

EASTER SUNDAY

The day Jesus rose from the dead! *“This is the day the Lord has made. Let us be glad and rejoice in it!”*

- **Go to Easter Sunday Mass and invite someone to go with you.** (Special parts to watch for: the return of joyful “Alleluia’s,” sprinkling with holy water, a prayer before the Gospel called the Sequence, and the renewal of Baptismal promises.)
- **Fill a small bottle with the blessed Easter water** at church, to draw from for blessings at home.
- **Dress up!** The tradition of Easter clothes reminds us that we are a new creation. We have put on Christ.
- **Have an Easter egg hunt** (out in the yard if possible), recalling the women searching in the garden for Jesus who was no longer in the tomb.
- **Have a special meal** in the formal dining room with linens, china, candles, flowers – make it truly a feast.
- **Make a playlist of Easter- Alleluia songs** to listen to throughout the day.
- **Read the Easter story** – there are various accounts at the end of all four Gospels!
- **If you placed a cross in your yard on Friday, find a way to witness to the Resurrection** – drape it in a white cloth, add flowers, or the words “He is Risen.” Invite your neighbors to contribute!
- As you encounter family members throughout the day, **say and respond: “Christ is risen. He is indeed risen!”**
- **Take a few minutes of silence** simply seeking to encounter the risen Christ in prayer and inviting him into your heart – with all of the power, peace, joy, and love that he brings.



Tone for our day:

Completely joyful and happy!

Jesus has won. He is with us!

He has opened heaven for us!

Alleluia! Alleluia!