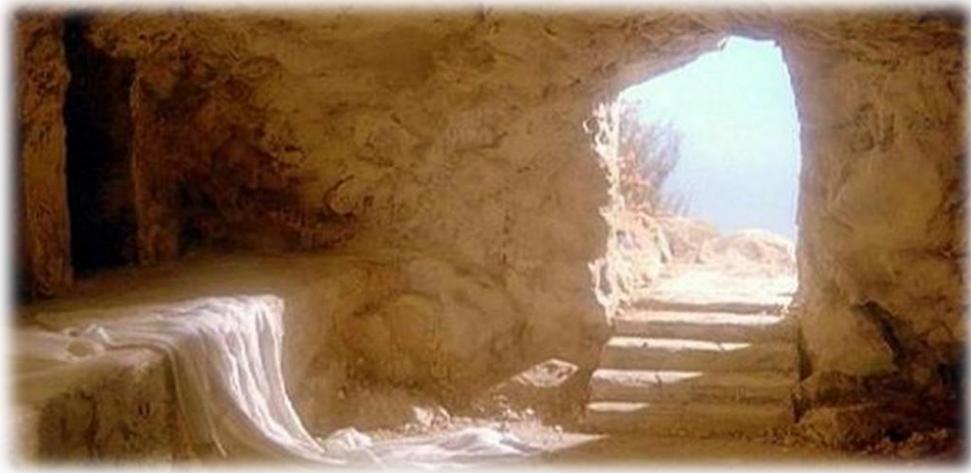


WELCOME TO St. Monica's Episcopal Church



EASTER DAY

Holy Eucharist Rite II
Year B

April 4th, 2021
10:00 AM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY

My Spirit Be Joyful from **Easter Cantata**
Dr. Tom Smith and Kelly O'Neil, Trumpet

Johann Sebastian Bach

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Hail Thee, Festival Day!
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Hymn 175

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant prays (and the People may be invited to join)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GLORIA

Glory to God in the Highest
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

William Mathias, S-278

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

Confitemini Domino

Music: Henry Smart

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures for ever."
- 14 The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"
- 17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD.
- 18 The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- 20 "This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them-though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

Alleluia! The Strife is O'er

Hymn 208

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

THE GOSPEL

John 20:1-18

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you Lord Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Edward F.P. Gibbons

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the

power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Hear our prayer."

I ask your prayers for the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Church, and for the unity of all peoples,
Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Dabney our Bishop, Fr. Eddie our Priest; for this gathering; and for all minister and people. Pray for the Church, Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. For our President Joe, Ron our Governor, for the leaders of the nations, & for all in authority. We also pray for all those who are serving in our Armed Forces, especially Katie Coston, Noah Evans, Sal Filardi Jr., Dane Grauer, Devin Harrity, Emma McHenry, Kate McHenry, Schaeffer McHenry-Grauer, Troy Nelson, Tristan Pate, James Pyles, Doug Ross, Drew Scullard, Daniel Williams, Peter Witte. Pray for justice and peace, Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for this city of Naples, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for those celebrating birthdays this week: Pat Kearns, Peter Nebolsine, Douglas Peck, Joan Schumacher, Janice Sides, Rob Waverka, Dong Waverk. We also give thanks for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Eric & Suzanne Bodley, Leon & Eulah Burrows, Peter & Cleone Ferris. We pray that our guests today know the joy of life in Jesus Christ. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

In the communion of the Ever Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Monica, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

PRAYER FOR THE RECTOR SEARCH

Almighty God, giver of every good gift:

Look graciously on St. Monica's, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

All stand and the Celebrant says:

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

DURING THE OFFERING

Hallelujah from **Mount of Olives**
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Ludwig van Beethoven

Please Stand

OFFERTORY HYMN

Your Name We Bless, O Risen Lord
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Hymn 205

Your Name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

To God the Father, God the Son, to God the Spirit, always One, we sing for life in us begun:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here the Celebrant includes a Proper Preface

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy – William Mathias
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Please stand or kneel as the Celebrant continues:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *We Remember His Death from Mass in E*

Jeffrey Smith

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

GREAT AMEN

Amen from Mass in E

Jeffrey Smith

Sung by St. Monica's Choir

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM

Alleluia! Christ Our Passover – Gerald Near

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Sung by St. Monica's Choir

*You are invited and encouraged to come to God's table. The communion bread is received on an outstretched palm.
If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Rise Heart, Thy Lord Is Risen

Arlen Clarke

St. Monica's Choir

Rise heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing his praise without delays, who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise with him mayst rise: that as his death calcined thee to dust, His life may make thee gold, and much more just. Consort both heart, and lute, and twist a song pleasant and long: or since all music is but three parts vied and multiplied, O let thy blessed Spirit bear a part, and make up our defects with His sweet art. I got me flowers to strew thy way; I got me

boughs off many a tree, but thou wast up by break of day, and broughtest thy sweets along with thee. Can there be any day, but this? Though many suns to shine endeavor, we count three hundred, but we miss there is but one, and that one ever. -George Herbert (1593-1633)

COMMUNION HYMN

Welcome Happy Morning
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Hymn 179

Please Stand

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. *Amen.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

Response: *Amen.*

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.
People Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
Sung by St. Monica's Choir

Hymn 207

VOLUNTARY

Psalm 19: *The Heaven's Declare*
Organ, Brass and Strings

Benedetto Marcello

A Special Thank You

Appreciation is expressed to our guest instrumentalists enhancing our Easter Day celebration
& our Friends of Music who make their presence possible:

Rachael Cox, Cathy Pflieger, Vivian Aiello, Angie Villanueva, Kelly O'Neil, Dr. Tom Smith

Easter Flower Dedications

- Out of kind generosity a donation was given by: Douglas L. Ball
In Memory of our parents & Carol's brother given by: Carol & Bob Boyden
In Memory of Brobert L Kennedy given by: Betty & Fred Cable
In Memory Jenifer Wyman Ciano & Carmine Infozino Jr given by: Lorraine & Al Ciano
In Thanksgiving for all our blessings given by: Tom & Donna Coté
Out of kind generosity a donation was given by: Robert, Beau & Kathy Crevier
In Thanksgiving of our daughter, Donna given by: Sonia B. Delgado
In Celebration of bilateral vaccines given by: Sonia B. Delgado
In Memory of my mother, Kathleen Smith given by: Sonia B. Delgado
Out of kind generosity a donation was given by: Marilyn W. Dessauer
In Celebration of our love & devotion given by: Matt Devlin & Betty Gamel
Out of kind generosity a donation was given by: Frank B Dowd
In Memory of Virginia Buckley given by: Linda Duffy
In Memory of Beverly Richards given by: Mary & Gary Gentzle
In Thanksgiving for family & friends given by: Sandra Kilmon
In Memory of our wonderful parents, sister, aunts & uncles, & nephew Calvin given by: Mark & Barbara Kleine
In Thanksgiving for our family given by: Mark & Barbara Kleine
In Memory of the Lapiere, Loeffler & Mafredas families given by: Ray & Sharon Lapiere
In Memory of Clive G Lazarus given by: Joan Lazarus
In Memory of The Rev. John S Hedger given by: E. Rankin Lusby
Out of kind generosity a donation was given by: Ralph R. Miano
In Thanksgiving of our our moms given by: Beth Moss & Garry Fesler
In Celebration in the birth of Troy Kenneth Pardue on March 24th given by: Marcia & David Pardue
In Memory of my mother, Marvel & my brother, Roger given by: Barbara Reiss
In Memory Bill & Joyce Rose given by: Brenda Rose
In Memory of our beautiful mother Millie Robbins given by: Rob & Colleen Rossomando
In Memory of Margaret Sarconi & Vera Randazzo given by: James & JoAnn Sarconi
In Memory of Herb Somers, Audrey / Roy Ayers & Herb / Louise Somers given by: Jo Ann Somers
In Thanksgiving our children & grandchildren given by: Ed & Toni Strong
In Memory Joan Dorando given by: Ed & Toni Strong
In Memory of Maxine / Al Connelly & Bea / George Swendeman given by: Fred & Lynn Swendeman
In Memory of Richard & Evelyn Ausen given by: Richard & Patty Traverse
In Memory Benjamin & Margaret Traverse given by: Richard & Patty Traverse
In Memory of my husband Dr. Norman Williamson given by: Barbara Williams & Family
In Memory of my spouse, parents & siblings given by: Mary Ann Woods
In Thanksgiving for family & friends given by: Alan & Carol Yarusevich