

# SEVEN DOLORS & ST. PATRICK'S PARISHES

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH, 2020 † EASTER SUNDAY

**For the greater glory of God,  
we will do as Christ tells us.**

## **A Message from Fr Kerry**

**Happy Easter:** Happy Easter! In the midst of mystery and uncertainty. We always celebrate this great feast in uncertain times. Obviously, this year they are more pronounced. And I believe that, in prayer, this can get us into the mindset of the dashed hopes of the holy women and the apostles at the first Easter.

When one normally sees artist's rendition of the Resurrection, one normally sees an individual Christ bursting forth from the tomb. That is understandable because there were no witnesses. But I find some older Spanish paintings to have a different perspective with an excellent theology.

There Christ is pictured as rising and pulling many people with him upward and toward heaven. In the theology of the time, they imagined Christ pulling up all the heroes and saints and people born before him into heaven with him as he returned.

I like that image for these times. The Covid-19 has too powerfully reminded us that we are all in this together, yes all the world. Ironically, it has forced us to separate as we keep the distance. As so many of us are confined to our homes, I find it helpful in my prayer to imagine all of us coming together in Christ. After all, what would heaven be if my parents, aunts and uncles, friends, heroes of yesterday, etc., aren't there.

Easter tells me Christ has not given up on the world. His victory is true victory. He is the God of Life. As the preface for funerals states, "life is not ended, merely changed."

**Parish Giving:** So many of you have found a way to give your donation to the parish. We understand how the situation has changed for many of you. At the same time, we have many of our regular bills and many have understood that. Thank you!

**Bishop's Annual Fund:** Even in the midst of these difficult times, our parish has met our goal for this fund. Thank you.

## **†Daily and Weekend Mass Viewing:**

We are excited to announce that you are now able to view daily Mass at Seven Dolors online. There are two options available.

1. Visit the Seven Dolors website main page and click "Daily Mass" on the scrolling header.
2. If you have a Facebook account, visit the Seven Dolors page and watch it there.

Daily Mass will be available on both sites by 2 pm every weekday and by 5 pm on Saturdays.

**†Mass Schedule and Intentions:** Our world has changed so much in the last week. One thing that has remained consistent it's the celebration of the Mass! We will honor all the Mass intentions that have been requested; however, they may not be said on the original scheduled date. We hope you will all understand and continue to pray for our priests at this time. The Mass intentions for March 2-April 3 are as follows:

April 13 - †R.J. Robel  
April 14 - †Arlene Bechtel  
April 15 - †Lawrence Rowe  
April 16 - †Brandon Crubel  
April 17 - For the Parish

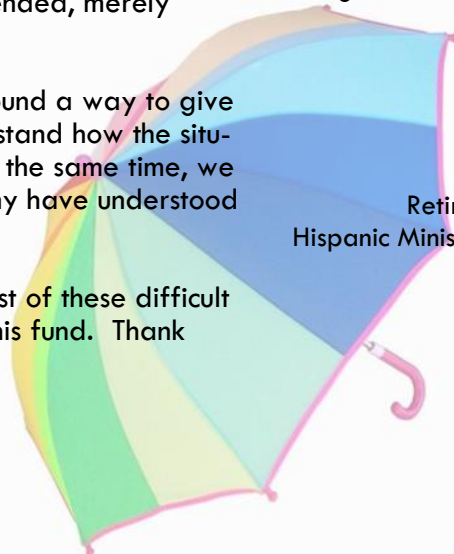
**†Sacrament of Reconciliation:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation is no longer available. This is to keep both our parishioners and our priests safe.

## **†Finance Report:**

Last Sunday's Collection	\$	20,807.50
Average Needed Weekly	\$	10,442.31

## **Parish Priests**

Pastor, Fr. Kerry Ninemire  
Retired In Residence, Fr. Merlin Kieffer  
Hispanic Ministry/Retired In Residence, Fr. Norbert Dlabal



**For sacraments of baptism, matrimony or anointing of the sick, please contact the parish office.**

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