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Mass Intentions (13th -20th April). The fourth stage of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is called "mystagogy," meaning "to lead through the mysteries." Traditionally, mystagogy extends throughout the Easter season until the feast of Pentecost. This is a period of accompaniment for new Catholics as Vigil 5pm.: +; Sun.: 8am Pro Populo; 9.30am.: they discover what it means to fully participate in the sacramental mysteries of the Church. The newly baptized are called "neophytes," +Maria Suszycka Zapal & Stanislaw Suszycki Mon. from the Greek words meaning "new plant," because the faith has been newly planted in them. Even though their catechetical preparation Lesley & May Ellesmore: +: Tues.: +Paul Lim: has been completed, they still have much to learn about what it means to live as Catholic Christians. During Mystagogy, new Catholics Wed.: +Reg Cunich; Thurs.: + Low Family:; Fri.: +Lim Family: Sat.: + Lesley & May Ellesmore will reflect on their experience of conversion, learn more about the Church, and consider how they might get involved in ministry and outreach. Neophytes will need the ongoing support of the community so that the faith newly planted in them can grow deep roots. To support our church; https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/co-Kerygma is a term used in the Note from Liz Gosbel: "Our family would like to ad-Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience ™ New Testament to denote proclamooysterbayparish vise of the passing of Judith Urguhart. Judith To be held here on Friday 19th April 7:00pm – 9:00pm. was a long time Parishioner of St Joseph's Church mation, which literally means "to Features: Grotto Rock: Lourdes Water: Eucharistic Catholic news: The Catholic Thing, National Cathoalong with her husband Bill and 8 children. We cry or proclaim as a herald." In Blessing; Rosary Procession; Plenary Indulgence. lic Reporter; EWTN; Crux, L'Osservatore Romano would appreciate your prayers at this time. Thank the context of early Christianity, Vatican News: Pope Francis@Pontifex you" Judith's funeral was Friday 12th April at St. Hosted by Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality, North kerygma represents the core Pat's Sutherland. American Volunteers, Information call 0402 727 407. teaching about Jesus and the es-We acknowledge the Gweagal People the tra-Confirmation Workshops: Sunday 5th May sential message of the apostolic ditional Custodians of this land. The Easter season begins on Easter Sunday and 19th May after the 9:30pm Mass preaching. Here are some key and continues for 50 days. It is a time of an opportunity aspects of the ancient Christian St. Joseph's Como cares for safeguarding for us to cultivate a spirit that defines who we are as The Fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentekerygma:1. The Age of Fulfill-Christians. So, what does living the spirit of the Easter children. Safeguarding Office at 9390 5810 or cost are celebrated in joyful exultation as one ment: This era has dawned season mean in practical terms? Here are three consafeguardingenguiries@sydneycatholic.org. feast day, or better as one "great Sunday." crete suggestions. Live with Joy. Joy is a deep-down through the birth, life, ministry, The Sundays of this season rank as the pasgladness that cannot be taken away, even in the midst death, and resurrection of Jesus Daily Masses: 7:30am Monday, Wednesday, chal Sundays. The period of fifty sacred days of sorrow. The Passion and Resurrection of Jesus teach Christ. The promises made in the Thursday and Saturday (Saturday: Mass, ends on Pentecost Sunday. The first eight us that suffering is transformed through faith in the Risen Old Testament find fulfillment in Cenacle, Confession & Benediction); Tuesday Christ. With this faith, we are able to hold on to an endays of the Easter Season make up the octave Him. 2. Exaltation of Jesus: By 5:30pm: Adoration. Novena. Confession. Benduring sense of joy even in the midst of the sadness we of Easter and are celebrated as solemnities of ediction and 6pm Mass. Friday 9:15am, First virtue of His resurrection, Jesus experience from the loss of a loved one, a failure to the Lord. On the fortieth day after Easter the Fridays 7:30am Devotions @ 9:15am Mass. has been exalted at the right achieve an important goal, or a setback during recovery Ascension is celebrated, except in places hand of God as the Messianic Weekend Mass times: Saturday: Vigil 5pm from an illness. Live without Fear. The Resurrection where, not being a holy day of obligation, it Sunday: 8am, 9:30am and 2nd Sunday of the head of the new Israel. 3. The teaches us that God can overcome anything, even has been transferred to the Seventh Sunday month at 3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet with Bendeath. When the Risen Christ appears to the women at Holy Spirit: The presence of the of Easter. This solemnity directs our attention ediction and Mass. the tomb and later to his disciples, his first words are "Do Holy Spirit in the church signifies Baptisms at 9:30 Mass(1st & 3rd Sunday) to Christ, who ascended into heaven before not be afraid!" (Mt 28:5,10) These words speak to our Christ's current power and glory. Other inquiries please contact Parish Office. hearts, helping us cope with the fear from the loss of a the eyes of his disciples, who is now seated at 4. The Consummation: The Mesjob, a serious illness, or a crumbling relationship. Our the right hand of the Father, invested with sianic Age will reach its fulfillment faith allows us to trust that God can overcome our most royal power, who is there to prepare a place Our sick: Sophia May Hudson, Nerida Tullio, Eileen with the return of Christ. 5. Apserious problems. Live with New Eyes. Easter means Ellsmore, Elizabeth Mercieca, Steven Leeke, Helen for us in the kingdom of heaven; and who is peal for Repentance: The kerto live with a sense of newness. Just as the return of Cramer, Max McLeod, Richard Davis, Michele destined to come again at the end of time. vama calls for repentance, offerspring lifts our spirits and makes us feel like the whole McQuillan, Joan & Vince Fernandez, Drago Mikan, The weekdays after the Ascension until the ing forgiveness, the Holy Spirit, world is new, the Resurrection of Jesus makes "all Therese Dorff. Steve Smith. Barbara Moore. Albert Saturday before Pentecost inclusive are a and salvation. things new." (Rev. 21:5) The Easter spirit is a spirit of McMaster, Elizabeth Kinsela, Katrina Marinilli, Rita preparation for the coming of the Holy Spirit, renewal that enables us to show up at work with a posi-Shah, Julia Lock, Marie Lawsen, Ian Duffey, Eliette the Paraclete. This sacred season of fifty days tive attitude, to renew relationships that have been taken Majdandzic; Dragica Furda, Mary Carmen Borg, Safeguarding, comes to an end on Pentecost Sunday, which for granted, and to express appreciation and affection to Josefa Dabu, Josie Lav, Christine Woodard, Urszula those closest to us. It means to see the world through Child Proteccommemorates the giving of the Holy Spirit to Kaminska, Josephine and Steven Marinilli, Nicholas new eyes—God's eyes. We can use these 50 days to tion and Ministhe apostles, the beginnings of the Church Mircevski and all Dear Friends from Mildred Symons cultivate an Easter spirit that enables us to be truly and its mission to every tongue and people terial Integrity. Christian: embracing joy and living without fear. House: Next Mass 10.45am, 1st May. and nation.