# APRIL 3 & 4, 2021 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



During the first three or four centuries of Christianity, if you asked a Christian to name the feast days of the church, your answer would have been a puzzled stare, for there was only one feast: The Resurrection of the Lord. Every Sunday was a feast celebrating the one great feast. Even though our calendar now has many beautiful and holy feasts, we must continually be called back to the fact that all these other feasts exist because of the feast of Christ's Passover from death to life. The Psalm today proclaims this message well: "This is the day." It is not one of many days, but it is the day of all days, the one that gives all the others their origin, purpose, meaning, and destiny. Listen carefully to Peter's speech in Acts with its recollection of the Passion, to the words of the Apostle Paul, and to the account of Mary Magdalene, John, and Peter finding the empty tomb, and you will hear the many wonderful works that God has done for us through Christ. Rejoice and be glad!

## **CONFIRMATION**

By Dennís Tavares

This Sacrament more perfectly binds us to the Church and enables us to defend Christ, the Church, and our faith by word and deed through the power of the Holy Spirit. Like Baptism. it also marks the soul as belonging to Christ, so the Sacrament cannot be repeated. The Ordinary Minister is the local Bishop but Priests can confirm in an emergency. *Confirmation is given by tracing a cross on the forehead with blessed oil, called Chrism, while reciting the form "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."* Confirmation is given to any baptized Catholic after instruction in the duties and responsibilities of Christian life. *Sponsors should be practicing Catholics knowledgeable about Christian life.* All Catholics are obliged to be Confirmed and to grow in knowledge of the Faith. The vast number of Christ's followers over the last 2,000 years is proof of Confirmation's effectiveness.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EDUCATIONAL GRANT APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE. THE OFFICE IS OPEN MONDAY – FRIDAY FROM 10AM – 2PM ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED BY APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2021.

# PASTORAL RUMINATIONS

By Father Andre Querijero

The noticeable increase in our Holy Mass attendance are encouraging signs of hope for our Parish these past two weekends. After a year-long hiatus, coming back to church and participating in our Lenten Liturgical Services are at the same time exciting yet challenging. However, we cannot all together let our guards down and set aside the CDC guidelines of gathering no more than 50 congregants, wearing masks, social-distancing, signing up for contacttracing, securing body temperature, and hand-sanitizing.

Perhaps, our parishioners who have had either their first or second shot of anti-COVID Pfizer or Moderna vaccine have more courage to gradually emerge from "isolation." Thanks to the extensive testing and vaccination outreach that Mendocino Coast Clinics and the Adventist Health Hospital are currently doing for our Fort Bragg community.

Compared to last year's organically formed 3-man parish crew composed of Lector, David Patterson; Camera Operator/Video-Photographer, Lala Cuevas; and myself as Mass Presider, now we have "extended household bubbles" working in teams. This month of March, two (2) Curbside Dinner fundraisers had the Kermen, Seaholm, Leist families, Patsy and Katie Lotten and Nancy Gardner-Gmeiner putting together dinner meals at the Parish Hall kitchen as well as the Mex family and their personnel at the Cafe 1 Restaurant. Like Dr. John K. and Julie S.'s charitable contribution, Miguel and Andrea Mex donated their food gross sales earnings of \$1,650.00 to honor their deceased mother, Doña Tomasa Medina.

Likewise, in preparation for Holy Week, the Siloé Prayer Group organized and sponsored the Lenten Spanish Retreat and Healing Mass for our Hispanic community which Father Francisco Menjivar conducted live from the Missionary Brotherhood of Mary (*"Fraternidad Misionera de María"*) Seminary in Guatemala via Zoom and Facebook. To my surprise, we had individuals and families who attended the live-streamed Healing Mass at the Parish Hall in person. It gave me a chance to anoint, lay-hands, and pray for the sick during the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Eucharistic celebration. The Arellano, Huerta, Sánchez, Jara, and González families including Cristina Flores, Angelina Magaña, Maria Hurtado, and many other served and worked behind the scenes.

What is most admirable, though, are the women who clean and decorate our church unnoticed. They will be very busy this Holy Week and Easter Triduum. God knows who these humble "servants" are. **May the work of their hearts and** hands be a source of Easter blessing to our parish!

"I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy." -**Rabindranath Tagore** 





## **CHICKEN POLENTA DINNER**

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL'S CURBSIDE DINNER FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL WILL BE PREPARED BY NORM LOTTEN AND A GROUP OF PARISHIONERS.

#### TO GO ONLY!!!

MENU:

GREEN SALAD WITH DRESSING ON THE SIDE, CHICKEN POLENTA WITH VEGETABLES, BREAD AND A DELICIOUS DESSERT.

#### **RESERVE YOUR DINNER NOW!!**

#### CALL NANCY GARDNER-GMEINER AT 964-0810 OR EMAIL <u>nancyg-</u> <u>g@comcast.net</u> OR CALL OUR PARISH OFFICE AT 707-964-0229 OR EMAIL olgcinfb@gmail.com

PICK UP: SUNDAY, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 PARISH HALL 605 MAPLE STREET, FORT BRAGG, CA FROM 3PM – 5PM

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$25.00



We would like to remind you that Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish now provides "*ParishSOFT Giving*" an online giving software! This is a convenient and secure way to make a onetime or recurring donations. Getting started is easy – just visit our webpage, olgcinfb.org, and click our **ParishSOFT link** at the front of the page.

Online giving has proven to be a very cost-effective way for our Parish to receive your generous donations. This method of contribution has provided us with a hassle-free and consistent cash flow which enables us to more effectively operate our Parish. When you participate, your gift will transfer directly into the Parish Bank Account. And you won't have to remember to write a check or stop by the ATM on Sundays!

To get started, you can visit our Parish's new giving page at olgcinfb.org. From this link you will be allowed to manage your own account online, set up gifts on a schedule that you choose, and can be set up with a credit card, debit card, checking or savings account!

As you know, Our Lady of Good Counsel is continually developing our ministries and outreach. Furthermore, our general operations costs and expenses, such as office supplies and health insurance, grow each year. As you initiate your donation, we hope you will consider increasing your offertory giving through ParishSOFT Giving.

As always, please know that is through our prayer, act of kindness and good will towards others that are your most active witnesses to Christ. We are most grateful for your generosity to Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish. Together, let us strive to be the best possible stewards of God's marvelous gifts!

If you have any questions, please, contact the Parish Office at 964-0229

<u>APRIL 5 - 11, 2021</u>				
	Monday (05)	8:00am	Anre Sripramong (b-day)	
	Tuesday (06)	8:00am	MISA PRO POPULI	
	Wednesday (07)	12:05pm	Adalberto, Luis & Rebeca Muñoz Mendoza †	
	Thursday (08)	12:05pm	Roberto, Angelina, Salvador & Juan Alcalá †	
	Friday (09)	12:05pm	Julián Mora y Maria Luisa Sánchez † Lucas, Salvador, Angel, Guadalupe y Carmen Mora Sánchez †	
	Saturday (10)	5:00pm	Gautama David Ram † Claire Tavares † Fred & Clara White † Thomas Galemba †	
		6:30pm	Mauricio Escobedo † David Ramírez † Rosalina Salazar † Eliodoro Rodríguez Cervantes † Socorro Cortez Esquivel † Gerardo Escobedo (health) Mariana Escobedo (14 <sup>th</sup> b-day)	
	Sunday (11)	8:00am	Juan & Soledad Mota †	
		10:00am	Mariana Escobedo (14 <sup>th</sup> birthday)	

MASS INTENTIONS

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Gerardo Escobedo, Betty Cox, Roy & Lisa Wright, Adrian Freitas, Pauline Tamagno, Bob Downing, Maribel Medina Chi, Troy Jason Ereño, Marcelo Pascua, Jr., Michelle Pascua Morgan, Mauricia Campuzano, Toñita Garcia, Ana María Calderón, Maria Lourdes López Zavala, Rebecca Aurejo, Hermiligio Santos, Ramón Hernández, Maria Martinez, Ernest Figueiredo, Salud Olvera, Antonia Rentería, Pauline Ortiz, María Cristina Reyes, Frank Richards, Florencia Chávez, Refugio Yáñez, María de Jesús Mendoza, Ryan Moore, Marianne Brannan, Nancy Smith, Julián Palomar, Jennifer Vera, Kim Koskinen, Margaret Valencia, Matthew Marcoulier, Dennis Tavares, Jose Freitas, Alfredo Sousa, Juana Arreguín, Aron Yasskin, Victoria Walzer, Fidela Yáñez Jara, Carla Tomas, Erasmo Yáñez, Memo Soria, Patricia Vargas, Fidela Yáñez, Elvia Flores, Yonel Ruíz, Angie Freitas, Russel Bryant, Derrick Heater, Luis Angel, Juan Barrera-Terán, Gerald Butler, Helen Reynolds, Toni Clark, Ann Gallagher, Brianna Lopez, Margaret Milliken, Gina Pivirotto, Nick Quin, Mary Servis, Denis Sousa, Victor Venegas, Matty Walker, Charles Lorenz, Rebecca Lorenz, Ofelia Ibarra, Leonardo Naal, Gina Leal

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

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MARCH 27 & 28, 2021....\$2,035.00 YOUTH MINISTRY....\$674.00

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION: LIABILITY INSURANCE NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION: MAINTENANCE FUND

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT & CHRISTIAN GENEROSITY!!

#### PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY

Jovany Baez, Justin Mertle, María de la Luz Ramírez, Rebeca Sánchez, José Araiza, Jr., Marina González, Alondra Jara, Sonia Jara, Jason Lorenz, Matt Mills & Jared Schroeder.

# **SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK**

#### HOLY THURSDAY / JUEVES SANTO APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> / 1 DE ABRIL

#### 5:00PM

SPANISH MASS: WASHING OF THE FEET/ MISA EN ESPAÑOL: LAVATORIO DE PIES

#### 7:00PM

ENGLISH MASS: WASHING OF THE FEET/ MISA EN INGLES: LAVATORIO DE PIES

#### **GOOD FRIDAY/VIERNES SANTO** APRIL 2ND / 2 DE ABRIL

#### 9:00AM - 12:00PM

VENERATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (IN THE CHURCH) VENERACION DEL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO (EN LA IGLESIA)

#### NOON

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, READINGS OF THE PASSION, COMMUNION SERVICE VIA CRUCIS, LECTURAS DE LA PASION Y SERVICIO DE COMUNION

#### 3:00PM - 5:00PM

VENERATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (IN THE CHURCH) VENERACION DEL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO (EN LA IGLESIA)

5:30PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS / VIA CRUCIS

HOLY SATURDAY - EASTER VIGIL / SABADO SANTO -**VIGILIA PASCUAL** APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup> / 3 DE ABRIL

#### 9:00AM

LITURGY OF THE HOURS / LITURGIA DE LAS HORAS

#### 7:00PM

BILINGUAL MASS/MISA BILINGÜE

#### EASTER SUNDAY / DOMINGO DE PASCUA APRIL 4TH / 4 DE ABRIL

8:00AM	english mass / misa en ingles
10:00AM	english mass / misa en ingles
12:00PM	SPANISH MASS / MISA EN ESPAÑOL



IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH, ON THE SOUTHERN WALL IS A BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL TREE. ITS BRIGHT LEAVES REPRESENT PERMANENT MEMORIALS TO THE DEPARTED OF OUR PARISH. FOR THE SUM OF \$200.00, YOU CAN GIVE TO THE PARISH SECREATRY, THE CORRECT SPELLING AND DATES OF THE DEPARTED AND IN DUE TIME THE LEAF IS PRINTED AND ATTACHED TO THE TREE, AS A PERMANENT REMINDER OF A LOVED ONE WHO IS GONE. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 964-0229.





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## **MENDOCINO COUNTY RESIDENTS**

MENDOCINO COAST CLINICS

HAS VACCINES AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO LIVE IN MENDOCINO COUNTY:

ADULTS 65 AND OVER

THOSE 16 - 64 YEARS OF AGE WITH CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT, PLEASE CALL 707-964-1251.