He is Risen

Happy and Blessed Easter
We Pray For Our Dead
And We Mourn With You

MONDAY       April 6, 2015
7:00AM       No Mass Scheduled
9:00AM       Bernadette N. Atienza
TUESDAY       April 7, 2015
7:00AM       Ellen Campbell
9:00AM       John and Marie Curry
WEDNESDAY April 8, 2015
7:00AM       Carmine D’Amico
9:00AM       Prayer of Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
THURSDAY     April 9, 2015
7:00AM       Marcus Antonio Gonzales
9:00PM       Francesco Marinelli
FRIDAY       April 10, 2015
7:00AM       Tom Brennan
9:00AM       John Lyons
SATURDAY     April 11, 2015
9:00AM       Francis and Arcangela Donovan
5:00PM       Christine Rigert and Helen Guiliani
SUNDAY       April 12, 2015, Divine Mercy Sunday
7:30AM       Mary Murphy
9:30AM       George A. Thomas
11:00AM      Matthew Moone
12:30PM      Vito Saggese
5:15PM       Parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola
3:00PM       George O’Grady
7:00 PM      Mary Elvia Sedano  Mass in Spanish

We wish all our parishioners a very Blessed and Happy Easter
Sunday of Divine Mercy, April 12, 2015

Theme: Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe!

Breaking Open the Word: Suggested text for faith sharing: Gospel Jn 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.”

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

Now a week later, his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.”

Thomas answered and said to him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.
It seemed for the disciples that all was lost. Their Lord, master, teacher and friend was tried as a criminal and left to die on a cross. However, when Peter and the beloved disciple (John), run to the tomb, they both discover that there is no body in the tomb. While the beloved disciple “saw and believed”, it took some time for the power of the resurrection to reach the hearts of the other disciples. Even after Mary Magdalene, John and Peter recognize that the Lord is risen, the others are still terrified and locked behind closed doors, out of fear.

Fr. James Martin in an article entitled “The Risen Christ and Daily Life” writes that the disciples “failed to realize that they are dealing with the living God, the same one whose message to Mary at the annunciation was “Nothing is impossible with God.” They could not see beyond the walls of that closed room. They were unwilling to accept that God was greater than their imaginations”. The resurrection tells us though, that with God all things are certainly possible.

We are tempted to become discouraged when we face crisis after crisis in our lives. Often, we may feel alone or think we know better than God and we end up in the dark closed room not allowing God to restore us with new life. We may fall into despair that is far darker than death. Fr. Martin tells us that “this is the time to turn to the Resurrection”.

When Peter and John discovered the wrappings in the tomb rolled up, it told them that death no longer had a hold on Jesus. When the women came to the tomb in the Gospel of Mark and found the stone moved away, it signified that Jesus had pushed death aside. Jesus is victorious! By our baptism, we share in his new life of victory. It is because of the resurrection that “we are not called to live behind closed doors of darkness, doubt, fear and death. We are called to come out of our hiding and accompany Mary Magdalene, Peter and the Beloved disciples, weeping sometimes, searching always and ultimately be moved to joy by the dawn of the resurrection. The risen Christ teaches us that we are called to believe what the disciples have seen with their eyes, but we see with faith. May we never give up because with God everything is POSSIBLE! If God can move a simple stone away, how much more can God do with our hearts if we trust and have faith in him.

The Resurrection teaches us that for every Good Friday we experience in life, Easter Sunday always awaits. On behalf of the priests Frs. Saul, Benjamin, Emmanuel, Msgr. Bennett and Srs. Mary, Kathy, Karen, and Joan and the entire parish staff, may I wish you, your family and friends a happy and blessed Easter. May the risen Christ dwell in your hearts forever!

Christus surrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia! Christ is risen as he said! Alleluia!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ST IGNATIUS LOYOLA 8TH GRADE BASKETBALL TEAM

Congratulations to Coach Maria Pitonza and her team for becoming the 2014-2015 Nassau/Suffolk CYO Basketball Divisional Champions! May God bless you for your hard work and your dedication. You make us proud!

Happy Easter everybody! May God bless you and Mary keep you and your families with joy. May we remember to always do things for the greater glory of God. St. Ignatius Loyola, pray for us!

Fr. Jim, Pastor
The Bread and Wine this week
Are in Loving memory
of
Fiorentino Oliva
From
LaSacra Famiglia
Gruppo St. Pasquale

The Candles this week
Are in Loving Memory
of
Annamae and Phil Donohue
From
Eileen Donohue

The Acchords Live in Concert
Presented by
The Joseph Barry
Knights of Columbus
When: Saturday, April 18, 2015
Time: Doors open at 7:30pm
Where: St. Ignatius Loyola
Msgr. Tarrant Hall
Nicholai Street, Hicksville
Cost: $36 per person
The Acchords will be performing hits from the 50s, 60s and 70s.
There will be an Open Bar, plus Sandwiches, Wraps, Salads, Dessert and Coffee.
Please make checks payable to:
Edward J. Kenny Club
45 Heitz Place, Hicksville, NY 11801
Reservations required. No walk-ins.
No Money Accepted At The Door!
For Reservations, please call Brian at (516) 457-6190.

Annual Family Communion Breakfast
Sponsored By
Joseph Barry Knights and Columbiettes
Date: Sunday, May 3rd
Following 9:30AM Mass
Where: Knights Club House
Cost: Admission $10 per person
Family of 3 is $25
Guest Speaker Robert Palasciano
Popular speaker and author of
“From Anger to Enlightenment”
Call: Grace 931-2529 to reserve

Blood Drive
When: Thursday, April 9, 2015
When: 2 to 8 pm
Where: Knights of Columbus
Hicksville, NY
For more information, please call Brian Lee at 749-4368
The Council serves as a forum of consultation for the pastor and members, primarily by engaging them in ongoing dialogue about the needs, feelings, hopes and reactions of parishioners.

Guidelines for Pastoral Councils #B-2

Please feel free to contact any council member at any time re-

St. Ignatius Loyola
Family Life Committee presents

Children’s Easter Egg Hunt!

Sunday April 12th*
1:30-3:30 pm
Msgr. Tarrant Auditorium

All are welcome but only children ages 12 and under may hunt

*It may be the week after Easter Sunday, but it is still the Easter Season!
We will begin with a brief prayer service, and follow with games, crafts and of course, Easter Egg hunting (divided by age groups)
Cost: $4 per person (children under 2 years old are free!) —
Includes a hot dog, a drink and chips (goldfish for the littler ones!)
Please return the RSVP form below to the St. Ignatius Loyola Rectory by April 9th
(Cash or checks accepted; checks made payable to St. Ignatius Loyola)
Adult supervision required—no drop offs!
Please call Suzanne at 653-1634 with any questions.

St. Ignatius Loyola Easter Egg Hunt - Attn: Family Life Committee
Family Name: ___________________________ Phone # ___________________________
# children ages 0-2 yrs: ___ (free) # children ages 3-5 yrs: ___
# children ages 6-8 yrs: ___ # children ages 9-12 yrs: ___ # Adults: ___
Total # of people attending ___ @ $4 per person = Total Enclosed: _________
Pray For Our Military

Anyone with a family member serving in the military, please forward their name and rank to our bulletin editor at bulletin1859@aol.com or bring the name to our Rectory Front Office. We pray to give all of our soldiers the courage and strength to do the duty that is required of them. May they always remember our appreciation for the sacrifice they are making for us. We are thankful for the men and women who are willing to risk their lives to protect our freedom. I ask You to go with each of them and protect them wherever they go. Amen.

Sgt First Class. Matthew Loheide
 SSgt. Kevin J. Hennelly
 Lt. Jonathan W. Lang
 Lt. Jeanine A. Lang
 SPC Justin T. Sikorski
 Sgt. Mathew Burrafato
 DCC James Pennington
 Col. Paul J. Laughlin
 Captain. Patrick O. Kelly, USMC
 Staff Sgt. Thomas P. McCoughlin, USMC
 Atan Lisa Olynk, USN
 M Sgt. Michael Marascia
 Sgt. Stephen L. Emlaw
 P.O.Third Class E-4 Kyle A. Kamermayer, Navy
 Major Edward A. McGoldrick, US Army
 Steven Orbon, 1st Lt., U.S. Army
 Lt. David Jacobs
 Pvt. Thomas Wright
 Airman Peter F. Clark, USAF
 Capt. Joseph Whittaker, USMC
 LCPL Michael J. McIlwrath, USMC
 1st Lt. James Michael Vaz, U.S. Army
 Louis Bombardiere, USMC
 Gunnery Sgt. Brian Moran, USMC
 Second Lt. Bridget Flatley, USAF
 Cpt. Richard Macchio
 Pvt. Joseph Gergely, U.S.M.C.
 LTJG Alie Disher, U.S.N.
 LTJG John Patrick Orr, USN, C.E.C.
 PVC Andrew Hughes
 Airman Denis C. Clark, USAF
 Sgt. Lotachukwu Okoye
 1st Lt. Brian W. Way, USMC
 PFC. Christopher Paradiso, U.S.M.
 PFC Jim Arbelaez, US Marine
 Sgt. Dustin Lusby
 LTJG Christopher Medford, US Navy
 Lt. Lindsay Conte, USN
 Sgt. Matthew Mercurio
 Sgt. Phillip Michael Yopp, U.S. Army

This week at St. Ignatius Loyola
 e-mail parishfacilities@stignatius.us

Sunday, April 5th
NO ACTIVITIES

Monday, April 6th
NO ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, April 7th
NO ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, April 8th
7:30pm RCIA-Rectory Basement

Thursday, April 9th
9:30am Bible Study-Deacon Mais’ Office
6pm CYO/Gym
7pm Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts-Old School Café
7pm Hispanic Dance-Room D
7:30pm Bible Study-Deacon Mais’ Office

Friday, April 10th
6pm Charismatic Group-Gym
6pm CYO-Gym
6:30pm GS Robotics Practice/Science Lab.
7pm SCJ Youth Group-Old School Art Room
7pm Middle School Youth-Room B
7:30pm Pastoral Formation-Old School Rms 6,7,8

Saturday, April 11th
7:30am Mens Prayer Group-Old School Rm B&C
8:30am ESL/Human Service Basement
12pm CYO/Gym

Legion of Mary
Invites you to the
6th Annual Women’s Silent Retreat

When: Friday, May 8, 2015 to Saturday, May 9th
Where: Seminary of the Immaculate Conception,
440 West Neck Road, Huntington
Cost: $110 per person
Includes dinner on Friday, 3 meals on Saturday plus a private room with a shower.

For reservations or for further information, please call (631)804-7222 or visit their website keepntuch@aol.com
Please let them know if you have any special dietary needs.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Bus Trip to the Sands Casino
Bethlehem, PA
Hosted by St. Ignatius Loyola Church
Hicksville, NY

When: Wednesday, April 22, 2015
Cost: $42 per person, which includes the driver’s tip
Give back: $30 slot play and $5 food voucher
Time: Bus leaves at 9 am sharp.
Please arrive at 8:30 am
Return approx. 8:30 pm
Place: We will meet at Cantiague Park,
West John Street, Hicksville.
Reservations: call Barbara at (516) 935-5576
**The first to pay is the first on the bus, etc.**

You are invited to an Applebee’s Flapjack Fundraiser breakfast to support Glen Cove-Hicksville Syosset League of Mercy Medical Center

When: Saturday, April 18, 2015
Time: 8am to 10am
Where: Applebee’s
938 S. Broadway, Hicksville
Ticket Cost: $12.00
Marge Kelly at (516) 587-7387

Enjoy A Short Stack for a Tall Cause!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #869
High School Scholarships are available to eighth grade parishioners entering a Catholic high school in September, 2015. Applications can be picked up at the Rectory or by contacting Ruth Medford at (516) 933-0906. Final date for submission is April 24th

Come join us!

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish Presents—A 6 day, 5 night trip to the Biltmore Estate and Asheville, NC—Sunday, April 26 to Friday, May 1, 2015—at the incredible price of only $499 per person (add $150 for single occupancy).

There is still time to sign up for this fabulous trip! If interested, please call Barbara at 935-5576
St. Ignatius Loyola Parish in Hicksville is hosting an 

**Antique/Classic Car and Bike Show**

You are invited to attend the St. Ignatius Loyola Parish “1st Annual Blessing of Antique/Classic Cars and Bikes Show”.

**Date:** Sunday, April 19, 2015…rain or shine!

**Place:** Sears Parking Lot
North Broadway, Hicksville

**Time:** 9 am—4 pm

**Cost:** Cars and bikes will be welcomed with a $15 Registration which includes the blessing by Father Jim and an accompanying certificate!
Spectators are admitted free of charge.

There will be Live Entertainment, Judge’s Choice Trophies, a Chinese Auction, a 50/50 Drawing, food, and vendors. Come early—stay late. Be there or be square!

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**Nocturnal Adoration Society**

Nocturnal Adoration will be held this month on **Saturday, April 11, 2015. It will begin at the conclusion of the 5:00 PM Mass and end with Benediction at 9:00PM. Come and spend one hour with the Lord.** Everyone is welcome to join in this vigil of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

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Couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at the following liturgies:

**Sunday, April 19th**- St. Lawrence the Martyr in Sayville. Registration must be received by April 6th

**Sunday, April 26th**- Maria Regina in Seaford. Registration must be received by April 13th. Both liturgies will begin at 2:30pm.

Registration forms and complete instructions can be obtained at the rectory. If you have any questions, please call Suzanne at 516) 678-5800, ext. 207.

*Couples may register for only ONE liturgy.*

Our next Family Mass will be held on Sunday, April 19th at 9:30 a.m. in the church. Children are invited up to the altar for the homily and children's bulletins will be available. Please note that we will not be having hospitality after this Mass.

Our May Family Mass will be a special May Crowning Mass at 12:30 pm on May 17th with outdoor hospitality (weather permitting) More details to follow in future bulletins.
Queridos hermanos y hermanas: en este Domingo radiante de Vida, la Iglesia nos invita a participar del gozo de la Resurrección del Señor. Se nos invita a participar (no a mirar desde fuera), a hacer nuestra esta alegría, como cuando se toma parte en una fiesta... Y esta es la fiesta más grande: es la Pascua: la del Señor y la nuestra.

Pascua: paso de la muerte a la Vida, a la vida gloriosa de los hijos e hijas de Dios, Vida que ya se nos da en Cristo Resucitado, al que ahora celebramos.

Hoy resuena, como el silbido de una luz vertiginosa, el eco, aún vivo, del anuncio de la Resurrección del Señor. De boca en boca corre este rumor, que se prueba eficazmente por el testimonio del Espíritu en los corazones renovados. Cristo ha resucitado y se ha aparecido. Es verdad. Nosotros somos testigos de ello.

Al celebrar llenos de alegría al Señor Resucitado, avivemos nuestra fe, nuestra esperanza, y dejemos que Cristo Resucitado renueve la fuerza de nuestro Amor y vida.

PARTICIPA DE LA MISA A LAS 7pm los Domingos y Primeros Viernes. NO TE LA PIERDAS! VEN! INVITA OTRAS PERSONAS.

BAUTIZOS
CLASES: A Las 5:30 PM. Segundo y Tercer Domingo de cada mes, en el sótano de la escuela. Padrinos, madrinas, papás y mamás deben asistir a las clases, y quedarse en la misa de las 7 PM. No es necesario hacer una cita para registrarse, pues en la clase lo hacen. No olvides traer el registro de nacimiento del niño.

Jóvenes S.C.J.
Gracias a nuestros jóvenes por la participación en esta Semana Santa. Fue una obra muy bonita.

Lecciones que me ha enseñado la vida.
Regina Brett, 90 años.
- La vida no es justa, pero aún así es buena.
- La vida es demasiado corta para perder el tiempo lamentándose.
- Tu trabajo no te cuidará cuando estés enfermo. Tus amigos y familia sí. Mantente en contacto.
- No tienes que ganar cada discusión. Debes estar de acuerdo en no estar de acuerdo.
- Llora con alguien. Alivia más que llorar solo.
- Cuando se trata de chocolate, la resistencia es inútil.
- Haz las paces con tu pasado para que no arruine el presente.
- No compares tu vida con la de otros. No tienes ni idea de cómo es su travesía.
- Si una relación tiene que ser secreta, mejor no tenerla.
- Respira profundamente. Eso calma la mente.
- Cuando se trata de perseguir aquello que amas en la vida, no aceptes un “no” por respuesta.
- Sé excéntrico ahora. No esperes a ser viejo.
- Nadie es responsable de tu felicidad, sólo tú.
- Perdónales todo a todos.
- No te incumbe lo que las otras personas piensen de ti. Ni te preocupes por eso.
- El tiempo sana casi todo.
- Por más buena o mala que sea una situación, algún día cambiará!
- No te tomes nada tan en serio.
- No cuestiones la vida. Sólo vivela y aprovechala al máximo hoy.
- Llegar a viejo es mejor que la alternativa... “morir joven”.
- Todo lo que verdaderamente importa al final es que hayas amado.
- Sal todos los días. Los milagros están esperando en todas partes.
- Si juntáramos nuestros problemas y viéramos los montones de los demás, querríamos los nuestros.
- La envidia es una pérdida de tiempo. Tú ya tienes todo lo que necesitas.
- Lo mejor está aún por llegar. Fé y adelante.

SIRVIENDO A DIOS EN LA COMUNIDAD:
PASTOR: Rev. James T. Stachacz
PASTOR ASOCIADO: Rev. Saúl Londoño García
DIACONADO: Mario Gómez y José Contreras
COMISION: Erika A. Jaime, Lorena M. Leini
CATEQUESIS: Colleen Tuzzolo, Educación Religiosa Niños 516 935 6873 / Karina del Mar, Belfina Hernández, Rosa-José Romero, Julieta McLaughlin (CATEUCENADO)
CLASES BAUTIZOS: Roberto y Rosa Romero
CLASES INGLÉS: Lissette Muñoz, Gloria V. Josué Flores, Kerry Engret, Ingrid Aguilar.
COMUNICACIONES: Ytala y Gabriel Ruiz
COMENTARIOS MISA: CORO DE LOS NIÑOS: Leiny & Tony Escobar
DIVINA MISERICORDIA: Delfina Hernández, Asunción Rivera.
ENSAYOS BODAS, CELEBRACIONES DE 15-16 AÑOS: Lorena Medrano, Leny Escobar
MINISTERIO DE LA PALABRA: Jaime Aldana
MINISTERIO DE LOS ENFERMOS: Rosío Rivera, Romy Taveras, Rosa Gutiérrez.
MINISTERIO SAGRADO CORAZÓN DE JESÚS: Karina del Mar y Jovana Arteaga.
MINISTERIO DE MÚSICA Y DANZAS: Leiny y Antonio Escobar
MINISTROS EXTRAORD. DE LA COMUNIÓN Y SACRISTÍA: Juan Hernández, Rosío Rivera.
MONAGUILLOS (Servidores del Altar) Lester & Carmen Zelaya, Viviana Echeverry
MOVIMIENTO FAMILIAR CRISTIANO CATÓLICO: Roberto y Rosa Romero
PASTORAL JUVENIL: Carlos Campos, Ytala y Gabriel Ruiz, Lissette Muñoz, Carla Duran, Samuel Sánchez, Elvis Meléndez, Katie Crayne, Isabel Agosti & Diego.
PRE-CANA: Mario y Dora Gómez
OFERTORIO MISA: María Carmen Adams.
SEGURIDAD: Orlando Cruz, Diego Echeverry
BIENVENIDA Y DESPEDIDA: Grupo Hospitalidad.
Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Lord:

How changed is the world this Easter morn! How wondrous the truth on the lips of His faithful disciples! Can there be any chant more beautiful, any news more desired, any heart that could seek for more? Jesus Christ is Risen! It is true! He is Risen! Alleluia!

The long Lent of human history was ended that first Easter Sunday morn when Mary Magdalen discovered that the tomb was empty and the body of her beloved Lord was missing. But that body, cruelly put to death on the tree of Calvary, was not missing. It was transformed! It was glorified! For the Son of God made man fulfilled His destiny on this earth and so transformed our destiny from sin and death to life in Him, life eternal.

You and I are the recipients of the long journey of love that Jesus travelled from Galilee to Jerusalem, from birth in a stable to death on a cross. When Jesus took that sign of death and made it the sign of glory, He accomplished the will of the Father who so loved the world that He sent His Son not to condemn but to save the world. And this is the salvation which is ours: Life in Christ Jesus, Life eternal!

My prayer this Easter is that we all with deep faith acknowledge with joy and gratitude that God’s love triumphed in the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and that His resurrection gives us our new destiny: we share His divine life now and will share it with Him forever in glory! My prayer is that we all participate in Mass this Easter Sunday as a pledge of our fidelity to Him who died and rose. My prayer is that we greet one another with that ancient greeting of Christians: Christ is risen! He is truly risen. Alleluia.

If we do that then I am confident we will be renewed in His life and we will be so filled with His Spirit that we will seek to share His life with others and witness His life to the world. I am confident that we will be more eager to care for the sick, reach out to the poor, bear one another’s burdens and be true brothers and sisters by prayer and action to all who need us in our parishes, our communities, our nation and the world. The world needs the witness of our faith in the Risen Christ. The world needs the witness of our hope for the future. The world needs our love that embraces all those whom our Savior embraced from the cross. May they too share in the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! For He is Risen. He is truly risen. Alleluia!

Your brother and your Shepherd in Christ,

Bishop of Rockville Centre
Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en el Señor Resucitado,

¡Cuan cambiado está el mundo esta mañana de Pascua! ¡Qué maravilloso la verdad en los labios de sus fieles discípulos! ¿Podría haber algún canto más hermoso, cualquier noticia más deseada, cualquier corazón que quisiera buscar más? ¡Jesucristo ha resucitado! ¡Es cierto! ¡Él ha resucitado! ¡Aleluya!

Ese largo tiempo de Cuaresma de la historia humana se terminó esa primera mañana del Domingo de Pascua, cuando María Magdalena descubrió que la tumba estaba vacía y el cuerpo de su amado Señor faltaba. Pero ese cuerpo, cruelmente condenado a muerte en el madero del Calvario, no faltaba. ¡Fue transformado! ¡Fue glorificado! El Hijo de Dios hecho hombre cumplió su destino en esta tierra y así transformó nuestro destino del pecado y de la muerte a la vida en Él, la vida eterna.

Tú y yo somos los destinatarios del largo viaje de amor que Jesús hizo de Galilea a Jerusalén, desde su nacimiento en un establo a la muerte en una cruz. Cuando Jesús tomó el signo de la muerte y lo hizo el signo de la gloria, Él logró la voluntad del Padre, quien amó tanto al mundo que envió a su hijo no para condena sino para salvar al mundo. ¡Y esta es la salvación que es nuestra: La Vida en Cristo Jesús, Vida Eterna!

¡Mi oración esta Pascua es que todos con profunda fe reconozcamos con gozo y gratitud que el amor de Dios triunfó en la resurrección de Jesús de entre los muertos y que su resurrección nos da nuestro nuevo destino: ahora compartimos su vida divina y la compartiremos con Él siempre en la gloria! Mi oración es que todos participemos en la Misa de este Domingo de Pascua como compromiso de nuestra fidelidad a Aquel que murió y resucitó. Mi oración es que nos saludemos unos a otros con ese antiguo saludo de los cristianos: ¡Cristo ha resucitado! Verdaderamente ha resucitado. Aleluya.

Si lo hacemos, estoy seguro de que seremos renovado en Su vida y estaremos tan llenos de Su Espíritu que buscaremos de compartir Su vida con los demás y ser testigo de Su vida al mundo. Estoy seguro de que vamos a estar más dispuestos a cuidar a los enfermos, llegar a los pobres, llevar las cargas de los otros y ser verdaderos hermanos y hermanas en la oración y la acción a todos los que nos necesitan en nuestras parroquias, nuestras comunidades, nuestra nación y el mundo. El mundo necesita el testimonio de nuestra fe en Cristo Resucitado. El mundo necesita el testimonio de nuestra esperanza para el futuro. El mundo necesita nuestro amor que abrace a todos aquellos a quienes nuestro Salvador abrazó desde la cruz. Que ellos también compartan en la resurrección de nuestro Señor y Salvador Jesucristo ¡Pues Él ha resucitado! Verdaderamente ha resucitado. ¡Aleluya!

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