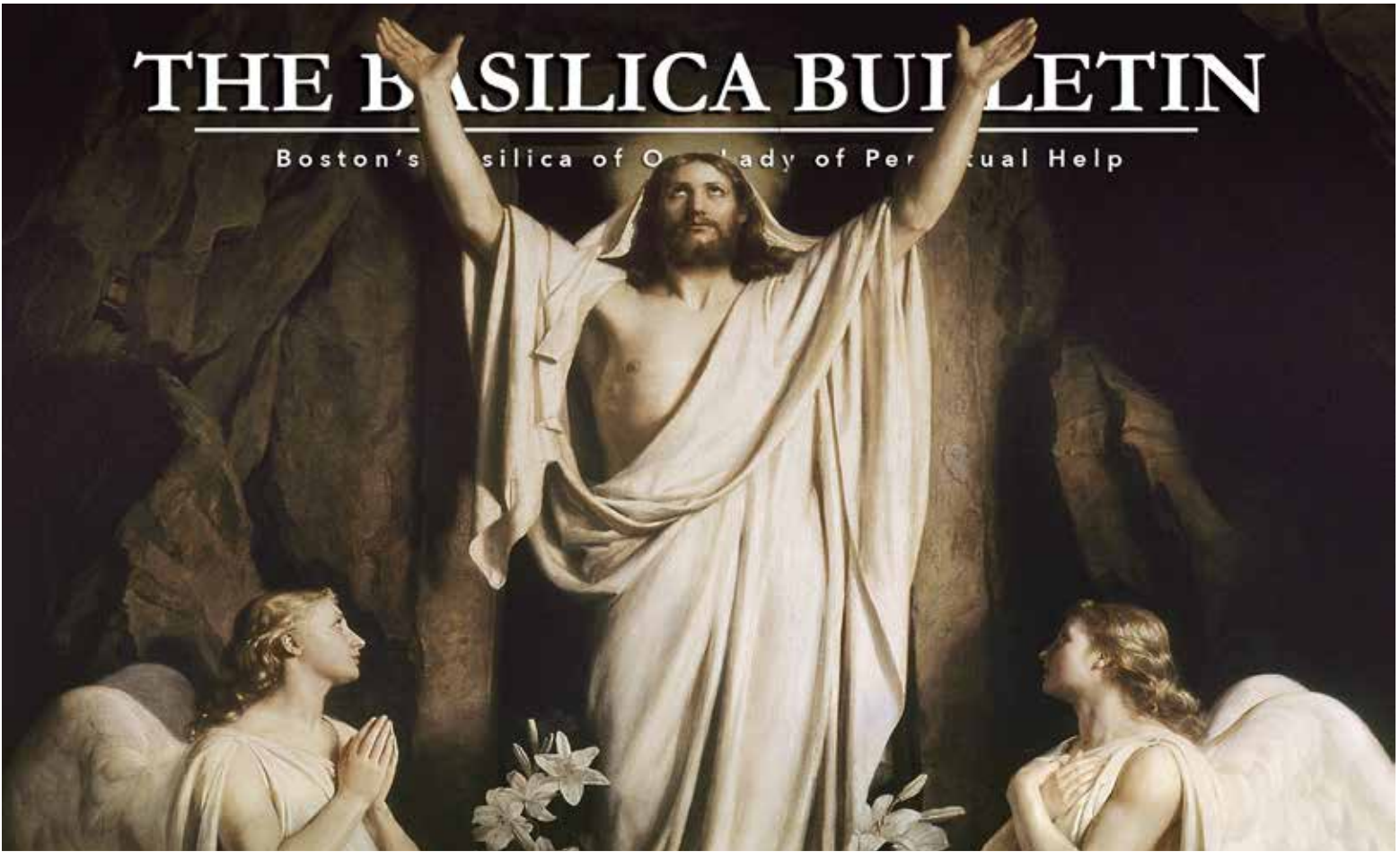


# THE BASILICA BULLETIN

Boston's Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Easter Sunday - The Resurrection of the Lord

April 21, 2019



## From the Rector

Very Rev. Joseph Tizio, C.Ss.R.

Why do you seek the living among the dead? That was the question which the angels asked the women when they came to anoint the body of Jesus that first Easter Sunday. Sometimes it seems like the strangest memories remain with me, memories which are insignificant but something about them causes the memory to remain years later.

Almost fifty years ago, when I was a seminarian, our class spent several weeks in small farming town in Pennsylvania. Each Friday there was a large farmers' market which I greatly enjoyed walking through. One particular Friday, there was what appeared to be a devout Christian family, on a stage singing hymns. Among them was a small boy of about five or six years old singing with such enthusiasm and deep feeling "God's not dead, he is alive". I just stood and watched the child sing, I was so moved by his emotion and intensity, I can still see his face and hear his voice!

That little child captures the true meaning of Easter for me. Easter proclaims that Christ is not dead, he is alive. Easter is about being filled with the same certainty and enthusiasm as that child. It means an absolute belief that Christ lives, that just as he has passed from death into life, so we, through our baptism have shared in that passage from death into life. Easter is the absolute certainty in eternal life, an unshakable belief that the power of Christ can overcome any obstacle, especially the power of death. So, as you have spent these past forty days doing the hard work of penance and inner renewal; now please spend the next fifty days of Easter feasting and celebrating new life, celebrating the gift of our faith, celebrating the absolute certainty that nothing but eternal is waiting for us!

Staffed by  
**The Redemptorists**

### Weekday Masses

7:00am and 12:10pm

### Saturday Masses

8:00am and 12:10pm

Vigil: 4:00pm, 7:00pm (Haitian)

### Sunday Masses

9:00am, 12:30pm, 5:00pm

11:00am (Spanish)

### Sacrament of Penance

Monday-Saturday at 11:50am

Saturday 3:30pm

### Wednesday Novena Service

12:10pm, 5:30pm, 6:30pm (Spanish),

7:00pm (Haitian)

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 8:00am to 5:00pm

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Apr 20** Saturday (Holy Saturday)

**Apr 21** Sunday (Easter Sunday)

9:00am +Frank and Elsie Kreckler  
11:00am +Judy Rafael Romero  
+Andres Hernandez  
+Teofilo Cruz  
+Melvin Arroyo  
12:30pm +Luke Malloy

**Apr 22** Monday

7:00am Peter Chong Ah Wah and Family  
12:10pm Easter Novena  
+Francis Vincent Doyle

**Apr 23** Tuesday

7:00am Easter Novena  
12:10pm Stanley J. Pierre Louis Jr.

**Apr 24** Wednesday

7:00am +William R. Bottary  
12:10pm Easter Novena  
+Geri de Celle  
6:30pm Purgatorian Society

**Apr 25** Thursday

7:00am Easter Novena  
12:10pm Stephan Zeeman

**Apr 26** Friday

7:00am Easter Novena  
12:10pm Patrick and Donna Melia

## FROM THE RECTOR

### En Español

¿Por qué buscas la vida entre los muertos? Esa fue la pregunta que los ángeles hicieron a las mujeres cuando vinieron a ungir el cuerpo de Jesús el primer domingo de Pascua. A veces parece que los recuerdos más extraños permanecen conmigo, recuerdos que son insignificantes, pero algo acerca de ellos hace que la memoria permanezca años más tarde. Hace casi cincuenta años, cuando era seminarista, nuestra clase pasó varias semanas en un pequeño pueblo agrícola en Pennsylvania. Todos los viernes había un gran mercado de agricultores en el que disfrutaba mucho pasear. Un viernes en particular, había lo que parecía ser una devota familia cristiana, en un escenario cantando himnos. Entre ellos había un niño pequeño de unos cinco o seis años que cantaba con tanto entusiasmo y profunda sensación de que "Dios no está muerto, está vivo". Me quedé de pie y vi al niño cantar, estaba tan conmovido por su emoción e intensidad, ¡todavía puedo ver su rostro y escuchar su voz!

Ese niño pequeño captura para mí el verdadero significado de la Pascua. La Pascua proclama que Cristo no está muerto, él está vivo. La Pascua se trata de estar lleno de la misma certeza y entusiasmo que ese niño. Significa una creencia absoluta de que Cristo vive, que así como ha pasado de la muerte a la vida, también nosotros, a través de nuestro bautismo, hemos compartido ese pasaje de la muerte a la vida. La Pascua es la certeza absoluta en la vida eterna, una creencia inquebrantable de que el poder de Cristo puede superar cualquier obstáculo, especialmente el poder de la muerte. Entonces, como han pasado estos últimos cuarenta días haciendo el duro trabajo de la penitencia y la renovación interior; Ahora, por favor, pase los próximos cincuenta días de Pascua festejando y celebrando una nueva vida, celebrando el don de nuestra fe, celebrando la absoluta certeza de que nada más que lo eterno nos está esperando.

### Reflexión

"Se fue haciendo el bien y sanando a todos los oprimidos por el diablo, porque Dios estaba con Él." (HECHOS 10:38)

En este domingo de Pascua, abran sus corazones para recibir el amor, la misericordia y el perdón de Dios. Dios es amor y estamos hechos a su imagen y semejanza. Deja que nuestras vidas reflejen su Luz a los demás. Ora por orientación sobre cómo vivir tu vida y da gracias por todo lo que Él te ha dado.

2019  
**Catholic Appeal**  
Living Our Faith Together  
ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON



Help us reach our goal! Pamphlets are at the back of the church or donate online  
[www.bostonsbasilica.com/catholicappeal](http://www.bostonsbasilica.com/catholicappeal)



# Happy Easter

## NEWS AND EVENTS

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On behalf of our Redemptorist Community, our parish staff, and pastoral council, we extend to you and your loved ones our wishes for a Most Blessed Easter. May you feel deep within you the joy of Christ's triumph over death!

We thank all those who have volunteered and offered their time and talent to help make our Holy Week celebrations so beautiful. We also thank those who were so generous with our Easter flower collection. What makes our parish so special is that so many are so willing to step up and give of their time and resources.

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### **Easter Flowers and Cards**

Our church is beautifully decorated with flowers today, please consider making a donation toward this effort by using the Easter Flower envelopes at the back of the church.

Share the Basilica with friends and family this Easter by sending a Novena card. Names and intentions will be remembered in a Novena of 9 Masses beginning Easter Sunday. Cards are available at the Rectory Office for \$3 each or quantity discounts of 5 for \$10 and 10 for \$15.

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### **Parking Enforcement**

Please note that starting May 1st anyone who parks in the church parking lot illegally will be automatically towed. If you park in the lot on St. Alphonsus Street and are blocking someone, you will be automatically towed. If you park there and are not attending mass or doing church business, you will be automatically towed. We thank you for your cooperation.

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### **Second Collection Next Weekend**

Next Sunday's second collection supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. These priests have given their lives to faithfully serve Christ, the Church, and you. Please be generous to this important collection. For more information, please visit [www.clergyfunds.org](http://www.clergyfunds.org)

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### **Consider A Catholic Education at Mission Grammar School**

#### **Sunday, April 28th**

Sr. Barbara Guttierrez from the Catholic Schools Office will be speaking at all Masses. Mission Grammar School staff, scholars and families on hand after Mass to answer questions and share their experience.

#### **Sunday, May 5th**

Mission Grammar materials available after Mass

#### **Sunday, May 12th**

Mission Grammar materials available after Mass



### Felices Pascuas

En nombre de nuestra Comunidad Redentorista, el personal de nuestra parroquia y el consejo pastoral, extendemos a usted y a sus seres queridos nuestros deseos de una Semana Santa Santísima. ¡Que puedas sentir profundamente dentro de ti el gozo del triunfo de Cristo sobre la muerte! Agradecemos a todos aquellos que se han ofrecido como voluntarios y han ofrecido su tiempo y talento para ayudar a que nuestras celebraciones de Semana Santa sean tan hermosas. También agradecemos a aquellos que fueron tan generosos con nuestra colección de flores de Pascua.

### Parking

Tenga en cuenta que a partir del 1 de mayo, cualquier persona que estacione ilegalmente en el estacionamiento de la iglesia será remolcada automáticamente. Si se estaciona en el estacionamiento en la calle St. Alphonsus y está bloqueando a alguien, será remolcado automáticamente. Si se estaciona allí y no asiste a misa o no hace negocios de la iglesia, será remolcado automáticamente. Les damos las gracias por su cooperación.

### El Regalo de Una Hora

Recuerde que dependemos de su ofrenda semanal para continuar el ministerio de nuestra parroquia. Le pedimos que considere dar el equivalente a una hora de su salario semanal. Si no puede comprometerse una hora en este momento, le pedimos que aporte al menos \$ 5 como ofrenda mínima para el mantenimiento y la misión de la iglesia.

### Haitian Mass Every Saturday at 7:00pm

Frè m ak sèm yo, Bondye, avèk Manman Pèpetyèl toujou la pou li pran swen nou, pou li ban nou nouriti kap kenbe nou solid nan lafwa. Se sak fè Granmèt la toujou mete, sevètè pou sèvi nou. Pou nou ka jwen nouriti spirityèl sa, chak Samdi a 7 pm, nap gen lamès an kreyòl, nan Legliz Pèpetyèl la. Nou tout, ayisyen yo, nou se pitit Manman Pèpetyèl, vini, pou nou selebre lafwa nou, nan lang manman nou.

### Haitian Prayer Group meets first Saturday at 5:00pm

"Zanmi Manman Pèpetyèl yo", ap toujou rankontre chak premye samdi, a 5 h PM pou rive 6h45 PM, nan mizik room lan. Nou konte sou prezans tout manb yo, pou nou kontinye viv karis nou ki bati sou twa wòch dife. " lapriye, fòmasyon, ak fratènite"

### Bible Class in French/Creole Every Second Tuesday at 8:00pm

Mes frères et soeurs. On ne peut donner ce qu'on n'a pas. Tout chrétien, doit connaître la parole de Dieu. Donc, il est important de se mettre à l'écoute, et à l'étude de la parole de Dieu, pour pouvoir partager avec les autres, combien Dieu nous aime.

Dans le souci de répondre mieux à notre vocation chrétienne, nous avons un cours biblique chaque deuxième Mardi du mois à 8:00 PM.

« Frè m ak sèm yo, nou pa ka bay sa nou pa genyen, donk antan ke kretyen, nou dwe, konnen Paròl Granmèt la. Se sak fè nou gen you kou labib, chak dezyèm Madi, a 8:00 PM. »

## BASILICA MEMORIALS

### Basilica Memorial Plaque

Honor a loved one with a permanent memorial inside the Basilica. A limited number of engravable metal plaques are mounted near the Shine and Purgatorian altar for donor contributions of \$1,000 or more. Your gift directly benefits the Basilica and the on going restoration work that is continually needed. A 1" x 4" metal plaque can be engraved with up to 20 characters on each line, up to 4 lines. Spaces and punctuation are characters.



### Masses and Enrollments

The Basilica's sacred altars and presence as a spiritual home for over a century provides a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the liturgy for your intentions. Masses for living and deceased can be offered throughout the year. We also have special perpetual Mass enrollment societies that provide daily and weekly remembrances as long as the Basilica endures.

For details visit the Rectory Office or our website, [www.bostonsbasilica.com/shop](http://www.bostonsbasilica.com/shop)

### 2019 Mass Intentions

Remember a deceased loved one or pray for an intention through a High Mass request to be said as part of our daily and Sunday Masses. Intentions may be booked on a first come, first serve basis for 2019 by visiting the Rectory Office. High Mass stipends are \$15. Mass cards for deceased, sick, special intention and birthdays are also available: [www.bostonsbasilica.com/shop](http://www.bostonsbasilica.com/shop)

### Life in the Spirit Seminar

The Life in the Spirit Seminar is a time of renewal and rededication to establish a personal relationship with Christ, to be aware and to yield to the Holy Spirit in your life and to become part of a community where one can share Christian life. The program consists of short sharing and personal testimony by members of the community followed by small group discussions. Join us for upcoming sessions held on Monday evenings from 6:30pm-8:30pm in the Parish Center. Forthcoming topics include, April 29th (God's Love and Covenant), May 6th (Salvation and New Life), May 13th (Receiving God's Gifts), May 20th (Baptism in the Holy Spirit), June 3rd (Growth/Transformation in Christ).

### Cathedral Food Bank

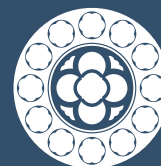
The Cathedral of the Holy Cross operates a food bank open to all in need on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:00am-3:00pm. Located at 1400 Washington Street, Boston in the lower church facing Msgr. Reynolds Way. A photo id is required for distributions. For more information please call 617-506-6600.

### Immigration Services

Catholic Charities offers consultation and representation for immigration matters. To schedule an appointment with an immigration attorney, call 617-464-8100 on Mondays at 9:00am. Due to high demand, appointments fill up quickly. Callers will likely need to make multiple attempts to get an appointment. The consultation fee is \$50 payable by money order, credit card or cash. Nominal fees are charged for additional representation.

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a worldwide organization, which is deeply rooted in Christian love and teaching to serve the poor and needy. In March of 2012, a conference was established at the Basilica to serve the poor of Boston. Volunteer opportunities are available throughout the year and support is given on an as needed basis in areas of housing, heat, meals and tuition. Learn more by visiting [www.svdpmmissionchurch.org](http://www.svdpmmissionchurch.org)



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English - Mondays, 6:30pm in Parish Center  
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## Reflection

*"He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (Acts 10:38)*

On this Easter Sunday, open your hearts to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. God is love and we are made in His image and likeness. Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray for guidance on how to live your life and give thanks for all that He has given you.

