

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2015

The Parish of Resurrection-Ascension

Stewardship



Our Way of Life

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Resurrection-Ascension Church is a diverse community that gathers together to celebrate the Eucharist. We recognize that the Lord is the source of all that we have and all that we do. We hope that through our sharing of the Eucharist, the Sacraments, and our belonging to the parish – we may obtain a deeper relationship with the Lord.

As a people of faith, we are striving to grow in our ability to live out our understanding of “Stewardship” through the sharing of our Time, Talent and Treasure. We trust that, through God’s grace we may reach out to others, welcoming them, while respecting and supporting one another.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Salvatore J. Amato, Pastor
Mr. Emanuel Bologna, Director of Music
Mrs. Joann Heppt, School Principal
Ms. Joyce Mennona, Dir. of Religious Education
Rev. Basilio Monteiro, Weekend Presider
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Rectory Hours

Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 12 NOON
1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
(closed for lunch 12 NOON-1:00 PM)
Saturday: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, CLOSED SUNDAY

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM
12:30 PM (Spanish)

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday – Friday 9:00AM
Saturday 9:00 AM

Rite of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM

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RESURRECTION ASCENSION CHURCH, REGO PARK

Today is Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord.
The Readings are found at #1079 in the Parish Hymnal.



Monday, April 6th

9:00am Christine Pensabene, req by her parents

Tuesday, April 7th

9:00am Ed Gibbons (birthday), as req by his wife Mary and family

Wednesday, April 8th

9:00am Tim Donovan, req by Catherine and family

Thursday, April 9th

9:00am Mary Hillebrand (birthday), req by her family

Friday, April 10th

9:00am *First Friday Perpetual Mass Society*

Saturday, April 11th

9:00am – For the People of the Parish

-Bridie Cawley, req by Jim Fallon

-for persecuted Christians, req by Jane Donlon

-Fay Guatelli, req by Mary Christy

-Marta Laverde, req by Adriana Rios

-Andrew Hagarty, req by his wife and family

-Fely Baquisal, req by the Goetz family

5:00pm (Am) Rosa Pollina, req by the Dioguardi family

Sunday, April 12th – Sunday of Divine Mercy

(44: Acts 4:32-35 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

1Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20:19-31)

7:30am (Am) Vivencia Cauton (anniv), req by the Alvarez family

9:30am (Am) in thanksgiving for God's Divine Mercy, req by Jane Donlon

11:00am (Mon) John and Mary Turato, req by their family

12:30pm (Mon) Hugo Osorio (6th anniv), req by his wife and son

SUNDAY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

There will be NO Sunday School or CLW next Sunday, April 12th.

They will both resume on Sunday, April 19th.

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

Next weekend, we will be accepting your donations for our **Thanks for the Memories Collection** which supports our parish school. On behalf of our students and faculty, we thank you for your consideration and generosity.

FOOD PANTRY HOURS

Please note that the Food Pantry will be closed Monday, April 6th and Wednesday, April 8th.

It will re-open on Monday, April 13th.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We will have our **Annual Vacation Bible School** again this year.

It will be scheduled from 9am-12noon

in Fr. Feely Hall on **June 29th to July 2nd and**

July 6th to July 9th. VBS consists of age-appropriate Bible stories,

experiments, games, crafts, snacks, and songs. Each session of Son Spark Labs VBS involves kids in exploring an amazing aspect of God's life-changing plan. By providing opportunities for interactive learning at VBS, we can share with the children in our community the Good News about Jesus!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The Sick and/or Hospitalized: George Abato, Stephanie Bojarski, Maureen Borzell, Eileen Boyle, Rosaria Cali, Lorenzo Caracci, Dolly Colleary, Richard DeNardo, Angela DeSimone, Rosario Duran, Agnes Finnegan, Msgr. Vincent Fullam, Martha Harris, Norma Henry, Patricia Hutzel, Frances Lombardi, Rita Mascarenhas, Rosaleen McCabe, Ruth Mikol, Romero Ruiz, Nellie Scuderi, Madeline Silecchia, Rose Tantillo, Alicia Witherby, Roy Witherby

Deceased: Charles LaMatto

WINE & HOSTS AND MEMORIAL CANDLES

The **Wine and Hosts** will be used at all the Masses this week **in loving memory of the deceased members of the Harrington and McDaniel families**, as requested by John and Mary Harrington and family.

The **Altar Candles** will be lit this week **in loving memory of Gigi Lynch**, as requested by Cathy, Mike, Michael, and Christopher.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will be lit this week **in loving memory of Fay Guatelli**, as requested by the Ladies Prayer Group.

The **Candle at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** will be lit this week **in loving memory of John and Anne McCarthy**, as requested by her daughter, Eleanor Ducey and family.

The **Candle at the Statue of St. Patrick** will be lit this week **in loving memory of Timothy Donovan**, as requested by Catherine and family.

The **Candle at the Statue of St. Joseph** will be lit this week **in loving memory of Kenneth and Helen Bica**, as requested by Kay Madigan.



NEW ALTAR SERVERS

We are pleased to announce that the following 13 new Altar Servers (6 girls and 7 boys) have successfully completed 4 weeks of training and will begin to serve Masses during the month of May.

Natalie Kizior	4 th Grade, RA
Brandan Paz	4 th Grade, RA
Lucas Stepan	4 th Grade, RA
Daniel Uribe	4 th Grade, RA
Alayza Diaz	4 th Grade, RA
Branden Gotay	4 th Grade, RA
Kori Dezena-Andrade	4 th Grade, RA
Angela Vu	4 th Grade, PS/IS 49
Sarah Meller	4 th Grade, PS 58
Grisell Mercedes Burgos	5 th Grade, PS/IS 113
Matthew Balsamo	5 th Grade, PS/IS 128
Gabriella Neves	6 th Grade, RA
Brandon Balsamo	7 th Grade, PS.IS 128

Happy Easter



CHRISTMAS and EASTER are always special occasions for the Church, and for people who celebrate, by means of various customs in conjunction with each feast. One of the more common means to *enhance* celebration and the *meaning* of both feasts is through **STORY TELLING**. Therefore, on this Easter Sunday, the following story may best be described as an "EASTER MIRACLE".

After the funeral of elderly Mr. Belser, Jack and his mother went back to Mr. Belser's house for one last look. Upon arrival, Jack said: "Wow—I have great memories of Mr. Belser. He's the one who taught me carpentry. I would not have this business today —except for him." His mother agreed: "Yes, after your father died, he stepped in to make sure that you would have a 'male influence' in your life."

Upon entering Mr. Belser's house, both noticed that it was exactly as Jack had remembered. Every picture, every piece of furniture...except... "Wait," Jack stopped suddenly. "Where is his *old gold box*, the one he *always* kept on his desk?" Jack continued: "He would always tell me that the gold box contained the **one thing** that he **valued most**. Now, I guess I will *never* know what that was."

About two weeks later, a small package was "*special-delivered*" to Jack. Like most packages received under the same circumstances, Jack tore it open as his hands began to shake while reading an attached note with the following words: "Upon my death, please forward to Jack Bennett". And then, as Jack opened the small gold box, his heart was pounding because inside was a *shining gold pocket watch*. Jack unlatched the cover and read the engraved words: "Jack, thanks for your time!—Harold Belser".

Jack's voice quivered as he said, "I was just a kid. He was a very busy man, he must have had much more important things to do. I cannot believe the thing he valued most was.....my **TIME**."

This story speaks of an "EASTER MIRACLE" that can be quietly "*re-lived—time and time again by us*", especially when we give *the memorable and precious gift of time*. May today's **FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION**—and message to us of **RIISING TO NEW LIFE**—contribute to a joyous Easter, and help us to remember, also, to thank others—especially for the "**GIFT OF THEIR LIFE AND THEIR TIME**".

We received the following message from Jim Ryan, regarding his recent appearance at our parish....

"I want to thank you for the opportunity to present my Lenten message to your parishioners. The reception I received from you, and your parishioners, was indeed gratifying. I felt a real warmth and love and sincere appreciation for my efforts from everyone. You really get to know the folks being there for a few days.... Please pass along my thanks to all who attended the Lenten retreat. Hopefully, our paths will cross again. Blessings to all at Resurrection-Ascension".

-Jim Ryan

A Glimpse at your contributions... March 21/22:

	Cash	Checks	Total
Saturday-5:00pm (English)	\$ 424	\$1,635	\$2,059
Sunday 7:30am (English)	\$ 342	\$ 711	\$1,053
9:30am (English)	\$ 828	\$2,114	\$2,942
11:00am (English)	\$ 543	\$1,176	\$1,719
12:30 pm (Spanish)	\$ 567	\$ 117	\$ 684
	\$ 2,704	\$ 5,753	\$ 8,457

Your donation to the Easter Spiritual Bouquet: \$1,668
Your donatin to the St. Vincent dePaul Society: \$1,340

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY PROCESSION

Please join us for the Procession to install the image of The Divine Mercy here at Resurrection Ascension on **Saturday, April 11, 2015**. We will meet at Fr Feely Hall at 5pm.

To anyone visiting our parish on this Easter Sunday....



Resurrection Ascension is off to a promising start! **Sharing the Joy of the Gospel**. We have already received pledges amounting to **\$26,450--** from just **68 pledges** out of **841 registered members**. Our parish goal is **\$63,130**. Once our parish reaches its target goal, we will receive 100% of all the funds raised over our goal to use toward on-going and unanticipated repairs and improvements. To make a contribution online, please visit us at www.rcdobdonate.org

GLENN MOHR CHORALE

April 19th at 3:30pm here at Resurrection Ascension
After the death of Jesus, the grieving apostles are confused when they are told at the empty tomb, "He is not here, Go to Galilee". As this Easter production unfolds, we observe the personalities and disagreements between the disciples on how to continue their mission now that their beloved leader is gone. Each apostle must realize they will face danger and perhaps their own cross if they accept His call to "go and teach all nations". Songs from this presentation can also be found on the recording "City on the Hill".

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School News

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Good News About Our School!

☺ Congratulations to **Kenneth Chase**, grade 4, who represented our school in the Diocesan Math Bee.

☺ Congratulations to **Nancy Goldbach-McKeon** who was our Early Bird Chance Book Drive Winner. We are so pleased, since Nancy has been the Chance Book Co-Chair for many years!

☺ Our 4th and 5th graders have begun their **Ballroom Dancing classes**. We look forward to the final performance in June.

Still Interested in Registration for 2015-2016?

There is limited seating available in some grades. Contact the school office at 718-426-4963 to make an appointment for information and a tour. Financial aid is available for families that qualify.

Thank You....

To the many parishioners who have supported our Adopt A Child campaign. To date we have raised almost **\$6,500** that goes directly to helping families pay their tuition.

ANNUAL SUPERMARKET BLITZ 2015

Friday, May 1st in the School Auditorium.
Doors open at 7:00pm.

Tickets are \$12 and includes coffee, tea and dessert, enters you into our door prize raffles, and gives you 2 "blitz" boards. There will be raffle chances to win over 100 Prize Baskets, Fabulous Grand Prizes and our Awesome Silent Auction! **Prizes include Coach bags, electronics, gift certificates to local merchants, and many more!** Reserve your table with friends! **Seating is limited and assigned. 18 and over only.** Tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Come join the FUN!! BYOB & BYOF. Tickets may be purchased at the rectory office, or through our school.

Please note- Tickets will NOT be sold at the door.

For more info, email hsa@raschool.org

FIRST FRIDAY

This Friday, April 10th is our observance of the *First Friday Perpetual Mass Society*. The following have been enrolled in the Perpetual Mass Society:

Margaret Geraghty	Rosana Muzio Curth
Lisa Lopez	Theresa Walsh
Wilson Zamora	Kenneth Madigan
Fay Guatelli	Arman Colangelo
Ann Joyce	Rosemari Villalva
Florinda M. Barber	Hilda Victoria Mite Figuereroa
Pilar Victoria Escano Noel Morales	

BOOSTER WINNERS

1st Prize \$100 Mike and Pat O'Connell, MV
2nd Prize \$50 Barbara Levinson, MV
3rd Prize \$25 Mrs. Colleen Padula, CT

Congratulations to all of our winners!
New subscribers are always welcome and, as the saying goes, "YOU NEED TO BE IN IT – TO WIN IT"!
For further information, kindly call 718-424-5212.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, April 6th - Monday within the Octave of Easter

- School Closed
- No Chair Exercise
- No Golden Age
- No Yoga Class
- Food Pantry Closed
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Tuesday, April 6th - Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

- School Closed
- Spanish Classes 10-12noon FFH Garden
- Spanish Prayer Group 7-9:30pm FFH Chapel
- English Classes 6:30-8:30pm PCC
- Basketball Gym

Wednesday, April 7th - Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

- School Closed
- Food Pantry Closed
- Basketball Gym
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Thursday, April 8th - Thursday within the Octave of Easter

- School Closed
- English Classes 6:30-8:30pm PCC
- No Yoga Class
- Basketball Gym

Friday, April 9th - Friday within the Octave of Easter

- School Closed
- Perpetual Mass Society 9:30am CMR
- CODA 10am FFH
- Twirling 4-6:30pm Gym
- Basketball Gym
- Spanish Prayer Group 7-9:30pm FFH Chapel

Saturday, April 10th - Saturday within the Octave of Easter

- OCA 10am PCC
- Divine Mercy Procession 4pm FFH
- Spanish Service 3-5pm PCC
- Spanish Classes 5-6:30pm PCC

Sunday, April 11th – Second Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy Sunday

- No Children's Liturgy of the Word
- No Sunday School
- Alanon 12 noon PCC

SAVE THE DATE

Our Annual Blood Drive will take place on **Sunday, June 7th**.
Each donation will help save as many as three people's lives.



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Special Instructions:

We have been instructed by Eileen Walsh and Rhonda Cavalier to include this instruction sheet with our bulletin transmission from now on.