

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church

THE RESURRECTION OF THE *Lord*

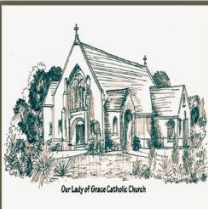


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by Annibale Carracci, 1590

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MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, April 10

8:00 AM *Fr. Jorge*
Raul A. McGinnes (d) - Parish

Tuesday, April 11

4:45 PM *Confessions - Fr. Joseph*
5:30 PM *Mass - Fr. Joseph*
Owen Seidenberger (d) - Berman Family

Wednesday, April 12

7:00 AM *Fr. Joseph*
In Thanksgiving

Thursday, April 13

4:45 PM *Confessions - Fr. Joseph*
5:30 PM *Mass - Fr. Joseph*
Esther Menchaca- Birthday - Teni & Kevin Mehl

Friday, April 14

7:00 AM *Fr. Joseph*
Peggy (Euleta) Johnson (d) - Birthday
- Marylin Johnson

Saturday, April 15

4:45 PM *Confessions - Fr. Jorge*
5:30 PM *Mass - Fr. Jorge*
Rachel A. Espinoza (d) - Family

Sunday, April 16

8:30 AM *Fr. Jorge*
Dr. Deborah Mueller (d) - Parish
10:30 AM *Confessions - Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI*
10:30 AM *Fr. Joseph*
In Thanksgiving _ Dora Urrutia
12:00 PM *Fr. Frank Santucci, OMI*
Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

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.

Scripture Readings

For the Week of April 9, 2023

Sunday	The Resurrection of the Lord 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
Monday	Monday in the Octave of Easter Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9- 10, 11; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday	Tuesday in the Octave of Easter Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 & 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday	Wednesday in the Octave of Easter Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday	Thursday in the Octave of Easter Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday	Friday in the Octave of Easter Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday	Saturday in the Octave of Easter Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 & 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday	Divine Mercy Sunday Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

This weekend's second collection
is for the Rice Bowl.



THE RESURRECTION OF THE *Lord*

Happy Easter!

Happy Easter! He is alive! We should feel unparalleled joy today because today is the day that Christ triumphed over evil. Easter is only possible because of Good Friday. And every year on that day, I can't help but think of the hymn "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?" In addition to asking "Were you there when they crucified my Lord?" subsequent verses ask "Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?" "Were you there when the sun refused to shine?" and "Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?" Every year, in the parish I grew up in, we would sing this song, and every year it made me cry, for it forced me to really visualize Christ's crucifixion. After each question, the song laments: "Sometimes it causes me to tremble." Christ died a horrible and violent death for me. He died a horrible and violent death for you. No, we were not physically present there. But we were there in that very person who had existed and who would ever exist in Christ's mind during every second of His Passion. So, yes, we were there, because we are the reason that He allowed Himself to be tortured and killed. There has never been a love so immense as the love God has for us. He proved that love on Good Friday so that we could have an Easter Sunday. What a gift! The blood He shed for our sins opened eternity with Him for us. So yes, we should tremble. We should tremble at the innocent blood that was spilled on Good Friday. But we should also tremble with joy—at the empty tomb, at the promise fulfilled, and at the mercy of an all-loving and all-powerful God. The two individuals on the road to Emmaus met Christ after the Resurrection, but they didn't recognize Him right away. It was only when He broke the bread and gave a blessing that they realized it was He. Sometimes we are like those men. We don't recognize Christ in our lives, or we are so focused on our own lives that we just don't see Him. But when we hear His words, our hearts burn, too. Lent is over, but our journey to heaven is never ending. So as we think about Christ's sacrifice today and as we sing joyful hymns and praise God for the gift of Himself, let us promise Him that we will work every day to not only achieve eternity with Him but to help others get there as well. Our faith demands that we evangelize. Let us begin by shouting our joy that He has risen. And let us rejoice, for today we celebrate our salvation!

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Secretary: Hortencia 'Teni' Mehl

Secretary: Marie Eisenhoffer

Office Hours:

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

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: Please see bulletin schedule.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office at least six weeks in advance.

Sacrament of Marriage:

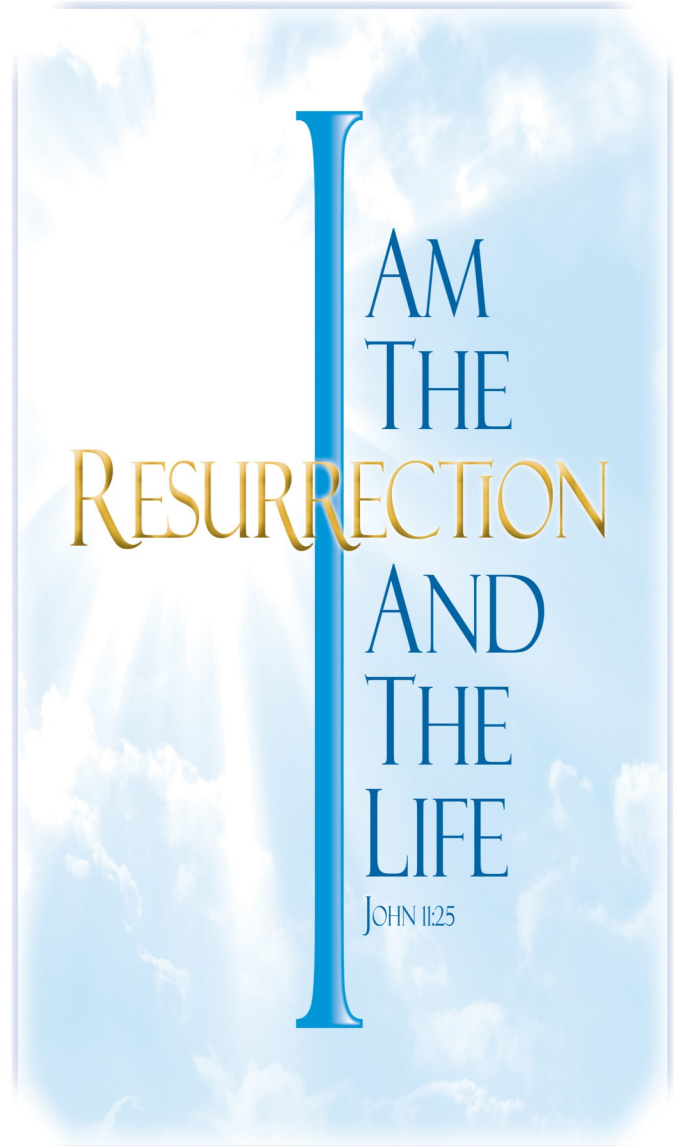
Call the parish office at least six months in advance.



Please join in the fun at the Annual Our Lady of Grace Easter Egg Hunt. Bring a basket and we will begin the hunt right after 8:30 AM Mass this Easter Sunday!



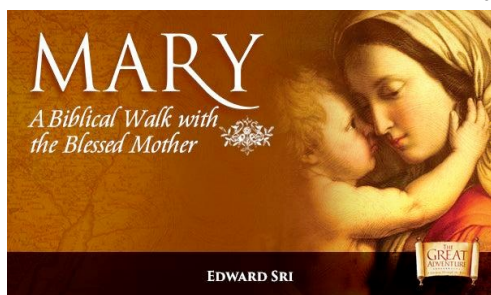
Fr. Jorge, Fr. Joseph, Deacon George and all of the parish staff wish our parishioners and friends a very Blessed and Happy Easter.



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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.

Parking for Easter

On Easter Sunday, there will be security/traffic control officers on duty and additional parking available at St. Anthony's High School.

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.

"...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!

OFFICE HOURS

**Monday in the Easter Octave
Closed**

**Easter Monday Morning Mass
8:00 am**



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.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
All are welcome to the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Exposition begins every Tuesday in the Adoration Chapel after the 5:30pm Mass and ends on Friday at 7 am.

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

Holy Hour for Priests

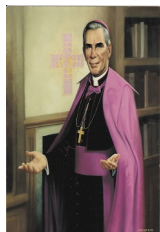
Tuesday, April 11, 2023

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Rosary, Prayer & Benediction



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.



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.

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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.

*For where your treasure is, there also
will your heart be.*

~Matthew 6:21

The Our Lady of Grace parish endowment provides important income to the parish each year for as long as the parish exists. Yet, that income depends on the size of the endowment. Your generous support of this endowment helps the parish each year for as long as there is a parish here. And, your support does not need to affect your current income.

The very best support of the parish endowment fund comes from planned or end of life gifts.

There are many more ways to make such a gift.

Please reach out to Deacon John Benage at the Catholic Community Foundation to discuss other opportunities, let him know that you have made a gift to the **Our Lady of Grace Endowment Fund**, or just to chat.

Catholic Community Foundation

Deacon John Benage, VP Planned and Estate Gifts
(210) 732-2157; John.benage@ccftx.org

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.



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.

All Parishioners are invited to celebrate the Eater Season by reflecting on the profound depth of love Jesus had for the human race. It is through emulating this profound love He had for ‘the least of these’ that, when we reach out to them in care, in love, in support to ease their suffering, we are reaching out to Jesus himself with a loving embrace. As we closed the month of March, we marked that 4 % of our families have participated in this year’s Appeal. The Archbishop will be mailing out an additional Appeal Letter in April and everyone is encouraged to return their envelope with whatever amount you are called to provide in support of the ministries funded through the Appeal.



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

John 6:51



**Your
Gift
Protects
Life**

**Your Gift
helps form
Catholic
Leadership**



**Your Gift
funds
ministries
that help the
poor and sick**



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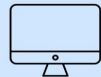


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