

From Father Kirby...

April 18, 2021

Happy Sunday, Team Grace! As a Church, we continue to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection during this Easter Season.

This weekend, we continue our homily series on the Creed. I'll be preaching on the creedal statements surrounding the Lord Jesus, which are the second whole part of the Creed ([*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #422 – 667](#)).

Some things happening around the parish:

For the past year, the 5:30 PM Saturday evening Mass has been a “quiet Mass.” Broader resources are now available, and so – starting this weekend - that Mass will begin having music again!

I'm very happy to announce our new website for our livestream service, Grace Lily Productions. Visit [the website here!](#) In particular, please visit the [Grace Lily store](#) and consider purchasing some items in support of our livestream outreach! The website was composed as a part of an application process for a large grant from one of our Catholic organizations. We hope Grace Lily wins and receives the grant! Please say a prayer for this intention.

Our weekly [Parish Holy Hour](#) continues every Monday at 7:00 PM. Confessions will now be heard on a weekly basis during the Holy Hour. All are welcome!

As previously announced, our Saint Peregrine Novena is now prayed on Tuesdays after the Noon Mass.

Our Bible Study continues this Wednesday. After our full review of Melchizedek, we return to Abraham and discuss the covenant God makes with the great patriarch (Genesis 15). As a reminder, all our Bible Study sessions can be found on our [Grace Lily](#) page.

Our Thursday Noon Masses continue to be outside at the Columbarium for the Easter Season (concluding on May 20). The Rosary before the Mass and the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the Mass are also prayed outside at the Columbarium. All are also viewable on Grace Lily. If you plan to participate in-person at the Mass or devotionals, please review the [Outdoor Mass Notes](#).

This coming Saturday, April 24, thirteen young souls from our parish will receive their First Holy Communion. Due to space restrictions, only family and friends of the communicants are able to participate in the Mass. Please remember these children and their families in your prayers.

Our Outdoor 12:30 PM Mass continues on the Sundays of the Easter Season (April 4 – May 23). If you plan to attend, please review the [Outdoor Mass Notes](#).

Due to popular request, our monthly post-Mass weekend Confessions will move from the third weekend to the first weekend of the month. This will assist those who are making the First Friday and/or First Saturday devotions. With this change, our next weekend Confessions will be May 1-2.

Our Director of Operations and parish Finance Council have concluded our packet for the purchase of [Catholic Land](#). It has now been sent to the Vicar General of the diocese, who has to give initial approval. Once given, we continue another series of tasks with the diocesan General Counsel. I'll give updates as they occur.

As a reminder, every Sunday, I write a spirituality column on Crux. If anyone is interested, [here is the link](#) to the weekly columns.

As a reminder, please read and review our [Security/Safety Protocols for Parishioners](#) and [Church/Holy Communion Pandemic Protocols](#).

More updates next week! Oremus pro invicem (let's pray for one another)!