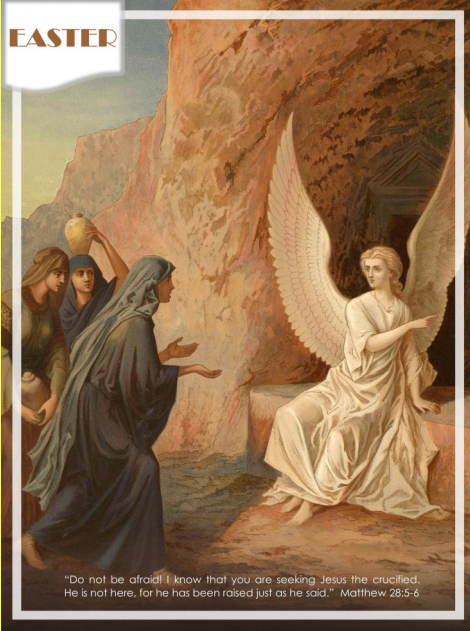


EASTER



"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said." Matthew 28:5-6

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New Office Hours (Nuevo Horario de Oficina)

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Horario / Schedule

Domingos / Sundays

9:00 a.m. English (Church) / Inglés (Iglesia)
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1:00 p.m. Spanish (Church) / Español (Iglesia)
3:00 p.m. Spanish (Church) / Español (Iglesia)

Miércoles y Viernes / Wednesday & Friday:

5:00 p.m. Spanish (Chapel) / Español (Capilla)

Misa por los Enfermos / Mass for the Sick

Último martes (Last Tuesday) 5:00 p.m.
(Capilla/Chapel)

HORA SANTA/HOLY HOUR

CADA JUEVES/ EVERY THURSDAY 5:00 p.m.
(Capilla/Chapel)

RECONCILIATION/CONFESIONES

Wednesday/Miércoles & Friday/Viernes

4:30pm: Chapel/Capilla

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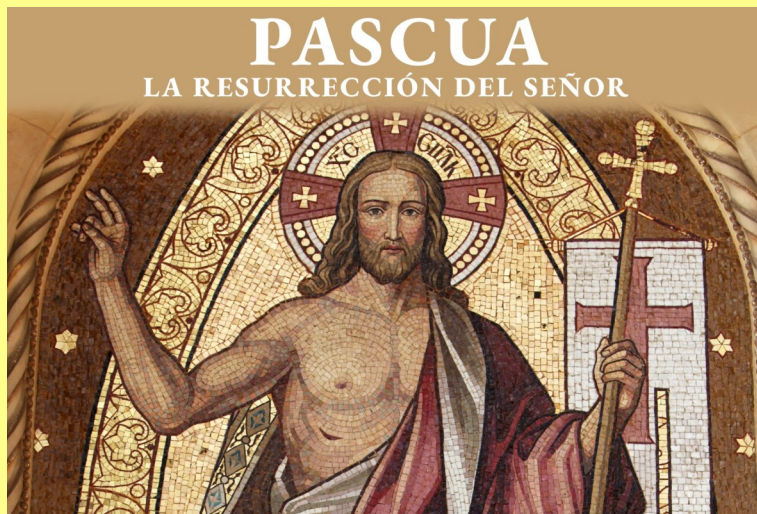
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MINISTERIO AL CUIDADO DE LOS ENFERMOS
FAVOR DE LLAMAR A LA OFICINA



5 abril 2026

Oración inicial: Señor Jesús, han pasado miles de años desde tu Resurrección, el momento más grandioso de la historia del mundo, el que lo cambia todo. Ayúdame a ver cómo tu resurrección transforma mi vida. Ayúdame a comprender cómo mi cuerpo y mi alma se ven afectados desde que tu Resurrección me abre el camino a la resurrección. Ayúdame a vivir como alguien que tiene nueva vida gracias a tu resurrección.

Encuentro con Cristo:

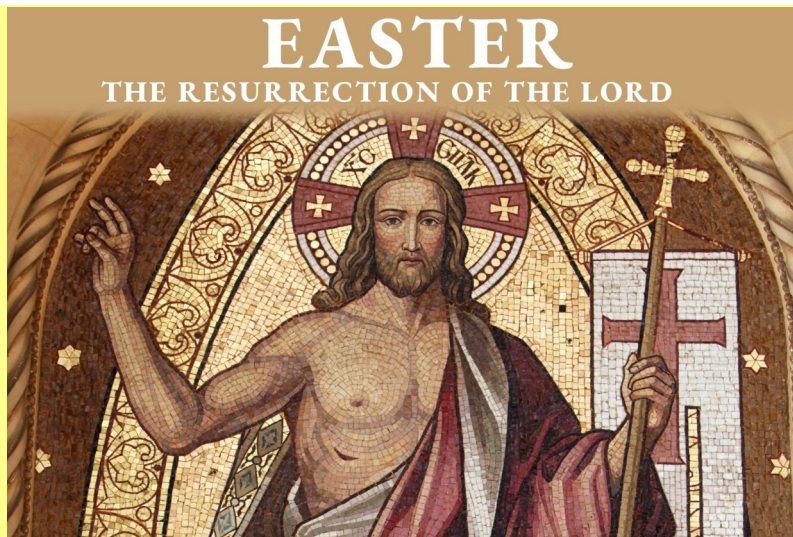
María llegó muy temprano: Imaginémonos junto a María Magdalena mientras se acercaba al sepulcro aquella fría mañana de Pascua. Su corazón estaba apesadumbrado porque no había pasado ni un segundo sin que recordara todo lo que Jesús hizo por ella, cómo la liberó y cambió su vida. Se estaba recuperando de las experiencias de los tres días anteriores, cuando presencié su crucifixión y muerte. Le dolía el recuerdo, que era una pesadilla para ella. Probablemente no había dormido y, al ir al sepulcro, deseó con todo su corazón que aquello nunca hubiera sucedido, poder verlo una vez más. Su amor era tan grande que literalmente la impulsó a ir al sepulcro antes de que nadie más despertara, y esperaba consolarse estando físicamente cerca del cuerpo de Cristo. Nos hemos levantado temprano, como María, para sumergirnos en la maravilla de la Resurrección. Que este tiempo de reflexión despierte en nosotros una renovada gratitud por todo lo que Cristo ha hecho por nosotros, por cómo ha cambiado nuestras vidas y por cómo podemos estar cerca de él en la Eucaristía.

Pedro y Juan corrieron al sepulcro: Cuando Pedro y Juan oyeron el testimonio de María, corrieron al sepulcro. ¿En qué estaban pensando mientras corrían? ¿Recordaban las promesas de Jesús de que resucitaría de entre los muertos? Juan, el menor de los dos, llegó primero al sepulcro, pero no entró. Solo echó un vistazo dentro. ¿Actuaba con moderación al someterse a Pedro, quien era su mayor y líder? ¿Respetaba Juan el terreno consagrado de una tumba? ¿O dudaba porque alguien había "irrupido"? Pedro, audaz e impetuoso como siempre, no dudó en entrar en la tumba e investigar a fondo. María, Juan y Pedro se acercaron a la tumba con distintos grados de miedo, confusión y expectación. ¿Cómo nos sentimos esta mañana de Pascua? ¿Temerosos, confundidos o llenos de gozosa expectación? Llevemos todas nuestras preocupaciones a Cristo, porque él está vivo. ¡Cristo ha resucitado!

Él vio y creyó: Mientras Juan seguía a Pedro al sepulcro, vio la losa vacía sobre la que, apenas tres días antes, Jesús había yacido. Vio los mismos lienzos que había ayudado a colocar alrededor del cadáver de Jesús, cuidadosamente doblados y apartados. El Evangelio resumió en cuatro palabras la transformación interna más asombrosa de Juan: "Vio y creyó". Juan fue el primer apóstol que decidió creer, que se convenció de que Jesús no había sido robado del sepulcro; había regresado de entre los muertos, estaba vivo. Que imitemos la profunda fe de Juan en la Resurrección de Jesús al celebrar el día más sagrado de la historia.

Conversando con Cristo: Señor Jesús, no soy de los que tuvieron la fortuna de estar en el sepulcro esa mañana. Sin embargo, he llegado a creer gracias al testimonio de otros y al de estas tres personas, y porque tus apóstoles lo escribieron todo hace tantos años. Estás vivo, y he tenido la bendición de experimentar tu presencia en mi vida. Mi corazón está agradecido por el don de tu Resurrección. «Somos el pueblo de Pascua, y aleluya es nuestro cántico» (San Juan Pablo II).

Resolución: Señor, hoy, por tu gracia, celebraré la Resurrección con la mayor plenitud y alegría posible.



April 5, 2026

Opening Prayer: Lord Jesus, it has been thousands of years since your Resurrection from the dead—the greatest moment in the history of the world, the one that changes everything. Help me to see how all of my life is changed by your rising from the dead. Help me to realize how my body and soul are affected since your Resurrection opens the way to the resurrection for me. Help me to live as someone who has new life thanks to your rising from the dead.

Encountering Christ:

1. **Mary Arrived Very Early:** Let us imagine ourselves alongside Mary Magdalene as she approached the tomb that chilly Easter morning. Her heart was heavy because not a second had passed by that she didn't remember all that Jesus did for her, how he set her free and changed her life. She was reeling from the experiences of the three days before when she witnessed his crucifixion and death. She ached at the memory, which was a nightmare for her. She probably hadn't slept and, as she went to the tomb, she wished with all her heart that it had never happened, that she could see him one more time. Her love was so great that it literally compelled her to come to the tomb before anyone else was even awake, and she was hoping to console herself by being physically near the body of Christ. We have risen early, like Mary, to immerse ourselves in the wonder of the Resurrection. May this time of reflection awaken in us a renewed gratitude for all Christ has done for us, and how he has changed our lives, and how we can be close to him in the Eucharist.
2. **Peter and John Ran to the Tomb:** When Peter and John heard Mary's testimony, they raced to the tomb. What were they thinking as they ran? Was there some memory in their minds of Jesus' promises that he would rise from the dead? John, the younger of the two, arrived at the tomb first but didn't go in. He just peeked inside. Was he acting temperately by deferring to Peter, who was his elder and the leader? Was John respecting the consecrated ground of a grave? Or was he hesitant because someone had "broken in"? Peter, bold and impetuous as ever, didn't hesitate to enter the tomb and thoroughly investigate. Mary, John, and Peter each approached the tomb with varying degrees of fear, confusion, and expectation. How do we feel this Easter morning? Fearful, confused, or full of joyful expectation? Let's bring all of our concerns to Christ, for he is alive. Christ is risen!
3. **He Saw and Believed:** As John followed Peter into the tomb, he saw the empty slab on which, just three days ago, Jesus had lain. He saw the very cloths that he had helped to position around the dead body of Jesus folded neatly and laid aside. The Gospel put in four words John's most amazing internal transformation: "He saw and believed." John was the first Apostle to make the decision to believe, to let himself be convinced that Jesus hadn't been stolen from the tomb; he had come back from the dead, he was alive. May we imitate John's deep faith in the Resurrection of Jesus as we celebrate the holiest day in human history.

Conversing with Christ: Lord Jesus, I am not one of those who was fortunate enough to be at the tomb that morning. Yet I have come to believe thanks to the testimony of others and the witness of these three people, and because your Apostles wrote everything down all those years ago. You are alive, and I have been blessed to experience your presence in my life. My heart is grateful for the gift of your Resurrection. "We are the Easter people, and hallelujah is our song" (St. John Paul II).




Resolution: Lord, today by your grace I will celebrate the Resurrection as fully and as joyfully as I can.

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS



RELIGIOUS AND DIOCESAN VOCATIONS DAY

Join us for a day of prayer and openness to God's call in your life.

 Saturday, April 25th
 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
 St. Michael the Archangel
202 Edward Street
Georgetown, DE 19947



Free Entry

Open to Young Men
and Women aged high
school and up.

Learn about different ways of service from priests and religious sisters.

Schedule

- Morning Mass–10 a.m.
- Vocations Panel Discussion–Little Sisters of the Poor, Oblate Sisters of St. Francis de Sales, Poor Clares, Diocese of Wilmington Priests–10:45 a.m.
- Lunch–12 Noon
- Adoration– 1 p.m.
- Benediction and Closing–1:30 p.m.



Rachel's VINEYARD

Healing the pain of abortion - one weekend at a time

Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat will be held the weekend of November 6-8, 2026. This retreat offers emotional and spiritual healing for anyone who has struggled with grief and loss from abortion or miscarriage. Whether you are post-abortive or know someone who is, freedom awaits. **Contact Nan Bernardo-Freeman at 302-463-7711 (call or text) or lucyminn929@gmail.com by October 11.**

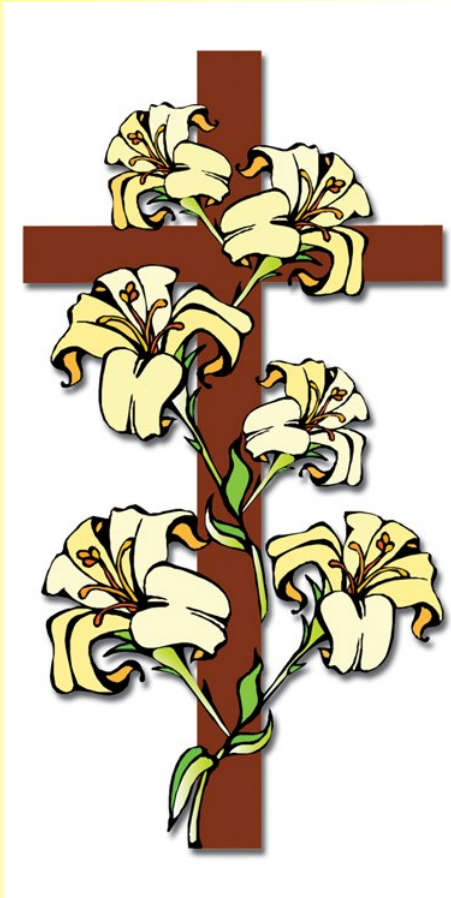
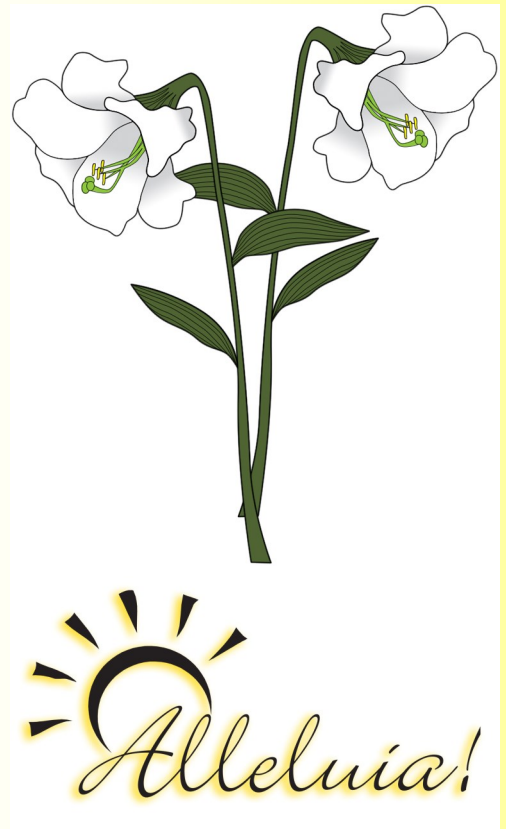


UNBOUND

One-Day Conference

When? Saturday May 16
Time? 8:30am - 5:00pm
Where? St Joseph Catholic Church in Aston, PA
Price? Early Bird \$75
 After 4/16 \$85

Visit www.heartofthefather.com to register



Easter Sunday-The Resurrection of the Lord

What is Easter?

The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils." Easter Sunday, then, is the greatest of all Sundays, and Easter Time is the most important of all liturgical times. Easter is the celebration of the Lord's Resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. There are 50 days of Easter from the first Sunday of Easter to Pentecost. It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death, expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian, Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the Resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty [too] is our preaching; empty, too, is your faith" (1 Cor 15:14).

"What you sow is not brought to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body that is to be but a bare kernel of wheat, perhaps, or of some other kind; . . . So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown corruptible; it is raised incorruptible. It is sown dishonorable; it is raised glorious. It is sown weak; it is raised powerful. It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual one. So, too, it is written, 'The first man, Adam, became a living being,' the last Adam a life-giving spirit. But the spiritual was not first; rather the natural and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven. As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly, and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly. Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one" (1 Cor 15:36-37, 42-49).

The Octave of Easter comprises the eight days, which stretch from the first Sunday of Easter to the Second Sunday of Easter. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. In a sense, every day of the Octave is like a little Sunday.

The word "Easter" comes from Old English, meaning simply the "east." The sun that rises in the east, bringing light, warmth, and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world. The Paschal Candle is a central symbol of this divine light, which is Christ. It is kept near the ambo throughout Easter Time and is lit for all liturgical celebrations.

Parish News

Información Parroquial

Actividades de ésta semana

Lunes 6: 6:30p-Directiva Juan XXIII,
7pm Lideres de Renovación

Martes 7: 6:30 Legion de Maria
7 pm Circulo de Oracion

Miércoles 8 : 4:30p Confesiones
5:00 p Misa

Jueves 9: 5:00 pm Hora Santa
Con Rosario y confesiones

Viernes 10: 4:30 Confesiones
5:00pm Misa



9 abril 2026

Hora Santa

**Con rosario y confesiones
Intenciones del Papa-ABRIL**

Por los sacerdotes en crisis.

Oremos por los sacerdotes que atraviesan momentos de crisis en su vocación, para que encuentren el acompañamiento necesario y que las comunidades los apoyen con comprensión y oración.



**Readings
To-Go!**

*Easter Sunday
April 5, 2026*

Scan QR code to see
this week's readings!

Alleluia! 
CHRIST IS RISEN!

BEHOLD
Christ is
RISEN!

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Sunday (4/5/26)

- 9:00a + Maria & Eladio Figueroa
- 11:00a + Ismael Prado
- 1:00p + Leonidas Collado
- 3:00p Feligreses

Wednesday (4/8/26)

- 5:00 p + John Greer Jr.

Friday (4/10/26)

- 5:00 p + George M. DuTour

Sunday (4/12/26)

- 9:00a Feligreses
- 11:00a + Cruz Lazaro
- 1:00p + Juana Guzman Reyes
- 3:00p



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Please become a registered parishioner. Being a registered parishioner will help St. Paul's and help you in many ways. For example, many people ask for parish letters for immigration, sacraments sponsorship, or taxes. In order for us to write such a letter you need to be a registered parishioner for at least three months. This information is private and it is share with others only if you request it. **Please call the parish office (302) 655-6596 to complete the registration process**

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Por favor, sea un feligrés registrado. Al ser un feligrés registrado, ayuda a la Iglesia y se ayuda usted mismo. Si necesita alguna carta para inmigración, documentos legales, para ser padrinos de sacramentos, o para pro-pósitos de impuestos, debe estar registrado al menos por tres meses para poder recibir dicha carta. Esta información es privada y la compartimos solo si usted nos da la autorización. Encontrará un formulario pe-queño al final de esta nota. **Favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial (302) 655-6596 para completar el proceso de registra-cion.**

Register in Our Parish!!! ;Regístrate en Nuestra Parroquia!

Weekly Collections



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March 8, 2026 Offerings

Amount Needed 1st Collection	\$3,500.00
Actual Collection	\$2,453.00
*Amount UNDER	\$1,047.00
Maintenance Income	\$1,114.00
Utility Fund	\$10.00
Ash Wednesday	\$5.00
Altar Bread	\$5.00



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