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Rectory Hours:

Monday to Thursday: 9:30am- 12pm & 1pm- 8pm
Friday: 9:30am- 12pm & 1pm- 7pm
Saturday: 9:30am- 5pm

Religious Ed. Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday: 1pm to 5pm
Tuesday & Thursday: 5pm to 8pm (Appt. Preferred)

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00pm in English
Sunday: 8:30am in English
10:00am & 11:30am in Spanish
1:00pm in Polish

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am in English
Wednesday & Friday: 7pm in Spanish

First Friday Mass & Devotion

In English: Mass at 8:30am: Devotion from 9am to 6:45pm
In Spanish: Mass at 7pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

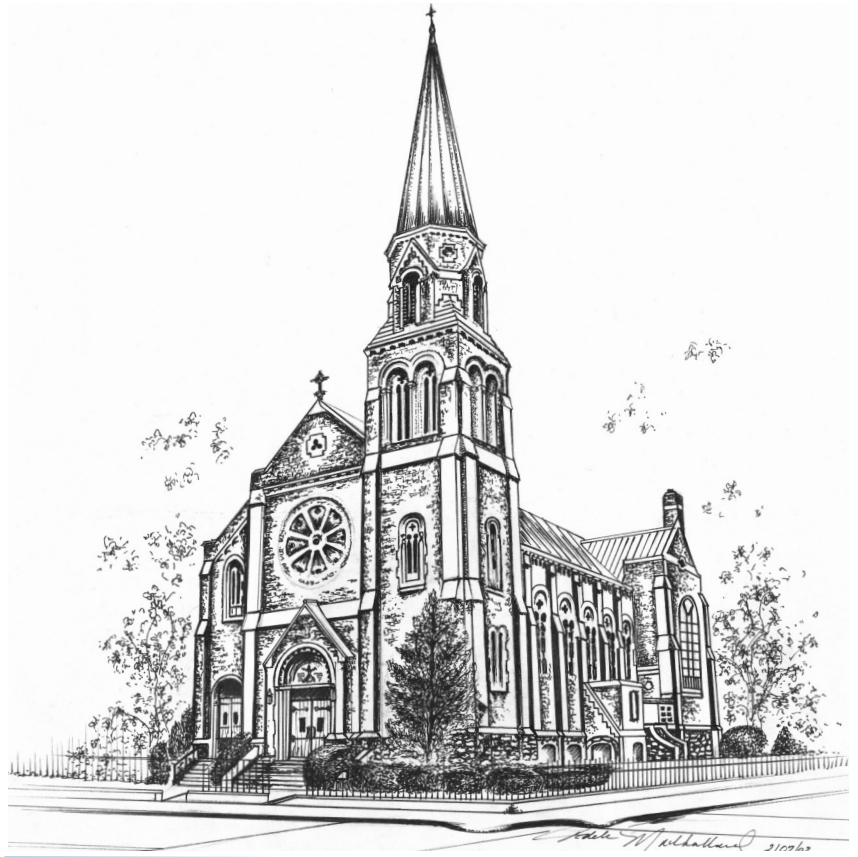
Sat. 4:00pm - 4:45pm & by appointment: call parish office

Sacrament of Baptism for Infants

In English: Second Saturday of the Month
In Spanish: Third Saturday of the Month
Registrations must be made in the Rectory Office at least two months in advance.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements must be made at least six months to a year with one of the Priests.



Dear Padre March 31, 2024

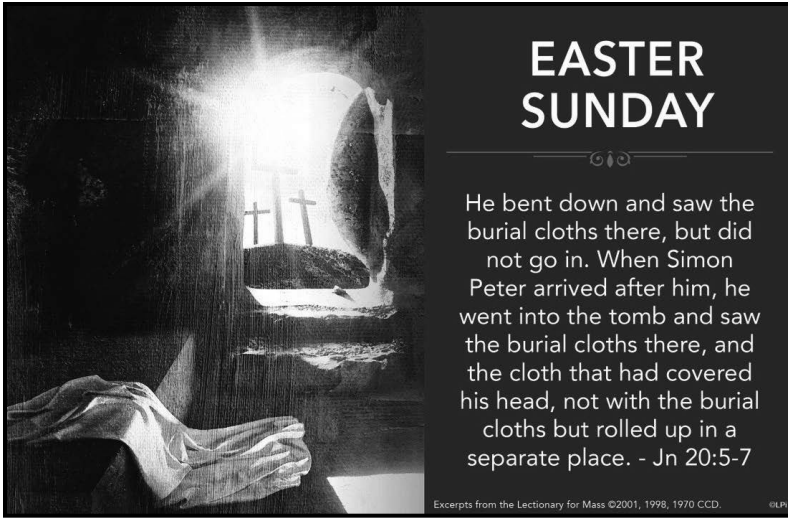
Where did the idea of an Easter bunny come from? What about the Easter egg?

The Easter bunny is really a hare which, according to an Egyptian legend, is a symbol of the moon. Easter falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon that occurs after the twenty-first day of March. Put this together, and we have an Easter bunny.

Early Christians gave new meaning to the Roman proverb *Omne vivum ex ovo*, which means, "All life comes from an egg." A hatching chick represented the risen Christ emerging from the shell of a tomb on Easter morning. Consequently, eggs were prohibited during the Lenten fast and were reintroduced at the Easter meal and also shared as decorated gifts. In 1610, a prayer by Pope Paul V blessed the egg "that it may become a wholesome sustenance to Thy faithful servants, eating in thankfulness to Thee, on account of the Resurrection of Our Lord."

In some parts of the world, children carry baskets and torches and sing Easter carols as they go from place to place. They are given brightly colored eggs to put in their baskets. In other places, eggs are carried to church and blessed by the priests. The eggs are taken home and placed in the center of the table as the main dish at the Easter feast. Visitors to the house during Easter week are offered this sacred food of the resurrection. Happy Easter! ●

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EASTER SUNDAY

He bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. - Jn 20:5-7

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 31th

8:30am The Resurrection of the Lord
 10:00am The Resurrection of the Lord
 11:30am The Resurrection of the Lord
 1:00 pm The Resurrection of the Lord

Monday, April 1st

8:30am +Sisto, Pasqua, Mary & Raymond Iacobacci

Tuesday, April 2nd

8:30am +Stephanie Donlon- Avicolli Family

Wednesday, April 3rd

8:30am +Andrew R. Popko- Wife and Popko Family
 7:00pm +Pedro Rios- Lena Dalpiaz

Thursday, April 4th

8:30am +Pasqua Iacobacci

Friday, April 5th

8:30am For All the Souls in Purgatory
 7:00pm Special Intentions

Saturday, April 6th

8:30am +Pedro Rios- Family
 5:00pm +Raffale Conte- Wife & Children
 +Richard Silk Senior- Son & Family

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible,
 not to all the people, but to us,
 the witnesses chosen by God in advance,
 who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.
 (Acts 10:40-41)

Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.
 (Ps 118)
 Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above,
 where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)
 Or:

Clear out the old yeast,
 so that you may become a fresh batch of dough,
 inasmuch as you are unleavened. (1 Cor 5:7)

Gospel:

For they did not yet understand the Scripture
 that he had to rise from the dead. (Jn 20:9)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Even as the disciples saw the empty tomb and the discarded burial cloths, they did not understand what had happened. But they kept faith, trusting that the Lord was at work. Let us keep that same faith when we do not find God where we expect Him to be.

Observances for the week of March 31, 2024

Sunday: Easter Sunday
Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter;
 April Fools' Day
Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter
Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter
Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter
Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Dominica LaLima, Angel Guivas, Pedro Cordero,
 William Rodriguez, Juan Negreno, Pedro Rios and for all the
 deceased in our Parish &
 their loved ones.

FOR THE SICK:

Kaitlyn Intintoli & for all the sick in our Parish.

*Please call the Rectory at 718.436.5917 to place your loved ones on
 the Deceased or Sick list.*

WEEKLY OFFERING

March 17: \$3,745

*Thank you for your love and generosity towards
 God & your parish!*

31 de marzo de 2024
Domingo de Pascua

El Tiempo de Pascua es el más importante de la historia de la Salvación, por lo tanto, las celebraciones durante este tiempo de Pascua son las más importantes y solemnes de nuestro Calendario Litúrgico. El Tiempo Pascual dura cincuenta días, y con la fiesta de Pentecostés se cierra este tiempo de júbilo y presencia viva de Cristo Resucitado. Hoy celebramos el Domingo de Resurrección, y el mensaje de Pascua es: “Cristo ha Resucitado”. Esta frase, hermosa y llena de esperanza para todos, se repite en cada lectura de la Misa. Ahora, es el tiempo de celebrar el día central de nuestra fe. El sufrimiento ha quedado atrás, el sepulcro vacío, el sudario, las vendas, han quedado en el pasado. Jesús, ahora vive y vive para siempre. Por el bautismo hemos resucitado con Cristo y esa es la Buena Nueva que no debemos de desaprovechar. San Pablo lo especifica muy bien y da sentido a nuestro bautismo: “Si han resucitado con Cristo, busquen las cosas de arriba, donde Cristo está sentado a la derecha de Dios” (Colosenses 3,1). ¿Cuáles serán las cosas de arriba a las que San Pablo se refiere? ¿Serán visibles a nuestros ojos? Dejemos que Dios actúe en nosotros y será muy fácil descubrirlas. No hay que ir muy lejos, solo busca a tu alrededor y las verás. Personas por la calle piden comida, techo, medicina. En casa, niños preguntan por tiempo de calidad, los matrimonios, buscan comprensión y amor. Nuestro reto es no olvidar que ¡Este es el día en que actuó el Señor!

Queridos feligreses de Santa Catalina de Alejandría: ¡Muy Feliz Pascua de Resurrección!

Después de haber vivido nuestra Cuaresma con espíritu de Penitencia y Oración, la Iglesia nos invita a celebrar con inefable gozo la gloriosa Resurrección de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

Este Anuncio se ha encendido como una llama nueva en la Noche Santa de la Vigilia, en la noche de un mundo que se enfrenta a guerras y grandes problemas que dificultan la vida de la humanidad. Pero, por, sobre todo, el mayor mal es la pérdida de la Fe y del sentido del pecado. Por eso trabajamos para que la Gracia de Dios ilumine a cada uno de ustedes y seamos fieles a las enseñanzas de Cristo.

Nuestro gozo esta fundado en la Fe que profesamos, la que nos otorga una firmísima Esperanza y nos mueve a vivir la Caridad como sello de nuestra existencia en este mundo. Gracias a todos por su compromiso y amor a nuestra parroquia Santa Catalina de Alejandría, que el ejemplo de nuestra Patrona nos anime a perseverar cada día en la Fe de nuestro Bautismo.

Les bendice.
Padre Agustin



Niedziela Zmartwychwstania Pańskiego

Drodzy parafianie św. Katarzyny
Aleksandryjskiej,

Wszystkim wam życzymy radosnego Alleluja! Po przeżyciu Wielkiego Postu z duchem Pokuty i Modlitwy, Kościół zaprasza nas do obchodzenia z nieopisaną radością chwalebnej Zmartwychwstania naszego Pana Jezusa Chrystusa.

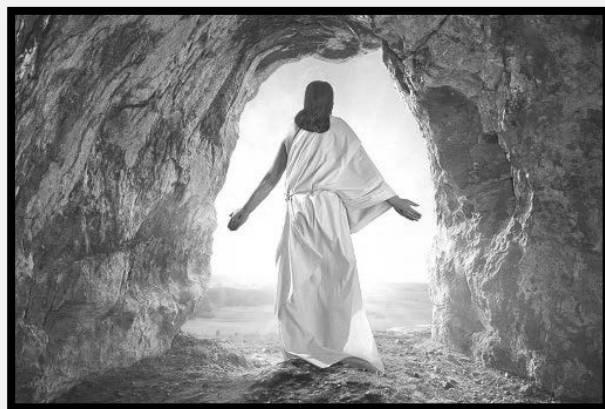
To ogłoszenie zapłonęło jak nowa pochodnia w Świętą Noc Wielkiej Nocy, w świecie stojącym w obliczu wojen i wielkich trudności, które utrudniają życie ludzkości. Ale przede wszystkim, największym złem jest utrata wiary i poczucie grzechu. Dlatego pracujemy, aby łaska Boża mogła oświecić każdego z was, i abyśmy byli wierni nauczaniu Chrystusa.

Nasza radość opiera się na wierze, którą wyznajemy, dając nam mocną nadzieję i poruszając nas do życia Miłością jako pieczęć naszego istnienia na tej ziemi.

Dziękujemy wszystkim za wasze zaangażowanie i miłość do naszej parafii św. Katarzyny Aleksandryjskiej. Niech przykład naszej Patronki zachęca nas do wytrwałości każdego dnia w Wierze naszego Chrztu.

Błogosławieństwa,

Rev. Agustin



KORONKA DO MIŁOSIERDZIA BOŻE

"Zachęcaj dusze do odmawiania tej koronki. Przez nią podoba mi się dać wszystko, o co mnie prosić będą zatwardziali grzesznicy. Gdy ją odmawiać będą, napełnię dusze ich spokojem, a godzina ich śmierci będzie szczęśliwa. Napisz to dla dusz strapionych: gdy dusza ujrzy i pozna ciężkość swych grzechów, gdy się odstąpi przed jej oczyma cała przepaść nędzy, w jakiej się pogrążyła, niech nie rozpacza, ale z ufnością niech się rzuci w ramiona mojego Miłosierdzia, jak dziecko w objęcia ukochanej matki. Dusze te mają pierwszeństwo dla mojego litościwego Serca. One mają pierwszeństwo do mojego Miłosierdzia. Powiedz, że żadna dusza, która wzywała Miłosierdzia mojego, nie zawiodła się, ani nie doznała zawstydenia. Mam szczególne upodobanie w duszy, która zaufała dobroci mojej. Napisz: gdy tę koronkę odmawiać będą przy konających, stanę pomiędzy Ojcem a duszą konającą nie jako sędzia sprawiedliwy, ale jako Zbawiciel Miłosierny" (Dz. 1541)

March 31, 2024

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Outside Chicago, there is a small cemetery in the woods behind Mundelein Seminary, where I was a student. One night I was exploring it. I looked up and was shocked to see an imposing seventeen-foot angel towering over me and preparing to blow a trumpet. Adrenaline rushed through me. I gasped and uttered, "Oh my God!" Quickly I realized it was in fact a massive bronze statue. I tried to calm myself down. But it still freaked me out.

As we begin to celebrate Easter today, this image might seem a bit unnerving. But please recall that for the first disciples on the morning of the resurrection, it was precisely that. It wasn't joyful at first, it was terrifying. It wasn't peaceful, it was unsettling. In that Jerusalem cemetery, something otherworldly had happened. Angels announced that he was no longer dead, but alive. They had blown their trumpets, so to speak, and Jesus had risen. Soon the disciples' shock in that dark cemetery would turn into joy.

We all have our own places of the dead, too, don't we? Deceased loved ones. Our tired patterns of blame. Relationships stuck in resentment. Indifference to the poor. Lost dreams. Despair about our future. Fear of sickness and death. These are our "cemeteries" where we don't expect much to happen. Today we enter — if we dare — those places with the disciples. See the mighty angel standing there, trumpet ready to blare!

— Father John Muir

Happy Easter to you all!

After having lived through Lent with a spirit of Penance and Prayer, the Church invites us to celebrate with ineffable joy the glorious Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

This Announcement has been kindled like a new flame in the Holy Night of the Vigil, amidst a world facing wars and great difficulties that hinder the life of humanity. But above all, the greatest evil is the loss of faith and the sense of sin. That is why we work so that the Grace of God may enlighten each one of you, and that we may be faithful to the teachings of Christ.

Our joy is founded on the Faith we profess, which gives us firm Hope and moves us to live with Charity as the seal of our existence in this world.

Thank you all for your commitment and love to our parish St. Catharine of Alexandria. May the example of our Patroness encourage us to persevere every day in the Faith of our Baptism.

Bless you,
Rev. Agustin



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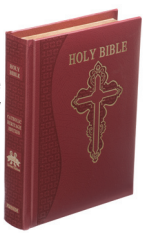
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