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Easter Sunday

*This is the day
the Lord has made;
let us rejoice
and be glad.*

Psalm 118:24

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Monday-Friday

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Monday, Wednesday & Friday:

7:00 am

Tuesdays & Thursdays:

5:30 pm

Saturday:

8:00 am & 5:30 pm

Sunday:

8:30 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 pm

Sacrament of Confession/Reconciliation:

Tuesday & Thursday:

4:45 pm - 5:15 pm

Saturday

4:45 pm - 5:15 pm

Sunday:

8:30 am & 12:00 pm

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office at least six weeks in advance

Sacrament of Marriage:

Call the parish office at least six months in advance.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

Second Reading All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) or (2) Second Reading-Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

Gospel - Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) or Luke 24:1-12 (or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35).

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MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE*

Monday, April 18

Mass 7:00 am

Fr. Joseph

Tuesday, April 19

Confessions 4:45 pm

Fr. Jorge

Mass 5:30 pm

Fr. Jorge

Wednesday, April 20

Mass 7:00 am

Fr. Joseph

Thursday, April 21

Confessions 4:45 pm

Fr. Jorge

Mass 5:30 pm

Fr. Jorge

Friday, April 22

Mass 7:00 am

Fr. Joseph

Saturday, April 23

Mass 8:00 am

Fr. Dennis

Confessions 4:45 pm

Fr. Joseph

Mass 5:30 pm

Fr. Joseph

Sunday, April 24

Confessions 8:30 am

Fr. Dennis

Mass 8:30 am

Fr. Joseph

Mass 10:30 am

Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI

Confessions 12:00 pm

Fr. Jorge

Mass 12:00 pm

Fr. Joseph

*Presider schedule subject to change.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord;

Julian Calendar Palm Sunday

Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter

Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

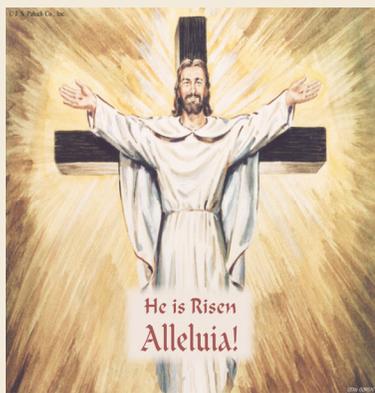
Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter;

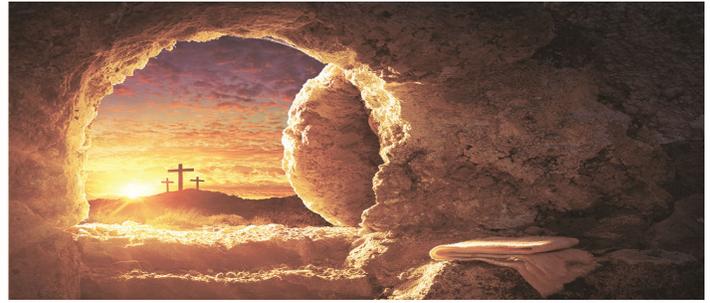
Julian Calendar Good Friday; Earth Day

Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter



*Fr. Jorge, Fr. Joseph, Fr. Dennis
and all of the parish staff wish
our parishioners and friends
a very Blessed and Happy Easter.*

Easter SUNDAY



A NEW DAY

The story of Easter reveals that the world has begun a new day. The darkness of the Crucifixion has opened into the light of Easter. Like the dawn that gradually opened to the disciples on the first Easter morning, we slowly begin to see what the light of faith reveals. Death will not have the final word, because Christ is risen and we will share in his resurrection. Injustice and suffering will not continue forever, because God's victory over sin has begun, and will be completed when Christ returns. Evil has met its match, because through Jesus, God has brought a new energy into the world. This energy can be found in followers of Christ who are free to love, empowered by the Spirit to embrace everyone, without exception. May we bear the light of Christ, with humility and courage, into our troubled world.

RE-INTERPRETING OUR WORLD

Our Gospel reading from John captures the initial confusion of Jesus' followers on Easter morning. Mary thinks the body has been stolen, and the two disciples see an empty tomb, but do not understand. We can sympathize with their initial misreading, as they are interpreting what happened within how they understand the way the world works: Jesus was crushed by the authorities—end of story. Jesus' later appearances to them will dramatically shift their perception of God, the world, and themselves.

This work of re-interpreting the world in light of the death and resurrection of Jesus continues today. In his passion and death, Jesus showed that true power, God's power, emerges through humility and forgiveness. We join in the death and resurrection of Jesus when we surrender the attractions of power, status, and comfort, and embrace non-violence, service, and care for the suffering. The path to bringing peace and goodness to the world is not through seeking control, but through sacrificial love.

BOTH PETER AND CORNELIUS

Peter's speech in today's passage from Acts summarizes the ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus. The speech occurs within his encounter with Cornelius, a Roman centurion and his household. We can perhaps imagine being Cornelius, led by God to hear the story of Jesus. Or we can imagine being Peter, led by the Spirit to share the Good News of Jesus. As followers of Christ, we are called to embrace both, in our imaginations and our lives.

We are continually called to hear the story of Jesus. We know that God's Good News has entered us, but also know that it has not. There is much in our hearts that needs conversion and begs for God's mercy, so we always seek God's challenging and healing word. We are also continually called to share the story of Jesus, sometimes directly but more often in our actions. Our lives can speak of God's love, healing and encouraging others. We are both Peter and Cornelius.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:34a, 37–43

Psalms 118:1–2, 16–17, 22–23

Colossians 3:1–4 or

1 Corinthians 5:6b–8

John 20:1–9

A Blessed Easter



At the Easter Vigil this year we welcomed with great joy six new members into the Catholic Church. They were anointed with chrism and sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation, and received the Body and Blood of the Lord in Eucharist for the first time. They are: Dawson Brinkley, Lily Aviv Dekoatz, Brian Greer, Jacob Hurrell-Zitelman, Jarod Oliver, Christian Ortiz-Colberg, and Carolyn Smith.

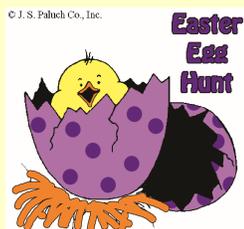


We thank God for each one of them and pray that they continue growing in discipleship, in their personal encounter with Christ, and in their membership of our Parish faith community. A special word of gratitude to those who journeyed with them in this process: their sponsors, their families and all who supported them, including the RCIA team; Greg Clary, Jerry Martinez, Donna McElroy, Maria Elena Palacios, and Diane Salvador.

RCIA will continue to meet for the next few weeks in a process known as Mystagogia, a time to deepen our understanding of the Easter mysteries we have just celebrated and to become more a part of our parish community.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic and receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist; please contact Joey Gutierrez at joey.gutierrez@olgsa.org or (210) 734-7285.

**Please join in the fun at the Annual
Our Lady of Grace**



Bring a basket and we will begin the hunt right after 8:30 AM Mass this Easter Sunday!

**GOD BLESS THE MEN AND WOMEN OF
THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
- Friday:** Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
- Sunday:** Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31



*Please pray for the repose of the soul of
†Sue Zimmermann
who died April 1, 2022.
May she rest in peace.*

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday, April 18**
7:00 am Ken Bragg's Birthday & Clara Bragg- Healing -Bragg Family
- Tuesday, April 19**
5:30 pm Special Intention
- Wednesday, April 20**
7:00 am In Thanksgiving V.S.I.
- Thursday, April 21**
5:30 pm Jose Oscar Alvarez (d)
- Marcus & Lulu Zertuche
- Friday, April 22**
7:00 am A. Kimura - Bragg Family
David Hedemann (d) - Pat Hedemann
- Saturday, April 23**
8:00 am A. Kimura - Bragg Family
5:30 pm Our Lady of Grace Parishioners
- Sunday, April 24**
8:30 am Aramis Centeno (d) - Veronica Centeno
10:30 am Dolores Beardsley's Birthday - Friends
12:00 pm A. Kimura - Bragg Family



**UPCOMING
OFFICE HOURS &
CLOSURES
Monday, April 18, 2022
CLOSED**

ALLELUIA

The Church teaches that there are Seven Corporal and Seven Spiritual Works of Mercy. These works are found in the teachings of Jesus and serve as examples of how we should treat our neighbors. This Easter season, put one work of mercy into practice each week to reflect upon the broader vision of mercy laid out by Jesus.



1. Feed the hungry.
2. Visit the sick.
3. Comfort the sorrowful.
4. Clothe the naked.
5. Counsel the doubtful.
6. Bear wrongs patiently.
7. Pray for the living & the dead.

“For I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me,
naked and you clothed me,
ill and you cared for me,
in prison and you visited me.”

(Matthew 25:35-36)



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

All are welcome to the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition begins every Wednesday in the Adoration Chapel after the 7:00 am Mass and ends on Thursday at 5:30 pm.

For more information please contact Becky Prieto at 210-725-2383.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Eugenio B., Mary Blake, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Chris Chumney, David Davis, Nina DeLaGarza, John Deleon, Kate DeWein, Robert DuBray, Angela Fitzner, Deacon Frank Gallardo, Vangie Gallardo, Eric Hawbecker, Josephine Janczar, Markus Klink, Joann Lamb, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, George Perez, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Jacob Sciantarelli, Jim Sciantarelli, Laurie Seligman, Jerry SESCO, Carolyn Smith, Lisa Weissler. Prayer list requests can be made by calling the Office at 210-734-7285.

EVERYTHING IS CHANGED

Easter changes everything. Having been raised from the dead, Jesus shatters the frightful images that haunt humanity. Betrayal, torture, crucifixion, death, burial—these terrors pale in the brilliant glory of Jesus resurrected. Today's psalm guides our response to God's power: "it is wonderful in our eyes." Today is indeed a day for wonder, for gasping in astonishment at Jesus' resurrection. For all of human history, death had been final. In the Acts of the Apostles, though, Peter testifies that Jesus, who was publicly executed, was raised to life by God. John's Gospel admits that the disciples "did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." Even Jesus' closest friends were not expecting this innovation: life after death. In response to the Easter miracle, Paul tells us to become "a fresh batch of dough." Everything, even our very selves, must become new.

Easter changes everything.

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*The second collection on April 24
is for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal*

Easter and the Octave

Easter is the highest day of the Church year, the "Feast of feasts," the "Solemnity of solemnities," and the "Great Sunday." The Church celebrates the risen Christ for eight days, the Octave of Easter, ending with Divine Mercy Sunday. Holy Mass each day during the octave is another Easter; the Alleluia verse throughout the week is "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia." During the Easter season, as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus with special devotion, we also focus on our hope beyond this world, our hope for eternal life.



The **Children's Rosary Group** meets weekly on **Wednesdays at 4:30 pm** to learn a mystery of the rosary and pray a decade together. We meet at the stations of the cross adjacent to the OLG parking lot. For more information please call Bridie Chaudoir at 713-501-2954.

"Raising in Grace"

Join us for a group of Moms and Tots with Bible Storytime.

We meet on the **2nd and 4th Monday** of the month from **9:30-11:30 am** in the Breezeway Classrooms. For information, call Marissa Arriaga at 210-885-5047. Hope to see you there!



APRIL 30—MAY 1

2022

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Located at ASSUMPTION SEMINARY

Come, see and live the life of a seminarian in an overnight experience

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College Students (18+)

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Is it I, Lord?



Is God calling you?



Are you listening to the call?



Are you willing to take the journey?





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022

JUNE 6TH-10TH

9:30 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.

Cost is: \$50.00 per child or \$100.00 per family.

Registration forms will be available soon through the Religious Education Office.



Registration begins: **Sunday, April 24, 2022**
and ends on **Sunday, May 22, 2022.**

For safety we are limiting VBS Camp to 100 children, so mark your calendars to register your Kinder through 6th Graders early!

To volunteer please contact Joey at: joey.gutierrez@olgsa.org or (210) 734-7285.

*Volunteers are asked to please pay \$15.00 for their t-shirt and snacks.

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We are very grateful for this continuous support and hope everyone will patronize these businesses.