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**EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 5TH 2026**

### **Final Mass of Thanksgiving at St Patrick's April 10th**

Offered by Bishop Thomas A. Daly

Mass **5:30pm** St Patrick's

**Following Mass on April 10th there will be a Potluck in the Parish Hall: All are welcome!**

Cake and Punch will be provided. Please bring your favorite Casserole or salad (No Desserts).

**CHILDREN'S EASTER  
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*Easter Day*

After the 11am Mass  
on the St X Lawn  
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***St. Patrick our Patron Pray for us and our families!***

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me. Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ lying down, Christ in sitting, Christ in rising up, Christ in the heart of every person who may think of me, Christ in the mouth of every person who may speak of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me!

- St Patrick's Breastplate

**WEEKEND SCHEULE**

**Saturday**

3pm – Confessions (**St. Francis Xavier**)

4pm – Vigil Mass (**St. Francis Xavier**)

**Sunday**

7:30am – Holy Mass,  
(**St. Francis Xavier**)

9:00am – Holy Mass (**St. Patrick**)

11:00am – Holy Mass,  
(**St. Francis Xavier**)

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## Reflection on Easter Sunday

Jesus is nowhere visible. Yet today's Gospel tells us that Peter and John "saw and believed."

What did they see? Burial shrouds lying on the floor of an empty tomb. Maybe that convinced them that He hadn't been carted off by grave robbers, who usually stole the expensive burial linens and left the corpses behind.

But notice the repetition of the word "tomb"—seven times in nine verses. They saw the empty tomb and they believed what He had promised: that God would raise Him on the third day.

Chosen to be His "witnesses," today's First Reading tells us, the Apostles were "commissioned . . . to preach . . . and testify" to all that they had seen—from His anointing with the Holy Spirit at the Jordan to the empty tomb. More than their own experience, they were instructed in the mysteries of the divine economy, God's saving plan—to know how "all the prophets bear witness" to Him (see Luke 24:27, 44).

Now they could "understand the Scripture," could teach us what He had told them—that He was "the Stone which the builders rejected," that today's Psalm prophesies His Resurrection and exaltation (see Luke 20:17; Matthew 21:42; Acts 4:11).

We are the children of the apostolic witnesses. That is why we still gather early in the morning on the first day of every week to celebrate this feast of the empty tomb, give thanks for "Christ our life," as today's Epistle calls Him.

Baptized into His death and Resurrection, we live the heavenly life of the risen Christ, our lives "hidden with Christ in God." We are now His witnesses, too. But we testify to things we cannot see but only believe; we seek in earthly things what is above.

We live in memory of the Apostles' witness, like them eating and drinking with the risen Lord at the altar. And we wait in hope for what the Apostles told us would come—the day when we too "will appear with Him in glory."

*-Scott Hahn*

## St. John Baptist de la Salle, April 7th

Patron of Teachers and the Congregation of the Sisters of the Divine Redeemer

Founder of the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, St. John Baptist de la Salle is called the father of modern pedagogy. After completing his education he desired to enter the priesthood. He was ordained in 1678 and received his Doctorate in Theology in 1680.

Observing that the poor of his day were grossly neglected as far as their education was concerned, St. John became the first to set up training colleges for teachers who would instruct the poor. Thus became the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, whose first novitiate was founded at Vaugirard in 1691. St. John exhorted its members to have a father's love for their pupils, be ready to devote all their time and energies to them, and be as concerned to save them from wickedness as to dispel their ignorance.

In 1695, John drew the Rule for his Brothers (which he later revised in 1705) and also wrote *The Conduct of Christian Schools*, which set forth his pedagogical system and has become a classic in the field of education. He died On April 7, 1719, and was canonized on May 24, 1900, by Pope Leo XIII.

PRAYER: God our Father, You chose St. John Baptist de la Salle as an educator of Christian youth. Give Your Church good teachers today, who will dedicate themselves to instructing young people in human and Christian disciples. Amen.





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