

Mass Intentions April 23 to 25

Wed. Apr 23/10:00 am Salvatore & Maria Rosaria Nardi - Elisabetta Nardi

Thur. Apr 24/10:00 am Pasqualina Di-Muurro - Velia & Franca

Fri. Apr 25/10:00 am Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner Families - Teresa Baird

NEXT EVENT... SUNDAY JUNE 1, 2025

KALAYAAN

**Philippines
Independence**

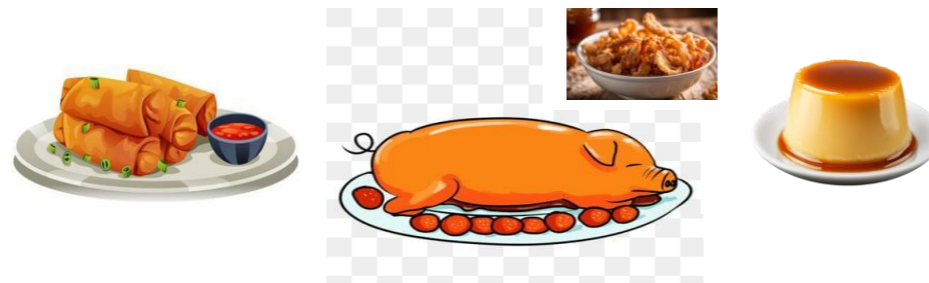


**Spring
Festival
Sponsored by
St. Richards
Filipino
Community**

Please join our Parish Filipino Community on Sunday June 1, after the 10:00 am mass to celebrate KALAYAAN Spring Festival a fundraising lunch benefitting St. Richards Parish.

Filipino Cuisine to Savor...

Litson, Chicharon's, Pancit, Palabok, Adobo, Apritada, Menudo, Chopsuey, Fried rice, Spring & Egg Rolls,... including tasty and mouth watering desserts... Leche flan, Cassava cake, Rice cake, Fruit platters etc.



*Tickets are on sale at the back of the church.
Adults- \$35 each, Children age 5 to 10 \$15 each.
Kids under 5 years enjoys for free...
If you can help buy or sell tickets please see
Beth Villondo & Patricia Legault.*

Thank you in advance for your help!



**The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for
The People.**

***The Holy Alphabet*...**

A lthough things are not perfect,
B ecause of trial or pain,
C ontinue in thanksgiving
D on't even think of whom to blame.

E ven when the times are hard,
F ierce winds are bound to blow,
G OD is forever able
H old on to JESUS.

I magine life without His love,
J oy would cease to be,
K eep thanking Him for all the things
L ove imparts you to see.

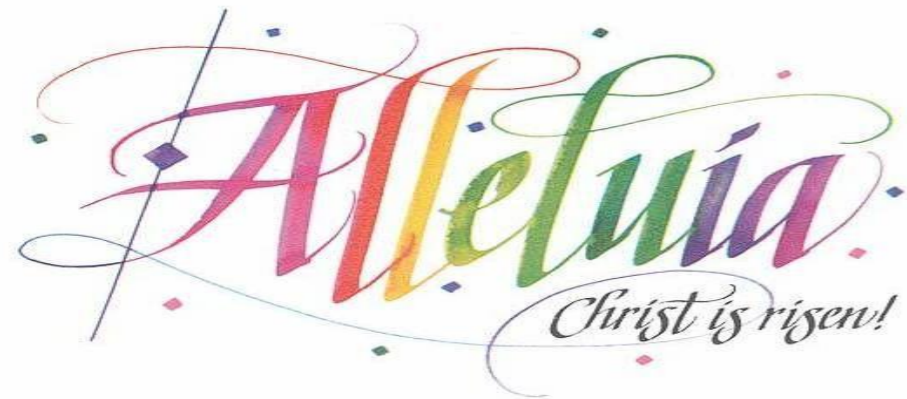
M ove out of Complaining,
N o weapon that is known
O n earth can yield the power
P raise can do alone.

Q uit worrying about the future,
R edeem the time at hand,
S tart every day with prayer
T o 'thank' is GOD'S command.

U ntil we see Him coming,
V ictorious in the sky,
W e'll run the race with gratitude,
X alting the MOST HIGH GOD.
Y es, there'll be good times and yes some will be bad, but...
Z ion awaits in glory...where no one is ever sad!

**The one who kneels to the Lord can stand up to anything.
Love and peace be with you forever, Amen.**

**Celebrate the
resurrection of
our Lord!**
**Happy
EASTER**



Holy Saturday April 19 Easter Vigil 6:30 pm

Readings - 1, 3, 5 & Epistle

St. Augustine said that the Easter Vigil – the night when Jesus Christ was raised from the dead – is to be considered the “mother of all vigils.” During the night people of God keep watch as they await the resurrection of the Lord and celebrate it in the sacraments of initiation.

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

“He saw and he believed.”

First Reading (Acts 10:34, 37-43)

Cornelius has heard of the new life, but now he is called to live it.

Psalm: This is the day the Lord had made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading (Col: 3: 1-4)

To think on heavenly things is not to ignore this life, it is to understand what this life is for.

Gospel (John 20. 1-18)

No one understands the Christian faith, if they do not understand Christ's resurrection. We cannot explain anything in this world unless we know that resurrection is our destiny.

Reflection:

Easter Sunday is the beginning of our resurrection time. It is the time when we consider what it means to accept this greatest of all facts about reality: that, in Jesus Christ, God came among us, accepted the death we imposed on him, yet rose in that humanity for the sake of our salvation.

In Lent we considered our sins, and the sins of the world, that led to the death of Christ. Now we have to consider the remedy for sin. Yet perhaps we hesitate like the disciples did. If we do so, it is not because we cannot accept rationally the possibility of eternal life. The grace of God is strong enough to overcome all doubts. No, it is not reason that holds us back but fear. Fear of a new life, fear of its demands, fear of what we might lose.

The resurrection changes everything.

The disciples felt afraid. So do we. In the presence of the risen Christ, we discover that perfect love drives out fear.

May you continue to experience what a relationship with God is all about as you celebrate the new life that comes from the Risen Lord Jesus.