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*"For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption." Psalm 16:10*

## Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Christ's resurrection is the main reason that we gather and rejoice on the first day of each week. Each Sunday gathering bears witness to the presence of the risen Christ in the world of today. The experience of the Apostle John helps us to understand that, to taste the Pascal happiness, we must open our interior life to Christ and feed ourselves with his word. The Apostles all experienced, at different levels, moments of doubt, and even despair, when they faced the apparent defeat of Christ in his death. The roads that lead to faith in Christ dead and risen are numerous and diverse. In the Gospel, each person becomes a witness for the other. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary report what they have seen. The Apostles saw the living Christ. And ever since then, the testimony was passed on from generation to generation until it reaches us today.

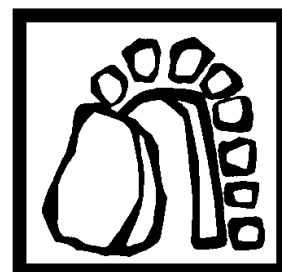
## Domingo de Pascua de la Resurreccion del Señor

La resurrección de Cristo es la razón principal por la cual nos reunimos en el primer día de cada semana. Cuando nos reunimos hacemos testigo de la presencia de Cristo en el mundo. La experiencia del Apóstol Juan nos indica que para saborear la felicidad Pascual, debemos abrir nuestra vida interior a su palabra. Los Apóstoles tuvieron muchos momentos de dudas, también sintieron desesperación cuando fueron confrontados con la muerte de Cristo. El camino que nos lleva a la fe de Cristo muerto y resucitado son numerosos y diversos. En el Evangelio todos somos testigos. María Magdalena y la otra María reportaron lo que habían visto. Los Apóstoles vieron al Cristo vivo. Y desde aquel entonces el testimonio fue pasado de generación en generación hasta el día de hoy.

## Dimanche de la Résurrection du Seigneur

La résurrection du Christ est la raison fondamentale de nous réjouir et de nous rassembler le premier jour de la semaine. Chaque rassemblement dominical offre un témoignage de la présence du Christ ressuscité pour aujourd'hui. L'expérience de l'apôtre Jean nous fait comprendre que pour goûter à la joie pascale, il faut nous ouvrir au Christ et à sa parole pour alimenter notre vie intérieure. Les Apôtres ont tous vécu, à différents degrés, des moments de doute, voire de désespoir, devant l'apparente défaite du Christ dans la mort. Les chemins qui conduisent à la foi au Christ mort et ressuscité sont nombreux et diversifiés. Dans l'évangile chaque personnage devient un témoin pour l'autre. Marie Madeleine et l'autre Marie ont raconté ce qu'elles ont vu. Les Apôtres ont vu le Christ vivant. Et depuis, le témoignage s'est transmis de génération en génération pour arriver jusqu'à nous.

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them. When Simon Peter arrived, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there. Then the other disciple also went in and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.



# Schedule of Masses and Sacraments

## WEEKEND

Saturday: 12 Noon (English)  
5:30 PM Vigil (English)

### Sunday Masses:

8:00 AM (English)  
10:00 AM (Spanish)  
11:30 AM (English)  
1:00 PM (French)

## DAILY

Monday - Wednesday - Friday  
12 Noon -English

Tuesday - Thursday  
9:00 AM - Spanish  
12 Noon - English

Every Monday Miraculous Medal Novena  
and Benediction after Noon Mass.

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on our altar on the first Thursday of the month from 12:30 to 5:00 p.m. for prayer and meditation. All are welcome to participate in this silent devotion.

## FIRST FRIDAYS

Masses are at: 12 Noon (English) 7:30 PM (Spanish)

## HOLY DAYS

There are usually at least two masses on holy days of obligation, but the times may vary. Consult page 3 of this Weekly Bulletin or phone the Rectory Office for mass times for any specific holy day.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 4:30 PM to 5:15 PM  
Any time by appointment.

## BAPTISMS

Call one month in advance.  
Instruction required.

## WEDDINGS

Arrangements must be made with priest at least six months in advance.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In cases of serious illness or advancing age, please call the Rectory to arrange a visit.

## COMMUNION CALLS

Please call the Rectory to arrange a visit by a priest.



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**NEW PARISHIONERS** are welcomed at St. Gregory's Parish. If you wish to register, please fill out the coupon below, and drop it in the collection basket or send it to the rectory.

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## EASTER GREETINGS FROM THE CLERGY

Msgr. Crimmins and Frs. Pulido and Mwampela join in wishing a happy and blessed Easter to all our parishioners and their families, near and far. A special greeting and welcome to the new Catholics baptized here yesterday at the Easter Vigil. May the joy of the Risen Christ inspire all of you throughout the year. And may the hope of the Resurrection give you courage in your trials.



## MISUNDERSTANDING CHRIST

In the Gospel description of the Passion, which was read here last Sunday, we hear among Christ's words from the cross: "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?", written in Aramaic and usually rendered in English: "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Knowledgeable commentators believe that Jesus was repeating the first line of Psalm 22 ["My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"], which Jesus most certainly knew. The full text of Psalm 22 is viewed by Christians as a prefiguration of the Crucifixion because of its many references to immediate personal suffering and yet final divine triumph. Matthew's Gospel suggests to us, however, that many listeners at the foot of the cross misunderstood Jesus' words. Because of the "Eli, Eli" phrase, they thought that Jesus was calling upon the dead prophet Elijah, and so they said "Let it be, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him." [Matt.27:49] These listeners were likely to have been a mixture mostly of Jews, Romans and Greeks, so their confusion was understandable. But how to explain the apparent misunderstanding today of many professed Christians of the meaning of Easter? The Crucifixion and Easter are not about finding hidden colored eggs or buying Easter bonnets, just as Christmas is not about shopping "til you drop." Rather, these great feasts of the Christian calendar are to remind us that God's mission for Jesus was to redeem the world from sin, to establish a New Covenant, and to give us the hope of everlasting life. On this Easter 2012, let us bring that hope to our understanding of the holiday and the empty tomb.

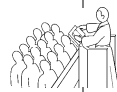
## THE EASTER COLLECTION

The finances of St. Gregory's and many other parishes are such that an Easter gift to the Parish is usually asked of parishioners. Here, the Easter Collection helps us to get through the Summer when donations fall off. Easter gift envelopes were mailed to those on the "envelope system" and also are available on the table at the back of the church. We have budgeted the sum of \$ 25,000 as our hope for the this year's Easter Collection. The collection will remain open for several weeks after today. Please be generous.



## THE HEART OF THE SPIRITUAL LIFE

Fr. James Martin, S.J. will discuss his latest book, "Between Heaven and Mirth: Why Joy, Humor and Laughter Are at the Heart of the Spiritual Life", on Tuesday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Name Church on W. 96th St. and Amsterdam Ave. (enter St. Mary of the Angels Chapel on W. 96th—lower level). Fr. Martin is Culture Editor of *America Magazine*.



## FELICIDAD PASCUAL DEL CLERO

Msgr. Crimmins y los Padres Pulido y Mwampela se unen en desear unas benditas Pascuas a todo nuestros parroquianos y sus familias. Una felicitación especial a todos los nuevos Católicos bautizados ayer en la Vigilia de Pascua. Que el jubilo del Cristo Resucitado los inspire a todos durante el año. Y que la esperanza de la Resurrección les haga ser fieles a sus convicciones.

## CONCEPTO FALSO DE PALABRAS DE CRISTO

En la descripción del Evangelio de la Pasión, que fue leída el pasado Domingo, oímos las palabras de Cristo en la cruz: "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?," escrito en Arameo que traducido dice: "Dios mío, Dios mío, porque me abandonaste? Muchos comentaristas bíblicos creen que Jesús esta repitiendo la primera línea del Salmo 22 {"Dios mío, Dios mío, por que me abandonaste?"}, el cual Jesús ciertamente sabia. El texto del Salmo 22 es visto por muchos Cristianos como una prefiguración de la Crucifixión porque se refiere al sufrimiento y también al divino triunfo. El Evangelio de Mateo nos sugiere que muchos de los que estaban al pie de la cruz no entendieron las palabras de Jesús. Ellos creyeron que la frase "Eli, Eli", que Jesús dijo se refería al profeta ya muerto Elías, y por eso dijeron "Déjalo, veamos si viene Elías a salvarlo." (Mateo 27:49)

La mayoría de los que lo escuchaban eran Judíos, Romanos y Griegos. Pero como podríamos explicar hoy la confusión de muchos Cristianos sobre el significado de la Pascua? La Crucifixión y la Pascua no es un juego para encontrar huevos pintados de varios colores y escondidos para ser encontrado por los niños, ni tampoco significa comprar sombreros ni vestidos lujosos. Esta fiesta es para recordarnos que la misión de Jesús fue para salvar al mundo de sus pecados y establecer una Nueva Alianza, y para darnos la esperanza de vida eterna. En esta Pascua de 2012 comprendamos el significado de esta fiesta y de la tumba vacía.

## LA COLECTA DE PASCUA

Las finanzas de San Gregorio y de muchas otras parroquias necesitan grandemente de la ayuda de sus parroquianos por esta razón pedimos donaciones especiales durante esta temporada de Pascua. Estas colectas de Pascuas nos ayudan cubrir nuestros gastos durante el verano cuando las donaciones disminuyen. Sobres para sus donaciones de Pascuas fueron enviados a todos los que reciben los sobres por correo y también están disponibles en las mesas en la parte atrás de la iglesia. Tenemos un presupuesto para las donaciones de Pascuas de \$25,000. Mantendremos esta colecta abierta por varias semanas mas. Por favor sean generosos.

## EL CORAZON DE LA VIDA ESPIRITUAL

El Padre James Martin S. J. tendrá una discusión sobre su mas reciente libro titulado "Between Heaven and Mirth: Why Joy, Humor and Laughter Are at the Heart of Spiritual Life," el Martes 17 de Abril a las 7:30p.m. en la iglesia Holy Name en la calle 96 y Avenida Ámsterdam (entrar a la Capilla St. Mary of the Angels al Oeste de la calle 96 en la planta baja) Padre Martin es Editor Cultural de la revista American Magazine.

## ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, April 8 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 :

10:00 : Caridad del Cobre — Gilbert Rodriguez (dec.)

11:30 : Gloria Espino & the deceased members of the Espino Family

1:00 :

### Monday, April 9

12:00 : James & Elizabeth Egan (dec.)

### Tuesday, April 10

9:00 :

12:00 : Catherine & Patrick McGlade (dec.)

### Wednesday, April 11

12:00 :

### Thursday, April 12

9:00 : Julio Orna (dec.)

12:00 :

### Friday, April 13

12:00 : Gertrude Meyer (dec.)

### Saturday, April 14

12:00 : Mary Caffrey (dec.)

5:30 : Deceased members of the Driscoll Family

## READING FROM THE LECTIONARY

4/9 Acts 2: 14, 22-33 Mt 28: 8-15 (261)

4/10 Acts 2: 36-41 Jn 20: 11-18 (262)

4/11 Acts 3: 1-10 Lk 24: 13-35 (263)

4/12 Acts 3: 11-26 Lk 24: 35-48 (264)

4/13 Acts 4: 1-12 Jn 21: 1-14 (265)

4/14 Acts 4: 13-21 Mt 16: 9-15 (266)

## PRAY FOR/RECE POR/PRIEZ POUR

*This is the list of the sick whom we remember in our prayers. Please notify the Rectory of any corrections, deletions or additions that you require.*

Anthony Alexander, Alicia Becerra, Dorise Black, Joseph Bonchonsky, Josefa Brito, Miriam Burns, Alexandra Castillo, Christina Coger, Josefina Colkosz, Paula Corredor, Kyle Carbbe, Ernesto Carrera, Roberto Colon, Patricia Collar, Ted Collar, Emmanuella Constant, Leonie Constant, Candita de la Cruz, Maria Cruz, Edna Curley, Elba De Jesus, Migdalia De Jesus, Elizabeth Dillon, Philomena Doucet, Lidia Estrella, Florence Feaster, Patricia Flannery, Porcia Fontilus, Eileen Ford, Encarnacion Garcia, Violeta Gomez, Yolanda Gorrasi, Aparecida Guimaraes, Luis Carlos Guimaraes, Sonia M. Guimaraes, Larry Hetherington, Edward Holohan, Michael Holohan, Loretta Hosein, Marie Innocent, Barbara Jones, Ivonne Kennedy, Hebert Laurent, Mr. Louks, Frantz Matthurin, Lili Maury, Lucy Martinez, Ruben Mayen, Charles Mayhew, Kenneth McGahren, Jeanne McGahren, Isabelle Moldovan, Morales, Maria Morales, Helen Murray, Kervin Narsisse, Ralph Nicolas, Celsa & Nancy Ortiz, Simmilian Paul, Eduardo Perel, Maria Pinedo, Cyril Pinto, Alfredo Pitre, Denise Price, Katrina Rabey, Melina Mae Ridgeway, Aida Robles, Mrs. Rose, Casiano Rodríguez, Evelyn Rodríguez, Maria Rodríguez, Nidia Rosario, Richard Safire, Joan Shea, Marvin Seldin, Paula Solis, Carolyn Stewart, Stephen M. Stewart, J. P. Sullivan, Ana Torres, Regina Trinidad, Maeyle Vargas, Joseph Yelagin

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

### SUNDAY:

Coffee Hour after 10 AM Mass 11:00 AM  
Ultreya 11:30 PM

### MONDAY:

A.A. (Alcoholics Anonymous) 4:00 PM  
Legion of Mary (Spanish) 5:30 PM  
Faith Sharing Group 3rd Monday 7:30PM  
Christian Meditation 6:30 PM

### TUESDAY:

Spanish Bible Class 7:00 PM  
A.A. 4:00 PM  
Food Pantry 3:30—4:45 PM

### WEDNESDAY:

A.A. 4:00 PM

### THURSDAY:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12:30—5:00 PM  
Charismatic Prayer (Spanish) 7:00PM

### FRIDAY:

A.A. 4:00 PM

### SATURDAY:

Soup Kitchen 8:30 AM  
A.A. 1:00 PM  
A.A. 2:30 PM  
Prayer Meeting (French) 7:00—9:00 PM

## Parish Finances

Our goal for the weekly collection is \$7,800. The March 25 weekend collection (previously unreported) was **\$3,967**, which includes the gifts of those on "Parish Pay." The deadline for preparation of this Bulletin was too early for us to report the Palm Sunday collection. As stated above, our goal for the Parish Easter Collection is \$25,000. Let's all pitch in to make it !

## Finanzas Parroquiales

Nuestra meta semanal es \$7,800. La colecta de Marzo 25 fue **3,967** que incluye contribuciones del programa "Pagos Parroquiales". La colecta del Domingo de Ramos será reportado en el futuro. Como lo hemos mencionado anteriormente el presupuesto de la colecta de Pascuas es \$25,000. Esperamos la cooperación de todos para alcanzar esta meta

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