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Thank you for your generosity

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Villa Conference will host a cake sale o n March 31st immediately after Mass. Kindly continue to support our fundraisers. Remember every contribution helps in assisting the less fortunate.

Parishioners are invited to support the main fundraiser for Catholic Radio on Easter Monday at small Ffryes Beach from 10 am until. Food and drinks will be on sale. The Bus will leave the Cathedral grounds at 8:30 am.

EASTER

Did you know that the Evening

Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday ushers in Easter Triduum of Christ's passion and death (Good Friday), burial (Holy Saturday), and resurrection (Easter Sunday)? The Easter Triduum is the most solemn celebration in the liturgical year when we commemorate the paschal mystery of Christ in which we participate through baptism and Holy Eucharist. The renewal of baptismal promises on Easter Vigil and in the Masses on Easter Sunday culminates our Lenten observance. The sprinkling with holy water and the lighted candles in our hands evoke the most significant moment in our lives. our baptism when God claimed us as his sons and daughters.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA & CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY—

Day 1: The Divine Mercy Novena will be prayed in Community after the 3:00pm Service on Good Friday: Meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Day 2 — Meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel to begin at 8:00AM.

Day 3 — Easter Sunday: Pray At Home

Days 4 - 9: Divine Mercy Novena to be prayed 15 Minutes Before Mass in the Various Church Communities.

Sunday April 7th: 3:00 PM at Holy Family Cathedral: Celebration Of The Hour of Great Mercy.

Copies of the leaflet will be provided for each out station.

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Holv Family Cathedral Parish presents PENTECOST SUNDAY with a difference. Pentecost will be celebrated on Sunday 19th May, 2024 from 11:00 am in the upper car park of the grounds. Cathedral Entertainment, Food and Fun.



The Prayer of the Synod Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS:

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Amen.

Gillian Howie, Nelister Sebastian, Catherine Durand, Dion Thomas, Georgina-Glave-Toussaint, Catherine DeTouche, Edward Lewis, David Morris, Gweneth Bryan, Shanla Carr, Arnold Gomes, Auchland Jarvis, Jean James, Conrad Looby, Cecelia John, Justin Joseph, Carmen Ambrose, Tyler Lockhart., Joan Underwood, Cosmas Rowe, Andrea Brown, Latoya Edmun-Joseph, Rose Margetson, Niethia Dyier, Patrick Skerritt, Victor Charles. Junie Browne.

Lectio Divina

READ: Mary Magdalene went early in the tomb on the first day after the Sabbath. She saw that the stone covering the tomb had already been moved away. She ran to Peter and to the Beloved Disciple, telling them of what she saw. Peter and the Beloved Disciple ran to the tomb. The latter outran the former. The Beloved Disciple did not enter the tomb but bending down he saw the linen cloths lying flat. Peter entered the tomb and saw that the napkin that had been around the head was not lying flat unlike the other linen cloths. The Beloved Disciple also entered, saw and believed. The Scripture stated with clarity that Jesus must rise from the dead. However, they still did not understand it yet.

REFLECT: Today, we celebrate Easter. We are Easter people. We may reflect that the first Easter happened on the first day after the Sabbath, implying a beginning of a great new day. Jesus' resurrection conveys that there is always a possibility to begin again. Whatever happened to us in the past, if we open ourselves to the power of Christ's resurrection, we become new creatures. This day reminds us of that amazing grace won for us by Christ when he rose from the dead. We can begin again with a life renewed.

PRAY: Let us pray for Easter inspiration to truly start our life anew.

ACT: Let us take a more positive disposition in life from this day onwards.

St Joseph's Academy Entrance Exam & Interviews

Application Forms for students wishing to enter Forms 1-4 are now available at the school's office. Office hours are from 8:00 am -2:00 pm. The final date for submitting applications for Form 1 students is Thursday, May 9.

The exam for students wishing to enter Form 1 will be held on Saturday, May 11, beginning at 8:00 am.

Interviews for students wishing to enter Forms 2-4 will begin on Monday, June 10, 2024

St. John's Catholic Primary School is pleased to announce that registration is open for the period of March 15th to May 15th 2024. We are accepting preschool and primary school students, ages two and a half to eleven years old. Application forms can be collected from the school's office from 8am – 12pm daily, or can be emailed to you. To receive the form via email, please send a r e q u e s t e m a i l t o sicpsprimary@gmail.com, Subject – Preschool Application Form or Primary School Application Form.

To complete the application process, you will need copies of your child's:

- Birth certificate
- Baptismal certificate where applicable
- Health and immunization card
- Recent school report or transcript
- A passport size picture
- \$120 registration fee
- Completed application form

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our SJCPS family.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING IN APRIL for Young Adults & Adults:

Becoming involved in Youth Ministry is a journey of growth and transformation not only for the individual but for the community and those whom you will impact. Youth Ministry is not about leading a youth group. It is a holistic approach to the overall development of the young people, their parents and the community. Are you interested in being trained for the Youth Leadership Ministry? You are invited to register for the ONE Day Workshop to be held April. Please register your interest by sending an email to catecheticshfc@gmail.com or Whatsapp 773-6833 on or before April 10th, 2024.

This Sunday's Readings 31st March, 2024

First Reading: Acts 10: 34, 37-43 Responsorial Psalm: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading: Colossians 3: 1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5: 6-8 Gospel: John 20: 1-9 or Matthew 28: 1-10 or Luke 24: 13-35

Readings for Monday to Saturday

Monday 1st April
Acts 2: 14, 22-33
Psalm 16: 1-2, 5, 7-11
Matthew 28: 8-15
Tuesday 2nd April
Acts 2: 36-41

Psalm 33: 4-5, 18-20, 22 John 20: 11-18

Wednesday 3rd April

Acts 3: 1-10

Psalm 105: 1-9

Luke 24: 13-35

Thursday 4th April

Acts 3: 11-26

Psalm 8: 2, 5-9

Luke 24: 35-48

Friday 5th April

Acts 4: 1-12

Psalm 118: 1-2, 4, 22-27

John 21: 1-14

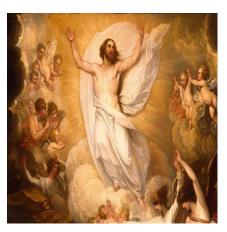
Saturday 6th April

Acts 4: 13-21

Psalm 118: 1, 14-21

Mark 16: 9-15

"Scripture clearly said that Jesus must rise from the dead..."



WHAT THE FIRST READING SAYS TO ME

In this speech of Peter, Luke wants to bring out the basic message of the early Church: the Lord's rejection ("they put him to death"); God's vindication ("God raised [him]"); and the apostles' witness to the Christevent ("he commissioned us to preach").

Referring to the stone rejected and made the headstone of the corner, the Church applies Psalm 118 to the death and resurrection of Christ. Indeed, "this is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad".

WHAT THE SECOND READING SAYS TO ME

The First Reading proclaims the living Christ, his life, death, and resurrection. This Second Reading tells us about the implications of all of this for us. Through baptism you have died to your own sinful and egotistic self and you have been raised up to a new life with Christ. You are a Christian. This life is hidden. In its fullness, it will appear in the life to come. The lesson is: "Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." This is a strong Semitic saying with the obvious meaning: Do not be so captivated by the tinsel of life or so infected with the commercialism of the day that you lose sight of the things above!

WHAT THE GOSPEL SAYS TO ME

(For the resurrection narratives, see the General Introduction to the Easter Season. The point (God's Word) seems to be: "He saw and believed." The disciples were slow in coming to a realization of the resurrection since the Holy Spirit had not yet come to enlighten the Church concerning all these divine mysteries. We need the Holy Spirit! "God our Father,... let our celebration today raise us up and renew our lives by the Spirit that is within us".

KNOW YOUR CHURCH

A line of mostly Latino men and women stood some-30 deep on the sidewalk along a very busy stretch of Wilshire Boulevard when a bright yellow food truck pulled up next to the iconic MacArthur Park, just west of the downtown Los Angeles skyscrapers. The bold blue letters on all sides of the truck were well known: Feed My Poor. So was the fact it parked at this spot every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at This park has been in the noontime. news for its contribution to LA's fentanyl epidemic. Across the street stands an array of makeshift tarps and shelters. A group of men rolls dice on the sidewalk near a white SUV offering community health care. Loud music comes from a Fr. Ed Benioff, pastor parked car. at Church of the Good Shepherd eight miles away in Beverly Hills, first greeted the security guard whose car was parked, saving the spot for the food truck. Then came hugs for two women who emerged from the vehicle. Marisol Ortiz Perez joined her sister-in-law, Araceli Orta, on this trip. As part of a three-woman rotation that includes Perez's sister, Adriana Ortiz, they have staffed the truck full time since the program started in July 2021. Seven days a week, they coordinate food preparation in the mornings, drive to various locations to distribute some 300 hot meals over three hours, then drive back to Sun Valley. The women lined up individual Styrofoam containers, scooped up yellow rice and topped it with mole de pollo (chicken in a spicy red sauce) that had been warming on the stove. Then they added salad and a bag of fruit from the refrigerator, and topped it off with a cheese bagel that had been warmed on Unlike other food trucks that the grill. buzz through the city to service the lunch crowds, this one does not charge its When Benioff started the nonprofit organization Feed My Poor in 2020 at the start of the pandemic, the idea was to gather a few volunteers to assemble ham and cheese sandwiches that they could give out in the neighborhood. But it became obvious: Beverly Hills isn't really a prime area where people experiencing homelessness tend to gravitate. A 2022 count tallied only 27 unhoused people in the community, and most neighbors know them by name and know their medication needs.



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