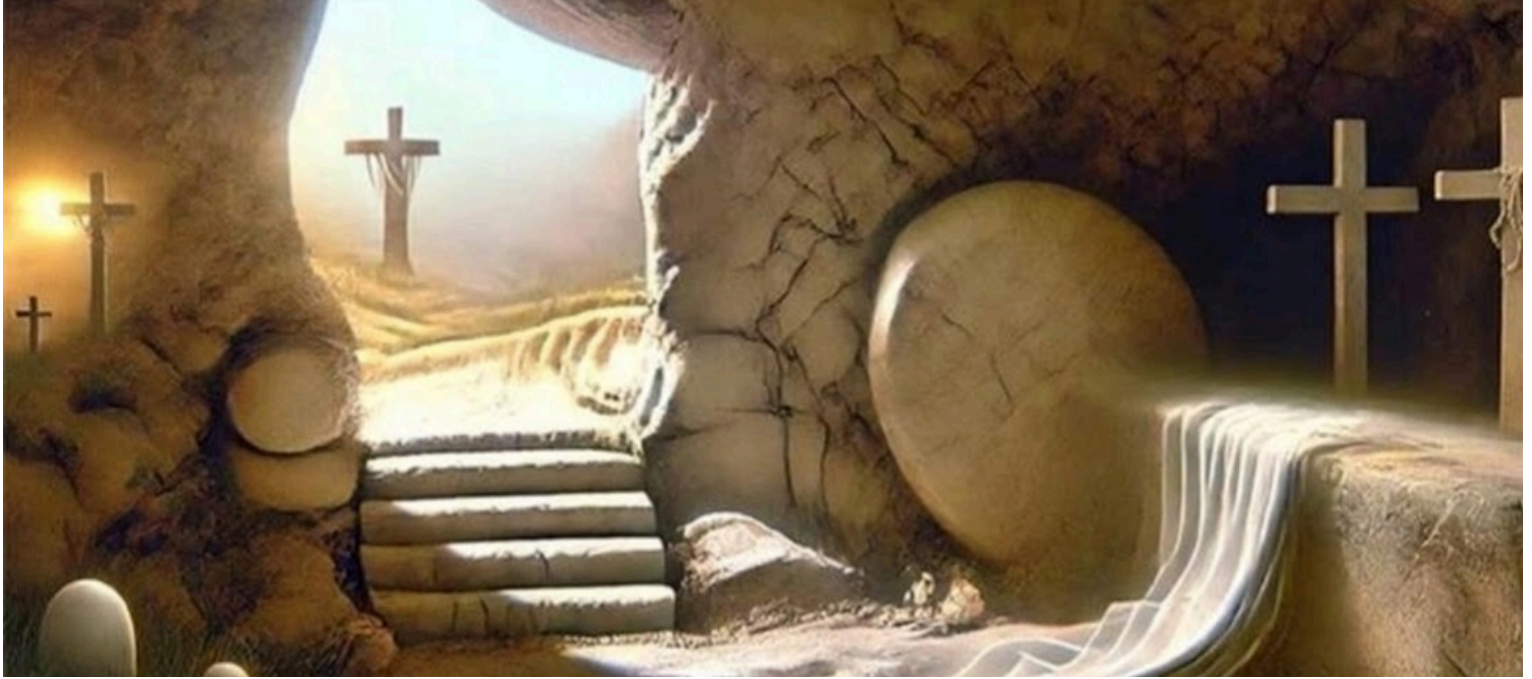




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EDITORIAL

There is something almost dizzying about the first week of April. In the span of seven days—from Sunday, March 29, to Saturday, April 5—we move from waving palms to the Alleluia of the Easter Vigil, from the silence of Good Friday to the overflowing joy of Easter. The liturgy takes no precautions: it leads us straight into the heart of the mystery.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday. Branches are blessed and carried in procession—and then, almost without transition, the Passion is proclaimed. This contrast, between acclamation and the cross, is not a contradiction: it is the same Christ whom we follow.

The Sacred Triduum begins on Thursday evening with the washing of the feet, continues on Friday with the death on the cross, and reaches its fulfillment in the Easter Vigil, on the night of April 4 to 5. Three days, yet one single celebration.

The Easter Vigil remains one of the most profound celebrations of the entire year. In the darkness, a fire is lit. The Word of God unfolds through the great moments of salvation history. Then the Exsultet is sung: “Let the joy of the angels resound in heaven.” Even Adam’s sin is called a “happy fault”—for God responds to it with an even greater love. This is the great reversal that Easter celebrates.

Sunday, April 12—the Second Sunday of Easter—is, since the year 2000, the Feast of Divine Mercy. Saint John Paul II established it after the canonization of Sister Faustina, a Polish nun who received visions of the merciful Christ in the 1930s. The Gospel of Thomas reminds us that mercy reaches each person, even in doubt: “Put your finger here.”

The Easter season lasts fifty days, until Pentecost. It is not merely an extension of the feast, but a time to dwell in the Resurrection: listening to the Acts of the Apostles, letting the Alleluia resound, welcoming new life.

May this Easter season be for each of you an opportunity to rediscover—or to discover—not a memory, but a presence.

Fr. Grégoire

Mass Times on Sundays

Thursday, April 2 at 7:00 pm Holy Thursday	BOURGANEUF
Friday, April 3 at 7.00 pm Good Friday	BOURGANEUF
Saturday, April 4 at 9:00 pm Easter Vigil	BOURGANEUF
Sunday, April 5 at 11:00 am Easter Sunday	BOURGANEUF
Saturday, April 11 – 6:00 pm	JANAILLAT
Sunday, April 12 – 11:00 am Divine Mercy Sunday	BOURGANEUF
Saturday, April 18 – 6:00 pm	MONTBOUCHER
Sunday, April 19 – 11:00 am	BOURGANEUF
Saturday, April 25 – 6.00pm	ST DIZIER LEYRENNE
Sunday, april 26– 11:00 am	BOURGANEUF

Mass times in rural areas

Tuesday, April 7 at 6:00 pm	FAUX MAZURAS
Thursday, April 9 at 6.00pm	LA POUGE
Thursday, April 16 at 6:00 pm	SAINT-PARDOUX-DE-MORTEROLLES
Tuesday, April 21 at 6:00 pm	SAINT-MARTIN-SAINTE-CATHERINE
Thursday, April 23 at 6:00 pm	SOUBREBOST
Tuesday, April 28 at 6:00 pm	LE COMPEIX
Thursday, April 30 at 6:00 pm	CHÂTELUS- LE- MARCHAIX

Mass times at the Oratory

Weekday Masses

Wednesday at 6:00 pm, and Friday at 9:00 am.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the presbytery: please contact Father Grégoire.

Parish office hours at the presbytery:

Monday morning from 9:00 am to 11:30 am.

You can meet Father Grégoire by appointment

Parish calendar

Stations of the Cross Friday, April 3 at 3:00 PM

Church of Bourganeuf

MCR Meeting Wednesday, April 8 at 2:30 PM

Parish Pastoral Council (EAP) April 29 at 8:00 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet First Friday of each month

3:00 PM Saint-Hilaire-le-Château

Lectio Divina Wednesday, April 22 at 8:00 PM

Maison du Semeur (Faith Formation Gathering) Second

Sunday of each month at 9:30 AM

Catechumenate April 16 at 8:00 PM

The Stations of the Cross in Bourganeuf

During the season of Lent, parishioners gathered every Friday at 3 p.m. in the church of Bourganeuf to take part together in the Stations of the Cross. This regular meeting allowed everyone to meditate on the Passion of Christ by walking through the different stations that retrace the steps of His journey to the cross.

In an atmosphere of silence and recollection, the faithful prayed and reflected on the proposed texts, allowing themselves to be guided in this contemplation of the mystery of Christ's suffering and love. This time of prayer helped each person to enter more deeply into the meaning of Lent, a path of conversion and preparation for the celebration of Easter. Catherine welcomed and accompanied the participants throughout these gatherings, guiding the different meditations with simplicity and care. Thanks to her faithful presence, this time of prayer became for many a beautiful opportunity to recollect themselves and to walk together in following Christ.

These Stations of the Cross thus marked the rhythm of Lent and enabled the community to prepare inwardly for the joy of Easter.



Funerals

Saint-Dizier-Leyrenne – February 23 Séverine Meunier, 52 years old

Saint-Pardoux-de-Morterolles March 3 Béatrice Doucet, 78 years old

Bourganeuf – March 6 Jacqueline Huguelin, 92 years old

Bourganeuf-Chapel of Le Puy -March 27 André Banry, 63 years old

Saint-Martin-Sainte-Catherine – March 12 Danielle Prenaud, 82 years old

Royères-de-Vassivière – March 14 Jeannine Pauty, 89 years old

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