

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, March 31** – 8:30 pm **Easter Vigil**

Readings: Genesis 1:1-2:2; Genesis 22:1-18; Exodus 14:15-15:1, Isaiah 54:5-14; Isaiah 55:1-11; Baruch 3:9-15, 32:4; Ezekiel 36:16-17, 18-28; Romans 6:3-11; Mark 16:1-7

**Sunday, April 1**– 10:30am Mass, **Easter Sunday**

Mass Intention for Marguerite & Bernard Schutte;  
Readings: Acts 10:43, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

**Monday, April 2** – No Service

Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Matthew 28:8-15

**Tuesday, April 3** – No Service.

Readings: Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18

**Wednesday, April 4** – No Service.

Readings: Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35

**Thursday, April 5** – 7:00pm Mass, **Exposition of the Blessed**

**Sacrament until 9:00pm**, Mass Intention Vivian Tillman;  
Readings: Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48

**Friday, April 6** – No Service.

Readings: Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14

**Saturday, April 7** – 6:30 pm Mass Intention for the people of the

parish; Readings: Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15

**Sunday, April 8**– 10:30am Mass

Mass Intention for Marguerite & Bernard Schutte;  
Readings: Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31

**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR APRIL 1**

*Lectors* – Shirley, Friedence

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**MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR APRIL 8**

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**PRAY FOR OUR PARISH PARTNERS**

In deepest gratitude for their most generous contributions of time, talent and treasure to St. Leo's, this week please keep in prayer Price Hill Will.

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED**

Please keep in your prayers all those listed in our Parish Petition/Special Prayer Books. Please call the Parish Office if you are hospitalized and wish to be visited. Hospitals no longer share that information.

**VOCATION VIEW**

The Lord is risen! It is true! Proclaim it to the world! Pray for those who are called in priesthood and religious life.

**LET US PRAY**

We praise you, the Lord of all creation!

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

- April 1** Easter
- April 5** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass until 9:00pm
- April 8** Youth Group
- April 12** NO Mass
- April 22** Parish Council, immediately after Mass Youth Group
- April 30** Catholic Relief Services Collection

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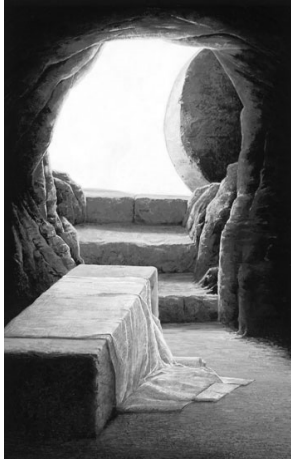
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## Easter – April 1, 2018

### From Fr. Jim . . .

**An Easter Greeting:** Alleluia! The Lord is truly risen! His grace and peace be with you all. I extend to you the Lord's blessings for a very happy and holy Easter. May you see how dying with the Lord also means rising with him. May you come to see how resurrection has the final say in our lives and may Alleluia be the song that is always on our lips and in our hearts. Have fun in these Easter days. Learn to live life to the fullest. Be thankful because grace abounds in Jesus Christ.



**An Easter Reflection:** As signs of spring become evident, we rejoice in the new and risen life the Lord gives to us all. We are greatly blessed to be children of the Resurrection. We rejoice, too, in the new life we are able to give each other in the Lord's name as the Body of Christ. We have been made anew in order to live as Christ's body. We are, indeed, happy and blessed. What's new with you after your Lenten journey and after doing works of penance, prayer, fasting and giving alms? How is this a Happy Easter? Can you see signs of resurrection and grace? In yourself? In others? In the world?

**We pray so well:** Holy week is the greatest week of prayer for the church. I thank everyone who contributed to the wonderful, deep and intense prayer of this past week. It is a time for all of our liturgical ministers to use their gifts well, to share their faith with us, and to lead us deeply into the paschal mystery. Bravo to the lectors and Eucharistic ministers who bring the Lord to us in word and sacrament. Our choirs and musicians are so dedicated and faith-filled. Thank you for leading us in song. Ushers and servers always get a workout. Thanks for your diligence and hospitality. Thanks to all who helped clean and make our church so beautiful. Special thanks to the assembly for becoming so engaged in the prayer.

**Welcome:** One of the signs of Easter that I appreciate the most is the people who gather with us for our liturgies. Whether you worship with us each week, or you are a visitor, or you have returned from school, or you are here because it is Easter, a special welcome to everyone. We are happy and blessed that you can be here to celebrate this solemn and wonderful feast. To all of our visitors, please come back and pray with us often. Congratulations to all who were initiated into the life of the church last night at our Easter Vigil and all the Vigils throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and to all those from other parishes for whom we have been praying.

**An Easter Hymn:** Hail thee, festival day! Blest day to be hallowed forever; Day when our Lord was raised, breaking the kingdom of death. All the fair beauty of earth from the death of winter arising! Ev'ry good gift of the year now with its master returns. Rise from the grave now, O Lord, the author of life and creation. Treading the pathway of death, new life you give to us all. God the Almighty, the Lord, the ruler of earth and the heavens, Guard us from harm without; cleanse us from evil within. Jesus the health of the world, enlighten our minds, great Redeemer, Son of the Father supreme, only begotten of God. Spirit of life and of power, now flow in us, fount of our being, Light that enlightens us all, life that in all may abide. Praise to the giver of good! O Lover and Author of concord, Pour out your balm on our days; order our ways in your peace.

Happy Easter, everyone! Alleluia!!

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, April 5: immediately following Mass until 9:00 pm

### YOUTH PROGRAM

for students 10-12 years and 13-18 years  
Sunday: April 8, 22 and 29, May 6



**Volunteer Drivers Needed** Volunteers are needed to provide rides to and from church so that folks in need can be present for Sunday mass. Would you be willing to assist a family that lives on your way? Please call the office if you can help: 513-921-1044.



Volunteers are needed to help us show kindness to persons in need at the St. Leo Food Pantry: Coordinator for Fridays, noon-4/4:30, to act as point person for other volunteers. Assistant Administrator about 9-12 hours a week, to tend to ordering, organizing the inventory, and conveying to coordinators/volunteers what's up. Please call at 513-921-1044.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** 4 or 5 or 6 volunteers are needed to fold, tab and label our monthly newsletter. Usually needed the third week of the month for 3-4 hours if 3 or 4 people help out. The more hands, the faster the job gets done! Call Casey at 513-921-1044 ext. 30

**Santa Maria Community Services Family Health Fair. Sun., April 8<sup>th</sup>** 12-3:00pm at Price Hill Recreation Center at 959 Hawthorne Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45205. Free Health Screenings! Blood Pressure, BMI, Depression, Cholesterol, Glucose, A1C, Hearing, Vision, STI, Pregnancy Tests, and more! Kids' Health Zone! Refreshments. To schedule a mammogram or for info call 513-557-7249.

**Golden Anniversary Mass 2018** Married couples celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 2018 are invited to attend a Golden Anniversary Mass, Aug. 4, 2018, 4:30pm, St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Archbishop Dennis M. Schnutt, Celebrant.

**Married couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary,** (25, 40, 50, 60, 65, 70, 75) in 2018 are invited to request a congratulatory certificate from Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr. Visit the Office for Marriage & Family Life at [www.catholiccincinnati.org](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org) or call 513-421-3131 ext. 2621 before June 22<sup>nd</sup> to request your certificate.

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