

## CHRISTIANS ARE PEOPLE OF HOPE

Brothers and Sisters: We have already heard the good news. In fact, we have heard the best news: "Christ is alive! He is risen and has appeared to his disciples." Happy Easter to all of you! *The sorrow that filled our heart at the Passion and death of Christ gives way to the unrestrained joy that his Resurrection brings.*

**1. It's not easy to believe in Jesus' Resurrection.** The disciples had to experience the dark night of the soul after Good Friday. Together with the trauma of Jesus' violent death, they suffered because of the silence of so many unknown elements. So what would happen now? We can understand their anguish if we compare it to what we feel when we are waiting for someone who doesn't show up. They tell us that mom is coming on a trip, but she doesn't arrive when we expect her to. What could have happened? Our soul gets worried, and all sorts of images pass before our eyes. That's what the disciples were like, with a knot in their stomach.

The resurrected Jesus appears to Peter, to Mary Magdalene, and to Thomas, precisely to these three because they were doubting. They were more dead than alive. And he appears to the disciples of Emmaus because they had already lost hope. To all of them he brings new reasons to live.

**2. Christ's Resurrection changed the world.** Death was defeated when Christ accepted death; pain and suffering were conquered when Christ freely chose to suffer; sin was destroyed when Christ bore it on his shoulders. This is all true, even though death, suffering and sin still continue by our side. But they are no longer unable to be overcome.

We must be men of hope. We can't walk through the world always predicting calamities; we must persevere in solid optimism, tested in love and in death, a realistic optimism that is also full of good humor. There is a new Beatitude intended for us: "Blessed are those who have not seen, yet still believe."

**3. Every Sunday is a little Easter** that becomes a reality in the Eucharist. It's as if the day arrives when I can go to the bank of mercy and cash in the check of life, joy and pardon that Christ gave me two thousand years ago on the day of his Resurrection. It's not written out to "the bearer"; it's written to my name, and no one else can cash it for me. Tomorrow could be too late. It's an invitation for us to live "like resurrected souls."

St. Paul invites us to "look for the things above, and not those of the world." Make a practical resolution: spend some time reading the Gospel narrative of everything that took place after the Resurrection. It will fill you with joy and peace. And how much do we need them after hearing all the bad news about catastrophes, death and abuse on the radio or on TV. Let us rather fill ourselves with good news that is a sign of God's presence. **Let us be men of hope! Happy Easter and may God bless you, Fr. Oscar**

## EL CRISTIANO ES UN HOMBRE QUE ESPERA

Hermanos y hermanas: Ya hemos oído la buena noticia. Mejor dicho, la mejor noticia: "¡Cristo está vivo! Ha resucitado y se ha aparecido a sus discípulos". ¡Felices pascuas para todos! La tristeza que invadió nuestro corazón por la pasión y muerte de Cristo deja su lugar a la **alegría incontenible que provoca su resurrección.**

**1. No es fácil creer en la resurrección** de Jesús. Los discípulos tuvieron que experimentar la noche oscura del alma después del viernes santo. Junto al trauma de la muerte violenta de Jesús, tuvieron que sufrir el silencio de muchas incógnitas. ¿Y ahora que va a pasar? Entenderemos su angustia si la comparamos con lo que nos ocurre a nosotros cuando esperamos a alguien que no acaba de llegar. Nos anuncian que mamá viene de viaje, pero no llega cuando esperamos. ¿Qué habrá pasado? El alma se me encoge, me paso películas. Así estaban los discípulos con un nudo en la garganta.

Jesús se aparece, resucitado, a Pedro, a María Magdalena, y a Tomás, precisamente a ellos porque dudaban. Estaban más muertos que vivos. Y a los discípulos de Emaús porque ya habían perdido la esperanza. A todos les trae nuevos motivos para vivir.

**2. La resurrección de Cristo cambió al mundo.** La muerte fue vencida cuando Cristo aceptó morir; el dolor fue superado cuando Cristo aceptó libremente sufrir; el pecado fue destruido cuando Cristo lo cargó sobre sus hombros. Todo esto es verdad a pesar de que la muerte, el sufrimiento y el pecado siguen acompañándonos en nuestra existencia. Pero ya no son insuperables.

Debemos ser hombres de esperanza. No podemos andar por el mundo profetizando calamidades; debemos perseverar en un optimismo insobornable, hecho a prueba de amor y de muerte, muy realista pero lleno de buen humor. Hay una nueva bienaventuranza destinada a nosotros: "Bienaventurados los que sin ver creyeron".

**3. Cada domingo es una pequeña Pascua** que se actualiza en la eucaristía. Es como si fuera el día en que puedo cobrar en el banco de la misericordia ese cheque de vida, de alegría, de perdón que Cristo me entregó hace dos mil años, el día de su resurrección. No viene "al portador"; está a mi nombre y nadie lo puede cobrar por mí. Mañana podría ser demasiado tarde. Es una invitación para que vivamos "como resucitados".

San Pablo nos invita a "buscar los bienes de arriba; no los de la tierra". Haz un propósito práctico: Dedicar un tiempo a leer en el Evangelio la narración de todo lo que ocurrió después de la resurrección. Te llenará de alegría y paz. ¡Cuánto las necesitamos después de enterarnos de las malas noticias que oímos en la radio o en la TV sobre catástrofes, muertes, abusos! Busquemos las buenas noticias que son signos de la presencia de Dios. **¡Seamos hombres de esperanza! Felices Pascuas y que Dios les bendiga, P. Oscar**

**Easter Sunday**  
**Domingo de Resurrección**  
**Abril/ April 21, 2019**

**Mass Intentions      Intenciones de la Misa**

Saturday/Sabado 04/20	<b>7:00pm</b> All our Intentions
	<b>10:00pm</b> Todas las intenciones
Sunday/Domingo 04/21	<b>7:00am</b> No Mass
	<b>9:00am</b> All who are sick
	<b>11:00am</b> Antonio Serna+
	<b>1:00pm</b> Pro-populo
	<b>7:00pm</b> Reymundo Catalan
Monday/Lunes 04/22	<b>9:00am</b> Jeanne La Duke+
Tuesday/Martes 04/23	<b>9:00am</b> Felix Becera+
	<b>8:00pm</b> All victims of abuse
Wed/Miércoles 04/24	<b>9:00am</b> Ben Smith+
Thursday/Jueves 04/25	<b>6:00pm</b> Sylvia Jaynes (Bithday)
Friday/Viernes 04/26	<b>9:00am</b> All our Intentions
Saturday/Sabado 04/27	<b>9:00am</b> All Holy Souls
Saturday/Sabado 04/27	<b>5:30pm</b> All our Musicians

**Prayer Requests/Solicitud de Oraciones**

Isabel & Martin Lopez, Harry Sanders, Mark Bruce, Clay Van Artsdalen, Pat Hayes, Susan Motley, Maureen Holden, Toni Seeley, Gary LaFountain, Thea Dolan, Natalie LaFountain, Carson Pfoesich, Anne Calvillo, John Ridge, Chris Shimada, Pat Mottard, Julio Andrés Aquino, Don LaBash, Angela Marie Solís, Karen D'Ambrogi, Bill Gray, Ernesto Manuyag, Fox, Mario Vera, Roslyn Brown, Paul Finn, Eric Jenson, Jaime Paniagua, Jacob Dyer, Al & Cleo Konhoff, Bernie Schneider, Joan Gatley, Amie Lands, The Hermogenes Fam., Phil Dion, Sylvia Jaynes, Marcia Falsarella, Quy Ta, Jim Colter, Giang Dao, Phiyen Ta, Giang Dao, Bill Pisenti Jr., Linda Pisenti

**Finances**

Last weekend/fin de la semana pasada	\$7,160.00
Last year/El año pasado	\$7,270.00

Thank you for your support and may God bless you abundantly! Gracias por su apoyo y Dios les bendiga mucho!

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!**  
 We want to express our gratitude to those many persons who have helped us in our Liturgies during this 2019 Holy Week. We are so blessed to have those many volunteers in our Parish that have given to our Celebrations a true sense of Community, here at Resurrection Catholic Church we together are building the Body of the Risen Lord, who calls us to be a people of the Resurrection, again THANKS A MILLION and may our Risen Christ bless you always!!!!

**GRACIAS, GRACIAS, GRACIAS!!!!**  
 Queremos expresar nuestra gratitud a todas esas personas que nos han ayudado en nuestras Liturgias de la Semana Santa del 2019. Somos muy bendecidos en tener tantos voluntarios/as que le dieron a nuestras Celebraciones un sentido de comunidad, aqui en la Iglesia Catolica de Resurreccion contruimos juntos el Cuerpo de Cristo Resucitado que nos llama a ser "personas de la Resurreccion", de nuevo UN MILLON DE GRACIAS y Dios les bendiga!!!

**"On the Dignity of Life-Our Church in Our Community."**

Our parishioners face many daily challenges from the high cost of housing to fears about climate change with fires and floods, to concerns over immigration policies, etc. This workshop will help parishioners deepen their understanding of Church teachings and develop positive actions on issues such as homelessness, reducing violence and other local issues.

The workshop dates are Monday, May 13 at St. Rose 7PM, Thursday, May 16 at Resurrection 7PM) Preregister at [amatothompson@gmail.com](mailto:amatothompson@gmail.com)

**Fires and Floods! Climate Change!**

What does our church teach us about issues facing our community? Our Church has wonderful teaching to help us strengthen our values and act positively to better our society. Deacon John Storm, the Diocesan Restorative Justice Administrator, and Tom Amato, a former Maryknoll Lay Missioner, will present a workshop: "On the Dignity of Life-Our Church in Our Community" to spark prayer and action.

Monday, May 13 at St. Rose 7, Thursday, May 16 at Resurrection 7 PM-9 PM. Preregister at [amatothompson@gmail.com](mailto:amatothompson@gmail.com)

**Immigration Crisis! Housing Crisis!**

Our Church has some wonderful teaching to help families strengthen their values and act positively to better our society. This workshop is designed to help parishioners deepen their understanding of Church teachings and develop positive actions on issues such as homelessness, reducing violence and other local issues.

"On the Dignity of Life-Our Church in Our Community" will be presented three times Monday, May 13 at St. Rose 7; Thursday, May 16 at Resurrection 7 PM. Preregister at [amatothompson@gmail.com](mailto:amatothompson@gmail.com)

**DATES FOR OUR FIRST COMMUNIONS IN ENGLISH AND IN SPANISH AND FOR OUR CONFIRMATION WITH OUR STUDENTS**

April 27th at 10:00am First Communion in English  
 May 04th at 10:00am and 1:00pm First Communion in Spanish  
 June 2nd. At 3:00pm Confirmation Mass with Most Rev. Bishop Vasa

**FECHA PARA LAS PRIMERAS COMUNIONES EN INGLES Y EN ESPANOL Y DE LA CONFIRMACION**  
 Abril 27 a las 10:00am Primeras Comuniones en Inglés  
 Mayo 04 a las 10am y a la 1pm Primeras Comuniones en Español

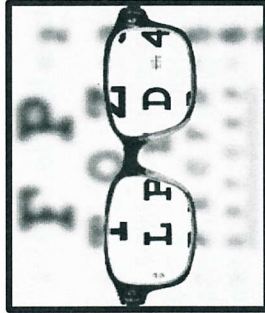
Junio 2 Confirmaciones con el Excmo. Sr. Obispo Vasa

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## Clinica de ojos

Domingo, 28 de Abril, 2019  
(10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

Ubicado en **Finley Center**  
**2060 W. College Avenue**  
**Santa Rosa, California**



### Servicios incluyen:

- Consulta con un optómetra
- Examen de visión & Glaucoma
- Anteojos reciclados
- Otros Servicios

**NO SE REQUIERE SEGURO MEDICAL**

Para reservar una hora, recomendamos que llene la forma de registro adjunto y llévela a uno de estos lugares:

por email: [john.asmith@att.net](mailto:john.asmith@att.net)

O texto: (707) 849-1177

Lugares de Entrega:

California Homemakers Association  
468 Yolanda Avenue, Suite 102  
Santa Rosa, CA 95404

Catholic Charities  
987 Airway Court  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Salvation Army  
93 Stony Point Circle  
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Redwood Empire Food Bank  
3990 Brickway Boulevard  
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Personas sin cita reservada serán atendidas en orden de llegada.

## FORMA DE REGISTRO

Nombre: \_\_\_\_\_

Numero de telefono : \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cantidad de Pacientes : \_\_\_\_\_

Hora de cita preferido (marque uno):

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| 11:00-11:30 | 2:00-2:30 |
| 11:30-12:00 | 2:30-3:00 |
| 12:00-12:30 | 3:00-3:30 |
| 12:30-1:00  | 3:30-4:00 |
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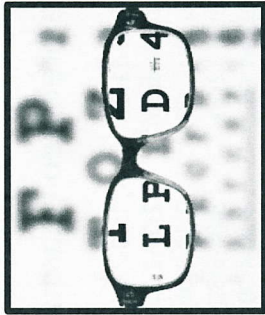
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## Eye Clinic

Sunday, April 28, 2019  
(10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

Located at Finley Center  
2060 W. College Avenue  
Santa Rosa, California



**Services include:**

- Eye Doctor Consultation
- Vision & Glaucoma Testing
- Recycled Eyeglasses
- Other Services

**NO MEDICAL INSURANCE REQUIRED**

To reserve a time, we strongly recommend completing the attached registration form and taking it to one of the following locations:

By email: [john.asmith@att.net](mailto:john.asmith@att.net)

Or text: (707) 849-1177

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Walk-in appointments may be available and will be done on a first come, first serve basis.

## REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of patients: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Time (circle one):

- 10:30-11:00
- 11:00-11:30
- 11:30-12:00
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- 12:30-1:00
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