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## MARCH 31, 2024

## EASTER SUNDAY, RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m.  
& 12:00 p.m.

Saturday: 7:00 a.m.  
& 12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.  
(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

Sunday: 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m.,  
10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.  
& 6:00 p.m.

### RECONCILIATION

Wednesday & Saturday  
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
(unless noted in bulletin)

### Devotions

First Friday

Adoration/Benediction  
at 10:00 a.m.

First Saturday

Adoration after 7:00 a.m. Mass  
(unless noted in bulletin)

### PARISH OFFICE

MONDAY through FRIDAY  
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
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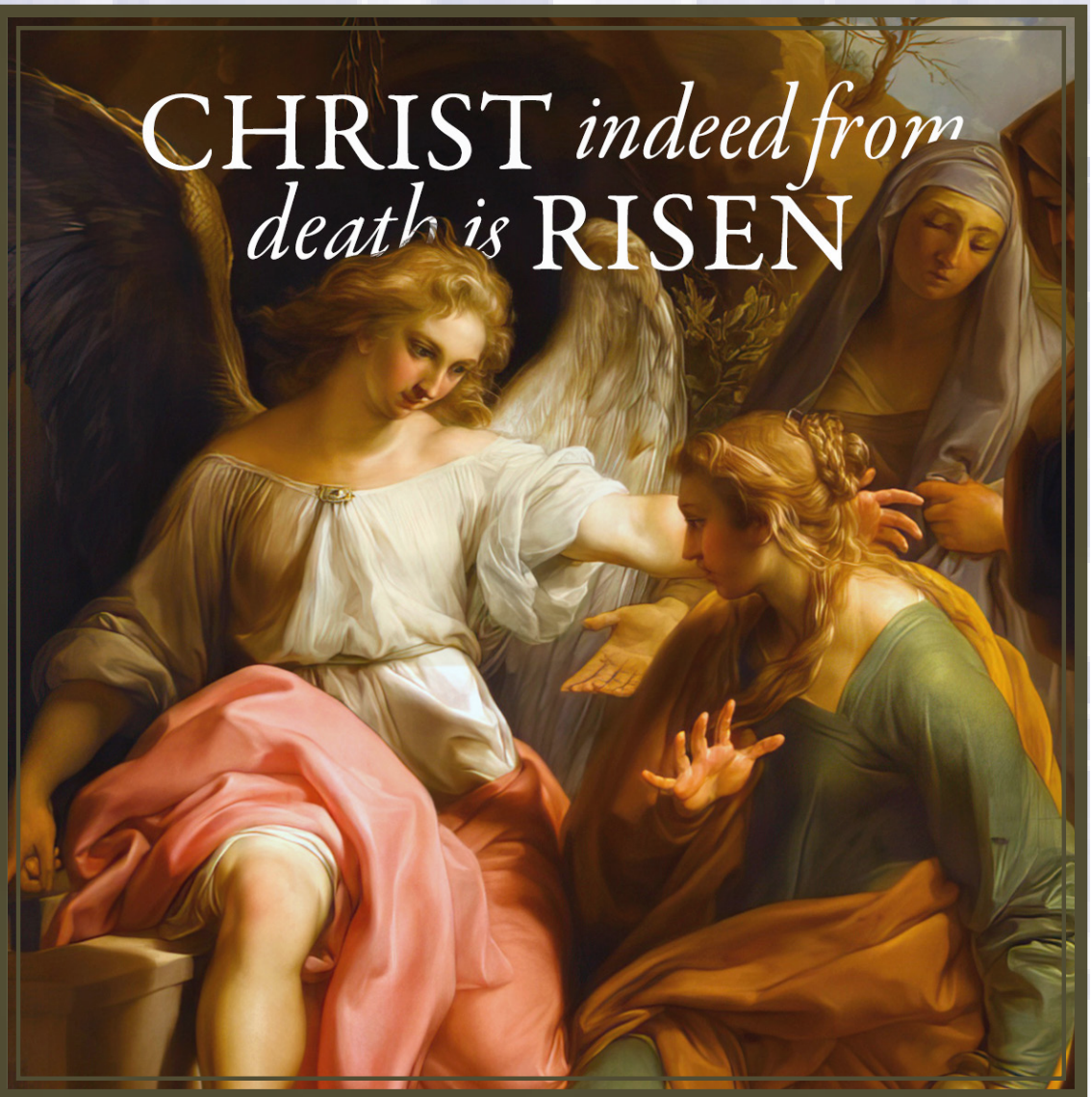


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**This week's Readings:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;  
Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; John: 20:1-9

**Next week's Readings:** Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;  
1 John 5:1-6; Victimae Paschali Laudes; John: 20:19-31



**"ENVISIONING THE FUTURE"**

Beloved Disciples of Christ,

Greetings of peace, love, and joy!

There is no doubt that we all aspire to the good things to come. Amid the many difficulties we experienced in the past, we look forward to a bright future. Equipped with knowledge and wisdom, we all can make things better from the worse and further the goodness of the past to make it even better, if not the best. To envision is a great quality every human being needs to have. It motivates or inspires anyone to keep the present truly life-enriching. But we can not do this envisioning by ourselves. We need to draw inspiration from somewhere or someone, and this can only be brought about by the one who showed us the Way, the Truth, and the Life, Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ showed us how we can envision our future as He brought light that overcame darkness, the triumph of life over death, love over despair, and hope over fear. This is what Easter brings into our journey of life and faith. Jesus' Resurrection teaches us that every ending can lead to a beautiful new beginning. It encourages us to look forward with optimism and know that with faith, love, and compassion, we can overcome any obstacle in life. With His great mercy and forgiveness, we can rise from our stumbling life of sin and live a life filled with grace. It is through this that we share in the Resurrection of Jesus here and now and when that day and time will come to glory with Him in His Kingdom.

Christ's Resurrection assures us of what is given to us in faith and the hope of entering into His kingdom. His Resurrection also gives us the courage to face the many challenges we encounter today. His deep trust in the will of the Father moved Him to go through Suffering and Death, and so to rise from the dead. In the same spirit of deep faith and trust, we can go through our pains and difficulties. We are given a new vision of how we can go about with our lives day by day.

May this Easter fill your heart with peace, your mind with clarity, and your life with joy. Rejoice in the miracle of Resurrection and the endless possibilities that await us.

Jesus is Risen! Hallelujah to our Lord and Redeemer!

Your friend in Jesus,

*Fr. P. Abaya IV*

**Fr. Pascual Abaya IV**  
**Rector**



## CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 31

**Easter Sunday, Resurrection of the Lord**

Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm  
Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, April 1

Monday in the Octave of Easter  
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Tuesday, April 2

Tuesday in the Octave of Easter  
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Wednesday, April 3

Wednesday in the Octave of Easter  
No Scheduled Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Thursday, April 4

Thursday in the Octave of Easter  
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Friday, April 5

Friday in the Octave of Easter  
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Saturday, April 6

Saturday in the Octave of Easter  
Mass & Adoration at 7:00am  
Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am  
Mass at 12:00pm  
Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, April 7

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)**

Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm  
Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

## SCRIPTURE

Before we can rejoice, Paul tells us that we must clean house. Banish the “old yeast . . . of malice and wickedness” (1 Corinthians 5:8) and start fresh, he tells us. In biblical times, each spring the yeast used for bread-making during the previous year was tossed away and new yeast was grown. Paul urges us to do the same: toss away our former ways of thinking and doing things so we can embrace the new life made possible by Christ’s Resurrection. But embracing the Resurrection requires deep conviction that Jesus was who he said he was. The First Reading from Acts speaks with that kind of conviction. They saw Jesus heal those “oppressed by the devil” (Acts 10:38) and they believed. Two thousand years later, we still believe even without eyewitness experience. But can that be? Are we still relying on the experience of a small band of disciples so many years ago? Yes and no. Of course, we stand on the faith of the Apostles. But had we not experienced the power of Christ in our own lives, had we not seen Jesus freeing people from the power of evil, we surely would have given up this faith long ago. Mary Magdalene found the empty tomb and Peter entered it first, but it was John who “saw and believed” (John 20:8). From that belief has come the faith of billions for two millennia. Let us stand with John today, seeing and believing.

## SHARING FAITH

In the face of the empty tomb, which reaction do you most identify with: Mary’s panic and assumption of foul play, Peter’s bewilderment, or John’s belief?

Does faith in Christ require you to tell the world about Jesus and his Resurrection, or is that a personal conviction for your own spirituality?

Why do you think the Church considers the suffering, death, and Resurrection of Jesus the central mystery of our faith?

## LIVING THE LITURGY

Jesus “commissioned” us as well as his first disciples to “preach to the people and testify” about the Resurrection. Write down your credo, or statement of belief, about Christ’s Resurrection and carry it with you throughout the next month.

Make a list of the ways the “yeast of malice and wickedness” (1 Corinthians 5:8) has leavened parts of your life. Discuss it in a small group or with a trusted friend. After prayer, burn the list as a sign of the newness offered in Christ’s Resurrection.

Proclaim the Good News. For your front door, cut a long banner from white or golden-yellow felt. Cut or purchase letters to spell “Alleluia!” and affix these down the center of the banner. Provide glue and felt shapes, stick-on “jewels,” silk flowers, and other decorations, and encourage your family to make your banner beautiful.

## REFLECTION

“We are witnesses of all that he did . . .” (Acts 10:39).



**ICSC STEWARDSHIP****PRAYER****MISSION STATEMENT**

THE MISSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL IS TO FOSTER AN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH STEWARDSHIP IS UNDERSTOOD, ACCEPTED AND PRACTICED THROUGHOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for this new day, and another opportunity to give the traditions of Lent genuine meaning in my life.

Help me to be good steward of this day; to use it wisely to reflect on my words and deeds, review my habits, and correct my faults. Inspire me to live as Jesus did, to embrace his cross, and live the great paschal mystery in a way that gives hope to others.

Be merciful to me this day. Forgive me my failings and weaknesses. Cultivate in me a humble and repentant heart.

Prepare me for the renewal of my baptismal vows, today and throughout the season of Lent; so that at Easter I may truly rejoice in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Amen!

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

March 18 - 24, 2024

**Offertory Collection**

Sunday	\$ 8,792.56
Weekday	\$ 946.31
Other Feasts, Solemnities	\$ 743.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,326.79
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 11,808.66</b>

**Other Collection**

Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 80.00
Diocesan Collection	\$ 73.00
Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	\$ 2,107.00
Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	\$ 288.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 14,356.66</b>

**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL CONFERENCE**

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to encourage you and your parishioners to consider signing up for the National Eucharistic Revival Conference. This conference is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to the Eucharist in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. The conference will be held in Indianapolis from July 17-21, 2024.

The conference is part of a three-year revival initiative launched by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to rekindle devotion to the Eucharist. The initiative aims to help us return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist, which is more important than ever in these challenging times.

I encourage you to join thousands of fellow Catholics in nine days of prayer that will ignite your desire for transformation and instill a vision for the healing grace God wants to unleash in our world. You can learn more about the conference by going to their website at [www.eucharisticrevival.org](http://www.eucharisticrevival.org). The Diocese of Honolulu purchased tickets for this event – if you or your group would like to get tickets please email [euchcongress2024@rcchawaii.org](mailto:euchcongress2024@rcchawaii.org).

**OHANA IN CHRIST ANNUAL APPEAL**

Please support the Cathedral Basilica and our many Catholic ministries and services by contributing to the 2023-2024 Ohana in Christ Appeal. Our Catholic Church in Hawaii has many dimensions and continues to make significant impact in the communities we serve. Your generous gift will especially help support numerous ministries and services at our parishes, schools and beyond - as well as our Parish Priests and Deacons, Youth and Young Adult Ministry and those most in need. Mahalo for your generous Stewardship of Treasure. All gifts are important and appreciated. Please give online at [CatholicHawaii.org](http://CatholicHawaii.org).

**SAINT FOR THE WEEK**

If a man wants to be always in God's company, he must pray regularly and read regularly. When we pray, we talk to God; when we read, God talks to us.

**St. Isidore of Seville**, (560-636), Bishop of Seville, Feast Day, April 4