

April 17, 2022

Easter (C)
Acts 10:34a, 37–43
Col 3:1–4 or 1 Cor 5:6b–8
In 20:1–9 or Lk 24:1–12

## I Can't Believe It!

This sentence can mean two very contradictory things. It might express skepticism, similar to: "You've got to be kidding!" It means that what we are asked to accept as fact is just too far-fetched. Or we might marvel at something we think is magnificent, far beyond our expectations. Here it means: "I'm speechless!"

Lest we think that the empty tomb alone is proof of Jesus' resurrection, today's Gospel shows us that even his closest friends had initial problems with the idea. When Mary of Magdala found the tomb empty, she did not immediately conclude Jesus had risen. By itself, an empty tomb proves nothing. She thought his body had been taken. In the first reading, Peter describes how later several of Jesus' followers experienced him alive. This experience certainly changed their thinking. Like Peter, they then went out and proclaimed the truth of the resurrection. However, only those who had the experience were sure.

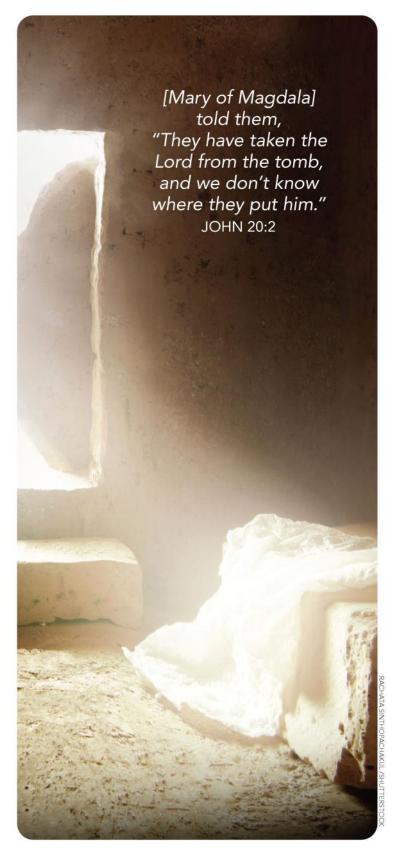
Neither empty tomb nor someone else's personal experience are by themselves certain evidence of the resurrection. Then what is? We find the beginning of an answer in the even-later writing of Paul. Speaking to the Colossians he says: "For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God" (3:3). In other words, the real proof of the resurrection is the faith of centuries of Christians whose lives have been changed by that faith. In other words, the way you and I live proclaims whether Jesus is alive and well in us.

I can hardly believe it.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### FOR Reflection

- \* We may have to wait for our own resurrection to get insight into the resurrection of Jesus. Pray for a deepened faith.
- \* What might you do to make your own life a stronger witness of Jesus' resurrection?



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#### St. Brieux Parish Office Hours

Fr. Tru Le: is available all week with the exception of

Monday, his day off. **Janet: Wednesday** 

Bulletin and information is available on the website: **stbrieuxparish.ca** and our Facebook page: **St. Brieux** 

Catholic Church.

#### St. Brieux Parish Mass Times:

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.

1st Friday of the month: Adoration 9 a.m. / Mass 10 a.m.

Saturday: 7:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

#### Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Time

Sunday: 4:00 p.m.

#### **Reconciliation (St. Brieux):**

Fr. Tru is available to hear Confession:

- -Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. before 7:00 p.m. Mass
- -during the first Friday of the month Adoration Hour from

9-10 a.m.

-Confession is available by appointment.

#### **Prayer for Priests**

LORD, life up your holy priests, deacons and religious. Grant them the graces they need to minister to your people. Keep them pure and strong in your love. Give them courage when things are difficult, and accompany them when they are lonely. Strengthen them in times of weakness. AMEN

#### **Prairie Harm Reduction**

If you are interested in making food, giving a donation or giving much needed supplies contact Jackie at 306-921-7539.

#### **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Apr. 19:** Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Apr. 19-22: Weekday Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Apr. 23: Youth Rally in Prince Albert. 10:00 a.m. to

7:00 p.m.

**Apr. 23:** Mass at 7:00 p.m. St. Brieux

Apr. 24: Mass at 9:00 a.m. St. Brieux

Apr. 24: Mass at 4:00 p.m. in Kinistino

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Apr. 26 - 29:** Weekday Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Apr. 30: Mass at 7:00 p.m. St. Brieux

May 01: Mass at 9:00 a.m. St. Brieux

May 01: Mass at 4:00 p.m. in Kinistino

May 02-06: Father is away at his Annual Retreat -

No Weekday Masses

May 28: Canonization of Marie Rivier at 11:00 a.m.

St. Brieux Parish Liturgical Committee is inviting parishioners to consider using their talents in the various Sunday ministries. A sign-up sheet is at the back of the church.

Volunteers are needed to for Vacation Bible School this summer. VBS will run the week of July 11-15, 2022.



Food Bank donations are still being accepted at the back of the church.

#### St. Brieux Parish Mass Intentions

Tues. Apr. 19	9:00 a.m.	+Alfred Valmon by Terry Valmont
Wed. Apr. 20	9:00 a.m.	Rick & Marie Morin & Family by Percy & Roseann King
Thurs. Apr. 21	9:00 a.m.	Brianna Wittig (birthday) by Terry Valmont
Fri. Apr. 22	9:00 a.m.	+Jeanne Creurer by Bernard, Fernande, Celine & Emilie Ferre
Sat. Apr. 23	7:00 p.m.	+Elenora Dombowsky & +Marie King by Percy & Roseann King
Sun. Apr. 24	9:00 a.m.	All Parishoners

#### **Mother of God Parish Mass Intention**

Sun.	4:00 p.m.	All Parishoners

#### **Collections**

**St. Brieux: Apr. 10:** \$1,195.00

Mary, Mother of God: Apr. 03: \$225.00 and

**Apr.10:** \$165.00

Thank you

<u>The III & Elderly ministry:</u> Marthe Rohel-Coquet accepted to continue this card ministry and would appreciate being informed of anyone who would be touched by receiving a card in the name of our St. Brieux Parish.

#### **Pray It Forward Prayer Group:**

To join this ministry, or have an Intercessory Prayer Request contact Terry Valmont by text or call at 306-920-8771. Prayer requests can be submitted either anonymously or with information

Join Pope Francis in Prayer Every Day www.clicktopray.org

#### Stewardship: Easter Sunday

"...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (ACTS 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts

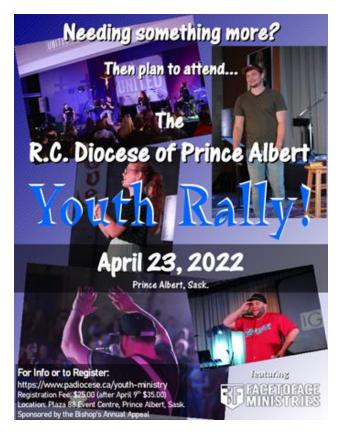
#### **Vocation Corner: Easter Sunday**

A Vocation View: We're no longer nobodies. Jesus rose from the dead. He promises to take us to heaven too. Our Ultimate Vocation: Union with God!

**Prayer:** That the Risen Lord, made known to us through apostolic witness, will grace many men and women to answer the call to proclaim His life, death and resurrection as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, we pray to the Lord.

**Action:** Already dedicated to him through Baptism, the person who surrenders themselves to the God they love above all else thereby consecrates themselves more intimately to God's service and to the good of the church. *Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 931* 





ALL youth in grades 7-12 are invited to JOIN US for a day filled with fun, music, spiritual talks, food, faith, and fellowship.... and bring a friend.

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to gather with others throughout the diocese in a fun, faith filled event, grow in faith, and form lasting friendships.

The cost of the Rally is only \$25 per person, which includes a full day with f2f Ministries plus 2 meals.

To **REGISTRATION** and for more **Youth Rally** information go to:

www.padiocese.ca/news-highlights-events

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

An employment opportunity with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert. The Diocese is currently accepting applications for the position of Receptionist. The position is part-time (21 hrs/week) with a potential on moving to full time (35 hrs/week) in the future. Applicants must have good English speaking and writing skills, a knowledge of the French language would be an asset. Applicants must have a good knowledge of the Catholic Faith Traditions. A working knowledge of Microsoft Office is essential. A working knowledge of the Wix website is necessary as is the ability and desire to learn other computer platforms. The ability to work independently and within an office environment is essential.

The successful applicant must also adhere to the Diocese's Responsible Ministry policy.

Job descriptions can be obtained by clicking on the following link: https://www.padiocese.ca/employment-opportunities

Further information can be obtained by contacting Louis Hradecki at 306-922-4747 ext 233 or by emailing: office-programsmgr@padiocese.ca

Please send a resume to Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince Albert, c/o Louis Hradecki, Office/Programs Manager, 1415 4th Street West, Prince Albert, SK, S6V 5H1. Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. All applications will be treated with confidentiality. Deadline for applications is May 1, 2022.

#### **CANONIZATION OF MARIE RIVIER**

On December 13, 2021, we received a long awaited GOOD NEWS! Pope Francis recognized the miraculous healing of Angel Marie Degamo, from the Philippines, obtained through the intercession of Marie Rivier.

Our Foundress Mother Marie Rivier is proclaimed SAINT by Pope Francis. The canonization will take place on May 15, 2022 in Rome. The celebrations will be Live-streamed on the Vatican Site.

Saturday, May 28, 2022, you are all invited to join the Sisters for a Prince Albert Diocesan Celebration for the Canonization of Marie Rivier to be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 11:00 am officiated by Bishop Stephen Hero. Following the Eucharistic Celebration, a buffet lunch will be served in the basement of the Cathedral. To honor our Foundress, a musical program will be held at the auditorium of Bishop Pascal Place at 2:00 pm.

Please register with your parish secretary Or call the Sisters at (306)764-3445.

Cling to God and leave all the rest to him: he will not let you parish. Your soul is very dear to him; he wishes to save it."

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

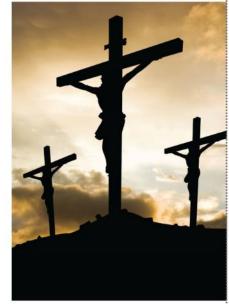
## Dear Padre,

# The Church says unless you're baptized, you will not enter heaven. So how was the unbaptized good thief able to enter paradise?

esus was crucified with two thieves. One taunted Jesus, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us." The other, rebuking him, said Jesus had done nothing criminal adding, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus replied to him, saying, "Today you will be with me in Paradise" (Luke 23:39–40, 42–43).

When the good thief rebuked the other, how did he know Jesus had done nothing wrong or that Jesus was going to his kingdom when he died? Scripture provides no background on the good thief to suggest he was baptized, but he's evidently familiar with Jesus' reputation before the crucifixion.

Regardless, even to his dying breath, Jesus desired for all a conversion experience with our compassionate God. God desires salvation for everyone. However, "God has bound salvation to the sacrament of baptism, but he himself is not bound by his sacraments" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1257). So while the typical way of salvation is through baptism, our merciful God can also give



baptismal grace without the sacrament being conferred! For example, when unbaptized infants die, we have "hope that God will save [them] when we have not been able to do for them what we would have wished to do, namely, to baptize them" (2007 Vatican Commission, "The Hope of Salvation for Infants Who Die Without Being Baptized," 103).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Jesus' answer does not leave [the good thief] waiting; he speaks of the present. He says, "Today you will be with me in Paradise." In the hour of the cross, the salvation of Christ reaches its height; and his promise to the good thief reveals the fulfillment of his mission: that is, to save sinners.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

### Calendar

#### Monday

APRIL 18
Easter Weekday
Acts 2:14, 22–33
Mt 28:8–15

#### Tuesday

APRIL 19 Easter Weekday Acts 2:36–41 Jn 20:11–18

#### Wednesday

APRIL 20 Easter Weekday Acts 3:1–10 Lk 24:13–35

#### Thursday

APRIL 21 Easter Weekday Acts 3:11–26 Lk 24:35–48

#### Friday

APRIL 22 Easter Weekday Acts 4:1–12 Jn 21:1–14

#### Saturday

APRIL 23 Easter Weekday Acts 4:13–21 Mk 16:9–15

#### Sunday

APRIL 24
Second Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)
Acts 5:12–16
Rv 1:9–11a, 12–13,
17–19
Jn 20:19–31

## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

