

A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER TO ALL! HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!!!

Excerpt from “Miracles” by C.S. Lewis

The central miracle asserted by Christians is the Resurrection. It is not one miracle among many, but the key to all the rest. What Christians claim is that God has intervened in history in a wholly new way—not merely to repair the old order of things, but to begin something altogether new. In the Resurrection, we are not presented with a simple reversal of death, but with the introduction of a new kind of life into the universe.

It is important to distinguish this from what might be called resuscitation. When Lazarus was raised, he returned to the same kind of life he had before, a life still subject to decay and death. But in the case of Christ, something different is claimed. He passes through death and emerges on the other side in a transformed mode of existence—no longer bound by the limitations of the natural order. This is not a return, but a transition into a new reality. It is, properly speaking, the beginning of the New Creation.

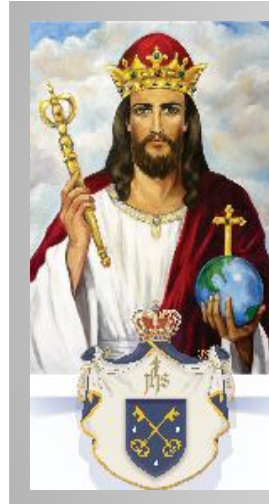
The earliest Christian preaching was centered on this claim. It did not begin as a system of ethics or a philosophy of life. Rather, it was the announcement that something had happened: that a man who had been crucified had afterward been seen alive. The apostles proclaimed themselves witnesses of this event, and the growth of Christianity depended on the acceptance of their testimony. Thus, the Resurrection stands at the heart of the faith not as a symbol or metaphor, but as a fact asserted by those who claimed to have encountered the risen Christ.

In this event, something entirely unprecedented appears in the universe. The Resurrection is the first instance of a new kind of life—one that is not merely prolonged biological existence, but a transformed, incorruptible life. It is as though a new dimension of reality has begun to break into the old. Just as the first appearance of life introduced something radically new into a previously lifeless world, so the Resurrection introduces a new order into a world still governed by death.

Christ has, as it were, forced open a door that had been locked since the fall of man. The barrier that confined human existence within the limits of mortality has been breached. What was once universally true—that death is final—has now been decisively challenged. This is not merely an isolated anomaly, but the beginning of a process that will ultimately transform all things.

The Resurrection, therefore, is both an event in history and the inauguration of a new reality. It is the first moment of that final renewal toward which creation itself is directed. What happened to Christ is not only unique, but also representative: he is the “first fruits” of a new humanity. The life that appeared in him is the life that will, in time, be shared by others.

Thus, the Resurrection is not simply evidence of divine power, nor merely a confirmation of Christ’s teaching. It is the decisive turning point in the history of the universe—the moment at which a new creation begins within the old, and the ultimate defeat of death is set in motion.



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Easter Sunday

April 5, 2026

“Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us, therefore, celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.” - 1 Cor 4:7-8

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Office Hours: 10am-3pm, Mon-Fri

Masses

Sunday: 7:00am, 8:30am,
10:30am (high), 1:00pm

Monday: 12:00pm
Tues, Wed, Thur: 7:00am & 9:00am
Friday: 9:00am & 6:30pm.
Saturday: 9:00 am.

Ocala:

Sunday: 4:30pm
Monday: 7:00am.

Confession: 30 min before Mass

Adoration: Fri 10am-6:15pm

Date and Time	Mass Intention	Requested By	
4-5	7:00 AM	NO MASS	
	8:30 AM	FSSP & preservation of traditional Mass	
	10:30 AM	The Holy Father	
	1:00 PM	CtK Priests, past & present	
4-6	12:00 PM	Therese Bichhoa Ly	N. Truong
4-7	7:00 AM	Susan Hemeryck	C. Marek
	9:00 AM	Gilbert+ & Theresa+ Hovland	M. Hovland
4-8	7:00 AM	Conversion of a loved one	Anonymous
	9:00 AM	My Godchildren	K.D.
4-9	7:00 AM	Diane M. Zettlemoyer+	Zettlemoyer family
	9:00 AM	Audrey Deitche+	M. Pruitt
4-10	9:00 AM	Claire Verdini+	Zilli family
	6:30 PM	Deceased members of Manganello family++	B & T Shehwen
4-11	9:00 AM	Priest's Intention	
4-12	7:00 AM	Maureen Hallagan+	B. Hallagan
	8:30 AM	Elizabeth Olmstead	C. Olmstead
	10:30 AM	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
	1:00 PM	Frank+ & Frances+ Maika	A. Phaup

“If all the prayers of loving hearts from the beginning of the world, and all the seraphic worship of the thrones and principalities of heaven, and the burning devotion and love of the Virgin Mother of God, and the voices of the all creatures of heaven and earth were offered up in one universal and harmonious act of praise and adoration, they would not equal or even approach in value and efficacy the infinite worth of a SINGLE MASS.”

Weekly Schedule	
St. Theresa Devotions Guild	Mon, Apr 6, 1-3 PM
Holy Face Devotions	Tue, Apr 7, 10:15 AM
Women's Lectio Divina	Tue, Apr 7, 4-5:30 PM
Sung Vespers	Weds, Apr 8, 6:00 PM
Fr. Bisig talk	Weds, Apr 8, 7:15 PM
Adoration	Fri, Apr 10 10AM-6:15 PM

Prayer Corner
Please pray for: Maryanne VanGelderen; Sciscenti family; Patricia Furlong; Debora Came; Robert Anstead, Richard B; Nicole Romano, Shehwen family, Antonio Negrin; Meadows family; Michelle McConville; Carol Labrecque; Stacy Steindorf, Terry Angley, Amanda Smith, Robert M; Wis family; McNamara family

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Triduum so prayerful and beautiful, i.e. choir, servers, ushers, decorators, etc.!

We brought **17 people** into the Church this year at Christ the King. There were 6 baptisms and 11 adult converts. It is by far a record for us. Last year we greatly surpassed the previous record with 7 people. This is part of a wider trend of an increase of converts to Catholicism. Please pray for our new Catholics and make sure to introduce yourself to them and welcome them to the parish!

Fr. Josef Bisig, one of the founders of the FSSP, and rector of our seminary in Nebraska, will be here to give a talk Wednesday evening April 8th, on the history of our foundation. **6:00pm vespers, 6:30 light refreshments, 7:15 talk.**

No youth catechism this week.

- Parish Groups**
- St. Joseph's Guild
 - St. Theresa Devotions Guild
 - Respect Life
 - Altar Servers
 - Choir
 - Youth Catechism
 - Youth Group
 - Holy Face Archconfraternity
 - Women's Book Club
 - Women's Lectio Divina Prayer Group

1962 Liturgical Calendar			
4-5	Easter Sunday	1	W
4-6	Easter Monday	1	W
4-7	Easter Tuesday	1	W
4-8	Easter Wednesday	1	W
4-9	Easter Thursday	1	W
4-10	Easter Friday	1	W
4-11	Easter Saturday	1	W
4-12	Low Sunday	1	W

From the Choir Loft: Easter Sunday 4/5/26: Entr: Be Joyful, Mary, Heavenly Queen SEC 847
Exit: Jesus Christ is Risen Today SEC 843

Happy Easter from the Choir!

Finances	Mass Attendance
<p>Last Sunday's collection: cash \$5,483.00; on-line \$2,068.00; CFA: \$1,516.67 <i>Do This in Memory of Me:</i> cash \$36,425.00; online \$4,855.56</p> <p>2026 CFA status at CtK as of March 31, 2026: \$96,000.00 assessment; \$42,611.67 pledged; \$16,346.67 paid. Thank you for your support!</p>	<p>March 22- 584 souls 7am- 73 8:30 am- 181 10:30 am- 218 1:00 pm- 112 Ocala- 342</p>