

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**  
4/16/06

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33, Mt 28:8-15  
 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; In 20:11-18  
 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35  
 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48  
 Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14  
 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15  
 Sunday: Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118; 1 Jn 5:1-6;  
 Jn 20:19-31

**SEEKING**

Easter Sunday is a day all about seeking. The early Christian communities gathered around the Apostles, seeking more about the life and ministry of the Lord Jesus. Saint Paul told the baptized Colossians to “seek what is above.” Mary of Magdala went to the tomb, seeking to find the Lord’s body so that she could anoint it. We come to Church on Easter Sunday, seeking many things. For some of us, this is a once-a-year journey, when we seek connection with the foundations of the Christian faith. For others, this day is the culmination of a long journey of Lenten repentance. For the newly baptized, this is the first day of a new life filled with promise and expectation. Whatever it is that we seek, let us be inspired by the disciple whom Jesus loved who, when he saw the wrappings of cloth inside the empty tomb, “saw and believed.”

**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).  
**Psalm** — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).  
**(1) Second Reading** — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) *or*  
**(2) Second Reading** — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).  
**Gospel** — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) *or* Mark 16:1-7 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*).



**Mass Intentions for the Week**  
April 17, 2006– April 23, 2006

**St. Teresa of Avila**

Mon.	04/17	8:30am	+	Joseph & Helen Chollack
Tues.	04/18	8:30am		Parishioners
Wed.	04/19	8:30am		Parishioners
Thur.	04/20	8:30am		Parishioners
Frii.	04/21	8:30am	+	Patricia Cozzetto
Sat..	04/22	5:30pm	+	Robert Chylak
Sun.	04/23	8:30am	+	Brigitte Pittner
Sun.	04/23	11:00am		All Parishioners

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Easter Sunday: Resurrection of the Lord  
 Monday: Monday in the Octave of Easter; Income Tax Day  
 Tuesday: Tuesday in the Octave of Easter  
 Wednesday: Wednesday in the Octave of Easter  
 Thursday: Thursday in the Octave of Easter  
 Friday: Friday in the Octave of Easter  
 Saturday: Saturday in the Octave of Easter; Earth Day

**MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE**

Beginning the weekend of May 6th & 7th our Saturday evening Mass will be at 5:00pm.

We will be adding a 5:00pm Sunday evening Mass the same weekend, May 7, 2006.

**Weekly Collections**

2nd week of April 2006 \$7,797.17

**The Return of Easter**

*The return of Easter should be to the Christian life the call of a trumpet. It is the news of a great victory. It is the solution of a great perplexity. It is the assurance of a great triumph.*

### EASTER AND SPRINGTIME

Thank you for your warm welcome to Auburn. You did not have to ask God for this Emerald Isle weather, a marching band or a cup of tea would have been enough.

While growing up in Ireland, winters were harsh. Overcoats were worn to keep out the cold wet winds. When spring arrived it was truly welcomed. There was a new warmth in the air and this in turn ushered in new life. A new growth of grass appeared in the fields, new foliage on the trees and newly born animals added to the excitement for children and adults alike. Spring lambs, newborn foals and calves were to be seen everywhere.

Each farm had a special lamb or calf that was bottle fed. Sometimes a sheep or a cow died giving birth and their special offspring were raised by the children of the family with Mom and Dad's help. These young lambs and calves gave children a special love for all animals and life. These animals were prayed for like any other family member in need of special care. Growing up in an agricultural society the term "The Lamb of God" had a rich and loving meaning. The Lamb of God represented new life, new hope and that God asks us to take care of His Son.

Eggs were also part of springtime and new life. One of the tasks I was given as a young man was to keep an eye on the hens who tried to find a safe spot to lay and hatch their own eggs. On a farm a certain amount of the eggs were hatched but the rest were needed for food. No matter how observant everyone was, at least one hen got to hatch her own batch of eggs. Before the chick entered our world it had to crack the eggshell and climb out. God is also calling us out of our shells into new life.

Easter is always celebrated in the springtime. God through His Son is calling us to a different way of life, of trusting God with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength, and loving one another. Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection invites us to a springtime of new life that lasts forever.

May you have a Life Giving Easter  
God Bless,  
Fr. Mike

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### I See His Blood Upon The Rose

*By Joseph Mary Plunkett*

I see His blood upon the rose  
And in the stars the glory of his eyes  
His body gleams amid eternal snows,  
His tears fall from the skies.

I see His face in every flower;  
The thunder and the singing of the birds  
Are but his voice—and carven by His power  
Rocks are His written words.

All pathways by His feet are worn,  
His strong heart stirs the ever-beating sea,  
His crown of thorns is twined with every thorn,  
His cross is every tree.



St. Teresa of Avila Parish proudly presents:

*2006 Vacation Bible School*

**TREASURE COVE**

This is where sand tickles your toes and balmy breezes blow! C'mon, let's discover the riches of God's grace in Jesus!

June 26<sup>th</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>

8:45am to 12:30pm Parish hall

for Children Entering Kindergarten to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Join our great treasure hunt!** Every day kids go on a treasure hunt, digging into Scripture, which reveals the greatest treasure of all—Jesus Christ. Your tropical adventure begins at Find-the-Treasure Opening where kids sing, pray, and start the day. They meet Chester the Treasure Chest, hear about his lost gems, and agree to help find them. Here kids also meet their Search Parties and their Treasure Seekers who lead their group rotating to six fun activity sites. At each site they collect a clue to find the treasure. Finally, everyone gathers at Claim-Your-Treasure Closing to sing, pray, explore a mission project, unscramble clues, and find the treasure. As kids dig into every Treasure Cove site, they discover Jesus!



**Week At A Glance**  
April 16—April 22, 2006

<b>SUN</b> 4/16	Happy Easter		
<b>MON</b> 4/17			
<b>TUES</b> 4/18	9:00am	Catholic Ministry of Mothers	<b>FP</b>
<b>WED</b> 4/19	3:00pm	Bingo	<b>H</b>
<b>THUR</b> 4/20	6:30pm	K C's Social	<b>FP</b>
<b>FRI</b> 4/21			
<b>SAT</b> 4/22			

Location Abbreviations

<b>H</b>	Parish Hall
<b>FP</b>	Fireplace Room
<b>St. T.</b>	St. Teresa
<b>DC</b>	Day Care Room
<b>YR</b>	Youth Room

**A Wee Story:**

There was a Catholic man who would always say to his wife on Sunday mornings, "You can go to Mass for both of us." One he dreamed that he and his wife died and came together to heaven's gate. St. Peter asked, "Are you Mr. and Mrs. Smith?" The couple both nodded their heads. "Well, Mrs. Smith can come in for both of you!" declared the saint.

**Welcome to our Parish**

We welcome you with our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship. If you are not registered with our parish please complete the following and return to the parish office or in the collection basket.

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**St. Teresa of Avila Parish Registration**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_