47). If there are some Christians who have not yet encountered the Risen Lord, it is because they walk alone in this journey of faith. When we are cut off from others, from our fellow brothers and sisters in faith, because of sin, selfishness, individualism and pride, we cannot encounter the Risen Lord. Today, the Risen Lord is present in a real way when we strive to be a synodal Church at every level of Church life. To be a synodal Church is to walk with each other, in good times and in bad, always forgiving each other and encouraging each other along the way, never giving up hope on each other. We are called to share our faith, our struggles, our pains, our joys, and aspirations as Church members of St. Boniface Parish, we must walk as one Church, one body of the Risen Lord, with Christ as our head. We cannot walk alone. We must walk with each other in this journey of faith and life, so that we can leave the desert of sin and enter into the Promised Land of love and life. We do not walk alone, but the Lord walks with us. He has gone ahead of us and He is in our midst. Be brave, take courage, as the Lord told His disciples, "I have conquered the world." (John 16.33).

Jesus Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Fr. Alex Osei, CSSp.

Fr. Percy Acquah, CSSp.

#### **WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RCIA CANDIDATES**

- Smita Dhakal
- Rahim John Refaie
- Felecia Ann-Marie Rowe
- Malikai Jahziah Rowe-Russell
- Aria LaBorde
- Justin Jack Ward
- Ruben Manukyan
- Hasmik Manukyan
- Mari Manukyan
- Anastasia Onyinyechi Adaiheoma Ehiabor
- Raymond Obianke Ehiabor

...who were welcomed into the Catholic faith at the Easter Vigil.

May you be embraced with peace and love as you walk with your Lord.



#### 2025 DIVINE MERCY NINE DAYS NOVENA & DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 18 - GOOD FRIDAY (1st day)

7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross

Divine Mercy Novena following Stations

**APRIL 19 - HOLY SATURDAY** (2nd day)

3:00 pm- Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 20 - EASTER SUNDAY (3rd day)

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

**APRIL 21 - EASTER MONDAY** (4th day)

8:30 am - **No** Morning Mass 6:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

**APRIL 22 - EASTER TUESDAY** (5th day)

8:30 am - Morning Mass 9:00 am - Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 23 - EASTER WEDNESDAY (6th day)

7:00 pm - Perpetual Help Novena

7:30 pm - Evening Mass

8:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 24 - EASTER THURSDAY (7th day)

8:30 am - Morning Mass

9:00 am - Divine Mercy Novena

APRIL 25 - EASTER FRIDAY (8th day)

7:30 pm - Evening Mass

8:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena (Holy Hour)

(9th day) **APRIL 26 - EASTER SATURDAY** 

8:30 am - Morning Mass

9:00 am - Divine Mercy Novena

**APRIL 27 - FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY** 

3:00 pm - Mass

Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Refreshments in Hall afterwards





#### APRIL 20TH TO APRIL 26TH 2025

Sun Apr 20th 7:30am - No morning Mass

9:00am - Carolina Mabugat †

10:30am - Benigno Alfaro †

12:00pm- Vernon Pingol †

Mon Apr 21st 8:30am - Mass cancelled

Tue Apr 22nd 8:30am - John Malick †

Wed Apr 23rd 7:30pm - Mary Ann Lauzon and

Joseph Arthur Lauzn †; Filomena Rodrigues +; Alan Dobb +; Georgina Da Costa †; Pura Bautista Llanto+; Daniel Scougall +

Thu Apr 24th 8:30am - Leo Ryan †

Fri Apr 25th 7:30pm - Filomena Rodrigues †

Sat Apr 26th 8:30am - Inacio and

Piedade Fernandes †; Georgina Da Costa +; Elena Borrego +; the

Kraus Family

#### **OUR SICK:**

Leonard Rodrigues, Jean Foulkes, Romeo Florentino, Anne Dyer, Joan Fitzgibbon, Virginia Johnson, Derek John Taylor, Donna Mesic, Oliver Malinowski, Anunciacion Chang, Derek Rosario, Maria Theresa, Maria Johanna Tizon, Linda Morgan, Sally Benadetto, Maverick Valle, Richard Stockman, Don O'Shaughnessy, Alana Maurica

Gerardine, Bette McDermott, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Sharon Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Anna Tomasi, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Estela Pett, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Holly Macinnis, Randeer Kumar Hulooman, Norma Dulnuan, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filipchuk, Dienna Hartings, Conia Micanda, Koviin Andrew Me chuk, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire rales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Jean Griffin Davis, Shirley Ecclejton, Kathleen Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Liam Mathews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Rouchard, Harold Hunt, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignum. William Schober, Marie Dignum.



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