



# St. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH LIMERICK EASTER SUNDAY 17th April 2022

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## Mass Times After Easter

Monday –Friday  
10.15am & 4.00pm

**Saturday**  
8.30am, 10.15am

**Sunday**  
9.00am, 11.15am,  
Evening Mass  
7.30pm

## Confessions Resume

**Monday, 25th  
& Friday**  
10.45 am–12.00  
3.00pm– 4.00pm  
**Saturday**  
10.45 am –12.00  
2.30pm –4.00pm



## Spreading the LIGHT

There are two ways  
of spreading light  
to be the candle,  
or the mirror  
that reflects them.

(E Wharton)

# THE LORD IS RISEN 'HE IS RISEN, INDEED'

## Surprise:

Yes, that sums it all up! Nobody, but nobody ever dreamt about a 'resurrection' – about the dead Jesus being alive again and being seen by many people. Unheard of! Least of all did his nearest and dearest, the apostles. They were taken totally by surprise, couldn't believe their eyes and ears...

**Joy:** When the reality eventually sank in – and that took some time, there followed exuberant JOY. This Joy transformed the apostles and their cry became "He is Risen, He is Lord!" Alleluia.



## Sharing with others:

The first Christians were so bowled over with the Risen Lord that they couldn't stop talking about it, they simply had to tell everyone about it. Just like all great good news, we can't keep it to ourselves. And so the Gospel accounts – 'we have seen Him' – 'we spoke to Him' – 'we ate with Him' – 'we touched Him' – words that came tumbling from the lips from the first disciples. Not an attempt to 'prove' the Resurrection,

just their incredible experience. This is witnessing to their Faith—not trying to prove anything— simply telling what they knew to be fact.

## A Power for us today.

Jesus rose, not just for the apostles and the first Christians two thousand years ago: No! It is the Good News for us here today. And what a mighty transforming power that is. We can feel the energy in our very bones. We are to be different, having a different outlook on life, on relationships, on our daily cares.

Because He is Risen we too must never say die, never feel conquered, and never stay down, beaten, depressed. He Is Risen and Is With Us. We are to be a People of Hope and Confidence.

M.L.

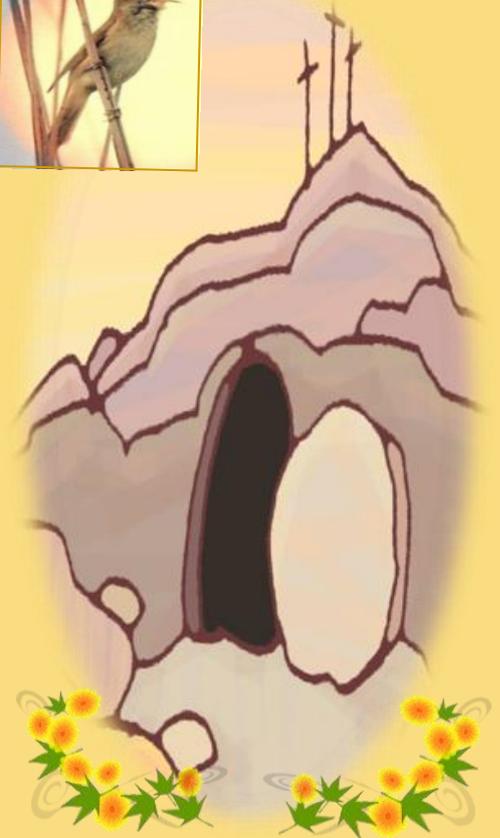


## PRAYER IN AN EMPTY TOMB

*He is not here; he has risen! Luke 24:6*

Risen Christ, inject life and hope into the empty places in my heart.  
Resurrect the things which have died in me.  
Help me to break free from the shrouds which imprison me.  
Roll away the stones of despondency.  
Awaken me out of the sleep of indifference.  
Bring new life to those who have lost meaning, faith- hope and love  
to those who are living in the clay of broken dreams.  
To those who are locked in the tombs of despair and addiction,  
to those who are experiencing the emptiness of grief.  
To those who are entombed behind boulders and walls of hatred.  
Transform my empty tomb into a womb of hope and promise.  
Help me to rise again with you.  
Touch my heart with a spirit of renewal.  
Renew this church with the power of your risen life.  
Put me in touch with the spirit of recovery and healing.  
Lift me out of the valley of darkness.  
Bless me with the gift of celebration and appreciation.  
Lead me to the wellsprings of joy.  
Risen Christ, give us the capacity to "resurrect" others,  
to love them back to life.  
Deepen our belief in resurrection into eternal peace.

*Fr. L Ryan OSA*



MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL  
TRIDUUM



Sat 23rd , Monday 25th ,  
Tuesday 26th April at 10.15am

Triduum prayers, & petitions

Feast Day Tuesday 26th

**TROCAIRE**  
Working for a Just World

You are welcome to return your Trocaire  
Boxes to the Abbey Bookshop, the  
Pastoral Office, or to any  
of the community. Thank you.

## EASTER BLESSINGS & THANK YOU

Sincere thanks and grateful appreciation to all those who helped us  
to prepare for Holy Week and Easter, those who exercised the  
various ministries and those who participated in the ceremonies.  
We also express our gratitude to our congregations here, and those  
joining us via 'live streaming', for your continued support  
to our Augustinian Church in Limerick.

*"May Easter joy and the hope of the Risen Christ touch  
your lives today and always".  
Augustinian Community Limerick.*

For it is by *grace* you have been saved,  
through *faith*  
-and this not from yourselves,  
*it is a gift of God*  
-not by works, so that no one can boast.



Ephesians 2:8-9