



# Our Lady of the Rosary

*Embracing God in a Family Friendly Community*

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## Easter Sunday (Year B)

*Liturgical Colour: White*

### Parish Bulletin

1<sup>st</sup> April 2018

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**He must rise from the dead**

~ John 20:1-9

### Sunday Readings

#### 1st Reading

Acts 10:34,37-43

#### Psalm

Psalm 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23

#### 2nd Reading

1 Corinthians 5:6-8

#### Gospel

John 20:1-9

#### Parish Priest

Fr Clement Paul

#### Mass Times

Saturday 7am

Sunday 9am

#### Confession

After Mass or on Request

### From the Desk of Our Parish Priest ...



Dear Sisters and Brothers/Friends,

I write this message on the Tuesday of Holy Week for you to read at EASTERTIDE. I begin this way, because as I sit down to reflect and write this message, I do so with a heavy heart. Why? The culture of death continues to stalk us, sickness rages on, with many struggling with several "bugs" around and bad news continue to pervade the atmosphere. And yet deep within I look forward to Easter Sunday, Victory Day.

Yes, Easter, the season of hope is here. What is hopeful about it? That death is swallowed up in victory, so that absolutely no death no matter how tragic has the final say in anyone's life. Our Brother and Friend Jesus through his suffering dying and rising victorious gives us that hope. The hope that we can and will defeat death our last enemy in life.

I pray that Easter will be for us an experience and an assurance that the presence of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus will one day bring us to the glory that is ours because of our victorious Savior Jesus Christ.

*"Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,  
And Jesus hath his foes dispersed.  
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia."*

A blessed Easter to you and your family.

Clement Paul (Fr)

Parish Priest

It is with heavy hearts that we share with you the news of Fr Peter Clarke's passing on **Tuesday 27th March**.

For over 60 years, he dedicated his life to God's work, sharing reflections that provided a simple spirituality based on day to day experiences. His presence and light will be truly missed.

*Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord;  
and let light perpetual shine upon him.  
May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*



**Fr Peter Clarke, O.P.**

## Questions for Reflection on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

**Theme:** Jesus has risen.

### Step One: Listen to the Word

- ✧ As you hear this very brief reading, what words or phrases strike you?
- ✧ What image or feeling lingers for you?



### Step Two: Look into Your Life

**Question for Children:** What sacrifices do you make for those whom you love?

**Question for Youth:** Even the disciples had a hard time understanding Jesus' Resurrection – it is that surprising. What does Resurrection mean to you? What does Easter mean to you?

**Question for Adults:** In what ways has God called you to die in Christ? How is this expressed in your own life?

Source: <http://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/>

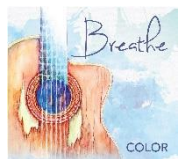


## What's Happening at OLOR This Week

- **Sat 7<sup>th</sup>:** Mass, 7am
- **Sun 8<sup>th</sup>:**
  - Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung before Mass
  - 9am Mass – 1<sup>st</sup> Divine Mercy Sunday (B)



### Breathe CD's Available for Purchase



**Breathe** album CD's are available for sale from the Choir of Our Lady of the Rosary (COLOR) at a cost of \$30. Please contact Audra or any member of the choir to purchase your copy.

For additional information, check out their website or Facebook page below.

**Website:** [www.colorbb.org](http://www.colorbb.org)

**FaceBook:** <https://www.facebook.com/olorchoir/>

### Church Figures

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March:**

- Collection: \$1,404.70
- Attendance: 56

## What's Happening Around the Diocese

### 6-8 Apr: Divine Mercy Triduum at St Dominic's

Join us as we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Fatima. Visit [TheDivineMercy.org/ewtn](http://TheDivineMercy.org/ewtn) for more information about today's celebration

### DIVINE MERCY TRIDUUM

**Friday, Apr 6:** 6:30 - 7:30 pm

**Saturday, Apr 7:** 7:00 am Mass followed by first Saturday Devotions/Divine Mercy Chaplet Adoration from 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

**Sunday, Apr 8:** 2:30 pm Adoration; 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Mass

### 7 Apr: Catechists Workshop

A very important Catechists Workshop will be held on Saturday 7th April 2018 from 2 pm to 6 pm in the Upper Room, St. Patrick's Cathedral compound.

This workshop which would be facilitated by Sr. Margaret Mary would cover the *Echoes of Faith* plus video sessions on "getting started and the roles of catechists" as requested by Fr. Robert Newbury to be completed as Part ONE of his Certified Catechetical course. This workshop is compulsory. Please make every effort to attend.

### 7 Apr - 5 May: An Introduction to Spirituality

The Catholic Formation Institute Presents "An Introduction to Spirituality". A five-week certificate course, facilitated by Fr. Peter McIsaac and Rev. Dr. Layne. What is Spirituality? This spiritually nourishing course covers this and many other topics including Liturgical and Sacramental Spirituality, the Divine office and Developing awareness of God's presence in our daily life.

Please see the Flyer for all of the information. ALL CATHOLICS, Persons involved in Church ministry, Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Choir members, Altar Servers, Sacristans, Prayer group members are invited to attend these important sessions.

To register Email: [formationinstitute@gmail.com](mailto:formationinstitute@gmail.com) or Tel: 426 - 3510

*Have a Peaceful and Blessed Easter.*