



SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2020 | EASTER SUNDAY



## EASTER SUNDAY

"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay." - Mt 28:5b-6

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### WELCOME

With joy we welcome all who have gathered here with us to worship God.

"How good to sing praise to our God; how pleasant to give fitting praise." (Psalm 147:1)

Let us lift up our minds, hearts, and spirits to our loving and merciful God, from whom all good things come.

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### MASS

### SCHEDULE

#### Weekend

Saturday: 7:00 & 8:15 am  
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 7:15 am | 9:00 am  
10:45 am | 12:30 pm  
5:00 pm

#### Weekday

Mon. - Fri.: 7:00 & 8:15 am  
Wednesday: 6:30 pm  
1st Friday: 7:30 pm

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# WORSHIP

## OUR VISION

Be a flourishing community of intentional disciples shining as beacons of Christ.

### Confession

Saturday: 3:30 pm  
Thursday before 1st Friday: 3:30 pm  
Weekdays: Call for an appointment.

### Eucharistic Adoration

Perpetual Adoration is ongoing in the Adoration Chapel, located in Governo House.  
Hours: 6:00 am to 9:00 pm

### Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday (except January and May) at 12:00 pm. All seniors and those seriously ill or anticipating surgery are invited to attend.  
Next Mass: TBD

### Sacraments

For Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Adult Sacraments, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick or Funeral, contact us at 510.797.1660 or [holyspiritfremont.org](http://holyspiritfremont.org).

### First Friday Mass

Next Mass: TBD

### New to Holy Spirit?

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#### SUNDAY, APRIL 12 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

- 7:00 pm (Vigil Mass) For the People of the Holy Spirit Parish
- 7:30 am For the People of the Holy Spirit Parish
- 10:00 am For the People of the Holy Spirit Parish
- 12:30 pm For the People of the Holy Spirit Parish

#### MONDAY, APRIL 13 | MONDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15

- 7:00 am Michael & Marilyn Keily, Marlon Calso †
- 8:15 am Terri A. Cruzada, Cornelia Saenz †

#### TUESDAY, ARIL 14 | TUESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18

- 7:00 am Celia Bautista †, Salvador Flores
- 8:15 am Ruben Real, Miko Revilla Palanca †

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15 | WEDNESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35

- 7:00 am Deceased Lingad Family members †, Tiburcio Agustin
- 8:15 am David Quinata †, Isabel & Jose Santos †
- 6:30 pm Mary Joanne & Ryan De Torres, Salvador & Leonor Estrada †

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 16 | THURSDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48

- 7:00 am Lambert Yuson †, Sally Rosales
- 8:15 am Aucensio Torres †, Aniceta Berdos †

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 17 | FRIDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118: 1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a [22]/Jn 21:1-14

- 7:00 am Geraldine Dutra, Emilio G & Miranda Sr. †
- 8:15 am Amy Menchavez, Remedios Bautista †

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 18 | SATURDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15

- 7:00 am Tran Thach An †, Geraldine Dutra †
- 8:15 am Dennis Oliveira †, Ma. Erica Anne Bayaca

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.*



## FROM THE DESK OF FR. KEN...

### THE RESURRECTION: NEW LIFE FOR CHRIST, NEW LIFE FOR ALL

The Resurrection is, first, an event that concerns Jesus Christ. It is His personal triumph over death, and the vindication of the truth of His teaching. He had spoken about it before it happened. The fulfillment of that prophecy underscores the power of Christ and the truthfulness of His message.

Jesus experienced His physical resurrection in all its transforming vitality, just as He had experienced the destructive power of sin in His agony and death. This is what the “Paschal Mystery” is all about. The Resurrection reveals this with a glorious clarity perceived through the eyes of faith.

But whatever happened to Christ also has a cosmic resonance. It influences and affects positively the whole universe, but especially mankind.

At the Incarnation, the Son of God united Himself in a permanent way to every human being with a solidarity that makes Him share in all the miseries of every individual (including the deadly consequences of sin), and makes every human being a sharer in Christ’s dignity, holiness, and glory.

This is why Jesus’ coming out of the tomb – alive, transformed, immortal – concerns us, too. It concerns all human beings. His Resurrection is mankind’s resurrection because it marks mankind’s liberation from the oppression of sin. Jesus shattering the shackles of death (manifested through the breaking of the seals of His grave) is like the cracking of the shell of a

seed which allows the sprout to burst forth with all the freshness of the new life it carries.

That sprout is Jesus but is also all mankind. It is also each one of us. On Easter morning, a new world dawned, a new humanity rose from the slavery of sin and death, in Jesus, through him and with him (see Col 2:12-13).

No human expression can exhaust the transforming greatness of this mystery. The Church has been proclaiming it during her 20 centuries of existence through her liturgy, her creeds, and her life. She will continue to do so until the liberating power of the Resurrection will have reached its full manifestation in the Kingdom of heaven.

My dear friends, there are a billion and one reasons for celebrating, then, as we commemorate, re-live and rejoice in the Resurrection of Jesus. It is our resurrection, too!

But we are challenged to prove it by living a new life. We have to get rid of the “old yeast” of corruption and wickedness, and live a life characterized by sincerity and truth (see 1 Cor 5:7-8). We have to set our hearts “on what pertains to higher realms” (Col 3:1). Then will our actions ring the joyous notes of the Easter alleluia, and we shall become a living “proof” of Christ’s Resurrection.

Yes, in the midst of this global pandemic we are facing, we have true and real reason to say: Jesus Christ is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! He is risen indeed! Amen.

Happy Easter Everyone!

In Christ,

Fr. Ken



# SERVE

## Our Sunday Collections

While you are away, our clergy and staff are diligently working, ensuring that we are serving the faithful the best way we can, in spite of some limitations. As such, we ask for your continued financial support.

Please visit our parish website at <https://holyspiritfremont.org/give/> for information on "Online Giving" and "Text to Give." You may also drop off your Sunday envelopes at the parish office.

When utilizing the "Text to Give" option, please specify where your contribution needs to be directed: ex. - "Sunday" for regular Sunday collection, "Easter" for Easter Sunday.

## CRS Rice Bowls

Especially during this time of uncertainty and need, please participate in the CRS Rice Bowls, which supports Catholic Relief Services, a leading international humanitarian agency since 1943.

Proceeds from CRS Rice Bowls help alleviate hunger and poverty in our local diocese and support programs around the world. Here's a factoid: \$40 can feed a family for one month. For more info, go to [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org)

## St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Heading to the store this week? Consider picking up a few items for our SVdP food pantry. Here's this week's grocery wish list:

- ⇒ Breakfast Cereal
- ⇒ Chili
- ⇒ White Rice

Please drop off non-perishable food donations at the Parish Office. Please note: All food donations must be in factory sealed packages and/or containers. Thank you for your support!



## Special Easter Offering

During this Easter, please consider making an Easter offering to any of our service ministries—like Table of Plenty—that assist our sisters and brothers in need.

Especially during this health crisis that our local community, state, country, world is facing, many folks find themselves with minimized working hours or out of work. A lot of people are struggling to meet the basic necessities of their

families.

For those of us who find ourselves with plenty even in these lean times, please consider sharing your bounty with those who go without. With God's goodness, we can and will get through this together.



Giving

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HS Youth Ministry | April 19  
HS School | May 3

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## Gospel - John 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him."

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; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in.

When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there,

and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.

Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first,

and he saw and believed.

For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.



## Easter Morning

As the world sings triumphant cries to heaven over death that you conquered, help us, Lord, tomorrow as well, when the dresses are put away and the candy is all eaten and on with life we go let us not forget.

The celebration of your resurrection over death is a celebration of life that should continue well beyond the sunrise service and the music, rehearsed for days prior; it is beyond the sign of spring, beyond the lily, beyond new lambs grazing in open fields.

Resurrection is a daily celebration over fear; man's greatest and most powerful enemy. Fear of tomorrow, fear of our yesterdays, fear of what shall become of our young our old our unborn. Resurrection is replacing fear with physical action.

This alone, the most touching and profound of your signs that fear is dead and belief in you brings, not just hope but life.

What better living parable could You have brought? All fear death. All. Even in the garden, You took on our fear if for only moments, it was as real as our fears can be real and You knew then that this single enemy must be destroyed.

And, You sacrificed your life, leaving those who had been comfort, and follower; You left them behind, to conquer fear.

I shall cling to this now, and the tomorrows given me.  
Peace and thanksgiving lifted unto you.

Amen.

- Author Unknown



Please note: Our prayer list is refreshed every week. Feel free to call the office to include your loved one for the week: 510.797.1660

## Pray for Our Sick

Les Carscadden, Dixie Kibbee, Joseph Figueiredo, Andrew P. Javier, Carina Javier, Tony Bruno, Jr., Joannie Fernandez, Larry Bruno

## Pray for Our Recently Departed

Dr. Leandro Resurreccion III, Pita Revilla Hicson

## Birthday Blessings

Lily Roberto, Elsie Faith Saelee

## Wedding Anniversary Blessings

Rachelle & Esio Saelee

While our parish office is closed during the "Shelter in Place" order, we still encourage you to send in your prayer requests. Please send us an email at [info@holyspiritfremont.org](mailto:info@holyspiritfremont.org) with the names of your loved ones who are celebrating birthdays or wedding anniversaries, who are sick, or who have recently passed away. We will add their names to our bulletin prayer list.



# INVITE

All Easter liturgies will be celebrated in private and will be livestreamed on our Facebook page.

## Holy Saturday April 11, 2020

### Morning Prayer, 8:00 am

While in the church, COVID-19 directives will be observed. Please adhere to “social” distancing” guidelines.

The church will be open from 12:00 to 4:00 pm for the private prayer. While in the church, please practice “social distancing” guidelines.

The church will be closed at 4:00 pm in preparation for Easter Vigil.

## Easter Vigil

### Easter Vigil Liturgy, 7:00 pm

The private Mass will not be open to the public. The liturgy will be livestreamed on our Facebook page.

## Easter Sunday

### April 12, 2020

All Easter Sunday Masses are private and will be livestreamed on our Facebook page. Please note that the Mass times are different from our

regular Sunday schedules. Mass times are as follows:

7:30 am | 10:00 am | 12:30 pm

There is no evening Mass on Easter Sunday.

## Holy Communion

During this time of uncertainty, our responses to COVID-19 continue to be fluid. We appreciate your kind understanding and especially your love for Jesus.

Until further notice, we will no longer be administering the Eucharist. We are following Bishop Michael C. Barber’s directive to suspend Holy Communion altogether.

We invite you to pray the Act of Spiritual Communion during the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the  
Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I long for You in  
my soul.

Since I can not now receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I know that You have already come.

I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;  
never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

*“Jesus on the cross feels the whole weight of the evil, and with the force of God's love he conquers it; he defeats it with his resurrection. This is the good that Jesus does for us on the throne of the cross. Christ's cross, embraced with love, never leads to sadness, but to joy, to the joy of having been saved and of doing a little of what he did on the day of his death.”*

- Pope Francis



# FR. KEN'S EASTER MESSAGE



Hello Holy Spirit Family,

Someday a long time from now, we will look back and we will say, "Remember the Easter of 2020?" Yes, despite all evidence, Easter is coming and is coming very soon! This is to say, Easter has not been cancelled, or postponed, or re-scheduled!

There is no rock too large, no pain too deep, no virus too virulent that can keep Jesus, our Lord and Savior, sealed in that tomb! The Lord is Risen! Risen indeed! Risen then and Risen now!

These are troubling times as many diagnoses of coronavirus continue to manifest in our area and in our world. It is here, in the midst of hardship where death threatens to upend us, that Easter happens. Our Holy Week journey to Jerusalem with Jesus has led us from the Cross to the open tomb.

Let us unite our minds and hearts. Pray for each other, for our neighbors, for our world, for everywhere the Cross falls hard upon the hearts of God's people. And let us hold fast to HOPE.

Although at this time we are unable to physically gather in our church space, the essential ministers of Holy Spirit Church are working harder than ever. We are grateful for the contributions we continue to receive even during these hard times. Thank you for your generosity.

Many of you are facing lay-offs, unemployment and are burdened with the difficulty of providing for your family. We understand that meeting your family's needs is your priority; we continue to pray for your well-being.

For those of you who are able, please consider making a special Easter Offering. Consider also a one-time gift offering to the church in support of the ministries like Table of Plenty and others that help the poor and homeless members of our community, in thanksgiving for the blessings in the midst of hardship.

These are unsettling times, but the Church has been here before. We have been through pandemics and worse! And we know what to do – to continue supporting each other, loving our neighbor as ourselves, and always looking to Jesus, keeping our gaze fixed on Him, trusting Him completely. May the love of Jesus be our strength and our hope in this time, and always!

God bless you. God loves you, and I love and miss you too – I can't wait to see you all soon! May God protect and keep you with all the people you love most!

Happy Easter!

Fr. Ken

## We're Open!

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