

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church



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Mass Schedule:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 am

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:30 pm

Saturday*: 5:30 pm

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

*1st Saturday of the month 8:00am

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.

PALM SUNDAY



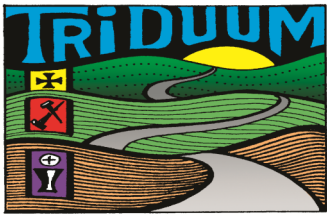
Good Friday

is a day of Fast & Abstinence.

Catholics are required to fast and abstain on certain days during Lent, in imitation of Jesus' fast in the desert. "Fasting" is defined as eating one regular-sized meal and two small meals. "Abstaining" means refraining from eating animal flesh.



During Holy Week the Church remembers Christ's Passion, beginning with His entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. Matthew's Gospel of the Passion of the Lord is read today, and this theme dominates these solemn days of Holy Week. Rather than a "business as usual" attitude, let us celebrate this week by reflecting on the sacrifice that Jesus made for our salvation. All are encouraged to attend and participate in the special liturgies of the Easter Triduum — Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday — which are the heart of our Catholic faith.



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

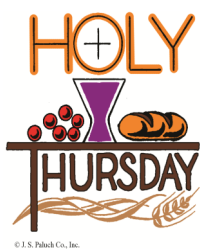
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, April 1-2

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 6

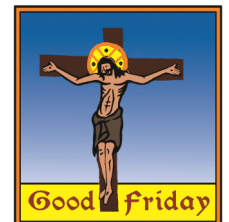


7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper with Altar of Repose following in the Madonna Room until 12:00 AM

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 7

12:10 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 8

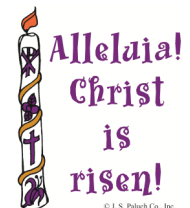
8:30 PM Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

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 9

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



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday, April 3

7:00 AM *Fr. Jorge*
For the Sick & Homebound of the Parish

Tuesday, April 4

5:30 PM *Communion Service- Dcn. George*
Robert Drury (d) - Maria del Carmen Drury

Wednesday, April 5

7:00 AM *Fr. Joseph*
Sr. Estella Flynn, CCVI (d) - Ministry to the Sick & Homebound

Holy Thursday, April 6

No 5:30 PM Mass Today

7:00 PM *Fr. Jorge*
Our Lady of Grace Parish Priests

Good Friday, April 7

No 7:00 AM Mass Today

12:10 PM *Fr. Jorge*
Celebration of the Lord's Passion and
Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 8

No 5:30 PM Mass Today

8:30 PM *Fr. Jorge*
The Elect & Candidates

Easter Sunday, April 9

8:30 AM *Fr. Joseph (Church)*
Dr. Deborah Mueller (d) - Kathleen & Lee Hull

8:30 AM *Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI (SAHS Chapel)*
Special Intention

10:30 AM *Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI*
Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

12:00 PM *Fr. Joseph*
Maria White's Birthday - Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Eugenio B., Neomi Balderas, Dolores Beardsley, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Maria Chavez de Hernandez, Maverick Condon, Esther & Guadalupe Contreras, Ashley Cuellar, Emiliano Cuellar, David Davis, Kate DeWein, Mary Elizabeth Donovan, Angela Fitzner, Deacon Frank Gallardo, Vangie Gallardo, Eric Hawbecker, Marialice Hayes, Josephine Janczar, Markus Klink, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, George Perez, Rina Pollack, Jeanie Sanders, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Jacob Sciantarelli, Jim Sciantarelli, Laurie Seligman, Jerry SESCO, Carolyn Smith, Henry Wolff, Stephen Wyrick.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 & 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 & 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: **Chrim Mass:** Is 61: 1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-1

Friday: Is 52:13--53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday: Gn 1:1—2:2 or Gn 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22; Gn 22:1-18 or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14:15—15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rom 6:3-11; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35

Hosanna!
Blessed
is he who
comes in
the name
of the Lord.
John 12:13



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The Messiah

Holy Week is a dramatic week. Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and from that point forward every action is oriented toward His sacrifice on the Cross. Up to this point, He had been leading up to His final sacrifice, but this was not always visible to His disciples. Now, His purpose was clear to all around Him, and they reacted accordingly. This is something for us to ponder as we experience Holy Week, hearing the familiar readings of the road to the Passion. Perhaps Christ has become familiar to us, so much so that we forget the impact of Who He truly is, God made man, the Son of the Father, the Kings of Kings, the Savior, the Messiah.

The people of Jerusalem recognized Christ's kingship and messianic authority as soon as He entered Jerusalem. He entered on a donkey, fulfilling the prophecy of Zechariah, and the people spread their cloaks upon the ground, accented with palm branches, a symbol of victory. They addressed Him as the Son of David, an explicitly messianic title, and told onlookers that He was a prophet. Already, the people recognized that Jesus was king, priest, and prophet, following in the lines of David, Melchizedek, and all of the prophets.

Peter, passionate and outspoken, told Jesus that He would never betray or abandon Him. He wanted to follow Him as his King and Lord wherever He went. Although he ended up denying Christ three times, he realized the gravity of his denial quickly, and wept bitterly for his disrespect and betrayal.

Not all treated Jesus with such reverence. Some treated Jesus with contempt, showing a deep hatred and cruelty in the proceedings of His trial and execution. The chief priests and the elders sent armed men to arrest Jesus, putting Him through a late night examination, where He was subjected to heckling and physical assault. Later, they arranged for His scourging, after which the Roman soldiers placed on His head a sharp crown of thorns and beat Him with a reed. The criminals crucified with Him mocked Him along with the bystanders, telling Him to use His claimed divinity to save Himself.

We should realize that in their contempt, they were, in a sense, responding accordingly, even as others did Him homage. Jesus presented Himself as the King of kings, the Messiah, God in the flesh. Those who believed Him did Him homage befitting God Himself, and those who did not treat Him as a nefarious blasphemer, and if their assessment was right, that's exactly what He was.

Judas saw both sides of this, first brutally betraying his Lord and then regretting his action to the point of suicide. Being a Zealot, Judas was part of a sect of Judaism that used extreme measures to bring about the coming of the Messiah. As the Zealots interpreted the Scriptures, the Messiah's coming included violent uprising. Perhaps Judas believed Jesus to be such an impostor that he thought it better for the cause if he were dead. Realizing after the fact that Jesus was telling the truth, he understood that he had arranged for the execution of God Himself.

Each of these people we encounter on the road to the Cross understood that Christ was making a staggering claim, messiahship, prophecy, kingship, divinity. They reacted intensely, with deep conviction, because they knew that history depended on whether this man was right or wrong.

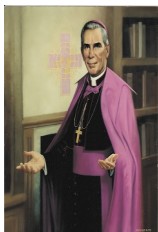
Let us enter into Holy Week with open eyes to see Him, and open hearts to give Him the homage He deserves as our King, Messiah, and God.

PALM SUNDAY

This weekend's second collection
Is for Parish Outreach.
Easter Sunday's second collection
Is for the Rice Bowl.

Holy Week Office Hours

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 contact Roger Williams at 210-724-8828 or rogerwtx@gmail.com.

Please Join Us!

Holy Thursday
Closed at 3pm

Good Friday
Closed

Monday in the Easter Octave
Closed

Easter Monday Morning Mass
8:00 am

Altar Flowers: If you would like to donate flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a birthday or anniversary, please call the office at 734-7285. Each weekend in the bulletin we thank all those who sponsor the altar flowers.



	SPRING 2023	Contact: Greg Clary 903-714-0232 call or text
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Ever wondered where you can continue your faith journey after the exhilaration of ACTS?

Want to continue learning about your faith but find it difficult to commit to a Bible Study?

THEN TMIY IS FOR YOU!

All men are invited to join us for the Spring Semester (13 sessions) of **THAT MAN IS YOU (TMIY)**.

We will gather Tuesday mornings at 6:15 am beginning January 24th. The meeting ends promptly at 7:30 am so you can get on with your day.

There will be a special Lenten section which begins the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday and continues through Easter week.

Are you interested in a convenient and secure way to make your Offertory gift? E-giving is available for our parish through the Faith Direct program. For more information and to enroll go to our website, olgsa.org, and click on the e-giving tab or contact the office.

Our Lady of Grace Parish

Mission Pilgrimage

Sunday, April 30th



Annual Our Lady of Grace Missions Pilgrimage to Mission San Jose, Mission San Juan & Mission Espada

Bike, ride the bus, or drive your own car.

Prayer, reflections and children's activities at each Mission.

Outdoor Mass at Mission San Jose at 9:00 am.

Visit Mission San Juan for a tour and reflections.

End at Mission Espada with a picnic lunch.

For a small donation of \$5 for individuals or \$10 for families, you will receive an OLG Fiesta Medal, a box lunch and water.

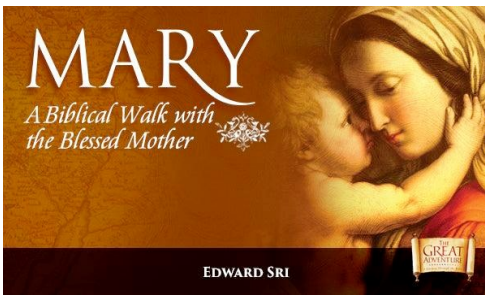
Save the Date!

Registration information available soon.

All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group Every third Tuesday on the month. Please join us from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Madonna Room. For more information, contact Greg Clary at 903-714-0232.



A Powerful Study on the Blessed Mother April 12th- May 31st



Filmed on location in the Holy Land, **Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother** will place you in the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine son. Seeing Mary in this will change you forever. She will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ. **Everyone is welcome to join us every Wednesday at 9:30am in the Guadalupe Room.**

For registration information, please email Shelley Clary at shelleyclary@gmail.com. or call the church office at 210-734-7285.



Holy Hour for Priests

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Rosary, Prayer & Benediction

Masses as Gifts: Having a Mass offered on a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion, is a most prayerful way to commemorate the special event. Mass cards are available to acknowledge your loved one's special remembrance. Call or come by the Office to check available dates.



The Confirmation Retreat for Confirmation II students will be April 15th from 10:30am-6:30pm in the Our Lady of Grace Madonna Room. Check in time is at 10 am. A snack and a lite meal will be provided. E-mail Ashley at Ashley.salvador@olgsa.org to RSVP.

"...be filled with the spirit, speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual song, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; always giving thanks for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ"

EPH 5: 18-20

*Our Lady's
Choir*

Practices held Wednesdays
at 6:30pm in the choir loft.
All voices are welcome to join in
as we praise our Lord through song!