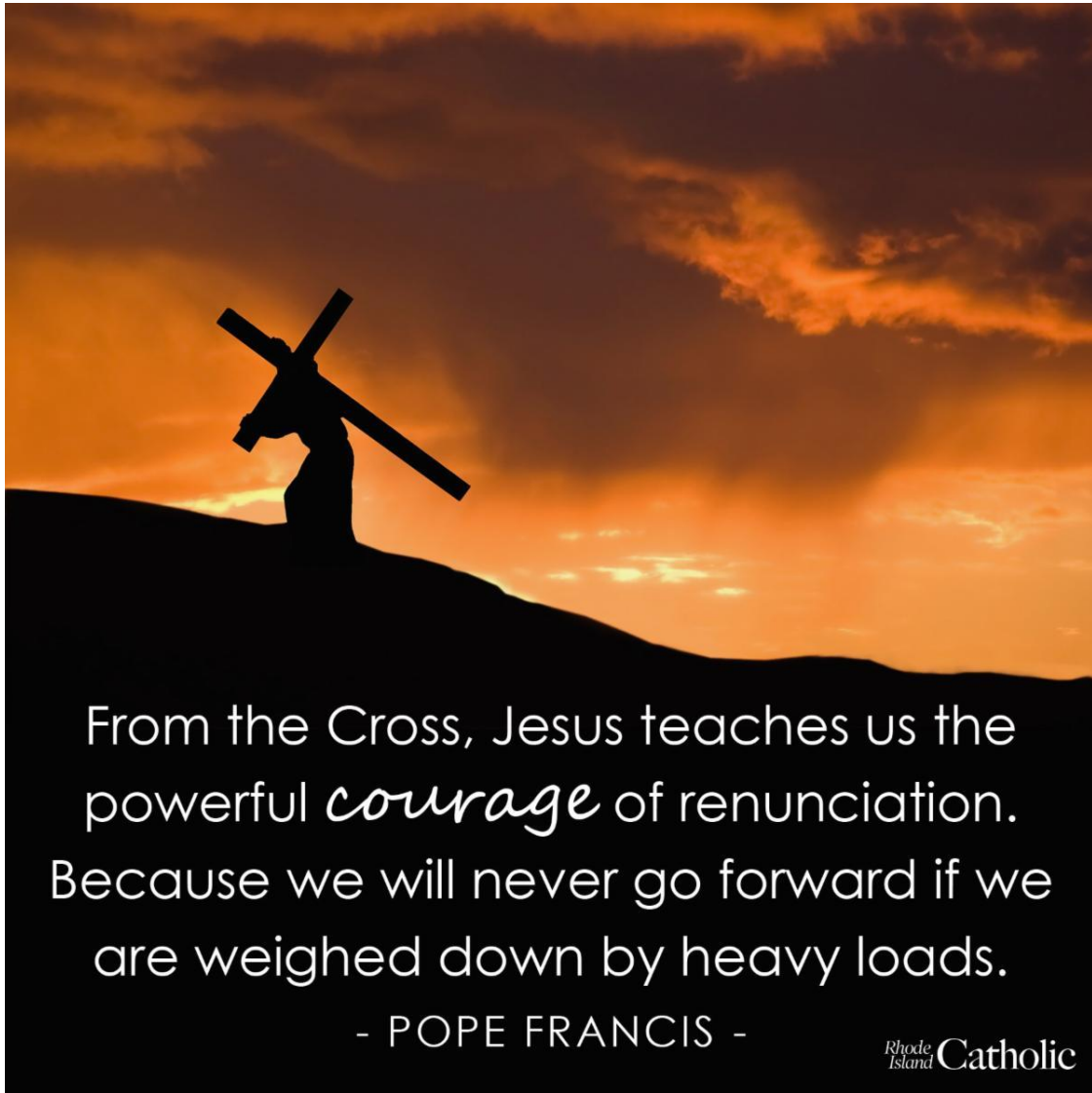


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*Message for Holy Week & Easter
from the Diocese of Providence*

Holy Week 2021



From the Cross, Jesus teaches us the powerful *courage* of renunciation. Because we will never go forward if we are weighed down by heavy loads.

- POPE FRANCIS -

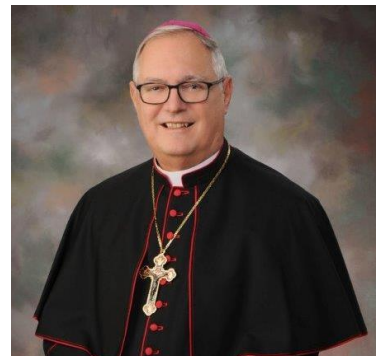
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From Bishop Tobin

A Message for Holy Week & Easter

To My Brothers and Sisters in the Diocese of Providence:

Alleluia! It's the word that will resound too many times to count in our churches and across the globe on Easter Day. **Alleluia!** A single word filled with so much meaning, so much joy! **Alleluia** means "praise the Lord," and yes, indeed, we have many reasons to "praise the Lord" on Easter Day.



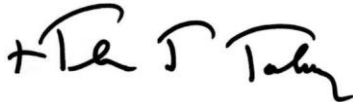
We praise the Lord because Jesus has been raised from the dead, and the ancient promises have been fulfilled.

We praise the Lord because Jesus has given us reason to hope, reason to live, in the midst of the trials and tribulations of our time.

We praise the Lord because Jesus has destroyed death and has opened wide the door to eternal life to all who believe.

Dear friends, I extend my fervent prayers and Easter blessings to you and your loved ones. May you know the peace and joy of the Risen Christ, and may this Easter Season be for all of us a time filled with many **“Alleluias!”**

Yours in Christ,



Thomas J. Tobin, D.D.
Bishop of Providence

Masses in our Diocese

For Holy Week, the Sacred Triduum and Easter Sunday

Special Devotions

Please consult your parish's bulletin, website, and social media pages for the specifics relative to the following celebrations during the observance of Holy Week:

- Holy Thursday
- Good Friday
- Holy Saturday
- Easter Sunday



For Your Holy Week

[Thursday, April 1 through Sunday, April 4 - Celebration of Holy Week and Easter at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Providence](#)

[Watch the live stream of the 10am Easter Sunday Holy Mass with Bishop Tobin in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul on YouTube.com, search "Diocese Of Providence"](#)

ASL Interpreted Masses for Holy Week and Easter at St. Patrick Church, Providence - *Holy Thursday, April 1 at 7:00 p.m. and Easter Sunday, April 4 at 9:15 a.m. Seating is limited, advance reservations required, please contact Irma I. Rodriguez at 401.278.4578 or irrodiguez@dioceseofprovidence.org. The Holy Masses listed above will all be live-streamed here.*

[Holy Week Masses at our Catholic Cemeteries, schedule here](#)

[Schedule of Pope Francis' activities for Holy Week and Easter](#)

[Watch live on EWTN - Special Programming for Holy Week and Easter, including Papal Events/Masses with Pope Francis from Rome](#)

[Find a Mass in our Diocese](#)

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The Resurrection of the Lord

The Mass of Easter Sunday

Gospel John 20:1-9

The Empty Tomb

*On the first day of the week,
Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning,
while it was still dark,
and saw the stone removed from the tomb.
So she ran and went to Simon Peter
and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them,
"They have taken the Lord from the tomb,
and we don't know where they put him."
So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb.
They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter
and arrived at the tomb first;*

*he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in.
When Simon Peter arrived after him,
he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there,
and the cloth that had covered his head,
not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.
Then the other disciple also went in,
the one who had arrived at the tomb first,
and he saw and believed.
For they did not yet understand the Scripture
that he had to rise from the dead.*



"Christ is Risen, Alleluia."

"He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia, Alleluia."

- Traditional Easter Morning Greeting

Unable to attend Holy Mass?

Make a Spiritual Communion

March 2020, at the start of the pandemic, Rev. Jeremy J. Rodrigues, S.T.L., Administrative Secretary to the Bishop & Director of the Office for Divine Worship, Diocese of Providence, recorded videos for the faithful explaining "How to Make a Spiritual Communion."

[Available here in English, Portuguese and Spanish.](#)



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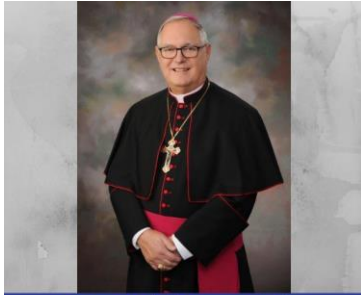
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Resuming Public Worship



From Bishop Tobin,
"The Imitation of Christ"



Holy Week & Easter



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