

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

For the GREAT EASTER VIGIL

April 16, 2022

We welcome all of you participating in this liturgy. Happy Easter to you and your loved ones. We invite you to enter into the sacredness of this Great Easter Vigil, whomever you may be, or wherever you find yourself on the journey. Know that here at St. Matthias, ALL ARE WELCOME!

- **Tonight we welcome into the Church our RCIA Elect and Candidates who have been preparing for many months for this night. Please continue to pray for them as they move into full communion in the life of our faith and the Catholic Community of St. Matthias.**
- **Tomorrow's Easter Sunday Masses will be at 8:00 and 10:00 am and at 12:00 noon. There is no Mass on Monday, April 18th and the Parish Office will be closed that day.**

**Let us now greet each other
with the Joy of Easter.**

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

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Our response will be: *Risen Lord, hear our prayer.*

- For the church, her leaders, and members, especially this intentional faith community of Saint Matthias...Renew in us the fire of commitment to Your Gospel message so that we may live as Resurrection people, we pray...
- For global, national, and local leaders...Guide their work in service to others and lead them to seek the goals of justice, tolerance, and peace, we pray...
- For our newly baptized and confirmed as they joyfully receive the sacraments of initiation...Help them continue to grow in faith and knowledge as they experience new life in You, we pray...
- For those who are ill in body, mind, or spirit, especially those on our parish and school sick lists...Strengthen and comfort them, for by Your Resurrection You give hope to all who endure hardships, we pray...
- For all those who have died, especially Mary Patricia Reardon, Patricia Teevan, and the victims of the war in Ukraine...Welcome them home and give them a share in Your everlasting triumph over sin and death, we pray...
- For the silent intentions we hold deep in our hearts this night..., we pray...

PRIEST _____ (MASS INTENTION)

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart. I
embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You,
and I believe your words, "Come to me all
you who labor and are heavy laden, and I
will refresh you."
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.