



Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

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April 3, 2022



Fifth Sunday

of

Lent

I put water in the desert
and rivers in the wasteland
for my chosen people to drink.

Isaiah 43:20

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Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Mass Schedule:

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.



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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday, April 4**
7:00 am Bob Drury (d) - Maria Del Carmen Drury
- Tuesday, April 5**
5:30 pm Lew Smith (d) - Special Intention
- Wednesday, April 6**
7:00 am In Thanksgiving V.S.I.
- Thursday, April 7**
5:30 pm John LeVreir (d) - Pat LeVreir
- Friday, April 8**
7:00 am Alice Cockrell Greene (d) - Cockrell Family
- Saturday, April 9**
8:00 am James E. Ward (d) - Sarah & David Barlow
5:30 pm Lew Smith (d) - Special Intention
- Sunday, April 10**
8:30 am Our Lady of Grace Parishioners
10:30 am Helen Hoffer (d) - Cecilio & Becky Rodriguez
12:00 pm Celia A. Pytel (d) - Diana Marmolejo

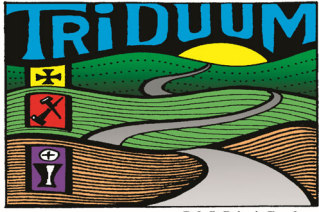
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MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE*

- Monday, April 4**
Mass 7:00 am Fr. Joseph
- Tuesday, April 5**
Confessions 4:45 pm Fr. Jorge
Mass 5:30 pm Fr. Jorge
- Wednesday, April 6**
Mass 7:00 am Fr. Joseph
- Thursday, April 7**
Confessions 4:45 pm Fr. Jorge
Mass 5:30 pm Fr. Jorge
- Friday, April 8**
Mass 7:00 am Fr. Joseph
- Saturday, April 9**
Mass 8:00 am Fr. Dennis
Confessions 4:45 pm Fr. Joseph
Mass 5:30 pm Fr. Joseph
- Sunday, April 10 - Palm Sunday**
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.



The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Celebrate the Easter Triduum, the days from Holy Thursday Evening to Easter Sunday Evening, which is celebrated as one great feast. This is the most solemn celebration of the Church. You are encouraged to be present and to participate in these special liturgies, which are the heart of our Catholic faith.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, April 9 - 10

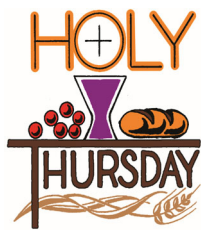
Mass Times: Saturday: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM

There will be an outdoor Procession with Palms at the 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses. Meet at the fountain outside the Church 15 minutes before Mass.



Thursday of the Lord's Supper, April 14



7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper with Adoration following in the Madonna Room until 12:00 AM

This Liturgy recalls the institution of the Eucharist and the establishment of the Priesthood, as well as our call to serve one another. It will be followed by the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose for prayer and solemn Adoration.

Friday of the Passion of the Lord, April 15

3:00 PM Stations of the Cross

7:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion & Veneration of the Cross

The Celebration of the Lord's Passion includes the Liturgy of the Word, Adoration of the Cross, and Holy Communion.



Holy Saturday, April 16

8:30 PM Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

In accord with ancient tradition, this night is one of vigil for the Lord. This will be the ONLY Mass celebrated this day. The Easter Vigil includes the Service of Light, Easter Proclamation, Liturgy of the Word, Celebration of Baptism, Renewal of our Baptismal Promises, Reception of Candidates into the Catholic Church, Celebration of Confirmation, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection, April 17



8:30 AM - Our Lady of Grace Church

8:30 AM - St. Anthony High School Chapel

9:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt- area between OLG & SAHS

10:30 AM, 12:00 PM - Our Lady of Grace Church



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD does something new for the chosen people (Isaiah 43:16-21) or Ezekiel 37:12-14.

Psalms — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126) or Psalm 130.

Second Reading — The supreme good is knowing Jesus as Lord (Philippians 3:8-14) or Romans 8:8-11

Gospel — A woman caught in the act of adultery is brought to Jesus. He challenges anyone without sin to throw the first stone (John 8:1-11) or John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].

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The Rosary in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal is recited after the 8:00 am Mass every Saturday. All are welcome to join in praying the rosary for your special intentions.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:12-20 (or Jn 8:1-11 if Year A readings were used on Sunday)

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]

SOMETHING NEW IN CHRIST

Jesus knew that the scribes and Pharisees were trying to trap him. They put him in what seemed to be a no-win situation. Let the woman who was caught in adultery go, and he would have been accused of ignoring the law. Let her be stoned, and he would fail to show mercy toward her, contradicting his life's message. Jesus' response teaches three crucial lessons: none of us is free of sin; we are not the ultimate judges of others; Jesus is the mercy of God, in whom we can always trust. In Christ, God does something new. When we give our hearts to Christ, we have the hope of new life, a life in which mercy reigns.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

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, Sue Zimmermann.

Prayer list requests can be made by calling the Office at 210-734-7285.



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 will have extended hours during Lent through Friday before the 7am Mass. For more information please contact Becky Prieto at 210-725-2383.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Isidore

Tuesday: St. Vincent Ferrer

Thursday: St. John Baptist de la Salle

Friday: Abstinence

All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group

the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Please join us from **6:00-8:00 pm** in the Madonna Room. For more information, contact Greg Clary at 903-714-0232.



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



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SEE, I AM DOING SOMETHING NEW!
NOW IT SPRINGS FORTH, DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT?
IN THE DESERT I MAKE A WAY,
IN THE WASTELAND, RIVERS. ISAIAH 43:19

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THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US

Isaiah prophesies for the Lord: “Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new!” One of the most dangerous things that we can do is get stuck in our old ways. As individuals, as parishes, as nations we can say, “We’ve always done it that way,” and miss calls to growth and change. Throughout this Lent and our lives, God continues to call us to life, and we should celebrate that! The psalmist reminds us that “The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!” Saint Paul realizes this as he explains, “I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God’s upward calling, in Christ Jesus.” In the Gospel, Jesus offers a new way of looking at a tricky situation and provides a kinder, less judgmental response.

AN AGE-OLD STORY OF JUDGEMENT

In our Gospel today we hear an ancient story, but one that feels like it could be taken out of the headlines today. We can be very quick to pass judgment on others, those with different political or cultural backgrounds, or perhaps with a different sexual orientation. Jesus was teaching in the temple, and the scribes and Pharisees did not like the message that he was proclaiming or the popularity he was gaining. When a nearby woman was caught in adultery, they thought it was the perfect chance to trip Jesus up, wondering how he would respond when the Mosaic Law provided clear consequences for such behavior. Many would be able to quote instantly chapter and verse of the law pertaining to the infraction. Instead of answering their question, Jesus turned it back on the accusers: “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.”

DRAWING IN THE SAND

Awaiting the response of those challenging him, Jesus bent over and wrote in the sand. According to scripture scholar John Pilch, this was a simple technique that peasants used to buy time in a discussion or argument. Instead of looking the scribes and pharisees in the eye, he looked down and did his own thing while they all slipped away. The scriptures do not tell us what the woman was doing during this time. But by not looking at her, Jesus gave her a chance to restore her own dignity. He didn’t comment on her innocence or guilt. Rather, he instructed her to go forth and sin no more. It is not our past that matters as much as the choices we make now and in the future. Again and again, God gives us the chance to start our life over. This is our challenge this Lent, to continue to use the opportunities we are given to repent and grow.

TODAY’S READINGS

Isaiah 43:16–21
Psalm 126:1–2, 2–3, 4–5, 6, 12a
Philippians 3:8–14
John 8:1–11

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL 3, 2022

Our Lady of Grace Men's Faith Study

The Venerable Bishop Fulton Sheen was a master theologian, philosopher and preacher of the Word who recorded a series of talks entitled *Life is Worth Living!* We will gather each Saturday morning from 8:30 - 9:30 am in the Madonna Room basement to listen to a 25 minute talk from Bishop Sheen, share our thoughts as a group, and close with prayer. You'll be filled with a deeper appreciation and understanding of our Catholic Christian faith, as well as often uplifted by the timeless Sheen teachings. It is more important than ever that we come together as a community and learn that life is worth living!

For information please contact Roger Williams at 210-724-8828 or rogerwtx@gmail.com. Please join us!



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!



Our Lady of Grace

Annual Easter Egg Hunt



Bring a basket and join the fun right after 8:30 AM Mass on Easter Sunday! Egg donations (1-2 dozen filled plastic eggs) or monetary donations to purchase eggs may be dropped off at the Church Office. The following donations are needed on Easter Sunday: coffee, donuts and juice or water.

For more information, contact the Pedraza Family at 210-373-7247 or rachelpedraza@me.com. Thank you!



The Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries is an essential ministry of our Catholic community. Your contribution will directly support Catholic ministries that serve and evangelize people across the Archdiocese of San Antonio. Your participation at any level is needed to help fund the formation of seminarians and deacons, demonstrate our faith through acts of kindness, care for retired clergy, and protect God's most vulnerable — the hungry, homeless, elderly, unborn, sick, prisoner, and lonely. Our needs are real, for that we ask everyone to consider giving maybe \$5, \$10, or \$20 as a monthly recurring gift, our ministries have ongoing needs. If you have given in the past, we want to say thanks! If you have already given this year, we want to say thanks! If you can give today or in the coming weeks, we want to say thanks!

To pledge a one-time, or recurring monthly gift, text the word "APPEAL" to (210) 750-6712.

Be sure you select our parish for credit. Again, the number is 210-750-6712; the word is APPEAL.

Text to give is the best option, and it saves resources like time and paper. This option is secure, simple, and fast.

Let's journey together to higher participation.
Thank you.

UPCOMING OFFICE HOURS & CLOSURES

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Friday, April 8, 2022
Battle of Flowers Parade
CLOSED



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Monday thru Thursday,
April 10 - 14, 2022
OPEN 9 am to 5 pm

Good Friday, April 15, 2022
CLOSED

Monday, April 18, 2022
CLOSED



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Is God calling you?



Are you listening to the call?



Is it I, Lord?



Are you willing to take the journey?

40 CANS FOR LENT FOOD DRIVE

During Lent, you are invited to donate one can each day in solidarity with those who struggle to find their next meal. Your donation will assist the food pantry at the Guadalupe Community Center, our Parish Outreach Partner. Place your cans in one of the bins marked "40 Cans for Lent."

Please join us for the next
Holy Hour for Priests
Tuesday, April 12, 2022

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Rosary & Prayers



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



"Yes, Judas could be seen as 'The Weakest Link' but I doubt Jesus said at the Last Supper, 'Good-bye!' "