

**Christ Child Catholic Church**  
***Dedicated to Growth in Christ and to the***  
***Challenges of Loving Service***

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**PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S**  
**PASSION**  
**April 14, 2019**

**IDENTIFIED WITH THE VICTIMS**

Neither the power of Rome nor the authorities of the Temple could put up with Jesus' novelty. His way of understanding God and living God was dangerous. He didn't defend the Empire of Tiberius; he called everyone to seek God's Kingdom and God's justice. Neither breaking the Sabbath law nor religious traditions were important to him: he only concerned himself with alleviating of the sick and malnourished people of Galilee.

They didn't forgive him. He identified himself too much with the innocent victims of the Empire and with those forgotten by the religion of the Temple. Executed mercilessly on a cross, in him God is now revealed as identified forever with all the innocent victims of history. To the cry of all these, is now united the cry of grief of God's Self.

In that disfigured face of the crucified is now revealed a surprising God, one who breaks our conventional images of God and calls

into question every religious practice that pretends to give God homage, forgetting the drama of a world where they keep crucifying the weakest and most defenseless.

If God has died identified with the victims, God's crucifixion becomes an unsettling challenge for Jesus' followers. We can't separate God from the suffering of the innocent. We can't adore the Crucified and go about turning our backs on the suffering of so many human beings destroyed by hunger, wars or misery.

God keeps questioning us from the crucified of our day. We aren't allowed to keep living like spectators of that immense suffering, while feeding a naïve illusion of innocence. We need to rebel against that culture of amnesia that lets us isolate ourselves from the crucified, shifting the unjust suffering that exists in the world – somewhere else= where all shouts, groans and wailing disappear.

We can't enclose ourselves in our =Society of wellbeing=, ignoring that other =society of unrest= in which millions of human beings are born only to be snuffed out in a few short years of a life in which they have only known suffering. It's neither human nor Christian to install ourselves in security, forgetting those who only know an insecure and threatened life.

When we Christians raise our eyes toward the face of the Crucified, we contemplate the unfathomable love of God, handed over to death for our salvation. If we hold our gaze there, we discover in that face the face of so many other crucified people, who far away or right next to us are demanding our love in solidarity and in compassion.

**José Antonio Pagola**  
**Translator: Fr. Jay VonHandorf**

**BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS**

Call the office for an appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick**

Celebrated biannually at Mass or individually by appointment.

**For Pregnancy Support:**

Birthright 241-8444 or 800-550-4900

**MASS INTENTIONS April 13 - 19**

Saturday 5:00 p.m. + Brian Nysewarder  
Sunday 10:00 a.m. + Cecily Olsen  
Tuesday 9:00 a.m. + John Parker  
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Kerfs Family  
Thursday 7:00 p.m. + Frances L. Acosta

**TREASURY REPORT SUNDAY**

**April 6 & 7, 2019**

**Total Collection \$1,599.00**

**Thank you and May God the Father bless you!**

**CAR SHOW CORNER**

**The Blessing of the Hot Rods is May 18<sup>th</sup>!**  
**It is a fundraiser, but its true intent is to**  
**build community within our parish and**  
**beyond.**

**Those of you that have attended the event**  
**know that it is a day of beautiful cars, live**  
**music, a BBQ lunch and wine tasting with**  
**our local mountain wineries.**

**As it gets closer to the event, listen for**  
**announcements from Herb and look for**  
**volunteer sign ups in the entrance of the**  
**church.**

**One of our biggest needs is themed raffle**  
**baskets.**

**Thanks to the generous donations of our**  
**mountain wineries, we are able to make a**  
**number of wine themed baskets to raffle,**  
**but...we would like to offer other types of**  
**raffle baskets too.**

**If you need help with basket ideas, just**  
**ask Nancy or Chris...we can help you out.**  
**Thank You!!**

**Christ Child Men's Club**

Our next meeting and dinner will be at 6:30 pm. on **Wednesday May 8, 2019**  
**"Together, supporting each other, we can do great things."**

**Women's Club/Prayer Group**

We meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month from **1 to 2:30 pm. in the Community Center. Our next meeting is Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup>!** Please contact Ruth McCormick [ruthcc@flash.net](mailto:ruthcc@flash.net)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**  
**Monday and Tuesday April 15 & 16 at 7:00**  
**p.m. in the church!!!**

**Easter Egg Hunt Help Needed**

**Hello Everyone – Thank you to all those**  
**who have graciously donated lots of candy**  
**and eggs. We are all set in that area! We**  
**could still use some help with refreshments.**

**If you able please bring simple finger**  
**foods to share. The hunt will start right after**  
**Easter Mass on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2019**

**Holy Thursday April 18**

**MASS of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 p.m.**

**Good Friday April 19**

**Stations of the Cross at 12:00 p.m. around the**  
**Parish with the Mountain Bible Church.**  
**The Passion of Our Lord – 7:00 p.m.**

**Holy Saturday Night April 20**

**Solemn Easter Vigil – 8:00 p.m.**

**Easter Sunday April 21**

**Sunrise Service with Mountain Bible Church**  
**at the Gazebo – 7:00 a.m.**

**MASS OF RESURRECTION OF THE**  
**LORD AT 10 am.**

**After Mass there will be an Egg Hunt in the**  
**Church grounds!**