

Mass Intentions

Saturday	March 31, 2018
6:30 P.M.	Intentions of the Parishioners
Sunday	April 1, 2018
8:00 A.M.	The Bernard Family – In Thanksgiving
9:30 A.M.	Ron Norris – RIP
11:00 A.M.	Lewis Rodriguez – RIP Vincent Velasquez – RIP
11:30 A.M.	William Ramos – RIP
Monday	April 2, 2018
8:00 A.M.	End to Abortion
Tuesday	April 3, 2018
8:00 A.M.	Jose Montoya – Birthday Blessings
Wednesday	April 4, 2018
8:00 A.M.	In Thanksgiving for our Clergy
Thursday	April 5, 2018
8:00 AM	Leonila De La Rosa – RIP
Friday	April 6, 2018
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Time for a Little Easter Cheer

As faithful Catholics, we know that we're engaged in an important struggle. So long as we remain in the Church Militant, we all have to do what we can. Souls hang in the balance, and as Flannery O'Connor noted, the life you save may be your own.

Still, it's possible for faithful Catholics to become a little too addicted to the grim. We're so accustomed to bad news by now that there can be a danger of getting our dial stuck on "morose." That's particularly unfitting for Christians, who should be the happiest of happy warriors. We of all people should know that we have reason to smile, however bleak things may appear on the political front. We are the children of a Living God. He has assured us that all will be well. With him, all things are possible. The Paschal season is a good time to break your face out of its scowl as you remember the all-important fact that however hot the battle may rage, the war has already been won.

I always find it interesting at this time of year to reflect on the brevity of the Easter story. For centuries, the Jews waited for their Messiah. His life is narrated to us at reasonable length, but when we get to the Resurrection (which is only the most important thing that ever happened on this planet), a few verses suffice to convey what happened, after which the Gospels wrap the story up almost immediately. We get a quick scene from the road to Emmaus, the tale of Doubting Thomas, and Jesus' exhortation to "feed my sheep." The end.

I think it's probably difficult to describe the reality of salvation to those who are still living with the effects of Original Sin. We can't fully understand yet what our redemption looks like, so we are simply told that it is out there, made available to us through God's great sacrifice and love.

Of course, complacency is perilous, and we should be wary of the sort of unthinking optimism that would enable us to fall into that trap. At the same time, there is a difference between worldly optimism and Easter optimism. The former denies the reality of worldly evils. The latter recognizes that those evils have ultimately been vanquished.

Christians have been in every imaginable sort of peril over the millennia, and yet we still march on under the Paschal banner. We know that all things are held in the Providence of our triumphant God, and that he can turn the tide in our favor at whatever time seems good to Him. What is there to fear?

Although the precise shape of our redemption may be left mostly in outline, God has left us in no doubt of his general intentions. He understands our weakness. He knows that we need help. It shall be given.

Tiempo para un poco de alegría en la Pascua

Como fieles católicos, sabemos que estamos envueltos en una lucha importante. Mientras permanezcamos en la Iglesia Militante, todos tenemos que hacer lo que podamos. Las almas están colgando en un balance, y así como Flannery lo nota, la vida que pudieran salvar pudiera su propia vida.

Sin embargo, es posible para los católicos fieles llegar a ser un poco demasiado adictos a lo horrendo. Estamos tan acostumbrados a las malas noticias que puede haber un peligro de poner la aguja en "moroso." Eso no es muy apropiado para los cristianos, quienes deberían ser los más felices de todos los soldados felices. Nosotros de todas las gentes debemos saber que tenemos razones para sonreír, aunque las cosas puedan verse muy rígidas en el frente político. Somos hijos del Dios vivo. Él nos ha asegurado que todo estará bien. Con Él, todo es posible. La razón de la Pascua es un buen tiempo para romper el rostro de mal encarado al recordar el hecho importante que no importa cual ardiente pueda ser la batalla, la guerra ya ha sido ganada.

Yo siempre encuentro interesante este tiempo del año para reflexionar en la brevedad de la historia de la Pascua. Por siglos, los judíos esperaron a su Mesías. Su vida se nos narra en un tiempo razonable, pero cuando llegamos a la resurrección (la cual es la cosa más importante que ha pasado en este planeta), unos cuantos versos son suficientes para conllevar lo que paso, después de lo cual los Evangelios le dan fin a la historia casi inmediatamente. Obtenemos una escena rápida del camino a Emaús, el cuento del dudoso Santo Tomas, y la exhortación de Jesús a "alimenta mis ovejas." Y ya da fin. Pienso que es probablemente difícil describir la realidad de la salvación a aquellos que todavía viven bajo los efectos del Pecado Original. Nosotros no podemos comprender completamente todavía lo que es nuestra redención, así es que simplemente se nos ha dicho lo que está ahí, y se nos hace disponible a través del gran sacrificio y amor de Dios.

Claro está, la complacencia es peligrosa, y debemos estar cautelosos de esa clase de optimismo pues nos pudiera hacer caer en esa trampa. Al mismo tiempo, hay una diferencia entre el optimismo mundano y el optimismo de la Pascua. El primero niega la realidad de males mundanos. El último reconoce que esos males han sido ultimadamente eliminados.

Los cristianos han estado en toda clase de peligros imaginables durante el milenio, y sin embargo, todavía marchan bajo el estandarte Pascual. Sabemos que todas las cosas están sostenidas por la Providencia de nuestro Dios triunfante, y que nosotros podemos voltear la ola a nuestro favor en el tiempo que a Él le parezca bueno. De qué pues hay que temer?

Aunquela forma precisa de nuestra redención pudiera ser dejada más que nada en un bosquejo, Dios nos ha dejado sin duda alguna sus intenciones generales. Él entiende nuestras debilidades. Él sabe que necesitamos ayuda. Y se nos dará.

If a man wants to be always in God's company, he must pray regularly and read regularly. When we pray, we talk to God; when we read, God talks to us. – Saint Isadore of Seville (April 4)

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



Barbara Neral, Bernadette Burd, Dulce Manning, Cellie Arroyo, Dora Lopez, Rosie Arivzu, Johnny Martin, Sean McGinny. Michael Norris, Heidi Pazinske, Jill Anderson, James Ruiz, Rolfe Scofield, Colleen Wilson, Richard Brazil, Cindy, Judith Withers Paquin, Stella Hnatiuk, Magie and Carol Reed, Ed Reed, Frank Guinto, Mark Norris, Lenet Inglett, Joe Carey, Cheryl Bryant, Mary Jo Reed, Jesus Ayala, Beverly Lugo, Blaze Anthony, Georgiana Viveros, Aswut Toscano, Virgil Yazzie, John David Admire, Emily Mazzetti, Kathleen and John Admire. **Also, please remember those who have died: Colleen Turner, Herminio Gestelum, Mario Garcia, Ramona Pelayo, Michael Raney, Michael Pavlovich, Mayela Muñoz, Julia Cruz, Claire Kiempisty, Marcellus Lopez, and James Brittan**

Do you know anyone who would like to be listed for prayer? Please Call the Office at 760-742-3317 or Mike Kerrigan at 951-805-3872

Around the Mission April

- Baptism – Nicholas Jonathan Fonseca, Faith Sage Griffith**
- Memorial Mass – Francisia and Domingo Perez, April 14 at 12:00PM, 1st Anniversary**
- Quinceañera – Arely Yañe, April 7, Nere:ida Sanchez, April 14**
- Wedding: Christian and Sarena Hernandez**
Julissa Flores and Gustavo Monsalvo

What does the Catechism say about...

How was sickness viewed in the Old Testament?
In the Old Testament sickness was experienced as a sign of weakness and at the same time perceived as mysteriously bound up with sin. The prophets intuited that sickness could also have a redemptive value for one's own sins and those of others. Thus sickness was lived out in the presence of God from whom people implored healing.

What is the significance of Jesus' compassion for the sick?
The compassion of Jesus toward the sick and his many healings of the infirm were a clear sign that with him had come the Kingdom of God and therefore victory over sin, over suffering, and over death. By his own passion and death he gave new meaning to our suffering which, when united with his own, can become a men's of purification and of salvation for us and for others.

CCD Corner

April 1 – Have a Blessed Easter! CCD Classes will resume on April 8. There will be mandatory meetings on April 8 and April 15 for parents of children preparing for First Holy Communion during regular CCD class time.



If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask him simply to fill you with charity, the greatest of all virtues; with it you can accomplish what you desire. – Saint Vincent Ferrer (April 5)

HAPPY EASTER

Dear Friends in Christ,

I wish for you and your families and loved ones a blessed and hope-filled Easter. Easter brings so many promises of God to us; life is stronger than death, love can overcome hate, goodness ultimately triumphs over evil and eternity and glory with God in Heaven are our destiny. I pray that Jesus may live in all our hearts, that we may always embrace Him with love and gratitude.



With heartfelt gratitude, I also thank the appreciated holy army of musicians, ushers, readers, ministers greeters, decorators, and altar servers dedicated and loving service to our mission community through their support of our Holy Week Liturgies. We are indeed blessed with such selfless and loving followers of Christ.

May His love and His peace fill our hearts, our lives, our homes, and our families. God bless each and every one of you and your loved ones with His peace, love and joy.

Father Rey, Deacon Carlos, and the Staff

Knights Pancake Breakfast!

There are only a couple of Breakfasts left to enjoy this almost world famous breakfast closes down for the summer. Please come and enjoy that Knight's hospitality once again on Sunday, April 8, for their Pancake Breakfast! Not only do they offer a great breakfast but a great value, too! They will be serving after the 8:00AM Mass only! As always, it is a delicious breakfast with something for everyone! Their menu includes pancakes, eggs and sausage or eggs and chorizo, homemade tortillas made on site and beans. See you there!



KNIGHTLINES

Go to the movies for Lent! Yes! There are two movies that the Knights of Columbus are encouraging you to see. One is, "Paul the Apostle", which started on Friday. The other is "I Can Only Imagine", a great story of redemption and family healing, good music, too. Make a sacrifice and go see these movies, we need to support wholesome entertainment!