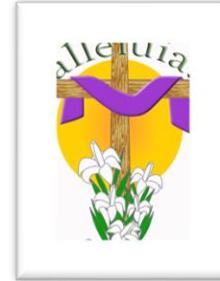


Pastoral Reflection  
The Second Sunday of Easter  
April 23-24, 2022

Today's readings carry on the theme of the Resurrection. In them we find the Apostles healing the sick, declaring that he holds the key to death and the netherworld. The Good News tells us that Jesus healed the disciples of the fear they felt post-crucifixion, and instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation ("whose sins you forgive are forgiven"). We hear about Thomas, who needed to see Christ in his resurrection glory in order to believe. John explains that certain stories are shared in the Gospels so that we might believe and have life – again returning to the Resurrection of all of us in Jesus' Name.

Do you feel resurrected? Did you come through Lent changed? Are you committed to living a simpler life, sharing with others, evangelizing through your work in Jesus, rather than recruiting seats for the pews? In the next year, our Archdiocese will be undergoing a resurrection of sorts. We don't know what form that resurrection will take. I suspect that, rather than humbling it's clerical mindset, and looking to the people of the Church for the answers, our Archdiocese will emphasize the importance of priests and "renew" the churches around them rather than us. This is pretty pessimistic, but is it realistic as well? Our community has survived to such "resurrections" in the past, and will hopefully survive this one as well, or perhaps be combined with like-minded parishes who realize the Gospels as our call to live and work as Jesus did. I have faith that Jesus is with us. I have faith that somewhere in this Archdiocese, the call to Social Justice will remain the primary will of the Church, at least in some parishes and the call to living our Gospel values will remain intact. Let us pray that the Clerics of our Archdiocese come to recognize the importance of the people of God doing God's work in their parishes, their neighborhoods, their cities and their world. May our Archdiocese and Community resurrect in Jesus.

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**St. Cronan Catholic Church**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**  
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**Mass Information**

SUNDAY – 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

SATURDAY VIGIL – 5:00 p.m.

Wednesdays – 8:00 a.m.

Masks are suggested for all Masses

Live-streaming continues at the 10:00 am Mass. PLEASE BE ON TIME! Live-streamed masses are available on our Facebook page any time after the 10:00 Mass, <https://www.facebook.com/StCronan>

The Mass for Sunday, May 1 will be recorded and placed on our website: <https://www.stcronan.org/> If anyone is available to serve as lector on Thursday, April 28 at 9:30, please contact Diane G. [diane@stcronan.org](mailto:diane@stcronan.org)



**Archdiocesan Education Survey:** As part of the All Things New strategic pastoral planning initiative, you are encouraged to share your input about Catholic Education in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. The survey is open to all current/former/prospective parents, alumni, faculty, staff, administrators, donors, volunteers, and community members of both Catholic Schools and Parish-based Religious Education programs. The survey is available to be completed from April 5 through May 2 and can be accessed here: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/EDUCATIONSURVEY2022](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EDUCATIONSURVEY2022). For any questions, email [allthingsnew@archstl.org](mailto:allthingsnew@archstl.org) or please call the office: (314) 289-9384. We need as many participants as possible. THANKS! If you would like further information, you can visit the Archdiocese's website <https://allthingsnew.archstl.org/> or call our office at 314-289-9384. You can also leave comments about the process at this website.



**Coffee and Donuts** is back! Please join us in the Hospitality Room in the Parish Center after the 10:00 Mass.

**CRC Community Seder:** CRC is hosting a Community Seder on Tuesday, April 26 to share our Passover traditions with partners across our region. We would love for you to be our guest, and you are welcome to invite others from MCU staff or congregations to join you. Please see the flyer in the Chapel for more information. Here is the link for registration: <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=t5ti5ocbb&oeidk=a07ej3166kn17ebcd74>

**Metropolitan Congregations United** has invited congregations to participate in Earth Day by representing St. Cronan at their booth, and several additional places to be involved this Spring. Please see the flyer in the Chapel for information to volunteer.

**Retrouvaille-St. Louis weekend, August 19 – 21, 2022 - Healing Your Marriage--Retrouvaille** (French for “Rediscovery”) is a 3-phase program designed to give you the tools to restore your marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. For more information or to register, call **314.453.0110** or visit website: [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) Fully Confidential and affordable. Space is limited with Covid-19 precautions. Register early. Questions: Tom & Kerry Marsh 314.753.2022

**Mid-life Singles:** Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at King’s House Retreat Center, Belleville, IL (20 min from downtown St. Louis), on June 3-5, 2022. Cost is \$215 including meals and a single room. Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), e-mail [reflect.stlouis@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.stlouis@gmail.com), or call (314) 283-0044 for details.

**First Communion** will take place Sunday, May 1 at 1:30 p.m. in Church. It is for the children and their families, and will be live-streamed for the Community to join us. We will have cards available April 24 for you to sign to support our First Communicants with your prayers. They are in the Chapel.

**Ecumenical Prayer for Health and Air Quality:** Join our St. Louis Christian communities that have hosted air quality monitors in an ecumenical prayer for the health of our region and the quality of our air. Together we will reflect on the breath of God in the giving of life and the Holy Spirit Join us afterwards for refreshment and community. Sunday, May 2 @ 3 – 4pm, The Garden at Our Lady of the Holy Cross, 8115 Church Road St. Louis, MO 63147  
RSVP Appreciated but optional (<https://secure.everyaction.com/O-iDAusgjkGNyk2Cj8af3!2>)

**Participation for Holy Week:** A big thank-you to all who participated in the Triduum and Easter services, and came to decorate. We celebrate the Passion, Death and Resurrection as Community, and as Community we prepare.

**Live Meetings:** We are opening up for live meetings. If your committee or organization would like to meet live in the Coffee and Donut room or conference room at the Parish Center, please contact Mary, [mary@stcronan.org](mailto:mary@stcronan.org) to schedule your date and time.

**Donations for Ukraine:** If you would like to help, please give to the Ukrainian Children’s Aid and Relief Effort, Inc. or UCARE, Inc., which is a charity serving the needy and orphaned children of Ukraine. If anyone wants to financially help the Ukrainian situation, please consider this charity. The website is [www.ucareinc.org](http://www.ucareinc.org). Bob Hoffman has worked with this group for years..

**Compassionate St. Louis:** St. Cronan has become a member of this movement to help make our city a more compassionate place. You will be seeing their logo on our bulletins and signs. For further information, please visit their website: <https://www.compassionate-stl.org/about-us>

**Day-Long Women’s Retreat:** Mark your Calendars! Women's Day Long Retreat planned for Saturday, June 25, 2022. Tentative time from 8:30am to 4:30pm. In person and outdoors. Centrally located near Hampton and Hwy 44. Theme and details to follow. Donna Moromarco, Kim Madden, and Mary Middendorf are in the planning stages. Express your interest in attending by emailing [mary.middendorf@gmail.com](mailto:mary.middendorf@gmail.com) as soon as possible. Space is limited.

**Our Call to be Neighbor:** St. Pius V Catholic Church is hosting a meeting this afternoon to engage parishes working on social justice to work together to best help the newcomers moving to our area. Come share your ideas and see how we can collaborate to welcome refugees and immigrants. St. Pius V Church, 3310 South Grand Blvd., Singler Hall, 4/24, 3:00-4:20 p.m.

**Prayers Please:** Laurel Hayes; Laurel Hayes' parents, Jerry and Nancy; Rose; Robert Nathe's Mother, Eileen; Colleen Wallace's godson, Lachlan; Michelle Frank; Jennifer Lyle and Krista Rakers; Jessica; Nick Ambrose; Al Sprehe; Phil Milner; Leslie Conway; Mike’s grandson, Jack; Jim Gorman; Andrew Viraugh’s father,; Sharon Orlet’s sister, Betty; Nancy Buck’s daughter, Jeanne; Kathy Bayless; Tom Kuciejczyk-Kernan’s brother, Steve; Barry Buchek’s wife, Mary; Trish Curtis’ mother and brother; Gavin Barrett-Hayes; Barb Sopp’s cousin, Patty Struckhoff; Marie and Roland Martir’s granddaughter, Madie; David Gaillardetz’ father, Richard; Fr. Gerry’s classmate, Fr. Pat O’Laughlin; Nick and Shirley Ambrose’s daughter, Brigid Costello; Marcy Soda.