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Made New In Christ



Clean out the old yeast so that you may be a new batch, as you really are unleavened. For our

Paschal Lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. – 1
Corinthians 5:7

Easter Sunday:

The Resurrection of the Lord



The message of Easter is this:

the tomb is empty! No tomb, no matter how well made, can hold the Son of God. The

power of God's love is stronger than suffering and death. The high priests of Jesus' day, the roman governor, and all who were responsible for Jesus' death thought they had won a victory. But the victory is God's. The message of Easter is that no power on earth, no matter how strong, no matter how evil, no matter how much it may look like it has victory...no power on earth can overcome the compassion and the mercy of God's love!

The tomb is empty. What this means for us is that there is no tomb on earth that can claim us either:

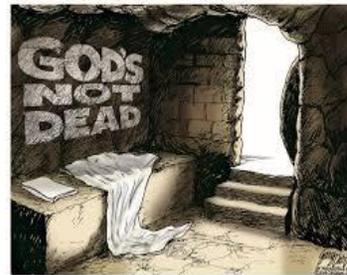
- Not the tomb of depression
- Not the tomb of despair
- Not the tomb of addiction
- Not the tomb of a failed relationship
- Not the tomb of illness, or pain
- Not the tomb of suffering

Not the tomb of grief over loss of a loved one
Not the tomb of personal failure or disgrace
Not any other tomb that may engulf us.

At times in our lives, we may be engulfed in what seems like a darkness so powerful that it feels we are trapped in a tomb.

We may think that there is no way out. We may ask ourselves, "What am I to do now? It seems like there is no meaning or purpose to my life."

And yet Easter teaches us that there is no tomb over which Jesus has not gained victory. Jesus is alive. He has risen, and He lives in our midst.



Our task as followers of Jesus is to make that message clear to the world: God is not dead! It is not just our God-given mission, it is our

moral imperative. All prayer, all ministry, all good works, all that we are should point to others the reality that God is in our midst.

May God bless you this *Easter Season* and always. The LORD Love You!

Marriage



It's a life-long Journey of Faith!

JOURNEY OF FAITH CORNER – March 26-27, 2016

Stewardship

Christ's resurrection reminds us that we too are called to a new life. Does our stewardship of the blessings we have received show how we are living that joyful new life as believers in the risen Jesus?



1130-1300. For more information, contact Cecil, at (706) 869-7853 or email: rcia@saintmichaelparishfg.org.



THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for March 2016

Universal: Families in Difficulty: That families in need may receive the necessary support and that children may grow up in healthy and peaceful environments.

Evangelization: Persecuted Christians: That those Christians who, on account of their faith, are discriminated against or are being persecuted, may remain strong and faithful to the Gospel, thanks to the incessant prayer of the Church.



The Extraordinary Jubilee

Year of Mercy

The Lord said to me, The loss of each soul plunges Me into mortal sadness. You always console Me when you pray for sinners. The prayer most pleasing to Me is

prayer for the conversion of sinners. Know, My daughter, that this prayer is always heard and answered (*Diary*, 1397).

March 25, 1938. Today, I saw the suffering Lord Jesus. He leaned down toward me and whispered softly, My daughter, help Me to save sinners. Suddenly, a burning desire to save souls entered my soul. When I recovered my senses, I knew just how I was to help souls, and I prepared myself for greater sufferings (*Diary*, 1645).

Are You A Returning Catholic?



If you have been away from the church for a while or just not very active, Catholic Adults Faith Formation is for you. This is a relaxed group discussion of the Catholic Faith that will help you to reconnect to your Catholic faith. Everyone is welcomed to attend our RCIA/Catholic Adults Faith Formation Sessions, on Sunday mornings, in the Center Chaplain's Office, Conference Room, Building 29601, Barnes Avenue, from

QUESTION OF THE WEEK FOR ADULTS New Life In Christ

What change could the hope of the resurrection of Christ inspire you to make?

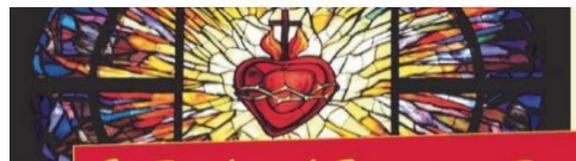
QUESTION OF THE WEEK FOR CHILDREN

What bad habit would you like to "clear out" during the hopeful time of this *Easter* season?

Be Bold, Be Catholic!

Pray the Rosary, daily!

And,



Go Forth with Hearts on Fire

"Pax et Bonum!" "Peace and Goodness!"

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