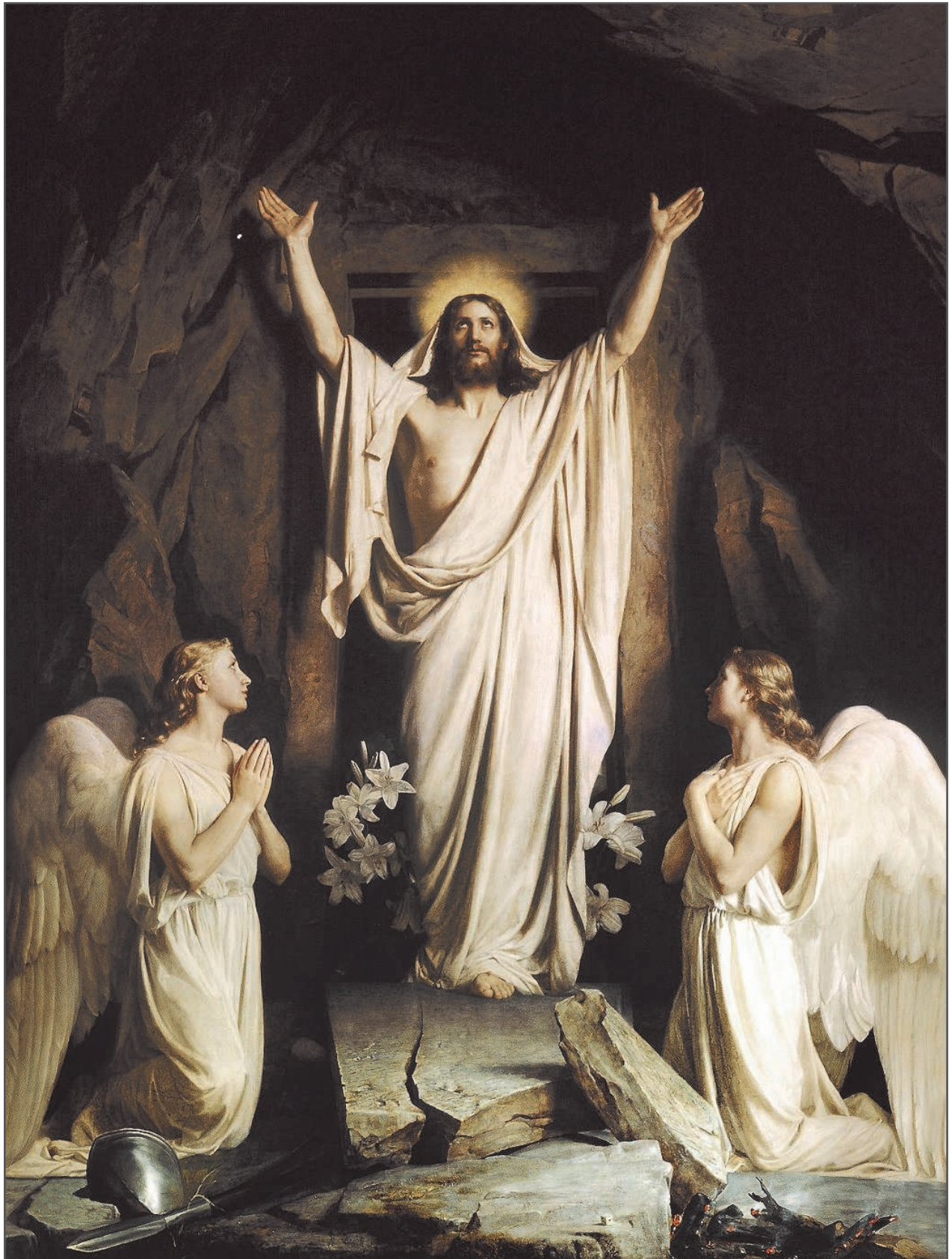


SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2016

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD



## PASTOR'S COLUMN



## TODAY AT SAINT AGNES

Easter, Year of Our Lord 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May God bless all of you in this joyful Easter Season!

As we celebrate this feast of feasts, let us prayerfully reflect on how each one of us needs to be raised to a new life in Christ. The resurrection is not only meant to be a celebration of what happened to Christ and what will happen to us if we are judged worthy to be raised to life with God forever in heaven. There is an essential aspect of this mystery in the here and now. We are meant, through the power of God's grace to elevate our lives, to reach a new and higher level of sanctity now.

The sacraments of the church are the primary tools God has given us for the sake of renewal. Since Christ has chosen to use these sacred signs to communicate His presence and power to us, we can never minimize their importance. Instead, we must enter more deeply into them. I give to you for your edification some simple reflections on Baptism so that we may all continue to live out the great graces we received in this Sacrament of Initiation. It is so very appropriate that we consider Baptism at Easter since this is when we welcome so many into the Church through this sacrament and the blessing of the Baptismal water takes such a central position in the Easter Vigil.

*"Are you not aware that we who are baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?" –Romans 6:3*

For most of us, this sacrament was conferred upon us as infants; therefore, we have no distinct memory of it. Like the day of our birth, which we also do not remember, it carries much significance in our life with Christ. Baptism washes away Original Sin and we are made members of God's family. Every time we enter into a church the holy water fonts remind us how we entered into the saving mysteries of Christ's death and resurrection. At Easter Sunday Masses we are given the opportunity to renew our baptismal promises by professing our faith. By rejecting the devil, all his works and all his empty promises, we reconfirm our choice to make a break with the world and live a new life in Christ. In short, we totally commit our lives to the Lord. The supernatural gifts of faith, hope and love, which are received in Baptism, need to be nourished and practiced. It is a sad reality that so many have these three gifts but do not use them or choose to live contrary to them. Let us recommit ourselves to living out our baptismal promises and gifts so as to more worthily honor and worship God.

### Thank You to Volunteer Church Cleaners

Last Saturday, on the Feast of Saint Joseph, many volunteers gathered at 9:00 am to prepare and clean our church for Holy Week. On behalf of a grateful parish, I thank all who sacrificed their time and energy to make our pre-Easter cleaning such a success. I am also very grateful for the leadership of the event organizers: Catherine Turner, Rose Schueller, Joy Steveken, Elizabeth Martin-Hinton, Erna Kostuch and Alicia Stewart.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Christ, Fr. Mark Moriarty

There will be no coffee and donuts today.

Join us for Easter Vespers at 2:00 pm this afternoon.

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT AGNES

### The Octave of Easter

There will be 8:00 am English Masses Monday – Friday; 5:15 pm Mass on Friday and an OF Sung Latin Mass at 8:00 am on Saturday during the Octave of Easter.

### School Closed for Spring Break

Saint Agnes School will be closed this week for Spring break. Classes will resume on Monday, April 4th. The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, March 28th.

### Legion of Mary

Are you ready to respond to the many changes taking place? Would you like to take part, with other like-minded people, representing Catholic-Christian values? Then come join us on Tuesday evenings from 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm. downstairs in the Bride's room. You need not bring anything and there is no cost. Contact Andrzej at 651.202.6953.

The Legion of Mary also meets every Friday at 3:00pm on the sidewalk outside the Planned Parenthood facility on Vandalia. Join us for a rosary and peaceful protest to this horrible loss of life.

## NEXT WEEK AT SAINT AGNES

### Divine Mercy Sunday - April 3

Normal Sunday Mass Schedule; 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet & Vespers with Confessions in the Upper Church. Copies of the Novena, which begins this Friday, can be found in the back of Church and in the Chapel entrance.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

### 2016 LiveFamily! Expo - April 8 & 9

Church of Saint Raphael, Crystal

The LiveFamily! Expo, presented by Cana Family Institute with the Archdiocese of Saint Paul & Minneapolis and the Diocese of Saint Cloud, is the annual, premier formation event for anyone who is interested in supporting and strengthening families. This vibrant, deeply inspirational and informative weekend includes Mass with Bishop Cozzens and Bishop Kettler as well keynote addresses tailored to you, your family and ministry. For more information, visit [www.livefamilyexpo.com](http://www.livefamilyexpo.com). Questions? Call Madalyn at 763.898.8728 or Sonya at 651.291.4488.

### Caregivers Mass and Support Event - April 16

Are you a caregiver for a family member, on a temporary basis or long term? Are you a professional caregiver? The Church of St. Thomas More, 1079 Summit Avenue in St. Paul, invites you to an event to offer support and resources to refresh and encourage you. It begins with Mass at 9 am on Saturday, April 16 and follows with refreshments and discussion with Mary Lou Carney, Catholic chaplain and professor in Pastoral Care. To make a reservation contact Carol Arend, [carend@morecommunity.org](mailto:carend@morecommunity.org) or 651.227.7669 x 305. Free and open to the public.

## CHORALE & ORCHESTRA NOTES

Mass: Josef Rheinberger, Mass in C, Op. 169 (1892)

Processional: Joseph Gruber, Motet: *Terra Tremuit*

“The earth trembled”, Op 134

Offertory: Pietro Yon, Motet: *Victimae Paschali Laudes*

“To the Paschal Victim Offer Praise” (1919)

*The music for this Mass is sponsored by Priscilla Brewster and Susan McCarthy in memory of their mother, Margery Brewster.*

Born in Vaduz, Liechtenstein Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901) gained recognition as an organist, composer and professor while at the Munich Conservatory. In 1877 he obtained the rank of court conductor in the royal chapel of King Ludwig II of Bavaria. One reviewer described Rheinberger’s style of church music as “romantically sumptuous yet classically refined.” Pietro Yon’s *Victimae Paschali Laudes* at the Offertory is a favorite of worshipers at Saint Agnes. It will be repeated next Sunday, April 3, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter. The Twin Cities Catholic Chorale is a non-profit corporation, which depends solely on the generosity of its patrons. Programs are posted on the Chorale web site at [www.catholicchorale.org](http://www.catholicchorale.org). Next Sunday the Chorale & Orchestra will present Joseph Haydn’s *Harmoniemesse*.

## ALTAR SERVERS

**Saturday, April 2**

**5:15 pm**

Chris Ethier, Jonah Hintgen, Matthew Boeser,  
Joe Galush, Lucas Lahlum, Joseph Hintgen, Phillip Rother

**Sunday, April 3**

**7:30 am**

Matthew Swanson, Dominic Adkins

**8:30 am**

Dominic Heesch, Shane Oglesbee, Evan Most,  
Luke Scott, William Murphy

**10:00 am**

William Kostuch, Petrus Washburn, Jacob Rose,  
Ross Wright, Aloisius Washburn, Ben Lenzmeier,  
Alex Lenzmeier, Ambrose Washburn,  
Andrew Brownell, Nathan Brownell, Nicholas Brownell

**12:00 pm**

Duy Phan, Viet Pham, Nguyen Phan, An Phan

## SUNDAY OFFERINGS FOR MARCH 20

Envelope/Plate	\$13,049.64
Automatic Contributions	<u>\$ 1988.33</u>
Total	\$15,037.97



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

*(Regular, weekly Masses, Confessions, and Devotions are found on the bulletin cover)*

**Sunday, March 27**

No coffee and donuts today

Vespers ..... 2:00 pm

**Monday, March 28**

Parish Office closed.

**Tuesday, March 29**

Legion of Mary (Brides) ..... 6:15 pm

Rosary & Novena (Chapel) ..... 7:00 pm

TCCC Rehearsal (Choir Loft) ..... 7:30 pm

**Wednesday, March 30**

No Cathedral Religion Class today

Parish Choir Rehearsal (Loft) ..... 7:00 pm

**Thursday, March 31**

That Man is You (Schuler) ..... 6:15 am

**Friday, April 1**

No scheduled events

**Saturday, April 2**

Rosary for Life following the 8:00 am Mass

Legion of Mary (Brides) ..... 9:00 am

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, March 28 | Octave of Easter**

8:00 am Susana & Margaret Hafner

**Tuesday, March 29 | Octave of Easter**

8:00 am George Buechler Sr †

**Wednesday, March 30 | Octave of Easter**

8:00 am Bill Woullery

**Thursday, March 31 | Octave of Easter**

8:00 am Matias Caro (B)

**Friday, April 1 | Octave of Easter**

8:00 am Hildegard Ramacher †

5:15 pm Dolores Gombold †

**Saturday, April 2 | Octave of Easter**

8:00 am\* Basil Gregory Caro (B)

5:15 pm\* Robert Buffie

**Sunday, April 3 | Divine Mercy Sunday**

6:30 am Bill & Rita Hermes

7:30 am Mary Helen Deutsch (B)

8:30 am Robert G. Belland †

10:00 am\* Vincent Urban † (A)

12:00 pm *Missa pro populo* (For the people)

(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday † Deceased \*Sung High Mass

### *Regina caeli*

V. *Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia.*

R. *Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.*

V. *Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.*

R. *Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.*

V. *Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria, alleluia.*

R. *Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia.*

### *Queen of Heaven*

V. *Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.*

R. *For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.*

V. *Has risen, as he said, alleluia.*

R. *Pray for us to God, alleluia.*

V. *Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.*

R. *For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.*

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