

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF ST. MARY AND GOOD SHEPHERD

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Horas De Oficina

Tuesday-Thursday 9:00am-6:00pm
 Friday 9:00am-2:00pm
 Cyndi in office Tues & Friday 10-2pm & by appointments.
 Patty in office Tues-Fri 9-2
 Carol in office Tues-Thurs 2-6
 Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:40pm Tues-Fri before daily Mass 7:30-7:45am
 Confessions: in GS Lometa Sunday 7:30-7:55am
 Kitchen Hours/ *Horas de Cocina:* Tues- Fri 6:00-11:00am
 Food Pantry/*Despensa de Comida:* Wed & Fri 9:30-11:30am
 Shared Blessing: Wed & Fri 9:30am-2:00pm
 Baptismal Class Call the office for date.
 Clase de Bautismo Llamar la oficina para la fecha.
 Adoration: Every Wednesday after 8:00am Mass to 5:00pm and Thursday for one hour after the 6pm Spanish Mass.
 Adoración: Todos los miércoles después de la Misa de 8:00am hasta las 5:00pm. Y los jueves después de la misa de las 6:30pm

For Those Who Have Died

Espirion Moreno, Robert Maldonado, Mike Medina, Mario Gill, Josephine Valadez, Nick Hull, Mike Valles, Edna Deanda, William Clayton, Joe Wittenburg, Bobby Dyer, Helen Kiley, José Torrez, Adela Garrison, Leslie Salazar, Silvano Sanchez,

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday/Lunes, April 8
 8:00am Communion Service
Tuesday/Martes, April 9
 8:00am: †Johnny "Lam" Jones
Wednesday/Miércoles, April 10
 8:00am: †Robert Maldonado
 6:00pm: (GS)
Thursday/Jueves, April 11
 6:00pm: "SPECIAL INTENTION"
Friday/Viernes, April 12
 8:00am: †Robert Delacruz
Saturday/Sábado, April 13
 5:30pm: †Irene Boberg
Sunday/Domingo April 14
 8:00am: (GS)
 10:00am: †Ed Dimas
 12:15pm: †Ana Maria Villegas

Sacrificial Giving: March 30/31

1st Collection: \$3948.41
 Children's Collection: \$43.00
 Catholic Relief Services: \$788.32

Counters: April 9
 Robert & Emily Stluka

LECTORS April 6/7

Sat 5:30pm: Teresa Swift
 Sun 10:00am: Jess & Rebecca Ramos
 Dom 12:15pm: Estela Montiel y Maria Rafael
 April 13/14
 Sat 5:30pm: TEEN MASS
 Sun 10:00am: Adam Gamez & Ed Reigle
 Dom 12:15pm:
EMHC April 6/7
 Sun 5:30pm: Mary Cisneros Carmen Coonrod
 Sun 10:00am: Lily Olivarez & Charlie Ybarra
 Dom 12:15pm: Eduardo y Rosa Arevalo

April 13/14

Sat 5:30pm: Mary Cisneros Carmen Coonrod
 Sun 10:00am: Al & Carol Boberg
 Dom 12:15pm: Edwin Rivas y Nancy Miranda

Those Who Serve Our Country

Mark Argo, Jose Argo, Colton Currier, Luke Argo, Lawrence Olivarez, Jesus Garcia, Trenton Cavness, Dyran Self, Brandon Crawford, Graham Hibbert, Edwin Rivas-Miranda

For Our Sick/Nuestro Enfermos

Pete Castillo, John Michael Maldonado, Trinidad Rangel, Noah Garcia, Julia Aguilar, Teresa Velasquez John Tracey, Cindy Sawyer, Ed Reigle, Jason Moreno, Shannon Barnett, Anthony Ray Torrez, Fred Bartell, Willie Nuñez, Mary Tobin, Dorthy Jeter, Gilbert & Rudy Lozano, Teresa Gronau, Louis Torres, Bennie & Nancy Hromadka, Luis Lopez, Bill Nors, Robert Vasquez, Adrian & Solomon Torrez, Chris Longoria, Robert Ramirez, Mary G Cortez, Tom Rogers, Ann Hughes, Arielle Dayrit, Felix Gonzales, Felipe Rodriguez, Madisyn Morua, Adolfo Torrez, Evelyn Ahearn, Ann Wilson, Anita Hyatt, Anna & Daniel Little, Richard & Dalia Salazar, Melanie Bartek, Barbara Folks, Maggie Lopez, Henry Langford, Sylvia Reber, Truman Crawford, Lilly & Raul Olivarez, David Hernandez, Mary S & Jesse Ramirez, Andres Moreno, Diana Harlow, Carlos Jasso, Arturo Aragon, James Fioroni, Annabel Salazar, Marie Berger, Juan Torres, Elizabeth Harrington, Donna Brewer, Lupe Rodriguez, Oliva Garcia,
 Prayer: All praise and glory are yours, Lord our God. You have called us to serve you and one another in love. Bless our sick today so that they may bear their illness in union with Jesus' sufferings and restore them quickly to health. Bless those who have grown old in your service and give them courage and strength in their faith. Lead us all to eternal glory. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

St. Mary Announcements

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Fridays during Lent @ 6:00pm in English, ON FRIDAY APRIL 19, BILINGUAL, @ 3:00pm

VIA CRUCIS:

Cada Viernes durante la Cuaresma a las 6:00pm en Inglés y a las 7:00pm en Español, EL VIERNES 19 de ABRIL, BILINGUE, A LAS 3:00pm

FOOD PANTRY: The collection bin for the Food Pantry will be available at the church entrance every weekend during Lent. Please consider bringing a few items for our neighbors in need. In addition to canned or boxed food, we welcome healthy beverages as well as individually-packaged hygiene products (soap, toothpaste, Kleenex, deodorant, shampoo, etc.) THANK YOU
Proyecto de Cuaresma por la Despensa de Alimentos,
Cada Domingo de la Cuaresma. Por favor considere traer algunos artículos para nuestros vecinos necesitados. Además de alimentos enlatados o en caja, aceptamos bebidas saludables y productos de higiene envasados individualmentela (jabon, pasta de dientes, Kleenex, desodorante, champú). GRACIAS! La canasta de recolección esta en la entrada de la iglesia.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY:

Lenten Fish Fry, starting at 5:30pm-8:00pm Every Friday during Lent, at St Mary Cafeteria \$8.00 a plate with all the trimmings

EASTER LILIES:

Lily plants in memory of a loved one will be for sale \$15.00 for each name. Please fill out the form that is at the back of the church, you may drop it of at church office, or mail it in. Deadline to place an order is April 12th.

SUBSCRIBE TO PARISH UPDATES:

If you would like to receive parish updates, St. Mary parishioners on your cell phone text Lampasas to 84576 to subscribe.

No Greater Love: continues to meet in cafeteria Thursdays @ 7:00 pm

The Bible Timeline: Meets in the cafeteria on Wednesdays @ 6:30pm

EIM Workshop in English:

April 13 from 10:00am-12:00pm in the cafeteria

MOVIE NIGHT: Second Sunday movie night, "RISEN" April 14 @ 5:00pm

HOLY WEEK:

Holy Thursday, April 18 @ 7:00pm NO MORNING MASS
Good Friday, April 19 @ 7:00pm
Holy Saturday Mass, April 20 @ 8:40pm

St. Mary Announcements cont'd

EASTER EGG HUNT: On Easter Sunday, April 21 @ 11:30am. Donations will be greatly accepted. Call Sarah Rivera @512-525-4571 for more information

FIRST COMMUNION:

Rehearsal Saturday April 27 @ 10:00am
 First Communion Sunday April 28 @ 10:00am mass

DIVINE MERCY: Holy Hour and Confession Sunday April 28 @ 3:00pm

2nd ANNUAL MUSIC FEST: April 27th, 6:30pm-12:00am, Lots of vendor booths including Guadalupanas Tamales, Music, and BEER Tent
Music Lineup -- 6:30-8:00 DJ 8:00-9:30 Raulito Navaira y Remedio 10:00-11:30 The Electric Cowboys

ESL: Para los que desean aprender inglés, nos vamos a reunir el primer Viernes de Mayo, a las 6:00pm, en el salón arriba de la cafetería.

Lifetouch Directories: Will be taking pictures of our families for St. Mary Directory May 2nd thru the 4th You can sign up for date & time at this link <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com> or in the foyer of our church

Lenten Reconciliation Services:

St Peter/ Goldthwaite Wed. April 10 @ 5:00pm

GOOD SHEPHERD Announcements

Lectors: Steve Burke
Altar Society: Rebecca Britton
Flowers: Monica Ivey

DIVINE MERCY CENACLE: Please join us Thursdays at 4:15 in the Family Life Center

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Join us for Stations of the Cross Lenten Fridays @ 6:00pm, the church will be open at 5:00pm for an hour of adoration before Stations of the Cross.

WEEKDAY MASS: Wednesday, April 10 @ 6:00pm
 WEEKDAY MASS ON April 17 @ 6:00pm

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SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFAST: Please join us for fellowship and some breakfast April 14 after mass.

Lifetouch Directories: Will be taking pictures of our families for Good Shepherd Directory May 2nd thru the 4th You can sign up for date & time at this link <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com> or in the foyer of our church.
First Communion: Thursday, April 24

New Directories are in the back of the church-ONE PER FAMILY, PLEASE!

Calendar

Monday
APRIL 8

Lenten Weekday
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17,
19-30, 33-62 or
Dn 13:41c-62
Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday
APRIL 9

Lenten Weekday
Nm 21:4-9
Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday
APRIL 10

Lenten Weekday
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95
Jn 8:31-42

Thursday
APRIL 11

Lenten Weekday
Gn 17:3-9
Jn 8:51-59

Friday
APRIL 12

Lenten Weekday
Jer 20:10-13
Jn 10:31-42

Saturday
APRIL 13

Lenten Weekday
Ez 37:21-28
Jn 11:45-56

Sunday
APRIL 14

*Palm Sunday
of the Lord's Passion*
Lk 19:28-40
Is 50:4-7
Phil 2:6-11
Lk 22: 14-23:56
or Lk 23:1-49

Dear Padre,

Incense in church irritates my eyes.

Is it really needed?

Some churches, for example, limit incensation to only the sanctuary to minimize discomfort by those with allergies in the congregation.

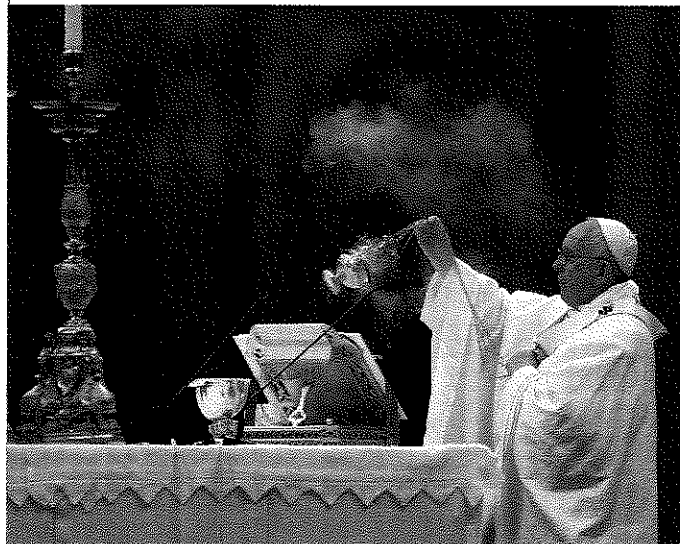
Although incense is optional at Mass (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 276), and therefore isn't "needed" per se, the question of its occasional use is more than a mere necessity issue.

The US Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy writes, "Since worship engages Christians fully, in every aspect of their being, they worship God with their bodies and feelings as well as their minds and spirits, with their hands and feet as well as their eyes and ears. The non-verbal elements of the Liturgy can express what cannot be articulated in words and, at times, can reinforce the spoken word" (*Introduction to the Order of the Mass*, 27).

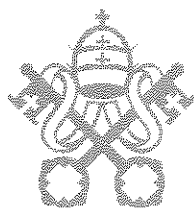
Incense is a powerful, solemn expression of prayer, purification, and reverence that reinforces the spoken word in worship and praise. It "suggests both the otherness of the transcendent God and the cloud that symbolized God's glory and presence in the midst of the Israelites" (*Introduction to the*

Order of Mass, 58). The fragrance is intended to awaken our senses and the rising swirl of smoke represents our lifted hearts in prayer. "The smoke of the incense along with the prayers of the holy ones went up before God from the hand of the angel" (Revelation 8:4).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
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A Word from Pope Francis

Jesus...taught that the true battlefield, where violence and peace meet, is the human heart....When he stopped her accusers from stoning the woman caught in adultery, and when, on the night before he died, he told Peter to put away his

sword, Jesus marked out the path of nonviolence.

—World Day of Peace, January 1, 2017

Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 7, 2019

Fifth Sunday of Lent (C)

Is 43:16-21

Phil 3:8-14

Jn 8:1-11

Jesus Comes to Our Defense

Today's drawing places the viewer outside the Gospel scene looking in. We're behind the darkened figures standing at a door. We see Jesus in full view, standing in the light blocking the accusers' way toward the woman. He's clearly coming to her defense as he listens, unmoved by their story.

Oftentimes we may feel that Jesus stands more as an accuser than a savior. He's there to point out what we should do in the future, didn't do in the past, or aren't doing in the present. This isn't the Jesus the Gospel presents. He stands to defend the sinner before her accusers. Even to those who so blatantly hurt him, Jesus said "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34).

Sometimes it is hard to let go of an erring view of God. It can be comforting to have someone to blame or fear. Look at St. Paul: He was a zealous persecutor of Christians. Yet, having found Christ, he let go of his erroneous view of God and let Jesus come to his defense. He let go of the guilt of his sinful past and his desire to save himself through his own works. He considered it all trash to be discarded and forgotten as he held on to faith in Jesus.

We need to leave our evil deeds in his merciful heart and forget them there. The sacrament of reconciliation offers the best opportunity to do so. Let him stand at the door of your heart, defending you from those sinister accusers of your past who would haul you back into the darkness.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *Christ and the Sinner*, 1911
Artist: Max Beckmann
Location: Vatican Museums

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For Reflection

Do negative thoughts about myself or my past limit my experience of God's love?
When have I truly known the redemption of Christ?
Remember that moment of mercy and take strength from it.

"Has no one condemned you?" ...Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you.

Go, [and] from now on do not sin any more."

John 8:10-11