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EASTER BLESSINGS 2025 BENDICIONES DE PASCUA



EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD -APRIL 26TH 2025 HE HAD TO RISE FROM THE DEAD.

Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Simon Peter and the beloved disciple race to the tomb, presumably to verify Mary's report. The beloved disciple arrives first but does not enter the tomb until after Simon Peter. This detail paints a vivid picture, as does the detail provided about the burial cloths. Some scholars believe that the presence of the burial cloths in the tomb offers evidence to the listener that Jesus' body had not been stolen (it is understood that grave robbers would have taken the burial cloths together with the body).

The Gospel passage concludes, however, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the passage that follows, Mary of Magdala meets Jesus but mistakes him for the gardener. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus—in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit.

DOMINGO DE PASCUA LA RESURRECCIÓN DEL SEÑOR – ABRIL 20TH 2025 ‘JESÚS DEBÍA RESUCITAR DE ENTRE LOS MUERTOS.

Hoy comenzamos el Tiempo de Pascua, nuestra meditación de 50 días sobre el misterio de la Resurrección de Cristo. Nuestro Evangelio de hoy nos narra el descubrimiento del sepulcro vacío por parte de los discípulos. Concluye diciendo que aún no entendían que Jesús había resucitado. Por lo tanto, los detalles proporcionados no necesariamente pretenden ofrecer una prueba de la Resurrección. Nos invitan a reflexionar sobre un don extraordinario: la fe en Jesús y su Resurrección.

En el caso del Evangelio de Juan, la única mujer que asiste al sepulcro es María de Magdala. El Evangelio de Juan no describe la aparición de ángeles en el sepulcro. En cambio, se dice que María simplemente observó que la piedra que sellaba el sepulcro había sido movida y corrió a avisar a Simón Pedro y al discípulo amado. Su declaración es reveladora. Ella asume que el cuerpo de Jesús ha sido retirado, quizás robado. No considera que Jesús haya resucitado.

En el caso del Evangelio de Juan, la única mujer que atendió la tumba fue María Magdalena. El Evangelio de Juan no describe la aparición de ángeles en la tumba. En cambio, se dice simplemente que María observó que la piedra que sellaba la tumba había sido movida y corrió a avisar a Simón Pedro y al discípulo amado. Su declaración es reveladora. Ella asume que el cuerpo de Jesús ha sido retirado, quizás robado. No considera que Jesús haya resucitado.

Simón Pedro y el discípulo amado corren a la tumba, presumiblemente para confirmar el relato de María. El discípulo amado llega primero, pero no entra en la tumba hasta después de Simón Pedro. Este detalle, al igual que el de las vendas, ofrece una imagen vívida. Algunos eruditos creen que la presencia de las vendas en la tumba evidencia que el cuerpo de Jesús no fue robado (se entiende que los ladrones de tumbas se llevaron las vendas junto con el cuerpo).

El pasaje evangélico concluye, sin embargo, que incluso habiendo visto la tumba vacía y las vendas, los discípulos aún no comprenden la Resurrección. En el pasaje siguiente, María Magdalena se encuentra con Jesús, pero lo confunde con el jardinero. En las próximas semanas, las lecturas evangélicas de nuestra liturgia nos mostrarán cómo los discípulos llegaron a creer en la Resurrección de Jesús a través de sus apariciones. Nuestra fe pascual se basa en su testimonio tanto de la tumba vacía como de su relación

MASS INTENTIONS

April 19th—27th 2025

Sat. Ap. 19th 8:00pm Easter Vigil (Bilingual)

Sun. April. 20th 9:00: + Anna Conroy

11:00: - Health of Anita Nolls

No Weekday Masses: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday April 23, 24 & 25.

Sat. April 26th Vigil 4:30: - People of the Parish

Misa en Cachagua 7:00pm: 18800 Cachagua Rd # 8

+ Juan Ramirez Ramos

April 27th 9:00: - Mary Delfino (101 Birthday)

11:00: + Joann McIntyre

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DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD,
REST IN PEACE. AMEN**

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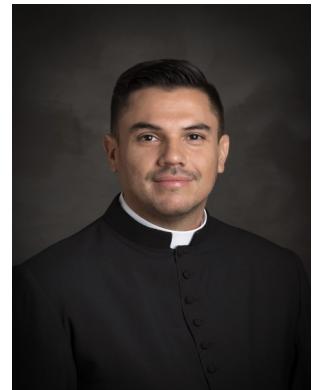
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMA 2025: 38 donors have given \$37,750, which is 76% of the goal.

The office will be closed and there will be no weekday Masses the week after Easter, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday April 23, 24 & 25. (We will be shampooing our carpets).

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

It has been a blessing to celebrate the Holy Triduum with all of you. Your faithfulness, reverence, and help during these Holiest of Days gives me hope to continue being your priest.

I would like to thank all our wonderful volunteers who have made the celebrations of Holy Week, Holy Triduum, and Easter possible. Special thanks to Gail Quinnan (Liturgy-Décor), Tamara Sommerville and Trudy Dowd, Cantors, Musicians, Choir; Derwin Borling (RCIA Teacher). Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors, Altar Servers and Sacristans; and all who brought flowers and helped us decorate for Easter. Thank you! Gracias.

Shalom! Fr. Jhonnatan.

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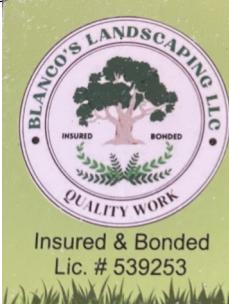
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Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM
 Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English,

Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month
 1:00 pm in the Church.
 4th Saturday of the month at 7:00pm in Cachagua.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:
 1:00 pm—3:00 pm.
 Sundays: 10:00 am—11:00 am.

"At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service." St. Teresa of Avila

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