Easter Sunday March 27, 2016



Salesian Perspective

My brothers and sisters, we have good reason to rejoice and be glad today - this is the day that the Lord has made!

We have just shared in the experience of Peter and John as they ran to the tomb and peered in. With John, we have had the opportunity to see and believe: Jesus who was crucified and died is now risen!

St. Paul reminds us that what we celebrate today must mean something for our daily living. If we really believe that Jesus is risen, then we must make a sincere effort each day to set our hearts on heavenly things.

Jesus left his place at God's right hand to live among us; now he has returned to his Father and invites us to live in him. We must try to be intent on things above rather than on things of earth. This is a daily struggle for most of us. It's just too easy to become intent on our own needs and wants, our own suffering and pain. These can easily distract us from the things that we say really count: from seeking to do God's will and not our own, and trying to love others as Jesus has loved us.

The Lord has made this day for our salvation. In a few moments, we will share once again in Jesus' saving mystery by renewing our baptismal promises as a community of faith. But renewing them is not enough. We are called to give witness to our renewal by the way we live our daily lives. Our words and deeds must flow from the same source: the saving grace that flows from Jesus' death and rising.

May we learn to ask for God's grace each day so that we may live this new life. Then the words we say and the actions we do will proclaim to everyone we meet the truth we celebrate today: Jesus is risen! He is alive in us!

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<u>LITTLE WHITE BOOKS</u> The seasonal prayer reflection booklet (Easter 2016) contain helpful daily entries to serve as an aid to prayer. You can find them in our vestibule on the table.

PRIZES, PRIZES, PRIZES!



The prizes for our annual fundraising raffle are terrific this year! Be sure to purchase your raffle tickets today before you leave. They will be sold before and after Mass (5/\$20 or \$5 each). The drawing will be held in December 4th, but you do not have to be present to win. Proceeds go to the

support of our parish.

Here are the prizes that we have to date:

- A vacation home in western NC for one week
- A vacation home is Frisco for one week
- 8' rod and reel
- A Gulf Stream fishing trip on the Miss Hatteras out of Odens Dock
- Signed, numbered, limited-edition print of our church by local artist, Linda Browning
- Gulf Steam Fishing trip on the Big Eye out of Hatteras
- North Carolina gift basket from Lee Robinson General Store
- A gourmet basket from Sea Treasure Ocean
- Original art by Linda Browning
- Dinner for 2 at Café' Pamlico located at the Inn on the Pamlico Sound Hwy 12, Frisco
- Gift certificate from Conner's Market
- Gift certificate from Captain's Table
- Gift Certificate \$100 from Breakwater Restaurant

These are the electronics for the raffle and we are looking for sponsors for them.

- \$269.00 Apple I Pad Mini 2
- \$169.99 Acer Chrombook 2
- \$149.00 Apple TV FOR STREAMING INTERFACE 32 GB
- \$99.99 Amazon Fire FOR STREAMING TELEVISION INTERFACE
- \$35.00 Crome Cast INTERNET/INTERFACE DIVICE

Also if anyone would wish to donate a prize or know anyone, it would be greatly appreciated.

UPDATE ON OLS MORTGAGE

All the paperwork has been submitted. The request was approved by Raleigh's Finance staff and the Parish Loan Committee. Next step: the Diocesan Finance Committee review on Thursday, March 17th. Please ask God for approval of our request!

Just trust in Him and He will continue to lead you safely through all things. Where you cannot walk, He will carry you in His arms.

- St. Francis de Sales

The Color White and Gold

Jesus' Birth and Resurrection
Symbolic of purity and light, these shades
are most often seen at Christmas, Easter
and other celebrations of life, including
Weddings and Funeral.

As the pope is God's representative on earth, these hues are also closely associated with him.

Even the Vatican flag is white and gold.

Healing Mass for ALL Parishioners



Healing service with the Anointing of the Sick will be held right after the Vigil Mass next Saturday, April 2nd. This

sacrament celebrates and carries out the healing ministry of Jesus. If you are in need of the grace that this sacrament offers, then please plan to attend.

~ SPECIAL THANKS ~



To ALL the cooks & servers who participated on Wednesday evenings in the "OLS LENTED SUPPERS" We came together as "one community" where we shared our cultural soups & fellowship.

Special thanks to Claudia Hennessey, Rita Doerr, Marcie Shoemaker and Karen Kelmer

Explaining the Catholic Faith



NEXT WEEK Fr Fred will continue with the program of Explaining the Catholic Faith, and the subject matter "A love that Last." It will take place at the rectory following the 9 am Mass. All are welcomed.



GIVING TREE MEMORIALS



Do you want to share in the GIVING TREE? A donation of \$500 will purchase a leaf which has 4 lines to list an inscription. It is quite fitting that the new "GIVING TREE" has taken root in the vestibule of our church.

Any questions contact Dave Kelmer 252,986.2719

Music for the Liturgy at 9:00 am

Processional: # 381 Christ, the Lord, Is Risen Today

Glory to God (Mass of Creation)

Psalm Response: # 263 This Is the Day Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia Offertory: # 385 Behold the Glory of God

> # 382 Now the Green Blade Rises # 378 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Communion: # 384 The Strife Is O'er

419 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

389 Alleluia, Alleluia Give Thanks

Recessional: # 673 Sing to the Mountains

The Reading for <u>Easter Vigil</u> Mass Glory & Praise at number 773

The Reading for **Easter Sunday** Mass

Glory & Praise at number 774

1st Reading ~ Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37 - 43

 2^{nd} Reading ~ Colossians 3:1-4 or

 \sim 1Corinthians 5:6b - 8

Gospel Reading \sim John 20:1 – 9



Sacrament of Penance

Fr Fred will minister to the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturdays, starting at 4:45 pm, to provide sufficient opportunities for

the faithful to receive the grace of the Sacrament of Penance.

PRO-LIFE - March 27 (week 1)

The Miracle of Life. At conception the gender of the child is determined by the father's sperm. We are going to name this tiny new human being "Gabriela." Gabriela has not yet implanted into the wall of the uterus so no one but God knows of her existence. God has known us and loved us from all eternity.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you," Jer. 1: 5