

# ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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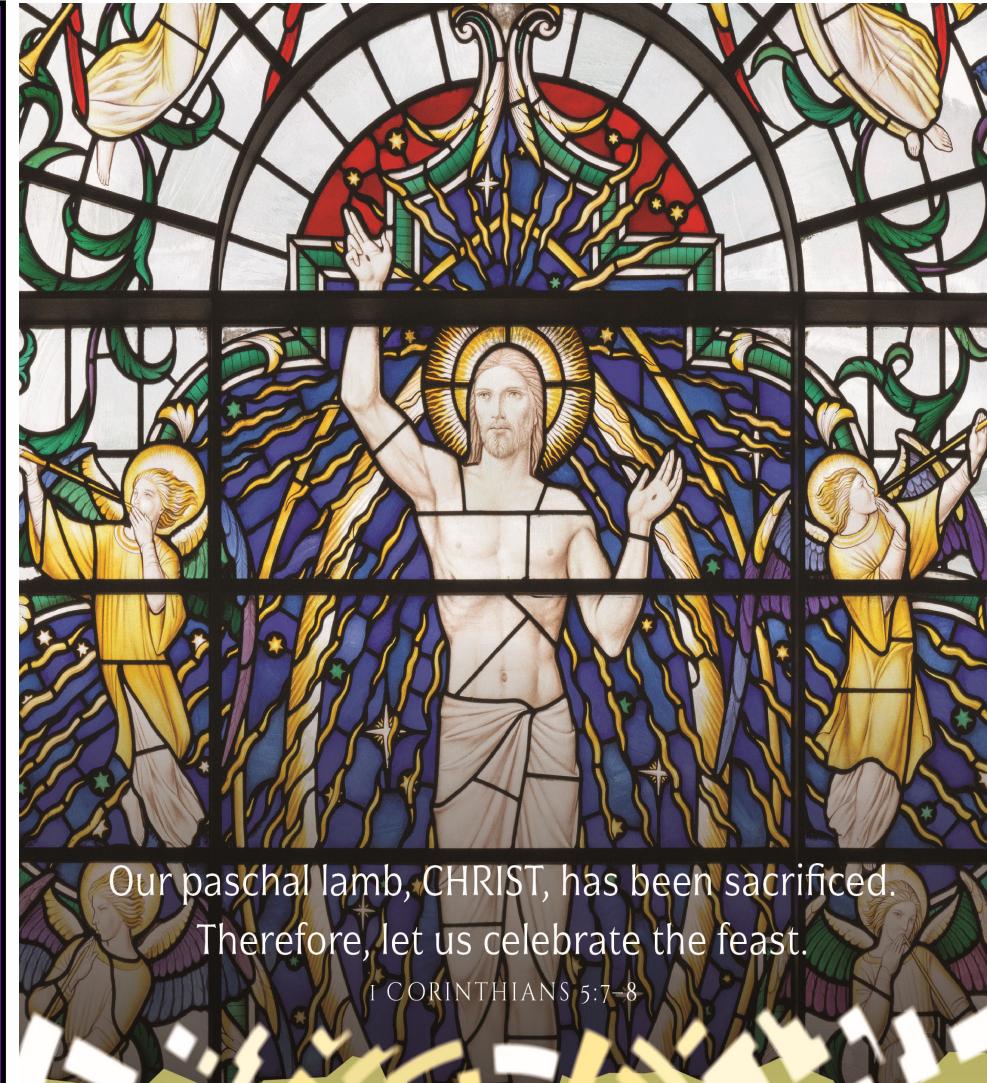
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## EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 4, 2021

	Monthly (Dec 2020)	Monthly (Jan 2021)	Fiscal Year 20/21 (7/1/2020- 1/31/2021)
Unrestricted Income*	\$34,727	\$26,328	\$222,099
Restricted Income**	\$2,053	\$2,511	\$144,451
Expenses	\$27,823	\$27,651	\$267,293
Net	\$8,957	\$1,188	\$99,257

### St. Thomas Aquinas Financial Status- January 2021

\* Unrestricted income includes: plate and envelope collections, online giving, donations, fundraisers, etc.

\*\* Restricted income includes: The Building Fund, Religious Education, and donations with specific use designations by the donor.

The table above indicates the financial status through January 31, 2021 and represents annual totals for Fiscal Year 20/21.

The Parish was blessed to receive a large donation in September from the estate of a previous parishioner. However, this donation is earmarked for the support of evangelization and is not available to be utilized for operational expenses and the positive balance year to date is attributed to this donation.

The comparison of donations through service collections, the mail and online donations are comparable to last Fiscal Year (19/20). However, special services such as Baptisms, Funerals, etc. as well as the ability to use Aquinas Hall for rentals are below last year or completely shut down in the instance of the Hall. With ongoing COVID restrictions, it is unlikely that any significant rental income will be realized this Fiscal Year, but with vaccinations increasing, the Parish is beginning to book events late Summer and early Fall.

The Contingency Fund, invested with a fund managed by the Los Angeles Archdiocese, was showing losses the Spring and Summer of 2020 but has rebounded in alignment with overall growth in the Stock Market. The Parish has been able to hold off on utilization of this funding as a result of good fiscal management and control of expenses during the first eight months, but has taken a distribution in February. With the growth of the investments this distribution has come from this growth and has not had to utilize the fund principal.

Parish Administration realizes these are very challenging times, but if it is possible to increase your contributions, even slightly, this will greatly assist the Parish meet its expenses and reduce the need for withdrawals from the Parish Contingency Fund.

God Bless

#### REJOICE AND BE GLAD

During the first three or four centuries of Christianity, if you asked a Christian to name the feast days of the church, your answer would have been a puzzled stare, for there was only one feast: the Resurrection of the Lord. Every Sunday was a feast celebrating the one great feast. Even though our calendar now has many beautiful and holy feasts, we must continually be called back to the fact that all these other feasts exist because of the feast of Christ's passover from death to life. The psalm today proclaims this message well: "This is the day." It is not one of many days, but it is the day of all days, the one that gives all the others their origin, purpose, meaning, and destiny. Listen carefully to Peter's speech in Acts with its recollection of the Passion, to the words of the apostle Paul, and to the account of Mary Magdalene, John, and Peter finding the empty tomb, and you will hear the many wonderful works that God has done for us through Christ. Rejoice and be glad!

#### ALÉGRENSE Y REGOCÍJENSE

Durante los primeros tres o cuatro siglos del cristianismo, si se le preguntaba a un cristiano el nombre de las fiestas de la Iglesia, su respuesta habría sido una mirada de sorpresa porque había una sola fiesta: la Resurrección del Señor. Cada domingo era una celebración de la gran fiesta. A pesar de que nuestro calendario tiene ahora muchas fiestas hermosas y santas, continuamente debemos ser llamados de nuevo al hecho de que todas estas fiestas existen a causa de la fiesta del paso (Pascua) de Cristo de la muerte a la vida. El Salmo de hoy proclama este mensaje así: "Este es el día". No es uno de muchos días, pero es el día de todos los días, el que da a todos los demás su origen, propósito, significado y destino. Escuchen con atención el discurso de Pedro en Hechos recordando la Pasión, las palabras del apóstol Pablo y al recuento que hacen María Magdalena, Juan y Pedro al encontrar la tumba vacía, y oirán las obras maravillosas que Dios ha hecho para nosotros en Cristo. ¡Alégrense y regocíjense!

#### EASTER PEOPLE

*We are Easter people and Alleluia is our song!  
—St. Augustine*

#### UN PUEBLO PASCUAL

*¡Somos un pueblo pascual y el aleluya es nuestra canción! —San Agustín*

TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

**Psalm** — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

**(1) Second Reading** — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) or

**(2) Second Reading** — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

**Gospel** — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) or Mark 16:1-7 (or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;  
Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;  
Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a;  
Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21;  
Mk 16:9-15

**Sunday:** Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;  
1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

Saints and Special Observances

**Sunday:** Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord;  
Julian Calendar Palm Sunday

**Monday:** Monday within the Octave of Easter

**Tuesday:** Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

**Wednesday:** Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

**Thursday:** Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day)

**Friday:** Thursday within the Octave of Easter

**Saturday:** Friday in the Octave of Easter;

Julian Calendar Good Friday

**Sunday:** Saturday within the Octave of Easter

LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Pedro es un testigo: el Señor ha resucitado (Hechos 10:34a, 37-43).

**Salmo** — Este es el día del triunfo del Señor. Aleluya (Salmo 118 (117)).

**(1) Segunda lectura** — Todos los bautizados, eleven su corazón al cielo (Colosenses 3:1-4).

**(2) Segunda lectura** — Cristo, nuestra Pascua, fue sacrificado; por tanto celebremos (1 Corintios 5:6b-8).

**Evangelio** — Tres testigos, María, Pedro y Juan; cada uno responde a la tumba vacía (Juan 20:1-9) o Mc 16:1-7 o (en misas de la tarde o la noche) Lc 24:13-35

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

**Lunes:** Hch 2:14, 22-33; Sal 16 (15):1-2a, 5, 7-11;  
Mt 28:8-15

**Martes:** Hch 2:36-41; Sal 33 (32):4-5, 18-20, 22;  
Jn 20:11-18

**Miércoles:** Hch 3:1-10; Sal 105:1-4, 6-9; Lc 24:13-35

**Jueves:** Hch 3:11-26; Sal 8:2ab, 5-9; Lc 24:35-48

**Viernes:** Hch 4:1-12; Sal 118 (117):1-2, 4, 22-27a;  
Jn 21:1-14

**Sábado:** Hch 4:13-21; Sal 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21;  
Mc 16:9-15

**Domingo:** Hch 4:32-35; Sal 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;  
1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

**Domingo:** Domingo de Pascua: La Resurrección del Señor;  
Domingo de Ramos en el calendario juliano

**Lunes:** Lunes de la Octava de Pascua

**Martes:** Martes de la Octava de Pascua

**Miércoles:** Miércoles de la Octava de Pascua

Yom HaShoa (memorial del holocausto)

**Jueves:** Jueves de la Octava de Pascua

**Viernes:** Viernes de la Octava de Pascua;

Viernes Santo en el calendario juliano

**Sábado:** Sábado de la Octava de Pascua



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of,  
The unborn babies to abortions

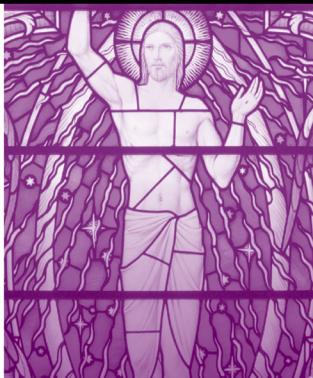
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen.

Please keep our sweet little ones and their mothers in your daily prayers

**April 4, 2021**

**Easter Sunday**

Mary ran to tell Simon Peter and the other disciple that the tomb was empty. No doubt confused and concerned, Peter and the other disciple set aside whatever fear might have occurred to them and ran to see the tomb for themselves. We do not always understand God's ways. We too are confused at times; our lives are marked by moments of uncertainty, and at times we are afraid. We can learn from Mary, Simon Peter, and the other disciple and step out in faith, trusting that we will find the Lord in the midst of the circumstances of our lives. When life gets complicated, as it often does, the best thing to do is step out, perhaps even run to the Lord!



### BEAR WITNESS

We may not have opportunities to address crowds of people and share the gospel with them. Still, we are called to bear witness to our faith in the ways that we are able, in word and in deed. We cannot share what we have not fully embraced ourselves, however. The Easter season is the perfect time to reflect on Christ's Paschal Mystery, the unfathomable love of Jesus who shows and shares God's love perfectly. Our Lord gave his life so that we might have life, and have it to the full. Christ's victory over sin and death is our victory, our promise of eternal life with God in the fullness of time. See in Christ's life, passion, death, and resurrection the sign of God's mercy. Let this Easter day be a moment in which you allow yourself to be touched by Christ's incredible, undying love. Then, renewed in faith, look for ways to bear witness to the mercy, forgiveness, compassion, and love of the Lord with others.

Today's Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37–43; Ps 118:1–2, 16–17, 22–23; Col 3:1–4 or 1 Cor 5:6b–8; Jn 20:1–9

**4 de abril de 2021**

**Domingo de Pascua**

María corrió a decirle a Simón Pedro y al otro discípulo que el sepulcro estaba vacío. Sin duda confundidos y preocupados, Pedro y el otro discípulo dejaron a un lado cualquier miedo que pudieron haber sentido y corrieron a ver el sepulcro por ellos mismos. No siempre entendemos los caminos de Dios. Nosotros también algunas veces estamos confundidos, nuestras vidas están marcadas por momentos de duda, y a veces tenemos miedo. Podemos aprender de María, Simón Pedro y el otro discípulo y movernos por la fe, confiando que encontraremos al Señor en medio de las circunstancias de nuestras vidas. Cuando la vida se complica, como sucede a menudo, lo mejor que puede hacerse es movernos, ¡quizá incluso correr hacia el Señor!

### DAR TESTIMONIO

Puede que no tengamos la oportunidad de dirigirnos a las multitudes y compartir el Evangelio con ellos. Aún así, estamos llamados a dar testimonio de nuestra fe de la manera que podamos, de palabra y con hechos. Sin embargo, no podemos compartir lo que no tenemos. El tiempo de Pascua es el tiempo perfecto para reflexionar en el misterio pascual de Cristo, el amor incommensurable que Jesús nos muestra y el amor de Dios que comparte. Nuestro Señor dio su vida para que pudiéramos tener vida y una vida en abundancia. La victoria de Cristo sobre el pecado y la muerte es nuestra victoria, nuestra promesa de vida eterna con Dios en la plenitud de los tiempos. Ve en la vida, pasión, muerte y resurrección el signo de la misericordia de Dios. Permite que este día de Pascua sea un momento en el cual permitas ser tocado por el amor increíble y eterno de Cristo. Luego, renovados en la fe, busca maneras de dar testimonio a los demás de la misericordia, perdón, compasión y amor del Señor.

Lecturas de hoy: Hch 10:34a, 37–43; Sal 118 (117):1–2, 16–17, 22–23; Col 3:1–4 o 1 Cor 5:6b–8; Jn 20:1–9



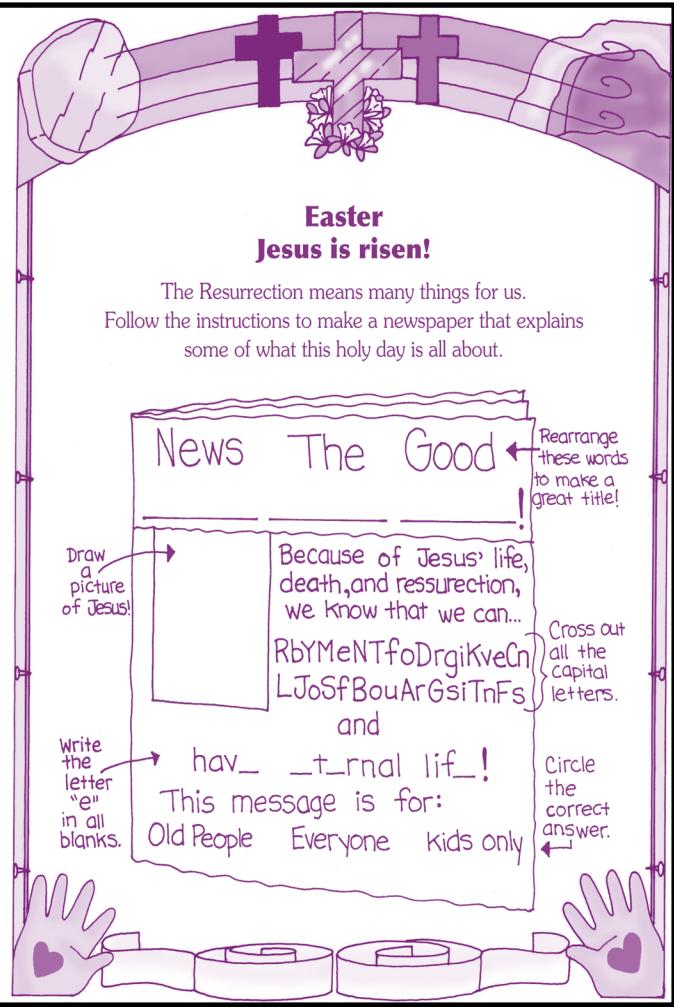
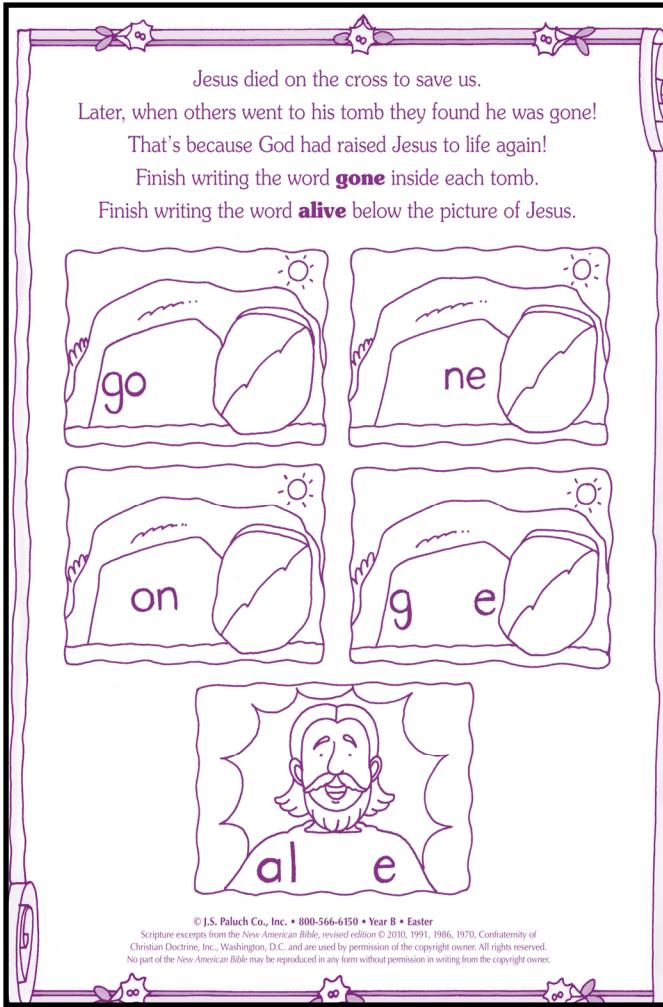
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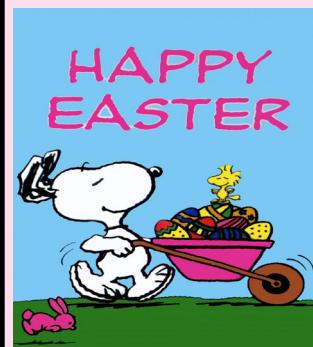
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## GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN





May this day bring you  
blessings of love, joy, peace and hope,  
May it linger in you hear  
**forever**

Que este día te traiga  
bendiciones del amor, la alegría, la paz y la esperanza,  
Que se quede en usted oye  
**Siempre**

#### DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	Apr 03	5:00PM	Holy Saturday
Sunday	Apr 04	9:30AM	Easter Sunday
Monday	Apr 05	9:00AM	Thomas Wachtell † By: Teichert Family
Tuesday	Apr 06	9:00AM	Gerhard Henne † By: Quackenbush Family
Wednesday	Apr 07	9:00AM	Craig Lewis † By: Marlene & Wayne Lattimer
Thursday	Apr 08	9:00AM	Marie Coscarelli † By: Charles Coscarelli
Friday	Apr 09	9:00AM	Stephen Gfeller † By: Virginia Aguirre
Saturday	Apr 10	8:00AM	Patricia Fredrickson † By: Alex & Maria Doran



#### DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know? March 27-28 |  
Abusive behavior is nonconsensual

The term “consensual” implies that a person freely agrees to do something and understands what they are consenting to do. When it comes to child abuse, no child can give consent, or freely agree, to engage in inappropriate behavior with an older person – however children can be manipulated such that it appears they have consented in some way out of deference to the abuser’s authority. This is why abuse often involves misuse or abuse of power over a victim and can be accomplished through a range of inappropriate behaviors that give the abuser the upper hand. To read more from the VIRTUS® article “Early Identification is Crucial,” visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

#### ¿LO SABIAS?

El comportamiento abusivo no es consensual. El término “consensual” implica que una persona acepta libremente hacer algo y comprende lo que está consintiendo en hacer. Cuando se trata de abuso infantil, ningún niño puede dar su consentimiento, o aceptar libremente, participar en un comportamiento inapropiado con una persona mayor. De cualquier forma, los niños pueden ser manipulados de manera que parezca que han dado su consentimiento de alguna manera debido al respeto que los niños tienen a la autoridad del abusador. Esta es la razón por la que el abuso a menudo implica un uso indebido o abuso de poder sobre una víctima y puede lograrse mediante una variedad de comportamientos inapropiados que le dan ventaja al abusador. Para leer más del artículo de VIRTUS® “Early Identification is Crucial” (La identificación temprana es crucial), visite <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL'S PANTRY****Saturday, April 17, 2020****1st Thursday 9:30am to 10:30am Share the Harvest****Pop up-Food share are the 2nd and 4th Monday 10:00am to 12:00pm****3rd Saturday of each month, from 9:30am to 11:30am St Vincent de Paul's**

We are very grateful for all the donations and for any money donated, which can be dropped off at the church office or put through the mail slot by the office door. Thank you to all who have helped and prayed for us in anyway.

**The pantry is in much need of the following Items:**

**Canned foods: veggies, fruit, tuna, spam, chicken, ham...etc.**

**Paper towels, toilet paper, cereal of all kinds, pasta of all kinds, rice, beans, jam, jelly, peanut butter, crackers, soups. Baby products are also in need, Diapers of any size, Canned and non-perishable needed as well.**

We need volunteers to help bag on "EVERY" Friday at 2:30PM before and help distribute on Saturday 9:30 AM.

**Monies donations: Please make checks out to: "ST VINCENT DE PAULS" and place it in a CLEARLY MARKED ENVELOPE and drop off your envelope at the church office.**

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