

## From the Pastor

Happy Easter! We rejoice in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. As we celebrate His Resurrection, we also look forward in hope and joy to our own. Those who have died in Christ in baptism also look forward to the new life that He came to bring each one of us. This is why we Christians should be known by our joy.

## Online Giving

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### **The Easter Vigil**

The Easter Vigil begins at sunset on Holy Saturday outside the church, because the new liturgical day begins at sunset. At the vigil an Easter fire is kindled and the Paschal candle is blessed and then lit. This Paschal candle will be used throughout the season of Easter, remaining in the sanctuary of the church and throughout the coming year at baptisms and funerals, reminding all that Christ is our life and light.

St. Augustine of Hippo reflects on this Vigil: "If one should inquire about the reason why we keep such a vigil, the answer is easy to find and give. For He who has granted us the glory of His name has illuminated this night: He to whom we say 'You shall enlighten darkness' enlightens our hearts, so that just as our eyes rejoice at this splendor of lighted candles so our minds may be enlightened and shed light on the meaning of this resplendent night.

Why, then, is it that Christians keep vigil on this anniversary night? This is our greatest vigil and no other vigil of similar proportions is known. In answer to our eager query, When do we keep vigil? We reply: Several other vigils are kept by us, but nothing comparable to this vigil. The apostle has urged the faithful to frequent fasting and vigils, recalling his own practice in the words, 'In toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst' (2 Corinthians 11:27). But tonight's vigil is so special that it deserves to appropriate to itself the common title of vigil."

## Mass Intentions

An ancient tradition in the Church is to offer Masses for our intentions, especially for the deceased. Whenever a priest is celebrating a Mass he has an intention in mind. We post the week's intentions with the Mass schedule in the bulletin. You are invited to ask for Masses for intentions of your own. Just call the office to schedule them. We also have Mass cards that you can send to people letting them know. A small donation is frequently offered, but it is not necessary.

### **Mass Collections, April 9 & 10**

St. Anne	\$653
St. Bernard	1010
Our Lady of the Snow	3632
St. Peter	306
St. Ignatius	<u>544</u>
Total	\$6,145

### **Vocations Prayer Calendar**

*Please pray for our seminarians every day.*

Sun – Blaise Buches & Jose Delgado

Mon – David Hall & Owen Limarta

Tue – Jacob Machado & Ryan Mack

Wed – Zachary Michalczyk & Paolo Mori

Thu – Michael Pitio & Jhan Pierre Sainea Reyes

Fri – Daniel Viana Pereira & Patricio Chuquimarca Pucuj

Sat – Kevin Kasel & Anthony Duc Phan

### **Mass Intentions and Schedule for StA, StB, and OLS**

KEY: StA = St. Anne; StB = St. Bernard;

OLS = Our Lady of the Snow

-Sat, April 16, OLS, 8:15 p.m., Parishioners and Visitors

-Sun, April 17, StB, 7 a.m., Parishioners and Visitors

-Sun, April 17, StB, 9 a.m., Fr. Peter's Intention

-Sun, April 17, StA, 8:00 a.m., +Joseph Negri

-Sun, April 17, OLS, 9:30 a.m., +Molly Corlett

### **Weekday Masses**

-Mon, April 18, StA, 8:30 a.m., Neil & Danita McGinn

-Tue, April 19, OLS, 7:30 a.m., Benedict Kullman

-Tue, April 19, OLS, 7:00 p.m., +Fr. John Krenzke

-Wed, April 20, StB, 8:30 a.m., +Scott Skidmore

-Thu, April 21, OLS, 6:00 p.m., Fr. Mathias' Intention

-Fri, April 21, OLS, 8:30 a.m., Fr. Mathias' Intention

### **Mass Intentions and Schedule for StP and StI**

KEY: StP = St. Peter; StI = St. Ignatius (Walden)

-Sat, April 16, StP, 8:15 p.m., Parishioners and Visitors

-Sun, April 17, StI, 1 p.m., Parishioners and Visitors

-Fri, April 22, StP, 7:00 p.m., Fr. Peter's Intention