

*Thus, it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance would be preached in his name. (Gospel)*

### Weekend Collections

Regular Coll. (March 28):	6,444.50
Regular Coll. (April 4):	7,154.50
Diocesan Coll. (Holy Land/Good Friday):	1,487.00
Blue Pay:	1,705.00

*The earth shook with the news.*

**HE IS NOT HERE;  
HE IS RISEN!**

And in that moment,

*joy* REPLACED DESPAIR

*hope* PUSHED PAST FEAR

*life* CONQUERED DEATH

not just that day, but for eternity.

We celebrate the **of Christ**  
*resurrection*

for what it meant then and  
what it means for us every day;  
*a sacrifice*

that brings

**FORGIVENESS, RENEWAL, AND PEACE**

to any of us  
who put our *faith* **in Jesus.**



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, April 17

4:00 PM †Wayne Kretler by Terry Kretler

### Sunday, April 18

8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:30 AM †Belen Reyes by Benita Herrera

12:15 PM †Marco Antonio Guel Int. de la Familia

### Saturday, April 24

4:00 PM †Wesley H. Archer – In Memory of his  
Anniversary of Death by Jorn Jamieson

### Sunday, April 25

8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:30 AM For an end to abortion and a greater respect  
for Human Life at all Stages by Sherry  
Goelden & Lucy Krouskop

12:15 PM †Emilio Martínez y †María Elena Rosales  
Int. de Mónica Martínez

### Mass Intentions

*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 return to the*

*office a completed Mass Intention envelope. We have Mass Intentions envelopes in the foyer of the church.*



Mass Intention Offering Envelope

Mass for \_\_\_\_\_  Living  Deceased

Date Requested \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

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## From the Pastor

***We will not have daily Mass next week (Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>).***

## Prayer Requests



Joe Wages  
 Rosann Kinkaid  
 Maria Landaverde  
 Becca Elliott  
 Mike Gonzales  
 Jessica Harris  
 Tillie Trevino  
 Frances LaPoint  
 Juan Ramirez  
 Elaine Kasper  
 Clarence Gattenby  
 Nancy Diaz  
 Janie Garcia  
 Stephen LaPoint  
 Felipe Caballero  
 Dominic Sanchez  
 Abelino Reyes  
 Ever A. Torres  
 Jovita De la Garza  
 Judy Nash  
 Carlee Baladez

Nick Morales, Sr.  
 Barbara Meshell  
 Wayne Meshell  
 Judy Aloï  
 Nancy Bardsley  
 Kenneth Elliott  
 George Lawshe  
 Maria Carmona  
 Susie Connolly  
 Cyndy Vargas  
 Ernestina Bueno  
 Cynthia Leal  
 Bob Rowland  
 Bobbie Goelden  
 Candelaria Rangel  
 Rojelio Garcia  
 Danny Doak  
 Salvador Mejia  
 Harry Nash  
 Blanche Rizkal

## **Reporting Abuse:**

If you believe that you, or someone you know, is a victim of past or present abuse or sexual abuse, please notify law enforcement. In the event the abuse involves a minor, please also contact the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services through the Texas Abuse Hotline at 1-800-252-5400 or [www.txabusehotline.org](http://www.txabusehotline.org). Finally, if the abuse involves a member of the clergy, a parish employee, or diocesan employee, please also notify the Diocese of Dallas Victims Assistance Coordinator, Barbara Landregan, at 214-379-2812 or [blandregan@cathdal.org](mailto:blandregan@cathdal.org)

*Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.*

*Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.*

## Lectors Schedule ~ April 24/25

### **Saturday:**

4:00 PM

Cathy Burton

### **Sunday:**

8:00 AM

Kevin Berthelette

10:30 AM

Tammy Guerra



Children's Religious Education



Volunteers are needed (Catechists, Substitutes, Office Helpers and Hall Monitors) for the 2021-2022 Religious Education program. Classes will meet in person during the school year on Sunday mornings from 9:15–10:15am and Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30–7:30pm. If you are interested, please call Michelle in the Church office at 972-563-3643 or email her at [michellegobert@sbcglobal.net](mailto:michellegobert@sbcglobal.net).

## Third Week of Easter



On the **Third Sunday of Easter**, **Luke's Gospel** has the very human story of Jesus' appearing to the disciples after the Resurrection, inviting them to touch his hands and feet to see that he is real. He ate with them and "he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures."

In our first readings from **Acts of the Apostles** this week, we read of one of the earliest martyrs, Stephen and of Philip converting an Ethiopian slave along the road. Also, this week is the story of Saul, persecutor of Christians being blinded and then healed by Ananias in the name of Jesus. The week ends with Peter traveling the region and healing.

The gospel for this week is from Chapter 6 of **John's Gospel** on Jesus as the "Bread of Life." Like so many stories in this gospel, Jesus teaches from one layer of understanding to another, taking us deeper into understanding his gift of himself to us in the Eucharist. Jesus says, "Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life." "The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world." "Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood remains in me and I in him." This marvelous dialogue ends with this exchange with his disciples: "Jesus then said to the Twelve, 'Do you also want to leave?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.'"

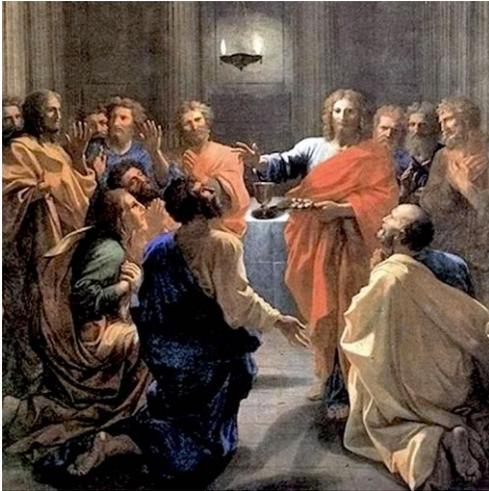
## Daily Prayer This Week

This can be a very good week to grow in a sense of and practice with the notion of being a "contemplative in the midst of action." We have practically a whole week of gospels about Jesus' gift of himself to us as the "Bread of Life." This gives us the opportunity to let that mystery be in the background of our consciousness every day this week, as we go about our everyday tasks. What makes it "contemplative" is that we will be asking for graces each morning, and we will let our desires and our activities interact.

We can begin reflecting upon how often we "work for food that perishes." The pay-off, the success, the accomplishment, the reward we receive for what we do is often quite passing and unsatisfying. It would be important to be able to sense anything that appears to be food that doesn't last and name it as such this week. The real food, the life-giving nourishment that our Lord offers us is himself.

If we can't celebrate the Eucharist daily this week, we can make what we call a "spiritual communion" simply by opening our hearts and desiring to receive our Lord, so that he remains in us and we remain in him. We can practice consciously choosing union with Jesus, our Risen Lord and only Savior, and experiencing how that would affect the choices we need to make throughout our day. If we begin each day, asking for the grace of this union, and renew the desire at brief moments we have at various times in the day, our focus and attention begins to change. We will experience a peace and a gifted lack of hunger and thirst for so many of the things that draw us away from him, from loving, from mercy, from consciousness on those in need.

If the background focus of each day this week is to desire to be fed by a closeness with my Lord, it doesn't matter how busy I am, or how many conflicts I have to face or what suffering I or my loved ones must endure. His flesh and blood are real food and drink because they are the real sacrifice that takes away the power of sin and death itself. United with his surrender to the Father, we are set free from whatever can take away the life he gained for us. For this gift, for this faith, we can give thanks for every night, as we review our union with our Lord each night.



*“Está escrito que el Mesías tenía que padecer y había de resucitar de entre los muertos al tercer día, y que en su nombre se había de predicar. (Evangelio)*

### Clases Pre-Bautismales ~ 2021

**ANOTEN:** No tendremos clases Pre-Bautismales en mayo, junio y julio. La siguiente clase será el **21 de agosto** y podrá inscribirse el lunes, 2 de agosto.



## Noticias de la Doctrina



Necesitamos voluntarios para el programa de la Doctrina para el próximo año 2021-2022. Las clases se reunirán en persona los domingos de 9:15-10:15am y los martes y miércoles por la tarde de 6:30-7:30pm. Si está interesado favor de llamar a la oficina (972-563-3643) y hablar con Michelle o su correo electrónico es [michellegobert@sbcglobal.net](mailto:michellegobert@sbcglobal.net).

## ES NECESARIO QUE NOS VOLVAMOS A DIOS



Los discípulos de Emaús, luego de su encuentro con el Resucitado, regresaron a Jerusalén para contarles a los Once la feliz noticia.

- ❖ Entonces Jesús se les apareció y les dio claras muestras de que estaba vivo, y les explicó que tenía que cumplirse todo lo que estaba escrito de él “en la ley de Moisés, en los profetas y en los salmos”.

**Que el Señor nos abra el entendimiento, para que comprendamos las Escrituras y la necesidad de volvernos a Dios para el perdón de nuestros pecados.**

