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The Pope's Prayer Intention for April:

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 4:00PM, 5:30 PM, (en español)

Sun. 8 AM, 9:15AM, 10:30AM, 11:45AM, 1:15 PM (en español), 4:00PM, 5:30PM

Weekday Masses:

Mon.—Fri. 8:00AM, 12:05PM, 4:45PM Saturday 9:00AM, 12PM

Confessions:

Mon.—Fri. 11:15 -11:50AM, 12:45-4:15PM Saturday 9:30 - 11:45 AM, 12:45-3:30PM

Devotions:

Tuesday after Mass: Our Lady Wednesday after Mass: St. Joseph Thursday after Mass: St. Jude

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mon.—Fri. 8:30-11:50AM, 12:30-4:30PM: Sat. 9:30-11:30AM, 12:30-3:30PM; **Sunday** 2:30-3:30PM

Gift Shop Hours:

Monday—Friday 10:00AM - 5:30PM; **Saturday** 9:30AM - 6:30PM*; Sunday 8:45AM - 6:30PM* (*Closed during Sun. and Sat. Vigil Masses)

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The Resurrection. The Middelrijns (Mid-Rhines) Altar, ca. 1410. Photo by Jim Forest. Flickr.



Easter Message of Pope Francis

Today, throughout the world, the Church's proclamation resounds: "Jesus, who was crucified, has risen as he said. Alleluia!"

The Easter message does not offer us a mirage or reveal a magic formula. It does not point to an escape from the difficult situation we are experiencing. The pandemic is still spreading, while the social and economic crisis remains severe, especially for the poor. Nonetheless - and this is scandalous - armed conflicts have not ended and military arsenals are being strengthened. That is today's scandal.

In the face of, or better, in the midst of this complex reality, the Easter message speaks concisely of the event that gives us the hope that does not disappoint: "Jesus who was crucified has risen". It speaks to us not about angels or ghosts, but about a man, a man of flesh and bone, with a face and a name: Jesus. The Gospel testifies that this Jesus, crucified under Pontius Pilate for claiming he was the Christ, the Son of God, rose on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, just as he had foretold to his disciples.

The crucified Jesus, none other, has risen from the dead. God the Father raised Jesus, his Son, because he fully accomplished his saving will. Jesus took upon himself our weakness, our infirmities, even our death. He endured our sufferings and bore the weight of our sins. Because of this, God the Father exalted him and now Jesus Christ lives forever: he is the Lord.

The witnesses report an important detail: the risen Jesus bears the marks of the wounds in his hands, feet and side. These wounds are the everlasting seal of his love for us. All those who experience a painful trial in body or spirit can find refuge in these wounds and, through them, receive the grace of the hope that does not disappoint.

The crucified and risen Lord is comfort for those who have lost their jobs or experience serious economic difficulties and lack adequate social protection. May he inspire public authorities to act so that everyone, especially families in greatest need, will be offered the assistance needed for a decent standard of living. Sadly, the pandemic has dramatically increased the number of the poor and the despair of thousands of people.

Dear brothers and sisters, once again this year, in various places many Christians have celebrated Easter under severe restrictions and, at times, without being able to attend liturgical celebrations. We pray that those restrictions, as well as all restrictions on freedom of worship and religion worldwide, may be lifted and everyone be allowed to pray and praise God freely.

Amid the many hardships we are enduring, let us never forget that we have been healed by the wounds of Christ (cf. 1 Pet 2:24). In the light of the Risen Lord, our sufferings are now transfigured. Where there was death, now there is life. Where there was mourning, now there is consolation. In embracing the cross, Jesus bestowed meaning on our sufferings and now we pray that the benefits of that healing will spread throughout the world. A good, happy and serene Easter to all of you!

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Happy Easter and Welcome to all participants in the 2022 **Boston Marathon**



"So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first" (John 20:3-4).

Prayer to St. Sebastian—Patron Saint of Athletes

Dear Commander at the Roman Emperor's court, you chose to be also a soldier of Christ and dared to spread faith in the King of Kings, for which you were condemned to die. Your body, however, proved athletically strong and the executing arrows extremely weak. So another means to kill you was chosen and you gave your life to the Lord. May athletes be always as strong in their faith as their patron saint so clearly has been. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Easter Sunday, April 17

8:00 AM +Guiseppe Tricarico 9:15 AM +Marie Carmel & +Jacques Oziaas 10:30 AM Boston Marathon Runners **11:45 AM** Lawrence Agbim-Sumani—health 1:15 PM +Ramon De La Cruz Sterling 4:00 PM Conversion of Vladimir Putin 5:30 PM +Ann Marie Walsh

Monday, April 18

8:00 AM +Guiseppe Tricarico 12:05 PM +Ali Mansouri 4:45 PM + Joanne Totino

Tuesday, April 19

8:00 AM Antonia Ruiz, Judith Mendoza, Jose Martinez

12:05 PM +Guiseppe Tricarico 4:45 PM +Elivira Capuzzuca Padovani

Wednesday, April 20

8:00 AM Deceased members of Tricarico & Di Cagno Families **12:05 PM** Cho Family 4:45 PM +Lawrence Resca

Thursday, April 21

8:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory 12:05 PM Deceased members of Tricarico & Di Cagno Families **4:45 PM** Timothy & Kathy Kilroy

Friday, April 22

8:00 AM Deceased members of Tricarico & Di Cagno Families 12:05 PM + Juan Madariaga 4:45 PM + Joseph Timilty

Saturday, April 23

9:00 AM Marzena Bakowski—birthday **12:00 PM** +Phyllis & +George Darragh 4:00 PM +Chakouh Mansoury 5:30 PM Sandra Elizabeth & Lorenzo Antonio Moscoso

Prayer Before Mass



My God, I offer you this holy sacrifice to proclaim, honor and glorify your infinite greatness, and in recognition of the supreme dominion which, as the first principle and last end, you have above all created things. I give you this homage for all those who still do not know you or do not want to recognize you.

I offer this too in thanksgiving for the benefits that I and all the world have received and will receive from your infinite goodness; in satisfaction for my sins and those of the whole world; to implore the graces that are necessary for my eternal salvation and for all mankind. Oh, my God, I offer to you the merits of Jesus Christ; grant me at this Holy Mass a profound adoration of him.

My God, my Creator, I implore you to grant me the grace of final perseverance. I know by faith that I do not deserve it, nor can I deserve it, but your Divine Son deserves it for me with all his virtues and with all the wounds he shows you in his Most Holy Body, on behalf of my wounded love. Amen.

The Oblates of the Virgin Mary are excited to announce that the OMV Gala is returning to the Seaport this year on April 30!



The Oblates of the Virgin Mary Gala Returns! Come join us at the Seaport Hotel in Boston on Saturday, April 30th 2022. Cocktail hour and silent auction begin at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. Featured auction items will be announced soon! All proceeds benefit the Oblate seminarian vocations and formation.

For tickets, sponsorship or more information please visit omvusa.org/qala or call 617-536-4141

We are now taking sign-ups for volunteers. Please email to office@omvusa.org.

From our New Director of Music: Mr. Steven Angelucci

There is a need for singers to help provide song leadership at our weekend Masses. We are hoping that a number of small ensembles can be formed to assist at the Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning and afternoon Masses. If you are interested and would like more information please contact our new Director of Music, Steven Angelucci for additional information. His e-mail is: promusic@sonic.net.



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