

*St. Anthony's  
Roman Catholic  
Parish ' - Words'*

04th April 2021  
Easter Sunday

**Hymns:**

**Entrance:** Let the Heavens  
declare

**Offertory:** All Heavens  
Declare

**Communion:** Come and See

**Recessional:** This is the day

**Entrance Antiphon:**

The Lord is truly risen, alleluia.  
To him be glory and power for  
all the ages of eternity,  
alleluia, alleluia.

**Readings:**

Acts 10:34.37-43

Psalms 117:1-2.16-17.22-23

Colossians 3:1-4

John 20:1-9

**Response to Psalm**

This day was made by the  
Lord: we rejoice and are glad.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ, our passover, has been  
sacrificed;  
let us celebrate the feast then, in the  
Lord.

**Alleluia!**

**Communion Antiphon:**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed,  
alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast  
with the unleavened bread of purity and  
truth, alleluia, alleluia.



**Communion Reflection**

**Early on the first day of the Week**

Today we celebrate the highpoint of the  
Christian calendar, Easter. The Gospel  
tells us that Mary Magdalen is the first  
witness to the Resurrection, she is the  
first to bring this Good News to others,  
the first preacher of the Resurrection.  
'It was still dark...' when Mary went to

the tomb but it was also the 'first  
day of the week', a new beginning,  
like the first warm day of Spring.  
We can all recall situations in our  
lives which seemed so dark, where we  
felt that there was no light at the  
end of the tunnel. But the Easter  
story shows us that transformation  
is always possible. There comes a  
point during dark times that we  
realise something has changed, the  
stone has rolled away.

Let the linen wrappings in this text  
today represent all that keeps us  
from being free; all that keeps us  
captive, emotionally, physically,  
spiritually, in our broken  
relationships and struggling  
communities. As we continue to deal  
with the effects of the COVID-19  
crisis, many people are longing for  
this situation to ease, to lift. The  
Easter Gospel shows us that even the  
most difficult of situation can bring  
transformation. A question we can  
ask today, is where have we seen the  
Risen Christ during the crisis? In  
the frontline works, in good  
neighbours and friends. Where are  
we been called to share Easter joy  
with others?

*'Jesus you are with us. Keep us ever  
mindful of how you are a part of our  
lives in a deep and profound way.  
Surprise us with a touch of your love  
in places where we never thought  
that we would find you.'* (Joyce Rupp)

Jane Mellett

If you have some news you would  
like to share with the rest of the  
community through the  
newsletter, please get in touch  
with us on  
[stanthonyparish@telenet.be](mailto:stanthonyparish@telenet.be)

**Mass at St. Nicholas**

English mass at St. Nicholas has  
recommenced but it is currently  
limited to 15 people only. If you  
would like to attend, please email:  
[jerin7george@gmail.com](mailto:jerin7george@gmail.com)  
stating which Sunday you would  
like to attend. A return email will  
be sent to you confirming your  
attendance and without it, access  
to the Church will not be  
permitted.

**Mass at Sacré Coeur 19 Rue le  
Correge, 1000, Brussels**

English mass at Rue le Corrège has  
recommenced. Currently it is  
limited to 15 people only. If you  
would like to attend, please  
register at the following link:

## ROSARY WEDNESDAYS

In these challenging times, with limited possibilities to meet our family and friends in person, a chance to pray together becomes so precious. Therefore, responding to Our Lady's promise to grant her special protection and numerous graces to those who will recite the Holy Rosary, we would like to invite you to join a group of fellow parishioners (from The Church of the Sacred Heart in Rue le Corrège) every Wednesday at 8:30 PM online, on Zoom platform, to pray the Rosary and the Litany of St. Joseph, thus bringing our common and private intentions to Jesus through Mary.

How to access the virtual prayer evenings:

1)

Click: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76390617485?pwd=VDdEZDJaTVZMSnRkRUtIRONQK3ZSZz09>

OR

2) Go to [www.zoom.com](http://www.zoom.com), "Join a meeting"

Meeting ID: 763 9061 7485

For more information, please contact

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### Easter Message from St. Anthony's.

My dear sisters and brothers, once again due to the present lockdown restrictions we have had to celebrate our season of Lent and Holy Week behind closed doors. Thank God for modern technology that we are able to live stream all our Sunday masses and our Holy Week ceremonies. We may not be able to celebrate our liturgies in person but we are able to pray together and support one another.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of Fr. Pat and myself to wish you all a very Happy Easter. When we look at the Paschal Candle (Easter Candle) we are reminded that the Light of Christ is always with us even in these dark times of pandemic and virus. There is light at the end of the tunnel, with vaccines being rolled out and with all of us abiding by health recommendations, we can look forward to a better future.

We have journeyed together through Lent and celebrated the Solemn Liturgies of Holy Week. We have walked together with Christ to the Cross and His Resurrection. Jesus has fulfilled the promise of His Father to His beloved people, that He would send His Son to save us from all our sins by the giving of His life and so conquering death by His Resurrection. Through the Holy Spirit and our Faith we can look forward to being with God. The Light of Easter has promised us this. The Cross is bare, the tomb is empty and the Risen Jesus is with us.

Like last year we celebrate Easter in a different way. As Pope Francis mentioned we may celebrate Easter with a difference this year but 'Easter is still Easter'.

I would like to thank you all for your prayerful support to Fr. Pat and myself. And please God we will be able to meet up in person soon.

May the Risen Christ be with you all and your families as we celebrate this great Easter time.

Fr. Michael



## EASTER CHARITIES

Please see the pdf attachment in the email, to support our charities over this Easter Time

### MASS TIMES

St Anthony's Parish -  
Live Streamed Mass  
Every Sunday @ 10.30h

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