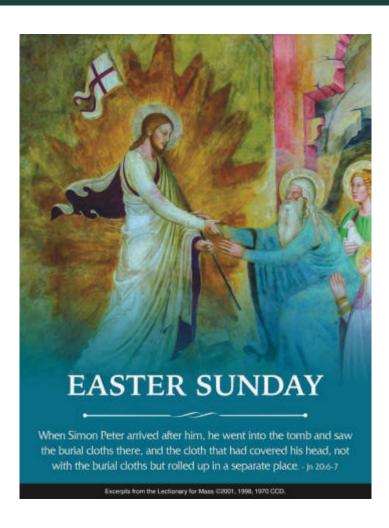


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April 4, 2021

Our parish has reopened for the celebration of the sacraments, private prayer, adoration and Mass, with some modifications. Stay tuned to Fr. Wayne's daily emails for updates on the reopenings. If you'd like to receive our parish emails, or have questions, please contact officessifx@ssifx.org.

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Readings for the week of April 5, 2021

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11;

Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;

Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9;

Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27;

Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21;

Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35;Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1

Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-3

Dear Friends,

Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen – and today we rejoice and celebrate. I welcome parishioners, visitors and those change, a different way of living. here today seeking a church home. Whether you are in Passion, compassion and mercy church, in your cars, or joining us online, please know that constitute life in Christ. In the vou are welcome here. Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Easter Gospels those that first proclaims, as we rejoice in the victory of Jesus Christ, that heard the good news of the all are welcome! If you have been away from church, for Resurrection, immediately whatever reason, for a short time or a long one, know that urgently conveyed the news to we want this to be your church home. At Saints Joseph and anyone who would listen. Allow Francis Xavier, great things happen. We live this mission.

We honor the traditions of our parish and welcome all fect you. As we are invited to live in newness of life, let's to unite in prayer and the Sacraments. Loved by God and do so compassionately, passionately, mercifully and guided by the Holy Spirit, we share the good news of enthusiastically. Jesus Christ through joyful worship, faithful formation, and dedicated service.

We can only have and live this mission if and when we allow ourselves to be partakers in the victory of Jesus and his paschal mystery. We must believe and partake in the victory of Jesus.

With all that has happened since last April, it might be tempting to lose hope. So, God gives us Easter to remind us to hope, to trust and to rejoice in Jesus' victory over sin and death. We can all think of obstacles to hope – I need not even mention them here. We can either focus our attention on the obstacles or we can fix our gaze on reasons to hope. Saint Paul says it clearly when he admonishes the Colossians. "Brothers and sisters, if then you were raised life of this great community will make it even richer. I pray with Christ, seek what is above where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth...then you too will appear with him in Glory."

God in his infinite wisdom, allowed Jesus to suffer and day when we too will appear with him in glory. die so that you and I might have the promise of eternal life, eternal bliss, and eternal joy. Today we celebrate that Peace, promise and the hope it offers. When we fix our gaze on the promise, when we seek and think of what is above, our attitudes and subsequent actions shift. When we have hope, joy fills our hearts. When joy fills our hearts, it brims over into our loving actions. When loving actions come from us, our world is a better place and great things happen!

as you come to Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier on this and their teams, Kieran, Dana, Dani, Anne and Joe, and third day of April, you will allow the joyful welcoming everyone else who raised their hands to help. Thank you! spirit and the hope the liturgy of Easter offers to inspire Also, if you are interested or know anyone who is interestyou and instill in your heart a desire to return wholeheartedly - to an intimate relationship with God and contact Kieran Lyons. his Church. I pray that the joy that presents itself on this Easter day will consume you and inspire you to carry hope and joy into our troubled world. Our world needs hope. Our world needs joy. Our world needs you to be the bearers of that hope and joy. Our world needs more Easter people, committed to Christ, and living with joy.

Living in Christ demands a their contagious enthusiasm to in-



On this Easter Day, please join me in welcoming our newly initiated members of the Roman Catholic Church. Mya Allen, Patrick Brown, Ocean and Luka Furlow, Elly Lefort, and Jose Montes de Oca, were baptized, confirmed and received the Eucharist for the first time Saturday at the Vigil. Scott Lehman, Herb Jordan, and Kelly Fitzgerald were received into the Roman Catholic Church, professed their faith, were confirmed and received our Lord in the Eucharist alongside their RCIA friends. And Katie Furlow joined her siblings at the Altar of the Lord and celebrated her Confirmation. Quite a crowd, especially in a pandemic year. We're making disciples!

The participation of our newly initiated members in the that the Holy Spirit, who led them to our door, will continue to direct their lives (and ours!). Let's allow Easter hope to permeate our entire lives, and joyfully wait for the

PS I thank, in a special way, all who have made these Holy So on this Easter Sunday I bid you welcome. I pray that Week and Easter liturgies so beautiful - John and Jonathan ed in joining the Church, as so many did last night, please

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday, April 5, 2021

6:30 am SFX

Presider: Fr. Sheridan

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Watts

Intentions:

+Josephina Cannon

+Mark Solomon D'Silva

+Julianna Horan

(L)Martin Lee & Family

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

6:30 am SFX

Presider: Fr. Watts

8:30 am SI

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

+Patty Jane Pelton

9:00 am - 10:00 am SJ

Adoration

10:00 am SJ: Benediction

Presider: Deacon Kerls

+ Deceased / (L) Living SFX - St. Francis Xavier Church SJ - St. Joseph Church

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Watts

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

+Richard & Christopher Crome

Thursday, April 8, 2021

6:30 am SFX

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Harnett

Deacon Kerls

Intentions:

+Margaret, Rose, Dororthy and

Ann Schinler

Friday, April 9, 2021

6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Watts

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions:

+John J. Williams

Saturday, April 10, 2021

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions:

(L)Rehbock Family Intentions

9:00 - 10:00 am SJ Reconciliation

Presider: Fr. Sheridan

1:00 pm SFX: Baptism Marchan Family

Presider: Deacon Kerls

5:00 pm SFX*

Presider: Fr. Harnett Deacon Kerls

Intentions:

+Phyllis Carroll

+Diane Lapelle

5:00 pm SJ*

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

+Diane Lapelle

<u>Sunday, April 11, 2021</u>

8:00 am SJ* Presider: Fr. Chun

Intentions:

+Fva DeCarlo

+Edward & Blanche

Geishecker

9:30 am SFX*

Presider: Fr. Watts

Intentions:

+Marianne Guerrini Boe

+Edward & Blanche

Geishecker

10:30 am SFX: Baptism

Petri Family

Presider: Fr. Watts

10:30 am SJ Parking Lot

Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions:

+Gino Gambacorta

+Tom Sitzer

12:15 pm SJ Parking Lot Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

+People of the Parish

7:30 pm SFX ACTION*

Presider: Fr. Watts

*Mass attendance is offered by sign-up only. To receive links, contact mkgorman@ssjfx.org

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Easter 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ.

Once again this year we celebrate Easter in the midst of a pandemic, in a time of social unrest, and in a period of natural disasters that seem to be consequences of climate change. So, our mood may be somber or even sad. Still, there are reasons for hope and optimism. The vaccines are addressing the pandemic. Our commitment to justice for all people can reshape our life together. And each of us can do our part in making a difference to forestall climate change. But there are even stronger foundations of hope for us as people of faith and followers of Jesus.

In the Resurrection of Jesus, we begin to share in the victory of life over death, grace over sin, and hope over despair. In faith, we know the direction of our future. Although we cannot and ought not to deny our struggles, we move forward through them with a resilient confidence rooted in the power of the Risen Lord Jesus.

At the Easter Vigil during the lighting of the Paschal candle from the new fire, I pray in your name: "May the light of Christ rising in glory dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds." And I will continue to raise that prayer to God for all of us in this holy season. Join me in that same prayer and lift up your petition with a confident and trusting heart.

May God bless, keep, and protect you and your loved ones.

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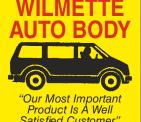
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