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Welcome:

If you are a new parishioner, or visiting for the first time, welcome to Holy Cross Catholic Church! We are happy you are here and hope you find our parish home to be a warm and welcoming place. If you would like to become a member of our parish, please check with the parish office or give us a call.

Homebound: For Communion to the sick or the homebound, please call the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul: *Closed until the completion of our New Community Center & SVdP Food Pantry in 2024.

Funerals: To ensure the availability of a priest and the church, please call the office before you make arrangements with the funeral director.

Baptism Preparation: Classes offered as needed. Please contact the parish staff for more information. Se ofrece una clase cada tercer sábado del mes a las 10 de la mañana.

Senior Luncheon: We are working on re-establishing the Luncheons and will notify everyone when we are ready to offer lunch once a month for Seniors and Friends.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday - Friday: 8am Rosary, 8:30am Mass

Saturday: 5pm Vigil, English

Sunday: 9am, English & 12pm, Español

Adoration: Thursdays, 8:30am-8:30pm

Adoración al Santísimo: jueves, 8:30am-8:30pm

Reconciliation: Wednesdays, 7pm & Fridays, following the 8:30am Mass.

Reconciliación: miércoles, 7pm y viernes, 9am

Anointing of the Sick: Second Wednesday of each month following the 8:30am Mass.

(Anointing is available at all hours in emergency.)

School Mass: Fridays, 8:30am (Sept.—June)

St. Vincent de Paul: *Closed until the completion of our new Community Center & SVdP Food Pantry in 2024.

April 13th & 14th, 2024: Third Sunday of Easter

The Church Teaches...



How can we not take notice of the post-Resurrection greeting of Jesus?
“Peace be with you.”

This greeting of the Lord in that upper room is rich in meaning. It has to do with something far more than “an end to hostilities.” Peace (or the Hebrew “shalom”) is a wish for wholeness and for holiness in mind, heart, and soul. The power of this greeting of (and in) peace, which is spoken by Jesus, brings healing and reconciliation among the disciples. **What we are invited to see** is who comes seeking that reconciliation and offering that peace – Jesus! It should have been the other way around, right? They were the “offenders” who, by our standards, ought to have sought Him to say they were sorry and beg for peace and forgiveness. But it is not that way in this story, nor is it ever that with God.

Unselfishly, God comes to us. Jesus His Son seeks us. He reaches out, passes through locked doors, penetrates stony hearts, and goes right through walls of guilt and fear to bring the hope and the joy of His peace, especially where there is none.

That Jesus takes the initiative in healing and reconciliation tells us a lot about the meaning of His life, death, and Resurrection. It is the ultimate revelation about the Father who sent Him into this world. The God from whom Adam and Eve hid in shame is the one who *begins* the reconciliation. This is the God who seeks communion with humankind, the best and most loved of His creation. What should our response be? Shall we expect that only God will continue to “spend” Himself in this way and we should remain unaffected? Or shall we learn from Him and imitate His example?

The offer of peace, the promise of forgiveness, and the opportunity to live with joy ... all of these are available to us when we are willing reach out and touch others *in His name*, when we are willing to feed others who hunger for understanding, justice, and love.

Truly, the joy with which we live our lives, welcome others, listen to others, and nourish them with hope – this is the Easter witness Christ expects from us. Are we willing to make His ways our ways? As the Epistle in today’s Mass says: “The love of God will then be perfected in them.” What incredible joy would there be if God’s love were perfected in us?

The Holy Cross Worship Schedule—

- ❖ **Daily Mass: Tues. - Fri., 8:30am**
- ❖ **Confessions: Wednesdays, 7pm & Fridays, following the 8:30am Mass**
(Appointments for Confession are also available throughout the week.)



Bulletin Announcements



The Holy Cross School Jog-a-Thon Fundraising is live!—

The annual **Holy Cross Jog-a-Thon (JAT)** is **April 23rd**. Our goal is to raise \$30,000 and we're already 10% of the way there! We will again be using RallyUp to solicit and track donations, and you can use the same RallyUp account you used for the Raffle in the Fall 2023.

New this year, what does every pre-race participant need? CARBS! We're partnering with Louie of Louie's Pizza & Pasta for a Holy Cross exclusive Pasta Power-Up event on April 22nd for carb-loading, JAT sign making, and community fun. Tickets are \$11.

There are *many opportunities to help make this event fun and successful*. Check out the volunteer sign-up page [here](#).

If you have questions about the Jog-a-Thon, please reach out to event chairs, [Lindsay Childers, lindsay.g.childers@gmail.com](mailto:lindsay.g.childers@gmail.com) or Megan Lien, megan.fitz@gmail.com.



Simple Meal Update—Thanks to our generous students, we raised \$537.50 with our Simple Meal program during Lent. These donations will be sent to the Providence Center for Medically Fragile Children and the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization.

A big thank you to Kary Olmedo, mom of Jayden in 4th grade, for making the lunches for everyone!



Archbishop's Catholic Appeal: April 6th & 7th— Praise Be Jesus Christ!

Your parish church, and you as an individual, are part of something great. As Catholics, you share in Eucharistic solidarity with a Church that, through the ages, has withstood attack after attack, and today faces unprecedented challenges. A Church that invites you to join hands in our shared mission to redeem Western Oregon for God.

Brothers and sisters, I am asking you to give. You are not just donating; you are actively participating in our shared mission to live and spread the Gospel.

Every Gift, regardless of size, is a profound expression of faith and solidarity. It is a testament to our belief that we are all one in the Eucharist, each of us essential to the vitality of our Church. Let us embrace this opportunity to demonstrate our commitment to one another and to the mission entrusted to us by Christ. Remember, **Jesus changes everything!**

In Christ,
Most Rev. Alexander K. Sample
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

For more information, please visit:
<https://osd.archdpdx.org/aca>

Bulletin Announcements: Activities & Opportunities



We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who made such generous contributions of their time, creativity, talents, and gifts to our celebration of Holy Week. It may sound a little redundant, but the whole week really was *holy*!

We are deeply grateful to our readers, musicians, vocalists, ushers, cleaners, decorators, servers, sacristans, catechists & teachers, and everyone else who made it possible to celebrate Baptisms, Confirmations, and First Communions for 28 members of our parish community!

And we offer congratulations (again) to all of those who received the Easter Sacraments ... and we pledge our support as they continue to grow in the faith and deepen their appreciation for the Catholic life. As we heard on Easter Sunday, their various Sacramental “certificates” were not given like diplomas – as if they are now “done” with anything! It is *now* that the real “work” begins.

The 89th Annual Archbishop’s Seminary Tea— Wednesday, April 24th from 3-6pm at the Portland Golf Club. Save the date!

Help educate our seminarians.

Go to www.seminarytea.org for more information about the event and how to purchase tickets or make a donation.



Parish Office Sub, Can You Help?—We are looking to increase our volunteer pool for help in the parish office. Answering the front door and office phone are the primary duties for this important ministry.

If you are interested, please contact the parish office at holycrossoffice@archdpdx.org. Thank you! 😊



We thank our **St. Vincent de Paul workers** for their years of dedication to feeding the hungry here in North Portland.

While it is true that our Food Pantry is now closed (until our new Community Center opens), we are directing our labors and support to the SVdP Conference at Holy Redeemer parish.

Please continue to use your “blue envelopes” to support this vitally important ministry in North and Northeast Portland. Anyone interested in volunteering at the Holy Redeemer Food Pantry, please call 503.880.2780, or email: svdp@holyredeemerpx.org.



The Spiritual Works of Mercy have long been a part of our tradition. Just as Jesus attended to the spiritual well-being of those He ministered to, the Spiritual Works of Mercy guide us to “help our neighbor in their spiritual needs.”

One of the Works is “admonishing the sinner.” This is not an invitation to judge, but rather to be supportive in helping others find their way and correct their mistakes. Together we can learn to walk more closely with Christ. But how?

In humility, we can do our small part to create a culture that does not accept sin, while realizing that we all fall at times. Again, we are not to judge, but we can guide others towards the path of salvation (see Matthew 7, 1-2). When we correct someone, we are not to be arrogant, for we are all in need of God’s loving correction. We are invited to journey together to a deeper understanding of our shared faith, which is a lifelong task, but very much worth the effort.



Let’s not forget that our parish’s embrace of hospitality and fellowship has been a driving force for our new Community Center. Ensuring that our community has a facility that is welcoming and accessible to all, while providing ample space for us to connect with one another in faith, is at the heart of our dream.

Our Capital Campaign Committee is excited to announce that we have reached a total of \$1,437,097 toward our goal of \$1,500,000 (in pledges and gifts)! Let’s not lose our momentum! But let’s also remember that *pledges* need to be fulfilled. If you have pledged a gift toward the new Center and you need a reminder, please let us know in the parish office. We will be glad to send you any information you need to help your “promised gift” become a reality. Also, it is still true that if you have already responded to the Campaign you can **add** to your gift and if you have *not yet given* to the Campaign, today is the perfect time to step up!

→ **Update:** The demolition phase of the new Center has been completed by the Lawson Company, which has left the site fully prepared for construction (tentatively scheduled for the end of summer 2024).

→ **More news:** The Archdiocese has approved our “construction documents” and we have forwarded them to the City for our building permit. We thank our hard-working friends at Soderstrom Architects, our parish building committee, our business manager Deb Volker, and our project manager David Mastroieni for guiding us through the process thus far. Given that St. Joseph is the patron and protector of our new Community Center project, please continue to ask for his generous help!

Family Resources— April 14th, Third Sunday of Easter

Upcoming Key Dates/Events:

April 14th:

- Youth Masses
- Confirmation Service Opportunity

April 21st:

- Sacramental Prep Classes
- Confirmation Rehearsal for Teens & Sponsors, 2pm

April 26th:

- Confirmation Rehearsal just for Teens, 6pm

April 27th:

- Confirmation Mass, 9:30am

April 28th:

- Rehearsal for English First Communion, 10am in the Church

May 5th:

- English First Communions, 9am Mass

Save the Dates! Vacation Bible School—July 22nd-26th, 2024

Registration is NOW available!

Limited spaces available. Sign up TODAY!

Printed packets in the back of the church, in the front offices of the parish and school, and online:

Vacation Bible School - Holy Cross Catholic Church (holycrosspdx.org). Questions, please contact Andrea Swanson, Director of Religious Education & Youth Ministry, 503.206.8069.

THANK YOU to Our GIFT and LIFT Catechists!

With the Easter Vigil, we entered the season that we have lovingly nicknamed “Sacrament Season.”

Over the next couple of months, we have many youth who will celebrate their First Reconciliation, their First Communion, and their Confirmation.

In this whirlwind of events, it’s important that we offer a huge THANK YOU to our catechists, our volunteer teachers who make our Sacramental classes happen.

Thank you to our catechists:

- ✦ Eric Boughton (Confirmation)
- ✦ Michelle Dumas (Confirmation)
- ✦ Mark Gast (Confirmation)
- ✦ Marta Ramos (Confirmation)
- ✦ Francis Rochon (Confirmation)
- ✦ Salvador Santos (Confirmation)
- ✦ Steve Spitulski (Confirmation)
- ✦ Bunny Brown (First Communion)
- ✦ Sierra Faoro (First Communion)
- ✦ Genesis Gomez Mejia (First Communion)
- ✦ Beth Kabele (First Communion)
- ✦ Leslie Velazquez-Flores (First Communion)

Confirmation is Around the Corner!

In two weeks, our amazing teens will be celebrating the Sacrament of Initiation: Confirmation. Our teens have been preparing for this experience since September, going to class, going on retreat, serving the community, and connecting with one another.

They have chosen a saint name and a sponsor to guide them through their adult faith journeys.

Archbishop Vlazney will be celebrating with our parish.

As we near the Confirmation Mass on April 27th, we ask you, our Holy Cross community, to keep our amazing young people in your prayers!

Thank You to Our Families and Catechists Who Have Been Supporting Us!



Youth Mass Today!

Welcome to our Youth Masses at 9am (English) and noon (Spanish)!

Our next Youth Masses will be on **May 12th**.

If your child/teen would like to participate in helping with the Mass, please let us know! Email Andrea: aswanson@archdpdx.org.



Important Dates

April 17: Confessions, 7pm
April 18: Adoration, 8:30am-8:30pm
April 19: Confessions, 9am
April 21: 4th Sunday of Easter
April 23: Jog-A-Thon! ☺



Next Week's Readings: April 20th & 21st

Fourth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4, 8-12
Psalm: 118 **2nd Reading:** 1 John 3, 1-2
Gospel: John 10, 11-18



The Resurrection of Jesus is such overwhelmingly Good News that a single day is not enough to celebrate it. His rising is meant to be celebrated for the whole liturgical season of Easter (until Pentecost, the Fiftieth Day), and every Sunday thereafter (each as a “mini-Easter”).

Let's remember that we spend 40 days preparing for Easter. We choose something from which to fast. We put thought and effort into our prayer lives. We look for ways to give back to others in need. Then Easter arrives, and so many of us are content to celebrate for the day and then go right back to our old life.

Easter, however, is a time of fresh starts and is the perfect time to enter into “liturgical living” – the worship cycle of the Church. For example, each Sunday of the year is meant to be a day of rest, and indeed, a mini Easter celebration all its own. During these Fifty Days of Easter, “lean into” Sunday as a feast day. Ask yourself, “What would it take to make Sunday look and feel different from the other days of the week to me and my family?”

Celebrating Sunday in a new way might mean completing extra chores on Saturday so there are fewer things that truly need doing on Sunday. Or perhaps it means saying no to errands and sports. **Whether you take a hike**, visit a museum or just stay at home, try to do something special that you will all enjoy and see how it refreshes your spirit. Notice how much good it does your soul to take a true day of rest – as God intended.

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Mass Intentions for April 16th—21st, 2024:

Tues. Ints of the Lamont/Montalbano Families by the Lamont Family
Wed. Int of Brigid McManus by Annie Braunstein
Thurs. +Mike Bell by Glenda Bell
Friday +Holy Souls
Sat. (5pm) +Mary Ann Kezeor by HC Parishioners
Sun. (9am) +Kellie Wisher by Nina & Dick Wisher
(12pm) People of the Parish

*To arrange for a Mass intention, please contact the parish office.
Please plan ahead if you are requesting a specific date.*



In our prayers, let us remember all those who have died, including: James Graiff, Agustina Zavala, and all the members of our parish family who have died in the past year — since last Easter

Let us pray also for those who are ill or homebound:

Darlene Thayer, Shayna Ramirez,
Sue Anne Boettcher, Mary Ragland, Irene Heaverin,
Bob Hungerford, John Bachmeier, Greg Busch,
Amanda Holmberg, Anita Verbout, Erma Faoro,
Christina Gardener, Carl Cawley, Tiem Nguyen,
Marvilla Graiff, Kathy Ackley, Sandra Blossom,
Ann O'Reilly, Richard Lund, Sr. Mary Ryan,
Annie Braunstein, Donna Hatley, Chris Kelly,
Rose Petersen, Jane Bachman, Ann Renon,
Jack Link, Bernie Maloney, Tina Paradiso,
Rupert Liddie, Tim Brezo, and Georgie Ferguson

Stewardship



April 6th & 7th, 2024
Weekend Offertory: \$5,978.02
Online Giving: \$2,415.00
Total: \$8,393.02

**Weekly Offertory needed \$11,805.00*

St. Luke's Easter account says, “Jesus Himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ But they were startled and frightened...”

Each day, throughout the day, we have many opportunities to “*see* the face of Jesus” in others and to “*be* the face of Jesus” to others. Do we actually provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what they will think of us? Does our fear paralyze us into doing nothing? Do we dare pray for the strength and courage to willingly share His presence with those we meet each day?

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St. John's Easter account says, “Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples that are not written in this book.” What signs and wonders have we witnessed in our lives that are not written in the Bible, but have given us faith or strengthened our faith in Jesus? As part of our faithful response as “stewards of the truth,” we are encouraged to share “*our*” Gospel. When we bear witness, we release God's love from our heart to another's heart.

LA IGLESIA NOS ENSEÑA



La escena que presenta hoy San Lucas (24, 35-48) tiene muchos puntos de contacto con la que el pasado domingo nos ofrecía San Juan: en el marco de una reunión fraternal de los discípulos, Jesús se manifiesta vivo, les convence de la realidad

de su Resurrección, y les confía la misión de anunciar la Buena Noticia a todos los pueblos.

San Lucas hace hincapié en el realismo de la presencia de Cristo, e insiste en dos puntos – Jesús come delante de ellos y Jesús les ilumina el sentido de las Escrituras – que nos pueden ayudar a comprender el paralelismo de esta escena Evangélica con lo que hacemos cada domingo en la celebración Eucarística.

En efecto, toda la celebración de la Misa se orienta a suscitar la presencia dinámica de Cristo en medio de nosotros. El solo hecho de nuestra reunión fraternal provoca ya una primera presencia de Cristo, “porque donde estén dos o tres reunidos en mi nombre, allí estoy yo en medio de ellos.”

El **“presidente”** de nuestra reunión Eucarística (el sacerdote) es “otra presencia de Cristo,” porque en virtud de la misión que ha recibido, habla y actúa en su nombre, y nos saluda, al igual que Cristo a los primeros discípulos, con el deseo de la paz.

También, la primera parte de la Misa no es más que la proclamación de la Palabra de Dios, la lectura de los libros que hablan de Cristo y a través de los cuales nos habla el propio Cristo.

Finalmente, la Misa pone a nuestro alcance la entera realidad de la presencia dinámica y santificadora de Cristo, constituyéndose así en el lugar más intensamente privilegiado. Y podemos afirmar que todas estas presencias, o, mejor dicho, esta única presencia intensificada gradualmente, no tiene otra finalidad que la de hacernos entrar en contacto con Cristo, para que nosotros, una vez terminada la celebración y ya de vuelta a nuestra vida habitual, seamos entre los demás signos vivos de Cristo, presencias dinámicas y vivificantes de la fuerza de nuestro Salvador, cumpliendo así las palabras con que acaba el Evangelio de hoy: “Y ustedes son testigos de esto.”

PARA REFLEJAR....



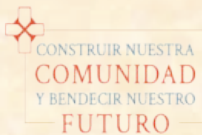
Es curioso lo que supone en la vida de Jesús “la comida” como signo de fraternidad, expresión de amistad, y ocasión para comunicarnos su mensaje.

Comiendo con publicanos y pecadores nos revela para quién ha venido. En una comida de cierto rango social acoge a la pecadora y la defiende, mientras que al anfitrión le pide cuentas por no haber cumplido unas normas elementales de cortesía que para Él, en ocasión distinta, son totalmente secundarias.

En otra comida, a la que Él se invita, nos revela que con Él ha entrado también la salvación a aquella casa. En una comida singular (la Cena Última con los suyos) Jesús nos adelantará su entrega, la perpetuará en un sacramento, tendrá para con los suyos las más hondas expansiones, y nos dejará aspectos fundamentales de su mensaje.

Será precisamente en varias comidas en las que Jesús se aparecerá a los suyos y los hará partícipes de su Resurrección, de manera que el propio Pedro lo recordará, años más tarde, en uno de sus sermones: “Nosotros, que comimos y bebimos con Él después que resucitó de entre los muertos.” (Hechos 10, 41)

Jesús en Lucas 24,35-48 pide de comer para así fortalecer su fe, quitar sus miedos, y traspasarles su paz. La sencillez, la cercanía, el diálogo, y la fraternidad, son en Jesús (y deberían ser en nosotros) signos de “una vida nueva.” ¡Aleluya!



Para quienes se encuentran inmersos en el mundo secular, la Pascua ha llegado a su fin. Los huevos de chocolate y las demás dulces, que aparecieron tentadoramente en las tiendas en cuanto los cristianos iniciaron el ayuno de la Cuaresma, han sido retirados de los estantes de las tiendas para ser reemplazados anticipándose a la próxima fiesta comercial.

Para nosotros, qué contradictorio parece todo esto. Si, nosotros creemos que el misterio Pascual y los eventos de la Pascua, de cambios en la vida, no han terminado. Ellos no son un final sino un inicio triunfal, y han alterado nuestras vidas en una manera radical. Nosotros hemos concluido la Cuaresma y estamos ahora celebrando la temporada Pascual, tratando de profundizar todo el tiempo una relación con la persona de Cristo. Esto es tan simple, y al mismo tiempo, tan sorprendente y complejo.

Cuanto más profundo crece la relación, tanto más nos arraigamos a ella, y esta relación con Cristo más dominará nuestras vidas. Nosotros no clasificaremos a Jesús, lo mantendremos en nuestro centro. Y los misterios Pascuales nos guiarán a las cuestiones fundamentales en el corazón : ¿cómo administro mis recursos – mi tiempo, mi dinero, mis habilidades y dones, mi vida entera – para que estén al servicio del Reino de Dios? Esta no es una pregunta de tiempo parcial. Esta no es una pregunta estacional que se quita del estante periódicamente. Esta también es una pregunta fundamental que la época de la Pascua nos exige: “Jesús, ¿cómo quieres que yo te sirva?”

Nuestra “campana para capital” es un programa basado en nuestra necesidad: un nuevo Centro Parroquial. Es un programa bien planificado y organizado, para recaudar una suma sustancial de dinero. El éxito de una intensa campaña como la nuestra, *depende de la participación activa de todos nuestros miembros.*

MINISTERIO HISPANO

Equipo Pastoral 503.289.7188

Pláticas Pre-Bautismales:

Tercer sábado del mes a las 10am.

Recuerde que necesita registrar a su hijo/a antes de asistir a la plática.

Bautismos:

El primer sábado del mes a las 9:30am y el último domingo del mes después de Misa.

Estas fechas son solo para niños menores de 6 años.

Los niños mayores de 6 años deberán de comunicarse a la oficina antes de apartar alguna fecha.

Preparación Sacramental para:

Iniciación Católica para Adultos (RICA) y Bodas – por favor llame a la oficina

Misas de Quinceañeras:

Misa de Acción de Gracias para Quinceañeras en grupo, el segundo sábado del mes a la 11am.

Confesiones:

Los miércoles a las 7pm,
los viernes a las 9am,
y por cita entre semana.

Adoración al Santísimo:

Cada jueves de las 8:30am a las 8:30pm.

Misa con Unción de los Enfermos:

Segundo miércoles del mes inmediatamente después de la Misa de 8:30am.

En nuestras oraciones recordemos:

...a todos los que están enfermos, incluyendo:

Darlene Thayer, Shayna Ramirez,
Sue Anne Boettcher, Mary Ragland,
Erma Faoro, Irene Heaverin, Sr. Mary Ryan,
Greg Busch, Bob Hungerford, Anita Verbout,
Carl Cawley, Amanda Holmberg,
Marvilla Graiff, John Bachmeier,
Sadrac Lopez, Kathy Ackley,
Richard Lund, Sandra Blossom,
Donna Hatley, Annie Braunstein,
Rupert Liddie, Chris Kelly, Rose Petersen,
Jane Bachman, Bernie Maloney,
Tina Paradiso, Jack Link, and Tim Brezo



...y a todos los que han muerto, especialmente James Graiff y Agustina Zavala

“Te pedimos, Señor, que tus siervos que han muerto vivan ahora para ti y que tu amor borre los pecados que cometieron por fragilidad humana. Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.”

HORARIO PARROQUIAL

14 de abril: III Domingo de Pascua

17 de abril: Confesiones, 7pm

18 de abril: Adoración, 8:30am-8:30pm

19 de abril: Confesiones, 9am

21 de abril: IV Domingo de Pascua

23 de abril: Jog-A-Thon! ☺



Corresponsabilidad Parroquial—

7 de abril: \$8,393.02

¡Gracias!

(El Ofertorio semanal necesita llegar al presupuesto Parroquial: \$11,805.00)

Una de las veces en que la Madre Teresa de Calcuta vino a E.U., le pidió un periodista, en la rueda de prensa, que diera como una consigna para los que trabajaban por los pobres.

Ella respondió: “Que celebren bien la Eucaristía.” Al periodista le debió de parecer que la buena señora no le había entendido y formuló de nuevo su pregunta, explicitando que también aquí, religiosos y laicos, se dedican a los más abandonados, y que les diera una palabra de aliento. “Que celebren bien la Eucaristía,” volvió a decir la Madre Teresa.

Y ella añadió, “Si yo me dedico a los más marginados, y les atiendo, es porque acabo de comulgar. Al mismo Cristo, a quien he adorado y recibido en la Misa, es al que veo presente en la persona del prójimo, sobre todo de los más pobres.”

LA LITURGIA — LECTURAS

IV Domingo de Pascua—21 de abril

Primera Lectura: Hechos 4, 8-12

Salmo: 117

Segunda Lectura: 1 Juan 3, 1-2

Evangelio: Juan 10, 11-18

EL DÍA DEL SEÑOR



A los primeros cristianos no les gusta decir: “Jesús ha resucitado.” Prefieren emplear otra expresión: “Jesús ha sido resucitado por Dios.”
(Hechos 2, 24 y 3, 15)

Para ellos, nuestros antepasados, la Resurrección es una actuación del Padre que con su fuerza creadora y poderosa ha levantado al muerto Jesús a la Vida definitiva y plena de Dios. Para decirlo de alguna manera, Dios le espera a Jesús al otro lado de la muerte para liberarlo de la destrucción, vivificarlo con la fuerza creadora, levantarlo de entre los muertos, e introducirlo en la vida indestructible de Dios.

Este paso de Jesús de la muerte a la Vida definitiva es un acontecimiento que desborda esta vida en que nosotros nos movemos. Por eso, no lo podemos constatar y observar cómo hacemos con tantos otros acontecimientos que suceden entre nosotros. Pero es un hecho real, que ha sucedido. Más aún: para los creyentes es el hecho más real, importante, y decisivo que ha sucedido para la historia de la humanidad. Y también es lo que celebramos cada ocho días alrededor de su Mesa.

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