



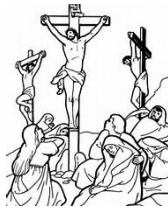
Palm Sunday: Is the beginning of the holiest week of the liturgical year. Today, we celebrate the joy of the Lord's jubilant procession into the city of Jerusalem. Palms will be blessed and distributed at every Mass.



Holy Thursday: Mass of the Washing of the Feet at 7:30pm.



Good Friday: Today we recall the death of the Lord on the Cross. While there will be no Mass (the only day of the year in which Mass cannot be celebrated); we will have two services: Spanish @ 3:00pm
English @ 7:30pm



Holy Saturday: On Holy Saturday we will have the Easter Vigil Mass at 7:30pm. **Please note: There will be no confessions or 4:00pm Mass.**



Easter Sunday: We will have Mass at:
8:00 & 10:30am English
12:15pm Spanish



I encourage everyone to participate fully in the Holy Week services.

Notice

Fasting is to be observed on Good Friday by all those who have celebrated their 18th birthday and have not yet celebrated their 60th birthday. Abstinence from meat is to be observed on Good Friday by all who have celebrated their 14th birthday.

From the Church Office

The Church offices will be closed April 13th (Holy Thursday), April 14th (Good Friday) and Monday, April 17th.

A Prayer for Holy Week



Give me your grace, good Lord,
to walk the narrow way that leads to life,
to bear the cross with Christ;
to have the last thing in remembrance,
to have ever before my eye
my death that is ever at hand;
to make death no stranger to me,
to pray for pardon before the Judge come,
to have continually in mind the passion
that Christ suffered for me;
for his benefits unceasingly
to give him thanks,
and buy the time again that I before have lost.

St. Thomas More

Lenten Confessions Schedule

Monday, April 10 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Wednesday, April 12 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

EASTER EGG HUNT



The Annual Easter Hunt will be held on **Easter Sunday, April 16th**, after the 10:30am and 12:15pm Masses. Children through grade 3 are invited to bring a basket or bag and hunt for Easter eggs in the courtyard of the church. Donations of plastic eggs and bags of individually-wrapped candy (please only non-chocolate candy) are needed and appreciated. Please bring your donations to the Parish Center during office hours.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – ANNUAL RAFFLE

The KC will have their 12th annual raffle on **Saturday, June 17th** starting at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$100 each (only 300 will be sold) and will admit two (2) for dinner. There will be four (4) prizes: **1st prize: \$15,000** cash; **2nd prize: \$1,000** cash; **3rd prize: \$500** cash and **4th prize: \$100** cash (Need not be present to win). You can purchase your tickets from any Knight or call Frank Kasper at 972-563-9664.



Prayer Requests



Richard Collier
 Richard Lozano Sr.
 Mike Gonzales
 Blake Tucker
 Curtis Rushing
 Deacon Leo Renner
 Jennifer Whitehouse
 Paul Gumler
 Olivia Nicole Yates
 Stanley Quist
 Sonia Rodriguez Cadena
 Brenda Larsen
 Carol Dossey
 Cindy Kinkaid
 Rosann Kinkaid
 Yamileth Martinez
 Patti Sikors Garrett
 Angel Gabriel Godinez
 Tomas Samuel Garcia
 Barbara Sikors Hendricks
 Maria Mercedes Gaytan
 Ma. del Refugio Mendoza
 Marianne Marsden
 Connie Schroeder
 Daniel Gonzales
 Luisa Regina Ramirez Perez
 Jovita De la Garza
 Leslie Erickson

Nick Morales, Sr.
 Lee Wilde
 James Dean
 Brenda Newburn
 Henry Taft
 Jesus Arteaga
 Archie Palmore
 Mason Gumler
 Felipa Garcia
 Joe Wages
 Erica Vargas
 Margaret Wages
 Sheila Wages
 Myrna Lawson
 Johnnie B. Malouf
 Pascual Meza
 Robert Repka, Sr.
 Michelle Elliott
 Crystal Sanchez
 Theresa Lyon
 Warren Terry
 Elmer Marsden
 Odin Kizer
 Elaine Kasper
 Jackie Petricka
 Ann Glynn
 Joe Campise
 Odilia Vargas

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, April 9

9:15 AM R.E. classes

Monday, April 10

5-6:00 PM Lenten Confessions
 7:00 PM Lenten Mass
 7:00 PM Grupo de Oración – Casa St. John

Tuesday, April 11

6:30 PM NO R.E. evening classes
 6:30 PM NO Clases Bíblicas

Wednesday, April 12

5-6:00 PM Lenten Confessions
 6:30 PM NO R.E. evening classes
 6:45 PM Via Crucis

Thursday, April 13 (HOLY THURSDAY)

7:30 PM Mass

Friday, April 14 (GOOD FRIDAY)

3:00 PM Servicio (Spanish)
 7:30 PM Service (English)

Saturday, April 8

7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 8

4:00 PM †Dr. Jack Sikors by James & Melody Zimmer

Sunday, April 9

8:00 AM Pro Populo
 10:30 AM †Ottie Lynch by Gene Lynch
 12:15 PM †Maria Ramos Int. de su Familia

Monday, April 10

7:00 PM In Honor of St. Anthony

Thursday, April 13 (Holy Thursday)

7:30 PM Special Intention

Saturday, April 15 (Easter Vigil)

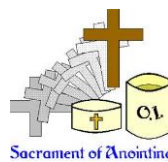
7:30 PM Pro Populo

Sunday, April 16 (Easter)

8:00 AM For all the Parishioners
 10:30 AM For all the Parishioners
 12:15 PM Para todos los Miembros de San Juan

Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To request a Mass to be offered, please visit the parish office or return to the office a completed Mass intention card. Available cards are located in the foyer of the church.

Anointing of the Sick



Sacrament of Anointing

Because of the Privacy Act, hospitals and nursing homes are no longer able to provide a list of the Catholic patients/residents for the Churches use in order to visit and administer the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick. Therefore, I need your assistance when you have a family member who is hospitalized or in a nursing home. Please call Fr. Orosco at the Church Office at (972) 563-3643 so that I may be of assistance.

Last Week's Collection

Last Week's Collection:	7,462.51
2 nd Coll. (Parish Improvement Fund):	3,806.00
FY'16-17 Budgeted Average:	6,500.00
FY'16-17 Average Sunday Coll. thru 03/31/17:	6,697.82
Attendance:	912

Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of April 15/16

Lectors:

Sat. 7:30pm TBA
Sun. 8:00am TBA
Sun. 10:30am TBA

Ushers:

Sat. 7:30pm Debbie Patterson*/Sherry G./Michael G./Paul M.
Sun. 8:00am Wayne Meshell*/David B./Robert B./Rachel H.
Sun. 10:30am Kevin Prouty*/Bruce B./Dennis C./Erik A.

Extraordinary Ministers

Sat. 7:30pm TBA
Sun. 8:00am TBA
Sun. 10:30am TBA



April Class Schedule:

- Sunday: 9, 23, 30 (Last day)
- Tuesday: 18, 25
- Wednesday: 19, 26

May Class Schedule:

- Tuesday: 2 (Last day)
- Wednesday: 3 (Last day)

The First Four Days of Holy Week



On **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord** we make our way into **Holy Week**. We read the gospel about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, Paul's invitation to us to imitate Jesus who emptied himself, and the whole **Passion**, this year from **Matthew's Gospel**.

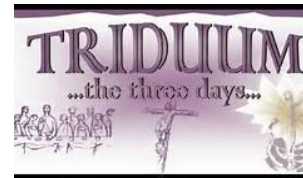
The next three days - Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week - are the final days of Lent. The first readings are from the **Suffering Servant Songs** of **Isaiah**. Though originally sung about Israel, God's servant, and perhaps a specific servant, they clearly spoke to the early Christian community about Jesus and his mission.

Monday and Tuesday's gospels are from **John's Gospel**. The anointing at Bethany - at the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus - has taken place at a wonderful celebration of Lazarus' return to life and a fine thanksgiving to Jesus. Mary anoints Jesus' feet with the precious oil that reminds us of his burial. Then, at the Last Supper (skipping over the reading we will use on Holy Thursday about the washing of feet) Jesus identifies his betrayer. Finally, Jesus talks with Peter who professes his loyalty to Jesus who predicts Peter would deny him three times later that night.

Wednesday's Gospel is the story of Judas' betrayal of Jesus, from **Matthew's** perspective. We can feel the tension and pressure Jesus is under. There is a sadness at hearing the arrangement Judas makes - 30 pieces of silver - to deliver Jesus into the hands of his enemies.

The stage is now set for the Triduum - Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

The Triduum



On **Holy Thursday** we hear a reading from the **Book of Exodus** which describes the Passover celebration. Paul, in his **First Letter to the Corinthians**, gives us the earliest account we have of the Last Supper - probably written relatively soon after the event. Then, we have the unique view of the Last Supper from **John's Gospel**. Instead of the traditional narrative, we see Jesus washing his disciples' feet. On this Thursday night, in the only liturgy allowed in a church on this day - so that as many people as possible might participate - we act out the foot washing that Jesus gave us as an example, in fact, as a mandate.

Out of profound respect for this day on which our salvation was won, there is no Eucharist on **Good Friday**. The liturgy begins with a Liturgy of the Word. **Isaiah 52-53** contains the last of the Suffering Servant songs. With the eyes of faith, it describes what Jesus became. The **Letter to the Hebrews** proclaims the good news of this day. The gospel is the **Passion** from **John's Gospel**.

There is no liturgy at all on **Holy Saturday**. We spend this day in "the in between place" - between the remembering the death of our Lord and celebrating his Resurrection. The **Easter Vigil Liturgy**, which is celebrated after sunset, is a full celebration of our Lord's resurrection. The Liturgy of the Word has a series of eleven readings to choose from. The idea is that we remain in vigil this night, reviewing the story of our salvation - from the story of Creation, to the great story of the Exodus from slavery in Egypt, through a number of the prophets, culminating in **Paul's Letter to the Romans** - "Are you not aware that we who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into his death?" The readings begin in the dark, and are then read by the light of the Easter Candle. Then the lights come on, bells are rung as we sing the Gloria. The gospel story of the Resurrection is then proclaimed in the full light, with Easter joy.



Domingo de Ramos: Este es el comienzo de la semana más solemne del año litúrgico. Las palmas serán bendecidas y distribuidas en cada Misa.



Jueves Santo: Misa a las 7:30pm.
Lavatorio de los pies.



Viernes Santo: Hoy recordamos la muerte del Señor en la cruz. Hoy no se celebra la Santa Misa. El servicio de la Pasión del Señor será a las 3:00pm en español.



Sábado de Gloria (Vigilia Pascual): Celebramos la Vigilia Pascual a las 7:30pm.
Favor de anotar: No vamos a tener confesiones ni Misa a las 4:00pm.



Domingo de Pascua:
Misa (Inglés): 8am y 10:30am
Misa (Español): 12:15pm



Los animo para que participen en los servicios de la Semana Santa.

AVISO: Se les oblige ayunar el Viernes Santo a las personas mayores de 18 años y que no han celebrado sus 60 años. Se les oblige abstenerse de comer carne el Viernes Santo a las personas mayores de 14 años.

Notas Parroquiales: Las oficinas de la Iglesia estarán cerradas el 13 de abril (Jueves Santo), el 14 de abril (Viernes Santo) y el lunes, 17 de abril.

Horario de Confesiones Cuaresmales

Lunes, 10 de abril 5:00 – 6:00 PM
Miércoles, 12 de abril 5:00 – 6:00 PM

LOS CABALLEROS DE COLON

Los Caballeros de Colon van a tener su duodécimo (12) rifa anual el sábado, 17 de junio comenzando a las 6:30pm en el Salón Parroquial. El costo de los boletos para la rifa son de \$100 cada uno (solamente se venderan 300 boletos) y admita dos (2) personas a la cena. Habrán 4 premios de dinero en efectivo: 1° premio: \$15,000; 2° premio: \$1,000; 3° premio: \$500 y 4° premio: \$100 (no necesita estar presente). Podrá comprar su boleto(s) con cualquier miembro de los Caballeros de Colon o llamar al Sr. Frank Kasper al 972-563-9664.



Noticias de la Doctrina

Calendario de Abril

Clases de domingos: 9, 23, 30 (el último día de clases)
Clases de martes: 18, 25
Clases de miércoles: 19, 26

Calendario de Mayo

Clases de martes: 2 (el último día de clases)
Clases de los miércoles: 3 (último día de clases)

No habrá clases durante la Semana Santa para que los catequistas, estudiantes, y los padres puedan participar en el Triduo.

EASTER EGG HUNT



Este evento se tomará el domingo de Pascua (próximo domingo) en el patio de la Iglesia después de las misas de las 10:30am y de las 12:15pm para todos los niños hasta el grado 3. Los niños deberán de traer su propia canasta para los dulces que levanten. Estamos aceptando donaciones de dulces envueltos individualmente (favor no chocolates). Los puede traer a la oficina durante las horas de oficina. ¡Gracias!

