

# Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic Church

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm | Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:30 am

Confession: By appointment only

Baptisms and Marriages: Contact the parish office during business hours  
M-F, 9:00am 3:00pm or visit our website: [www.ourladyoftahoe.org](http://www.ourladyoftahoe.org)

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Today, St. John tells us, “On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark” (Jn 20:1). Now that the Sabbath was over, she was coming to finish the burial anointing. Why did she arrive so early, before dawn? Anyone who has grieved over the death of a loved one knows the answer to this question. The finality of death, even for those prepared for its arrival, is literally un-believable. We cannot bear the thought of not seeing this dear one again. Mary had the opportunity to be near Jesus once more, to see and touch Him. Even in death, He drew her to Him with an irresistible force. Mary saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. Shock! We can feel her eagerness to be with Jesus again, yet He was not in the tomb. St. John wants us to see that the followers of Jesus were slow to understand what He had told them many times: He would rise from the dead. Mary believed that someone had taken the Lord and put Him elsewhere. Imagine this for a moment: profound grief was compounded by profound horror. For Mary, the empty tomb was not a source of joy. It was an agonizing twist in what was becoming a nightmare. Peter and John (“the other disciple whom Jesus loved”) ran to the tomb with Mary’s news. They, too, were drawn to the Lord in this energetic race. John arrived first, but notice his deference to Peter, the Lord’s own appointed leader of the apostles. Once inside, they quickly realized that grave robbers were not responsible for the absence of Jesus. The burial cloths (fine, expensive linen) would never have been left behind by robbers this way. No, something *big* was underway. St. John tells us that when he entered the tomb and saw the burial cloths, “... he believed” (Jn 20:8). What did he believe? Only that Jesus was really gone from the tomb—itsself a great mystery. He goes on to make that clear: “For they did not yet understand the Scripture that He had to rise from the dead” (Jn 20:9). So, on Easter Sunday, the Gospel reading leaves us with only clues. How interesting! There is not, as we might expect, the boundless joy of the disciples seeing Jesus alive again. Instead, we spend time with His followers in their longing, anxiety, sadness, and utter confusion. We, of course, know what’s going on, but they don’t as yet. St. John wants us to linger for a spell in the very human reactions to an astounding miracle. He helps us feel deeply the question that boggled the disciples: *What has happened to Jesus?* It is only by entering fully into this human dilemma that we are truly prepared for the answer: Jesus has conquered Death. The worst thing that has ever happened in human history (men killed the “Author of life,” Acts 3:15) has become the best thing that has ever happened in human history, and man’s history has been changed forever.



# MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	4	8:00	† Michael Schlender	The Schlender Family
Sunday	4	10:00	Intention of the Priest	
Sunday	4	12:00	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Wednesday	7	(Priv. mass)	Cyndi Schiaroli	David & Stephanie Scott

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The Women Guild is accepting applications for their annual scholarships - the \$2000 Guild Scholarship and the \$5000 per semester (tuition only) Foundation Scholarship - beginning Thursday, April 1, 2021. The deadline for submission is at 2:00 pm on Friday, April 30, 2021, no exceptions. The application forms are available by emailing [susan@ourladyoftahoe.org](mailto:susan@ourladyoftahoe.org).



Let us rejoice.

PSALM 118:24



Last weekend's collection came to \$1,936.00. Thank you so much for your faithful support!



As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community welcomes and embraces all those who come to us. With guidance of the Holy Spirit, through worship, the sacraments, and loving service, we provide for one another's spiritual and material needs. In being so nourished, we reach out in faith to serve the larger community.



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