

Saint Mary Roman Catholic Church

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Rev. Patrick Keane, Pastor

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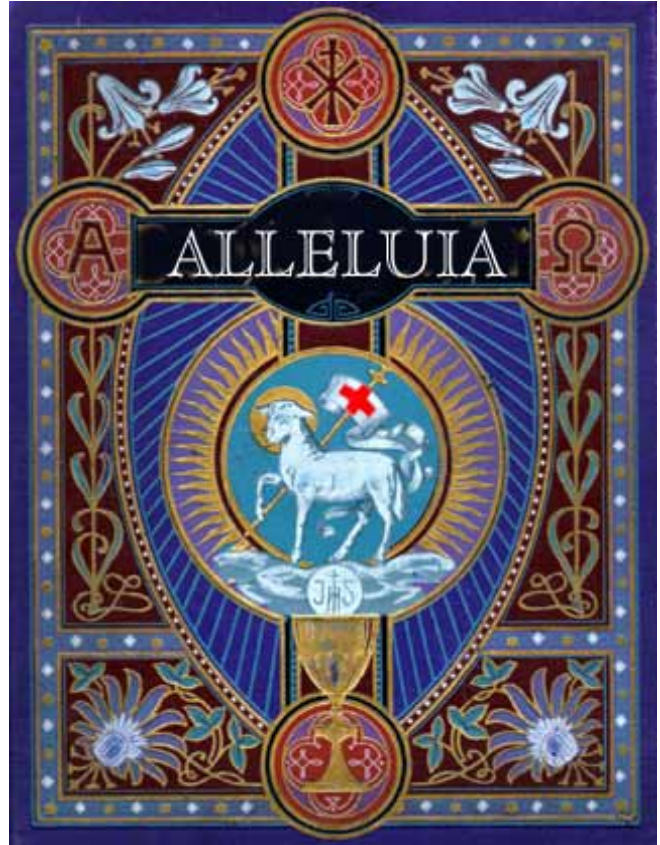
April 20, 2014—Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

"What do you know?" is the question linking all three readings today. Imagine the shock waves that shot through the city of Jerusalem that first Easter morning. Jesus' body was missing! By the time Peter spoke the words found in today's first reading, fifty days had passed, so he began by saying, in effect, "I take it you know what has been reported all over Judea about Jesus of Nazareth." Of course they knew by then, but in today's Gospel we are taken back to the first day. We meet Mary Magdalene exclaiming, "We don't know where they put him!"

What do we know? In the second reading Paul asks, "Do you not know that a little yeast leavens all the dough?" Do we know the power of our own faith? Do we know the effect we can have on others?

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

Weekend

Saturday Vigil

5:00PM English Sábado ~ 5:00 PM En Inglés
7:00PM Spanish Sábado ~ 7:00 PM En Español

Sunday

10:00 AM English Domingo ~ 10:00 AM En Inglés
1:00 PM Spanish Domingo ~ 1:00 PM En Español

Weekdays

9:00 AM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
 lunes, martes, jueves, Viernes

7:00 PM jueves en Español

No Mass on Wednesday No hay Misa los miércoles

Holy Days

9:00 AM and 7:00 PM No Vigil Masses

Adoración al Santísimo 9:00 AM y 7:00 PM

First Friday Adoration begins after morning Mass
and ends with Benediction at 7:00 PM.

Todos los viernes primero de mes de 10:00 AM a 7:00 PM

WELCOME VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS

New members may register by calling the parish office (weekdays from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM).

Mission Statement

Saint Mary is a diverse Catholic community working together to live the Gospel, grow in faith through the Eucharist, and share our gifts in service to others.

WELCOME HOME RETURNING CATHOLICS

Landings is designed to help people return to Mass and the Sacraments.

Call the office for information.

PARISH DIRECTORY

CHURCH

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 Mrs. Debbie Gambella, Parish Secretary.....ext. 10
 Mrs. Kathy Hennessy, Parish Secretary.....ext. 26
 Mrs. Tracey Davis, Parish Bookkeeper.....ext. 28
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 Mrs. Vicki Ellis, Choir Director, 10:00 AM
 Mr. Philip Eubanks, Organist
 Mr. Van Tran, Sacristan

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PASTORAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Chair Hank Daniels, Vice-Chair John Marguglio
 Secretary Sharon Thomas
 Finance Council Chair John Heeden
 Steve Balli, Richard Conger, Sheila Covar, Tiffany Ingram,
 Sam Jernigan, Joseph Jones, Paula Long.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Penance and Reconciliation

Saturday ~ celebrated from 4-4:30 PM and by appointment.

Baptism

Baptisms are during Mass the third weekend of each month.
 Preparation is required *before scheduling* the time and date.
 Call the Parish Office to register for baptismal class.

Marriage

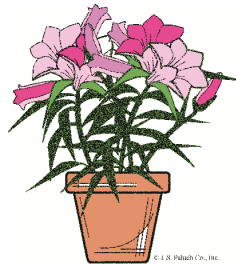
Contact the Deacon *six months in advance* of the ceremony.

Sacrament of the Sick

If you wish to receive the sacrament of the sick during a prolonged illness or before surgery, please call the office.

Communion

If you wish to receive communion from a Eucharistic Minister due to illness, age, or handicap, please call the office. These visits are made after the Mass has been celebrated.



Easter Flowers are in Memory or in Honor of our Friends and Family.
 We thank all our Parishioners who so generously donated to the beautiful Easter Flowers.

The Sanctuary Lamp
 for the week of April 20 to April 26
Church Lamp: will be lit in Loving Memory of
Betty Biasca
 By
 Vickie Robertson & Family

Mass Intentions for April 19 to April 27, 2014

Saturday,	8:30 p.m.	Easter Vigil
Sunday,	8 a.m.	Tempie Farfour, dec. by Juanita Mansour & Nita Mansour Mosure
	10 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Slauch Family by Francis Lawrence
	1 p.m.	Pro Populo
Monday		No Mass
Tuesday		No Mass
Wednesday		No Mass
Thursday		No Mass
Friday		No Mass
Saturday,	5 p.m.	Eloise Smith, dec. by Judy Benedetto
	7 p.m.	Joseph Pirozzi, dec. by Dawn Fratantuono & family
Sunday,	10 a.m.	Frankie Simmons, dec. by Judy Cordeiro
	1 p.m.	Pro Populo

**The Parish Office will be closed Easter Monday
April 21st.**

Parish Calendar



If you took a Rice Bowl as part of your Lenten sacrifice please, be sure to return it to the Church on Sunday, April 27th or bring it to the Church office on Monday, April 28th. Thank you.

Attention Adults This Is For You!!!!

Everything you always wanted to know and understand about the "Creed".
Join us for this 6 week course starting Wednesday, April 30th at 7:00pm in the FFO. This course presents a theological foundation in the doctrine of the faith. Participants will deepen their knowledge of the basic beliefs stated in the Creed. Register on-line at dioceseofraleigh.org.

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Sunday after Easter Sunday is celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday. Please, join us for the Chaplet Of Divine Mercy at 3:00pm in the Chapel on Sunday, April 27th.

April is Prevent Child Abuse Month

On Monday, April 28th at 5:30pm, in the Chapel, we will hold a Rosary and Prayer Service for Prevent Child Abuse Month. Let us come together as a community and pray for the safety of all children and for a healing of those who have been abused.

Please, show that you care by attending this service.



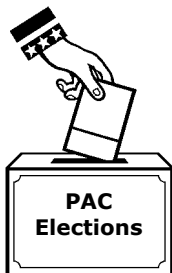
"HighNooners" Book Club

If you like to read why not consider joining St. Mary's bookclub. We meet the 3rd Thursday of most months at noon. Meetings are held in the Faith Formation Office and are

casual. If you are interested please call the Parish Office at 919-734-5033 ext. 10 or 26.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, April 24th.

Auction Committee Meeting Monday, April 21st at 6:00pm in the Lounge. Please, make every effort to attend. Thank You.



**Pastoral Advisory Council Elections
Coming up April 26 & 27, 2014**

Saint Mary Pastoral Advisory Council Elections will take place on April 26 and 27. A list of those parishioners who have been nominated was distributed for your review the weekend of April 12-13.

Please review the list of nominees and be prepared to vote for these important positions on April 26-27.

Sunday, April 20-Easter Sunday

- * Mass, Church, (English), 8:00am
- * Mass, Church, (English), 10:00am
- * Mass, Church, (Spanish), 1:00pm
- * **No Faith Formation Classes**

Monday, April 21

- * Parish Office & School Office closed
- * Auction Committee Meeting, Lounge, 6:00pm

Tuesday, April 22

- * SVDP Meeting, 6th grade classroom, 6:00pm
- * Perpetual Novena, Chapel, 6:45pm
- * Legion of Mary, Library, 7:00pm

Wednesday, April 23

- * No Meetings

Thursday, April 24

- * "High Nooners" Book Club, FFO, noon
- * 10:00am Choir Practice, Church, 7:00pm

Friday, April 25

- * Spanish Language Choir Practice, Church, 6:00pm

Saturday, April 26

- * 5:00pm Choir Practice, Church, 3:30pm
- * TYM Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser, Cafeteria, after 5:00pm Mass

Sunday, April 27-Divine Mercy Sunday

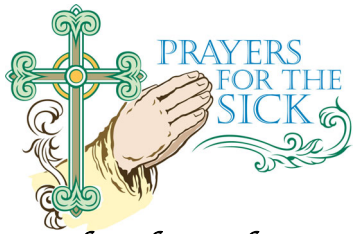
- * **No Faith Formation Classes**
- * RCIA, Lounge, after 10:00am Mass
- * Spanish Language Choir Practice, Church, after 1:00pm Mass
- * Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Chapel, 3:00pm
- * K of C Spring Social, Auditorium, 3:00pm

**It's Coming...the 7th St. Mary Family Life Center
Golf Tournament
Wednesday, May 7, 2014
Walnut Creek Country Club 1:00pm tee-off
We still need hole sponsors, team sponsors and
TEAMS...
call the Parish Office at 919-734-5033
ext. 10 or 26.**

Offertory Report

April 6	\$9,995.66
Budgeted:	\$7,750.00
Over (Under)	\$2,245.66

Saint Mary School Support: \$1,416.38
Second Collection April 27: Catholic Home Missions



In our thoughts and prayers:

Pray for the intentions of those in nursing facilities, the homebound, the chronically ill, and those who are critically ill.

Please remember in a special way the following parishioners who have requested your prayers: Ralph Bailey, Judy Cordeiro, Lee Davis, Marjorie Dixon, Hattie Evans, Agnes Harris, Bill Irvine, Diane Kendall, Bertha Kish, Erma Lawrence, Denise Lewis, Dorothy Lewis, Billie Myers, Wilbur & Mary Perry, Benjamin Raposa, Natlie Ulrey and Terry Williams.

If you would like your name included in the Prayers for the Sick in the Bulletin please contact our coordinators for "Prayers for the Sick", Gloria at 919-734-3810 or JoAnn at 919-736-7266.

Please also remember in your prayers all of our parishioners who are in the military especially those who are deployed.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Matthew 28:8-15
- Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Psalm 33:4-5, 18-20; John 20:11-18
- Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Psalm 105:1-4, 6-9; Luke 24:13-35
- Thursday: Acts:3:11-26; Psalm 8:2, 5-9; Luke 24:35-48
- Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Psalm 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; John 21:1-14
- Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Psalm 118:1, 14-21; Mark 16:9-15
- Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

Don't forget your cookies for our Airmen on Base! They really look forward to those home baked cookies.

Just drop your cookies off any Monday at the Parish Office during regular business hours.

The Parish Office is closed Monday, April 21st so if you make cookies you can drop them to us on Tuesday, April 22nd this week. Thank you.



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Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II: Beloved Popes

Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II were beloved popes known for their openness, their sense of humor and their humble and generous spirits.

Pope John XXII

One writer said of Pope John XXIII, "There was something about his buoyant personality and self-deprecating humor; his willingness to affirm rather than condemn, that attracted so many to him." Many referred to him as the "Good Pope." Once, visiting a hospital, he asked a boy what he wanted to be when he grew up. The boy said either a policeman or a Pope. "I would go in for the police if I were you," the Holy Father said. "Anyone can become a Pope, look at me!"

But Pope John was not merely funny. As Pope Francis said, "He was holy, patient and especially in calling the Second Vatican Council, a man of courage."

Pope John Paul II

"There are so many YouTube videos of him laughing!" a young woman recently remarked. And like Pope John, he could make others laugh. Known for his brilliant intellect, he once quipped, "Stupidity is also a gift of God, but one mustn't misuse it."

Pope John Paul II's contagious joy came from a courage inspired by trust in God. Perhaps his most famous phrase, which he repeated countless times at World Youth Days, an event he founded, was, "Do not be afraid." And he never was. "Never abandon yourselves to despair," he told one gathering of young people. "We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song!"

Treasures From Our Tradition

The Lenten journey is now complete, its mission of renewal and preparation to receive new life fulfilled. The call to worship the Risen Lord has been received, and we gather to experience together the consoling presence of Christ in word and sacrament. We are at our best today, crowded and cramped to be sure, but the fullest sign of who we are meant to be. Christ has claimed us in the waters of baptism, we have acquired wonderful companions, and together we can accomplish great things.

This is the day for rekindling the old flames of baptismal commitment, so we light the paschal candle, and by its light we make yet again the ancient promises to reject evil's grip and empty promises. Today we do not recite the Creed, but respond with one voice to age-old questions. New life has to be nurtured, both the life of the newly baptized and the renewed life of those who have passed through Lent's refining prayer, fasting, and giving alms. At any Mass during the next fifty days, you may be surprised by grace and splashed by water!

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HSTYM

ST. MARY'S TOTAL YOUTH MINISTRY

*"Making A Difference for Jesus"***Faith Formation Schedule**

Sunday, April 20—No Faith Formation Classes—Easter Sunday.

Sunday, April 27—No Faith Formation Classes

Tuesday, April 29th—Confirmation, 6:00pm

Sunday, May 4—Middle & High School Faith Formation, 11:30am to 12:45pm. This includes Confirmation students.

St. Mary TYM Information

Saturday, April 26—Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser after 5:00pm Mass in the Cafeteria. Donations are welcome and will help with our Mission Trips this summer.

Friday, May 2—Parish Auction—TYM has been asked to help with the serving at the Auction. If you are interested in helping please contact Corey or Deacon Webster.

MSTYM**Respect Life****Easter Prayer for Life****By: Priests for Life**

**Lord Jesus, in rising from the dead,
You have conquered the entire kingdom
of death. Make me a voice for life.
Especially for children threatened
by abortion.
Fill me with Easter joy.
For you live and reign forever and ever.
Amen.**



The latest statistics show that 1,560 children died as a result of child abuse and neglect in 2010. The same year, there were 695,000 unique victims of child abuse and neglect. **We don't need any more reasons.**

Marriage and the Reception of the Sacraments

The marriage covenant, by which a man and a woman form with each other an intimate communion of life and love, has been founded and endowed with its own special laws by the Creator. By its very nature it is ordered to the good of the couple, as well as to the generation and education of children. Christ the Lord raised marriage between the baptized to the dignity of a sacrament...CCC 1660

For Catholics, the proper form of marriage is to be married in the presence of a Deacon, Priest or Bishop. If a Catholic is married outside of Church law he or she is not able to receive the Sacraments, particularly Communion, Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick unless as a couple they are living in perfect continence as brother and sister.

The Church regards marriage as a very sacred act but acknowledges that some marriages may need to end through civil divorce. Divorce is not a sin or a stigma that bars someone from receiving the sacraments. The problem is if someone who is divorced remarries without presenting to the Church the prior marriage to have it declared null, they are not free to attempt marriage on their own outside of Church law. This comes from Christ who says three different times in the gospels that the one who divorces and remarries commits adultery. Christ has entrusted to the Church the authority to bind and loose and we praise God that we have access to such a healing remedy through Holy Mother Church.

If you find yourself in the situation where you are married outside of Church law or would like to pursue a decree of nullity for a prior marriage, please contact Fr. Pat or Deacon Webster at your convenience. We want all of the members of the Body of Christ to be in perfect union with Our Lord. May God bless you abundantly now and always.

Remember to Pray

- **Pray for children** at risk of child abuse and neglect in your community. Pray for their protection. Pray for them by name.
- **Pray for parents.** Children with parents who are isolated or who lack essential resources are at higher risk for abuse and neglect. Pray for patience and grace. Pray that they will receive help and hope. Ask God to provide an opportunity for you to be a support to a parent in need.
- **Pray for the workers.** Every day men and women rescue children and work to strengthen parents so that children are safe. They need wisdom, strength, patience and grace.

Remember to Reach Out

- Seek an opportunity to build into the life of a young, single parent or a family at risk.
- **Offer help.** Get to know your neighbors. Be a resource.
- **Support** new parents.
- **Organize** a parenting class or parent-support group for single parents in your church and community.
- **Volunteer** at a local agency or ministry that reaches out to children and families at-risk.

Mark your calendar to join us on Monday, April 28th at 5:30pm in the Chapel for a Rosary and Prayer Service for children and families at risk. Child abuse can be prevented but we all need to do our part to help. Prayer is a way to help.



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April 20, 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As the Church celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the words of the psalmist echo in our hearts: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad." We rejoice in Christ's triumph over sin and death and recognize that in Him we discover newness of life.

We are privileged to share in Christ's victory through the sacraments of the Church, which restore us to a life of grace. Thus, we are inspired to draw ever closer to Our Lord Jesus, most especially in our frequent celebration of the Sacrament of Penance and our faithful participation in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and reception of the Holy Eucharist, the source of our strength.

With the apostles and disciples, we too are sent forth to be witnesses to the Risen Lord. We do so through the holiness of our lives, the practice of our faith and the generous outreach and compassion we extend to others, particularly those most in need. More than ever, others need to see the joy we have in our relationship with Jesus and in our commitment to live according to His Gospel. In this way, we invite others to faith in Jesus Christ and contribute to building up the Church.

During this Easter season, I pray that God will renew our faith in Christ's victory over sin and death. May Our Risen Lord abundantly bless you and your family with His peace and joy in this holy season and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael F. Burbidge".

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Raleigh



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Abril 20 de 2014

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo:

Al celebrar la Iglesia la resurrección de Jesucristo, las palabras del salmista hacen eco en nuestros corazones: "Este es el día en que actuó el Señor: sea nuestra alegría y nuestro gozo". Nos regocijamos en el triunfo sobre el pecado y la muerte, y reconocemos que en Él descubrimos la novedad de la vida.

Somos privilegiados al compartir la victoria de Cristo mediante los sacramentos de la Iglesia, que nos restauran a una vida de gracia. Por lo tanto, estamos inspirados a crecer más cerca de Nuestro Señor Jesús, especialmente en la celebración de los Sacramentos de Penitencia y nuestra fiel participación en el Sagrado Sacrificio de la Misa y en la recepción de la Santa Eucaristía, fuente de nuestra fortaleza.

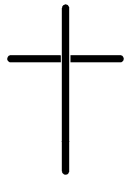
Con los apóstoles y discípulos, también nosotros somos enviados a dar testimonio del Señor Resucitado. Lo hacemos a través de la santidad de nuestras vidas, la práctica de nuestra fe y la generosa acogida y compasión que extendemos a los demás, particularmente a los más necesitados. Más que nunca, otros necesitan ver la alegría que tenemos en nuestra relación con Jesús y en nuestro compromiso de vivir de acuerdo a Su Evangelio. De esta manera, invitamos a otros a tener fe en Jesucristo y contribuir a edificar la Iglesia.

Durante este tiempo Pascual, rezo para que Dios renueve nuestra fe en la victoria de Cristo sobre el pecado y la muerte. Que Nuestro Señor Resucitado le bendiga en abundancia a usted y su familia con Su paz y alegría en este tiempo sagrado y siempre.

Sinceramente en Cristo,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael F. Burbidge".

Reverendísimo Michael F. Burbidge
Obispo de Raleigh



Afirmación de misión

La parroquia de Santa María es una comunidad católica y diversa que trabaja unida para vivir el evangelio, crecer en fe por la Eucaristía y compartir nuestros talentos en servicio a otros.

Directorio

Padre Patrick Keane 919 734-5033 ext. 27
Bautismos—Elvira Ponce 919-252-0768

Sacramentos

Bautismo: Asistir a la preparación, padres y padrinos y fijar la fecha con el sacerdote.

Confesión: Sábados de 4:00pm a 4:30pm
Para enfermos en el hospital o en casa comuníquese con la parroquia.

Unción de los Enfermos: Si usted quiere recibir el sacramento por enfermedad u operación favor de comunicárnoslo.

Comunión para enfermos: Si tiene algún familiar en el hospital o en casa que desee recibir la comunión comuníquese con la parroquia.

Matrimonios: Iniciar la preparación con seis meses de anticipación.

Pláticas Pre-Bautismales

Requisitos:

- Asistir a las pláticas, padres y padrinos
- Traer copia del acta de nacimiento del niño (a)
- Traer copia del acta de matrimonio de los padrinos
- Llenar una solicitud por niño.
- Estar registrados o registrarse en la parroquia.

Confirmaciones

- Estar bautizado
- Haber hecho la primera comunión
- Ser mayor de 15 años

Presentación de 3 Años

Requisitos:

- Solicitarla 2 meses antes
- Estar bautizado (a)
- Donación

XV Años

Si cumples y/o deseas celebrar tus XV años en los primeros 6 meses del año te invitamos a inscribirte para la preparación:

Requisitos:

- Estar bautizada
- Haber hecho la primera Comunión
- Inscribirse con 4 meses de anticipación
- Asistir a la preparación
- Donación

Abogado Certificado en Migración

El ministerio social católico tiene un abogado autorizado y reconocido para casos de migración Si usted necesita algún servicio comuníquese con:

Jim Palmer Tel. (252) 355-5111 (Habla español)
2717 Memorial Boulevard, Greenville

¿QUÉ LES PARECE?

"¿Qué les parece?" es la pregunta que une a las tres lecturas de hoy. Imagínense el choque que estremeció a Jerusalén esta primera mañana de Pascua. ¡El cuerpo de Jesús no estaba! Cuando Pedro pronunció las palabras de la primera lectura de hoy, habían pasado cincuenta días y por eso empezó diciendo: "Ustedes saben lo sucedido en toda Judea sobre Jesús de Nazaret . . ." Por supuesto sabían lo ocurrido, pero en el Evangelio de hoy nos transportamos al primer día. Nos encontramos con María Magdalena exclamando: "¡No sabemos dónde lo han puesto!"
¿Qué sabemos nosotros? En la segunda lectura Pablo pregunta: "¿No saben que basta un poco de levadura para transformar toda la masa?" ¿Conocemos el poder de nuestra propia fe? ¿Sabemos el efecto que tenemos en los demás?

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Hace 3,000 años los chinos pintaban huevos de pato para celebrar la primavera. Los egipcios pintaban huevos en honor de la diosa Ishtar, mientras ingleses y alemanes lo hacían para celebrar al sol. Eventualmente la práctica continuó en honor de la resurrección de Cristo.

La costumbre de esconder huevos hervidos y pintados ha tomado nueva vida entre los mexicanos. Cada Cuaresma mi mamá solía guardar los cascarones de los huevos que nos comíamos. Recuerdo con alegría la costumbre de colorear los cascarones el Sábado de Gloria para que la coneja nos los escondiera para la Pascua. Al día siguiente, después de Misa nos reuníamos a buscar cascarones y romperlos sobre la cabeza de quien se arrimara, para bañarlos con el confeti multicolor.

La costumbre de celebrar la Pascua con cascarones decorados es una bella tradición. Esta costumbre muestra que todas las naciones pueden agregar a la Iglesia cristiana tradiciones propias de su cultura, ya que Jesucristo dio su vida por todas ellas. Es justo celebrar la Resurrección del autor de la vida con símbolos de fecundidad y todos los colores del gozo.

--Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

Reflexionemos sobre la Palabra de Dios

Los reporteros de deportes describen los partidos en el tiempo presente. Un locutor de televisión anunciará de esta manera la jugada que ganó el partido: "Si no se recupera, su equipo terminará no ganando". Una periodista que escribe para la edición del siguiente día redactará así: "Es en el tiro de esquina que se apunta el gol". El propósito de esta técnica es para hacernos sentir que estamos presenciando el partido aquí y ahora.

El uso del tiempo presente en las Escrituras que describen los sucesos de la Pascua no tiene nada que ver con la técnica de ningún reportero. Se trata del centro de nuestra fe en la Resurrección. Sí, Cristo resucitó de entre los muertos hace dos mil años, pero ése es sólo el comienzo de la historia. Cristo ha resucitado y nosotros *somos* testigos de ese suceso aquí y ahora. Los que han renacido en el Bautismo, han sido ungidos en la Confirmación, y comieron y bebieron con el Señor en la Eucaristía de la Vigilia Pascual pueden dar testimonio de esa verdad. Cristo resucitado derrama su Espíritu dador de vida hoy sobre todos los creyentes. Al dar testimonio de nuestra fe sería bueno seguir el ejemplo de los reporteros de deportes y del salmista, que canta: "Éste es el día en que actuó el Señor, festejémonos y alegrémonos con él". ¡Aleluya!

—Virginia Stillwell

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Hechos 2:14, 22-33; Salmo 16 (15):1-2, 5, 7-11; Mateo 28:8-15
Martes:	Hechos 2:36-41; Salmos 33 (32):4-5, 18-20, 22; Juan 20:11-18
Miércoles:	Hechos 3:1-10; Salmos 105 (104):1-4, 6-9; Lucas 24:13-35
Jueves:	Hechos 3:11-26; Salmos 8:2, 5-9; Lucas 24:35-48
Viernes:	Hechos 4:1—12; Salmos 118 (117):1-2, 4, 22-27; Juan 21:1-14
Sábado:	Hechos 4:13-21; Salmos 118 (117):1, 14-21; Marco 16:9-15
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Vivamos la Palabra de Dios

Somos "los testigos elegidos de antemano por Dios, que comimos y bebimos con él después que resucitó de entre los muertos" (Hechos 10:41). ¿Reconocemos la presencia de Cristo resucitado y estamos abiertos a recibir el Espíritu dador de vida en la Eucaristía?

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