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"Let everything you do be done in love. To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow. Let the resurrection joy lift us from loneliness and weakness and despair to strength and beauty and happiness. Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime."

Many non-Christians believe that the soul is immortal. Even people of no particular religion admit they have an instinctive belief in the afterlife. There is something fundamentally human about this. Something in us knows that death is not the end. But Christian faith is more demanding than that. Christian faith reveals much more and demands much more. Christians believe not only in the survival of the soul, but also in the resurrection of the body. We believe that humans are creatures composed of body and soul. These elements are separated at death; the soul is sundered from the body, and so human life cannot continue. But the day will come when soul and body are reunited — and life begins again. Our creeds speak of this with greater precision. If we were to recite them in their original Greek we would say that we believe in the resurrection, not simply "of the body," but "of the FLESH." The Greek word for flesh (sarx) was evocative. It could be used to describe the meat hanging in a butcher's shop. In the creed it means the meat that hangs on our bones. Back in 1274 the Council of Lyons stated clearly: "We believe in the true resurrection of this flesh that we now possess." This flesh will rise. It won't be something else, or somebody else's. It will be this flesh, and we will love it as our own. When Jesus rose again, he rose in the body his mother had birthed — the body that had been crucified. He still had his wounds (see John 20:27), but they no longer hobbled him. Christian poets say that he wore his scars like jewels — like trophies of victory. "The flesh is the hinge of salvation." So said one of the early Christians. And our Catechism insists on the point: "We believe in God who is creator of the flesh; we believe in the Word made flesh in order to redeem the flesh: we believe in the resurrection of the flesh, the fulfillment of both the creation and the redemption of the flesh" (no. 1015). On the last day we will rise again with our bodies, now glorified. We believe not just in the survival of the soul, but in the resurrection of the body. We were created to live forever and find peace and satisfaction in a way that is fully human — in both flesh and spirit. We were made for this, and nothing else will do. The promise of Easter is the promise of such a resolution in life, such fulfillment in God's presence forever.



During the month of April, we celebrate the Easter Season and Divine Mercy Sunday. God desires all those who have been impacted by abortion in any way to experience His eternal love, compassion, and everlasting mercy. Please find out more about us at <a href="https://www.highdesertcatholic.org/">https://www.highdesertcatholic.org/</a>. Click on Our Works, scroll down, click on Project Rachel. Contact our confidential, non-judgmental help line 775-324-4325 or email <a href="mailto:KarenM@Catholicreno.org">KarenM@Catholicreno.org</a> to take advantage of valuable resources.

# The Day of Resurrection

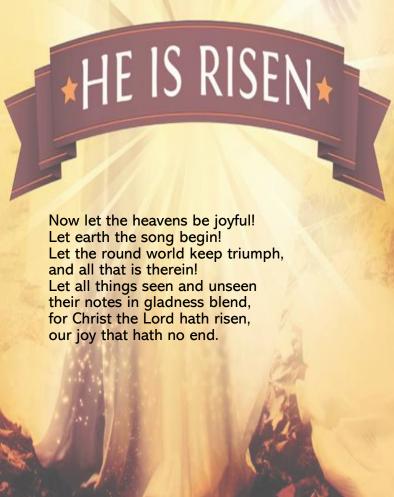
## by St. John of Damascus

The day of resurrection!

Earth, tell it out abroad the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.

From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky, our Christ hath brought us over, with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light; and listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain, his own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.



#### Mass Intentions

Friday

Saturday	8	7:45pm	Intention of the Priest	
Sunday	9	10am	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Wednesday	12	11:30am	No Mass	
Thursday	13	11:30am	No Mass	

No Mass

Last weekend's collection came to \$2,749.00. We are beyond grateful for your faithful giving to Our Lady of Tahoe and we pray God's blessings over you. Thank you so much!

11:30am

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"Then Jesus came to them and said, All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20



Please remember, stewardship begins with each one of us, but the work of the church belongs to all of us. Will you prayerfully consider making a monetary gift to CSA? Brochures and pledge cards are on the tables in the back of the church. Thanks to everyone who has already donated! We are already off to a fantastic start!

### <u>Eucharistic Prayer #5 – The Eucharistic Presence</u>

"...unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you." John 6:53

When we discuss the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist we usually speak of Him being "really, truly, and substantially" present. Each of these words hammers home the same idea-that the Eucharist isn't a symbol but Jesus Himself. Of course we can encounter Jesus in other ways, whether that be through reading the Bible, or through holy people, or through encounters with beauty, or a host of other things. But in the Eucharist, we encounter Christ Himself; not an icon or a symbol, but Jesus. As such, when we receive the Eucharist, we enter into communion with Jesus in a manner unparalleled by any other prayer, devotion, or experience. We become united in body and spirit and so become what we receive. Do you have a favorite Eucharistic devotion?

#### Bible Study News!

We finished our deep dive into the Gospel of Matthew. It has been a deeply meaningful 24 week exploration of the Gospel where we discussed the perspective of Matthew (a disciple of Jewish background writing to Jews at the time of Jesus). There are many subtleties of this Gospel that jump out when you take the time to look at the context and what the Jews at the time would have understood. Did you know that every Jewish child attended school from the ages of 5-9 years old where they had to memorize the first five books of the Bible (The Pentateuch)? If that was completed successfully, the boys would continue on the memorize the balance of the Tanahk (basically most of the balance of the books of the Old Testament). (I don't know about you.. but I remember how hard it was for each of my kids to memorize the Declaration of Independence in Middle School.) Imagine how powerful the connections in the text of the Old Testament become if you have memorized the entire text. We stand completely in awe of this learning and dedication on the part of God's chosen people. In our next chapter of Bible Study, we will embark on a deeply meaningful journey with: "What we believe: The Beauty of the Catholic Faith" We invite everyone to join us on this journey. Please contact Janine Nyre: janinenyre@comcast.net or 775-339-1961 or simply leave your contact information with Susan Marschner in the parish office.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community <u>welcomes</u> 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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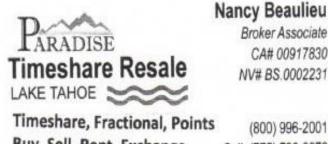
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