History’s Greatest Event

Today we celebrate the most important mystery of our faith, the greatest event in the Bible and all of history. Nothing before the events of Easter morning contains their full meaning, and nothing after makes sense without them.

Jesus’ conquering of death validated all of his preaching, teaching, and miracles. Now his doctrine of love, forgiveness, faith, and baptism is confirmed, as is God’s definitive revelation for man’s salvation. In short, the resurrection proves that Jesus wasn’t simply a good man, a wise teacher, or a revolutionary. He was all those things and more—he was the Son of God.

Without Jesus’ rising from the dead, you cannot explain his appearing to the women, apostles, disciples, and crowds before his ascension. You cannot explain the transformation of the timid and baffled apostles into powerful preachers or the conversion of St. Paul from a murdering Pharisee to a persecuted Christian. Without the truth of the resurrection, you cannot explain the courage of any of the martyrs. Indeed, the Romans and Jews took these martyrs seriously. And if either group could have produced a body of evidence or a convincing explanation to debunk the story, they would have.

So today, set aside your Lenten focus on the mocked, beaten, and buried Jesus. Celebrate the resurrection. Christ the Lord—and Christianity—is a reality and a force. Rejoice! Reflect on the truth and power of this day, and allow God’s Son to open the tombs of your heart and life.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

The resurrection changes everything. How does it change my life? If you recorded your whole day, would there be enough evidence that you believe in the resurrection?

“This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible... to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead” (Acts 10:40—41).
**PARISH DIRECTORY**

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- **Website:** SaintRoseLima-Safford.com
- Sunday Masses: 7AM, 10AM, 11:30AM and 6PM
- Saturday Vigil Mass: 6PM
- Weekday Mass: 8AM (Mon-Fri)
- Confessions: Saturday 4:30-5:30PM
- Parish Office & Gift Shop: 8:30AM-4:30PM (Mon-Fri)

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- Weekday Mass: 9AM (Mon-Fri)
- Confessions: Friday 9:30-10AM
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- San Jose Mission: Baptisms and Marriages available upon request

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Updated: March 13, 2017
JESUS’ RESURRECTION CHANGED THE WORLD (EYA)

We join the universal church with greater devotion to keep vigil in joyful celebration of the dawn of our salvation when Christ rose victoriously at Easter. The name Easter originates from the Latin ‘Dominus’ which basically means “Lord” a title that the primitive church bestowed on Jesus with particular reference to his resurrection from the dead on the third day. Jesus was crucified, died and buried on Good Friday.” He descended into hell, rose again from the dead on the third day in accordance with the scriptures. Thus Sunday has replaced the Jewish Sabbath as a day of worship for it was on a dawning Sunday that God the Father glorified His only begotten son Jesus by raising him from the tomb as the first fruit of those who passed marked with the sign of faith.

St. Augustine affirms that “we are an Easter people and alleluia is our song.” This is the day that the Lord has made, we rejoice in it and are glad indeed. It is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our sight because by conquering sin and death Jesus has given us a lion share in his victory. In baptism we died and rose again with Christ to a new life.

The “newness” consists of our freedom from sinful slavery by means of God’s superabundant graces which transforms us from within into living witnesses who by preaching Christ crucified and risen has changed the world. We are bearers of the Good news of the resurrected Christ whose actions radiates the light of faith, hope and charity.

The Good news is not that Jesus lived, suffered and died but that he died, rose again and lives eternally. Therefore, as we believe in Christ as our risen savior, we must live in him and through him experience the transforming power of the resurrection. Baptism incorporates us into the nature of Christ’s death; death as self giving love that leads to the joy of salvation. We celebrate this at Easter giving that the resurrection has not only transformed us but it has brought salvation to the whole world. Before the resurrection of Christ, the whole world was living in a terrific fear of the destructive and damming forces of Satan, sin and death. Faith in the risen Christ has dispelled the fear of being totally lost and been destined for eternal damnation.

By his death, Christ liberated us from sin; by his resurrection, he opens for us the way to a new life. This new life is above all justification that reinstates us in God’s grace, “so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the father, we too might walk in newness of life.” Justification consists in both victory over the death caused by sin and a new participation in grace. It brings about filial adoption so that men become Christ’s brethren, as Jesus himself called his disciples after his Resurrection: “Go and tell my brethren”. We are brethren not by nature but by the gift of grace, because adoptive filiation gains us a real share in the life of the son, which was fully revealed in his resurrection (CCC 654).

Ron Sider, a leading evangelical advocate for the poor is said to have being discussing the resurrection with a German theologian Wolfhart Pannenborg and the German theologian emphatically declared; “the evidence for Jesus’ resurrection is so strong that nobody would question it except for two things: It is a very unusual event, second, if you believe it happened, you have to change the way you live (Our daily bread).

We receive the gift of salvation and the new life of fellowship with God and become intimately united with Him through the death and resurrection of Christ who has delivered us from the captivity of sin, and death. Therefore, we have to live a Christ like life in keeping with the paschal mystery by sacrificing sinful pleasures, sentiments and habits as it befits God’s holy people.

Each one who is person who has been made one with Christ has to cast out the works of darkness and put on the light of salvation. Jesus is the light of salvation symbolized by the paschal candle. Before the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the darkness of Satan, sin and death engulfed the whole world with hatred, violence, injustice, bitterness, vengeance, jealousy and despair.

The thundering light of Jesus’ resurrection quaked and the volcanic lava of God’s love enveloped the entire universe liberating us from the bondage of sin and death.

Hence forth, Christ the eternal light of our salvation shines radiantly in every dark corner of the world. This is why we light the Easter candle and from it each other’s candle is lighted implying that we are to live by the light of faith in the Good news of Jesus’ death and resurrection. And continue to fight against the presence of every act and evil darkness within us and without in the world.

The night is now over…so let us throw off every thing that belongs to darkness and equip ourselves for the light. Let us live decently in the light of day, with no orgies or drunkenness, no promiscuity or licentiousness and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armor be the Lord Jesus Christ (Rom 13: 12-13).

Each year, Bishop Kicanas asks you to pray with him that we will unite to share the wondrous love given to us with others and ensure that each of our charities and ministries supported by the ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL has the resources it needs to continue His mission.

WITH YOUR HELP, WE WORK WONDERS

St Rose of Lima’s goal is 42,000.00

The next Cinco De Mayo meeting will be on April 19th at 6 p.m. at the Parish office.

St. Rose of Lima and Our Lady of Guadalupe Would like to say THANK YOU to Valley Furniture for all the donations.

CINCO DE MAYO DONATIONS

It is time to start bringing in donations for our annual Cinco de Mayo celebration. Please bring to the St. Rose of Lima office the following items:

- Soda (Pepsi or Coke brands only) Red Chile
- Bottled water Longhorn Cheese
- Tortilla chips All-purpose flour
- Pinto beans Honey
- Rice Cooking Oil
- Items for the white-elephant sale

Don’t forget to sign up for the Parade. Starts 10:00a.m. behind the Court House and proceeds to St. Rose Of Lima.

Come and enjoy a day of Music, Food, Games, 50/50 Raffle, Dinette Set Raffle, Lowrider Style Car and Bike show and all kinds of Vendors. You can jump start your Christmas list with all the crafts.

Thank you for your Support
ST. ROSE OF LIMA WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Second Collections  
April 16th St Vincent de Paul

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction is every Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

A compliance representative will be at St. Rose of Lima from 1:30pm to 2:30 pm 2nd Thursday of the month. All New Volunteers are required to begin the clearance process for 2016-2017.

Messengers of Mary: Prays the Holy Rosary Monday - Friday at 7:30 a.m. before Mass. The officers are Juanita Boehner, 348-8288, Grace Hemmerling, 623-853-5746, Lucy Kin 428-1491, & Ana Berta Rodriguez 428-2317. You can call any officer for prayers or

Consecration to Jesus through Mary. We gather together for spiritual talks every other Thursday and special occasions. We welcome all newcomers.

Spanish Choir Practice meets every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in the church.

Thank you to the Catholic Daughters of the Americas for the flowers that they donated for some of our planters around the Church. Thank you also to Lorencia Barbosa and Barbosa Family for planting them in the planters.

The Knights of Columbus, Council #4260 will be selling raffle tickets after each mass. 50% of proceeds will go to our parish vocations and the other 50% will go to the purchase of the Choir Songbooks. Your ticket purchase is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

1st Prize 10,000, 2nd Prize 7,000, 3rd Prize 5,000, 4th Prize 3,000, 5th Prize 2,000, 6th Prize 1,000, 7th Prize $500, 8th Prize 500, 9th Prize 500, 10th 500. Donation: $5.00 per ticket or $20 for 5 tickets or $100 for 30 tickets. (We have tickets at the front office).

ST. ROSE OF LIMA NOTICES

Mass Intentions for Apr.15-Apr.23rd, 2017

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St. Rose of Lima Weekend Collections  
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Thank you for your support, Fr. Robert Rodriguez

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will have their monthly meeting, Wednesday the 19th at 7 PM, St Matthew's Rm.

Ladies, please don't forget your white elephant item for the State Convention.

Mark your Calendars: Lenten Bible Study: began on March 8th, 2017 on Wednesday at 8:45 a.m. It is on Catholicism by Bishop Robert E Barron. Classes are given by Bob Mooney. You can still register at main office. $20

REQUIREMENTS:

Baptisms: The parents of the child to be baptized must submit a copy of the baby's birth certificate. Parents and godparents need to attend the parish baptismal class. Classes are given on the second Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Please call the office to sign up for the next scheduled class. All requirements for the Diocese of Tucson and Saint Rose of Lima will be given to the parents at this time. Baptisms are performed the first and third Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. Our office staff is limited, therefore, sponsors and godparents proof of sacraments, documents and payment must be submitted at least one month before the baptism. When choosing godparents, if they are married, they must be married through the Catholic church, if single you must not be living with a partner. Donation is $20.00.

Quinceañera: The candidate and her parents must contact the office at least one (1) year or more before the date requested. Quinceañeras are not performed during Holy Days. Requirements: active within the parish, youth group, Religious Education, Mass attendance, etc. or Six (6) sets of meetings and volunteer ministries given by Fr. Robert. Cost is $250.00. There is a non-refundable deposit of $100.00 to hold the date. Balance to the church must be received in the office one week before the ceremony.

Weddings: The couple must contact office at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date. An appointment will be made for the couple. At that time it will be determined if the date desired is available, and all requirements for the Diocese of Tucson and Saint Rose of Lima will be given to the couple. Donation is $150.00. There is a non-refundable deposit of $50.00 to hold the date. Balance to the church must be received in the office one week before the ceremony.
ST. ROSE OF LIMA NOTICES

**Re: Office** hours are Monday-Thursday from 9am to 12noon. Registration will be on going in the RE office.

**Upcoming Events:**

- **RE classes** Will be Held on Monday, April 17th
- The last week of RE classes will be April 17th-April 20th. Thank you for such a great RE year!
- **RE Appreciation Dinner** will be on May 12, 2017 at 6:00p.m. at the Volunteer Hall. For all who volunteer for RE.

**First Communion Information:**
First Holy Communion Masses are at 10:a.m. for both April 22 and April 29th, 2017.
First Holy Communion Rehearsal: Thursday, April 20th at 6:00 PM in the church. It is mandatory that your child attend rehearsal. All Children assigned a reading part must arrive at 5:30 for rehearsal.

*Baptism* - The RE office is ready and excited to help with baptism preparation! The RE office handles baptism preparation for all school age and registered RE children. Please contact the RE office for information.

*Vacation Bible School.* We are in need of volunteers to help with this fun faith filled week! Please contact the RE office for more information at 928-348-4785.

**New Choir Starting for Children (Grade school age)**
*Children’s Choir—Practice is Mondays 4:00-5:00.*

**Confirmation April Schedule**
Stations of the Cross Sat 15th, 10 am
NO CLASS 4/16 EASTER
Class 4/23
Class 4/30
May 6 Cinco de Mayo
Thanks!

**Youth Choir:** Junior and High school Choir 5pm-6pm, Wednesdays.

**Sacrament of First Holy Communion:**
Mass will be at 10am. Parents: children must be here by 9:30. Please meet in Classroom St Mark.

**April 22nd**
Abril, Damian  Gonzalez, Jordyn
Adams, Danika  Jurado, Marley Barker
Avila, Quentin  Medina, Jailee
Barker, Jasmyne  Nabor, Kendra
Bejarano, Chantelle  Nguyen, Charlyn
Carrillo, Armando  Olivaz, Neto
Carrillo, Bernando  Ornelas, Riley
Carrillo, Bresenya  Palma, Jayon
Dauenhauer, Kyra  Peru, Aaron
Felix, Fernando  Quintero, Bianca
Garcia, Alexis  Rainbolt, Mianna
Garcia, Anthony  Rodriguez, Jerzee
Slaton, Cameron  Smith, Sarina

**May 14th Pima**
Contreras, Eric  Macario, Blanca
Contreras, James  Aranda, Ronnie  Martin, Isabella
Arndt, Peyton  Aranda, Ronniew  Mondragon, Kambrey
Campos, Aaron Joel  Quezada, Nallely
Dominguez, Savannah  Rodriguez, Javier
Escobar, Raymon  Tellez, Julia
Garcia, Alexandria  Valenzuela, Lillyana
Gasca, Sophie  Villalta, Gabriella
Giacocletti, Anaya  Wilson, Kamillah
Gonzales, Noah  Gonzales, Noah
Lujan, Austin

**Discernment Group Gathering—Liturgy of Christian Prayer** - in the Chapel on Fridays 5:30pm, Next Discernment Group Meeting: April 21st, 2017.

**2017 March**

**Baptisms:**
Jaliyah Rayne Provencio
Paul Anthony Horn

**Faithful Departed:**
Isabel Maria Aparicio
Joseph Messiah Castro
Angie Colvin Zuniga
Carlos Sanchez Abetya
OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Second Collections
April 16 St. Vincent De Paul
“This is the time to allow our hearts to be touched”
— Pope Francis

• BAPTISMS:
  JAIDA EVA-NAMINE VERHELST
  MARINA ALENA BALISTRERI

• Mothers’ Day Raffle: 1st prize Floral arrangement with $175.00 cash.
  2nd Prize Virgin Mary statue with flowers.
  3rd Prize Plaque with Cross.

• We are accepting donations for our Mother’s Day Raffle.
  OLG Donation 2016 Annual Donation statements are available at the Parish office, Monday – Friday from 9:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
  Pick up offertory envelopes at OLG office.
  OLG Gift Shop is open on week days at 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM.
  A compliance representative will be at St. Rose of Lima from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm every 2nd Thursday of each month. **Attention: All paperwork for the Religious Education Safe Environment program is due.**
  If anyone is interested in teaching or helping with the Religious Education Program for next year, 2017-2018. Please call the office at 428-0149.
  Only candles bought from OLG will be allowed in the church. Thank you for your cooperation.

Child Abuse Prevention Month
All dioceses and eparchies have Victim Assistance Coordinators, assuring the victims of abuse will be heard. In 2016, dioceses and eparchies provided outreach and support to 250 victims/survivors and their families who came forward to report abuse. Continued support was also provided to 1,510 victim/survivors and their families who reported abuse in prior years.

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We have Pledged $ 1,930.00. We are at 46%
Dear Padre,

Why do Catholics teach Christ rose on the third day? Given a Friday crucifixion and Sunday’s resurrection, I barely count two days.

There are a couple of issues to consider here. To begin with, Jesus’ resurrection from the dead was an event that happened both in and out of time. Theologians say it was a transcendental event with historical consequences. Because Jesus’ resurrection is not like anything we have ever seen before and bears little or no resemblance to any other historical event, our concepts of time falter when trying to express exactly what happened.

To put it another way, the length of time that Jesus spent in the tomb is much less important than what he did there. What really matters is that he conquered death, vacated the tomb, and entered into his risen and glorified state.

We must also remember that the Jews of Jesus’ day were not as precise in their measurement of time as we are today. We tend to measure time in terms of hours, minutes, and seconds. They thought in terms of sunrises and sunsets. When seen in this light, the typical explanation given to the three-day time frame of Jesus’ death and resurrection is that it took place in the course of three separate days: Good Friday (when Jesus was condemned to death and crucified), Holy Saturday (when Jesus lay in the tomb), and Easter (Sunday, when Jesus rose from the dead).

Dennis J. Billy, CSsR
sundaybulletin@liguori.org

A Word From Pope Francis

“I would like it to enter every heart, for it is there that God wants to sow this Good News: Jesus is risen, there is hope for you, you are no longer in the power of sin, of evil! Love has triumphed, mercy has been victorious! The mercy of God always triumphs!”

—Urbi et Orbi, March 31, 2013