

## *The Resurrection of the Lord*

**T**oday the Church and her children rejoice for our Lord and Savior has risen from the dead. The resurrection of the Lord is the central event of our salvation, the one that gives meaning to who we are and what we do. Every celebration of the Eucharist and the other mysteries refers to it as the source of inspiration and meaning.

The resurrection is the feast of feasts, the queen of all feasts. Originally the Church celebrated only one feast, the resurrection itself, which was recalled and renewed each Sunday at the celebration of the Divine Mysteries. Soon, however, it began to recall the Passover of the Lord and His victorious resurrection in a special way once a year, in addition to the weekly commemoration of the resurrection. Eventually, this annual celebration of the Lord's resurrection was prepared for by a season of prayer, fasting and penance - Lent, and the feast itself was extended for fifty days.

The Church, thus, now celebrates the resurrection of the Lord for a week of weeks (fifty days): from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday (the fiftieth day).

Today's feast is one of joy and peace: *"Peace to those who are far and good hope to those who are near, for Christ has risen from the grave and has gathered those who were scattered and given them joy."*

The joy and peace that flow from the Lord's resurrection are expressed today by the rite of peace which follows the gospel in the Divine Liturgy. The cross is removed from the tomb where it has rested since Great Friday and is draped in white. It is carried through the church accompanied by hymns of praise and joy. The priest solemnly blesses the congregation with the glorious cross and then presents it to them that they might adore it.

By His living cross Christ has saved us from going astray and given us a way to heaven. Through the cross peace and harmony reign among God's people and we are led to perfection.

And so filled with peace and with joyful hearts we proclaim: *A glorious morning has dawned and night has fled. Light has conquered, and night has been destroyed.*



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*Sunday April 08, 2007: Easter Sunday*

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A stylized illustration of an angel with large, feathered wings, wearing a white robe and a halo, standing with arms outstretched.

**“He  
is risen;  
he is not here.”**

**MARK 16:6**

**Easter Sunday, April 8, 2007 at Midnight**

For Members and benefactors of St. Anthony's, living and deceased

**Easter Sunday, April 8, 2007 at 11:00 o'clock**

Special Intention

**Daily Liturgy in the Chapel at 9:00 A.M.**

**Monday:** Abe and Julia Massad  
**Tuesday:** Catherine Redye  
**Wednesday:** No Morning Liturgy  
**Thursday:** Betty Ressler  
**Friday:** George & Mary Herro and Lorraine Herro  
**Saturday:** Rita Oley

**Sunday, April 15, 2007 at 8:30 A.M.**

George and Annie Mehfoud and Mehfoud family

**Sunday, April 15, 2007 at 11:00 o'clock**

Charlie and Rita Oley, their parents and deceased siblings

**Sunday, April 22, 2007 at 8:30 A.M.**

Charles and Alice Anthony

**Sunday, April 15, 2007 at 11:00 o'clock**

Nina and Joseph Kouri and their son Leo

**Scripture Readings**

**Sunday April 15, 2007, New Sunday**

2 Cor. 5:11-21; John 20:26-31

**Upcoming Lebanese Food Festival**

**Cooking for the Festival** is every Tuesday following the 9:00 A.M. Liturgy and Thursday evenings from 4:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. Please give them a hand and help make this upcoming festival a success. There is room for everyone and everyone is needed. For more information about the kitchen crew, contact either Theresa Shibley, Janet Fodill or Rosie Shaia. The festival itself will take place **May 18, 19, 20, 2007**. Dance Practice for the festival is every **Thursday at 6:30 P.M.**

**Mother-Daughter Brunch**

**Sunday, May 6, 2007** following the 11:00 o'clock Liturgy, we will have a Mother/Daughter Breakfast in the social hall.

**May Procession and Crowning of the Blessed Mother**

**Sunday, May 6, 2007** following the 8:30 A.M., Liturgy, we will have our annual May Procession and Crowning of the Blessed Mother.

**A Big Thank You**

A big Thank You to His Excellency Bishop Stephen Hector Doueihy for his presence among us during this Holy Week.

A **big Thank You** to all of you for your generosity with our "Lenten project" to send Easter goodies to some of the troops in Iraq. On Wednesday, April 4, 2007 we shipped 46 boxes filled with Easter goodies to "Alpha Co, Camp Cedar II," which is a Virginia unit stationed in Southern Iraq. May God reward you and bless you for all you do.

**Coffee Hour**

Coffee hour for Sunday, **April 15, 2007** will be prepared by **Mary Moore and Suzanne Hendrix**.

*A Blessed and Joyful Easter to Each of You. May our Risen Savior fill your hearts with Special Graces this Easter Sunday and all the days of your lives.*

**Readers**

**Sunday April 15, 2007 at 8:30 A.M.**

John Aaron

**Sunday April 15, 2007 at 11:00 o'clock**

Leo Maynes

**Ushers**

**Sunday April 15, 2007 at 8:30 A.M.**

Paul Thomas, Michael Shulleeta, Edward (Sonny) Shibley and Leigh McDaniel

**Sunday, April 15, 2007 at 11:00 o'clock**

Daniel Fadool, George Yesbeck, Jr., Danny Shibley, Jr., Brandon Shulleeta and Raymond Khoury

**Altar Boys**

**Sunday April 15, 2007 at 8:30 A.M.**

Michael Maynes and Christopher Fahed

**Sunday April 15, 2007 at 11:00 o'clock**

Tom & Vince Shibley, Alex Goodman and Lawrence Talej.

**Choir Practice**

Tuesday, April 17, 2007 at 7:00 P.M., there will be a choir practice for both Liturgies.

**Sunday School**

Sunday School will resume on Sunday, April 15, 2007 following the 8:30 A.M., Liturgy



# Just for KIDS

## A Special Song of Thanks

Use the music code to find the words for this familiar song of thanks.

CODE:				
A ≡	E ♪	I ♪	O ♪	U ≡
B ♪	F ♪	L <	P ♪	V ♪
C ♪	G ♪	M ^	R ♪	W #
D ♪	H ♪	N ♪	S ♪	X ∞
			T ≡	Y ♪

  


**Challenge: What do we commonly call this song?**

The 

**HE IS RISEN!**  
**HE IS NOT HERE.**  
**M A R K 1 6 : 6**