

## Dead and Buried —but Risen

“**D**ead and buried” is a familiar phrase. But add “risen”? That’s something else. It may be that we have heard it so often we might miss how astounding it is. To say that we will die and be buried is one thing, but that we will rise, is extraordinary. However, this is really not what St. Paul tells us today. The focus here is Jesus’ death, burial, and rising—not primarily ours. Paul says that we actually enter into Jesus’ death, burial, and rising. Now, this is amazing! People have always wanted somehow to be divine.

That was the great temptation in the Garden (“...you will be like gods, who know good and evil.” [Genesis 3:5]). Well, by baptism we are somehow divinized. Baptized into his death, we are buried with him and rise with him to “newness of life” (Romans 6:4).

Note the form of the verbs here. This death, burial, and rising do not occur in some future place at some

future time. It happens here and now. It all began at our baptism when we were joined to Jesus in his death, burial, and rising. It continues when we die to whatever holds us back from living as we know we should. It continues when, feeling like we are buried with the dead, we stand against injustice, dishonesty, and oppression of any kind. It continues whenever we rise to “newness of life.”

How blessed we are to have died, been buried, and live here and now the risen life of Jesus.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### FOR Reflection

- ✦ *In what ways might you die to the standards and practices of society?*
- ✦ *How might others experience the risen Jesus through you?*



# Assumption of Our Lady



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## Hay River, NT



& St. Anne, Katlodeche

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Assumption of Our Lady Hay River	Sunday Mass 10:30 AM		Facebook & our website
Diocese of Mackenzie- Fort Smith Yellowknife	Sunday Mass 11:00 AM		Facebook
Diocese of Mackenzie- Fort Smith Yellowknife	Daily Mass 7:30 AM		Facebook



In addition to those she helps here, Sister Maggie has generously decided to send some of her bottle recycling proceeds to the Jesuit refugee camp in South Sudan. Fr. Tony O’Riordan is a catholic priest and Irish Jesuit

working there. He and sister Maggie are God parents to Joshua, one of the Engen children at our parish.



## Update from South Sudan

Families in the refugee camp in Maban, South Sudan, where Irish Jesuit Tony O’Riordan works, have one bar of soap to last them a month – just one of the challenges facing refugees as the government of one of the poorest countries in the world struggles to keep the coronavirus at bay. Tony O’Riordan is in lockdown in Limerick, having returned from South Sudan in March for a holiday. He cannot return to work there until travel restrictions are lifted. He is now living with Jesuits Joe Hayes and Jim Maher in their community in Dooradoyle, Limerick. Tony is in daily contact with the Jesuit Refugee Service in South Sudan as they try to source funding for more soap so that people in the camps can wash their hands regularly. He is able to work online. It is important, he notes, to get accurate information into the public domain in South Sudan to counter some of the myths that are circulating rapidly. The photo is of a home-made hand washing station in the Batil refugee camp, where the Jesuit Refugee Service is supporting a public health education campaign to prevent the spread of Covid-19. Tony also outlines the other challenges facing people in the country as a whole, as South Sudan struggles to rebuild itself after years of conflict and division.

He describes the path to a fragile peace that has given hope to the people of Sudan South Sudan. And he explains the role Pope Francis played in brokering that peace.

There are serious challenges facing South Sudan in the months ahead. Tony outlines the fears people have regarding the spread of the coronavirus, not just in that country but across the entire African continent.

In the longer term, there is also the huge task of rebuilding the country. South Sudan has great potential in terms of its population and its resources, according to Tony. If managed properly, he says, the country could be working well in a number of years.



## Dear Padre,

### Why is a lighted candle always in front of the tabernacle in my church?

**T**he *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* states that “a special lamp...should shine permanently to indicate the presence of Christ and honor it.” In the past, this candle was to be made of fine-quality beeswax. Now it can be fueled by either wax or oil, with no specification of the kind or quality (*GIRM* 316).

This use of a candle or oil lamp is not new to Christianity. We see the use of lamps near the Holy of Holies, a room in the Temple of Jerusalem. The vision of the heavenly throne room, portrayed vividly in the Book of Daniel, describes the use of lamps in front of the divine throne. In our own day, a perpetual flame honors the dead at the graves of the Unknown Soldier and President John F. Kennedy.



Some pastors ask parishioners to help purchase these candles and lamps. In return, these lamps are lighted for the intentions of donors, making these candles also acts of petition before the reserved Eucharist.

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### A WORD FROM Pope Francis



*The word of Christ wants to reach all people...Every parish and every ecclesial reality may become a sanctuary for the one who seeks God and a welcoming home for the poor, the elderly, and those who find themselves in need...Go, welcome! Go, seek! Go, bring love, mercy, and tenderness.*  
—EUCCHARISTIC CONCELEBRATION, NAPLES, MARCH 21, 2015

### Know Someone Overly Anxious about Sin?

For more than fifty years, Redemptorists have ministered compassionately with those struggling with scrupulosity. For more information and to sign up for our **free monthly newsletter**, visit: [ScrupulousAnonymous.org](http://ScrupulousAnonymous.org).

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### Calendar

**Monday**  
JUNE 29  
Sts. Peter and Paul,  
Apostles  
Acts 12:1–11  
2 Tm 4:6–8, 17–18  
Mt 16:13–19

**Tuesday**  
JUNE 30  
Weekday  
Am 3:1–8; 4:11–12  
Mt 8:23–27

**Wednesday**  
JULY 1  
Weekday  
Am 5:14–15, 21–24  
Mt 8:28–34

**Thursday**  
JULY 2  
Weekday  
Am 7:10–17  
Mt 9:1–8

**Friday**  
JULY 3  
St. Thomas,  
Apostle  
Eph 2:19–22  
Jn 20:24–29

**Saturday**  
JULY 4  
Weekday  
Am 9:11–15  
Mt 9:14–17

**Sunday**  
JULY 5  
Fourteenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Zec 9:9–10  
Rom 8:9, 11–13  
Mt 11:25–30

