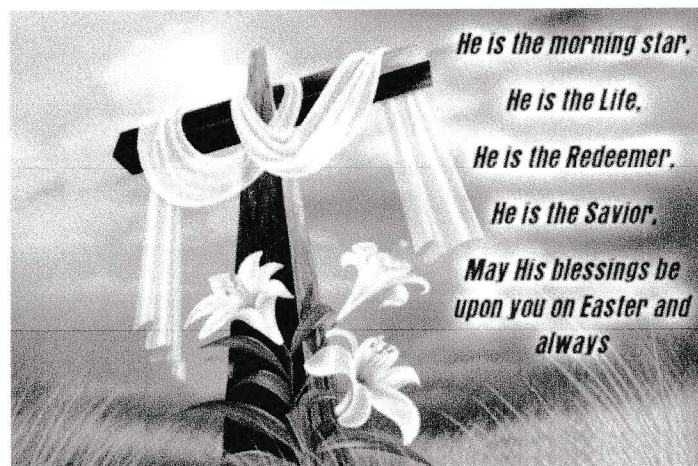


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St. Anthony Catholic Church
April 2025



“Happy & Blessed Easter April 20”

Parish Pastoral Council March 17, 2025 – 6:30 pm

Present: Olin Yancey, Pat Bronner, Patty Wright, Delia Colbert, Dennis Morgan, Richard Paladino, Lettie Buchanan, Elizabeth Ruiz, Eduvina Ruiz.

Hispanic Committee: Three Committee Members.

Absent: Fr. George, Billy Pace, Aracely Castillo, Julie West-Troy, Mary Frances Jones.

Fr. George Report:

No report; vacationing in India.

Finance Board Report: Richard Paladino

Copies of the current Committee Budget for July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 were given to those present.

Buildings & Grounds – Dennis Morgan

- Repaired front of cabinet in the Sacristy.
- Cleaned water reservoir and added new inline filter to the water dispenser in St. Joseph's Hall.
- New Coffee Urn for St. Joseph's Hall.
- Thank you to **Patty Wright and Danielle Caudle** from arranging the grounds clean-up on March 9th and thank you to all who participated in the clean-up.
- Columbarium rock wall was repaired by **Jim Monaghan's** crew.
- Made repairs to the door stops of the cry room.

As always, if any member finds or sees something within the Church or other buildings, please make a note of the item to be addressed in the green folder outside the Office door, marked with Buildings and Grounds.

Family Life – Aracely Castillo

Special thanks to the Confirmation students that helped pair the plastic Easter eggs used from previous years. If anyone would like to donate Easter candy to fill the Easter eggs, please see Aracely Castillo. Mrs. Carmel Morris will announce in the bulletin. Our Easter egg hunt will be after Mass on April 20th. Family Life will provide the cake and any refreshments for First Communion.

Hospitality Outreach- Delia Colbert

No report.

Religious Education & Formation - Patty Wright

CCD:

Confirmation Retreat was March 1, 2025 at the Catholic Pastoral Center. 5 of the 6 students being Confirmed attended the retreat.

Confirmation students had interviews with Father George on February 23, 2025.

Confirmation is this Sunday, March 23, 2025 at the Catholic Pastoral Center.

Confirmation Recognition at St. Anthony's will be Sunday, April 6, 2025 after Mass.

First Communion Retreat is this Saturday, March 22, 2025 from 9:00-12:00. First

Reconciliation will be held at 11:00 at the retreat.

First Communion will be Saturday, April 5, 2025 at the 5:30 Mass.

The last day of CCD is April 27, 2025.

Acolyte Training will be held on March 30th and April 13th in the church during CCD. Students in grades 3-12 and any adults interested are welcome to attend. A sign-up sheet will be in the gym. All students who are trained will be added to the acolyte schedule starting in May.

St. AY Youth Group: (grades 4-6): No update at this time.

CYO: No update at this time.

Altar & Rosary Society – Mary Frances Jones/Julie West Troy

No meeting held in February due to inclement weather.

March 19th meeting was held with 6 ladies present. Discussion regarding the consolidation of the Rosary & Altar Society with the Women’s Guild as Phyllis Holt is resigning as leader. We will discuss with Father.

A list of homebound people who may desire communion over Easter, was discussed communicating with them and need a sign-out list in the Sacristy when the host is taken.

A Bake Sale will be held Palm Sunday weekend. Next meeting is April 16th.

Social Action – Lettie Buchanan

Good Samaritan – Jan. 76, Feb. 72 boxes of food given.

Powdered Milk – Jan. 159, Feb. 70 qrts. were donated.

Cash donation – Feb. \$40.

Good Samaritan Volunteers – Office open February 24, 25, & 26.

Families Helping Families – Provides assistance to parishioners through home visits, phone calls to check in, and transportation to and from appointments.

AT-Large – Billy Pace – No report

Hispanic Community Integrator – Elizabeth Ruiz/Eduvina Ruiz

Mass in Spanish every Saturday at 7:00pm

Rosary every Tuesday at 6:30pm

The passion of the cross every Friday at 7pm during lent

We agree: Serving hours as Acolytes should be mandatory volunteer service before Confirmation, for all students.

On 3/17/25, before the passion of Christ prayer,

Don Teofilo gave a session about the meaning of lent.

English Classes on Thursdays at 7:00pm (location St. Anthony).

If you know someone or meet someone who might be interested in English classes or Spanish Mass, please feel free to share phone numbers below and Thank You:

Felipe:

Elizabeth:

Carlos:

Guadalupe:

Eduvina:

Communications – Pat Bronner

No report.

New Business:

A **“Thank you”** reception is planned for Sunday, March 30th in St. Joseph’s Hall, for Fr. Jerry Kopel taking Fr. George’s place while in India.

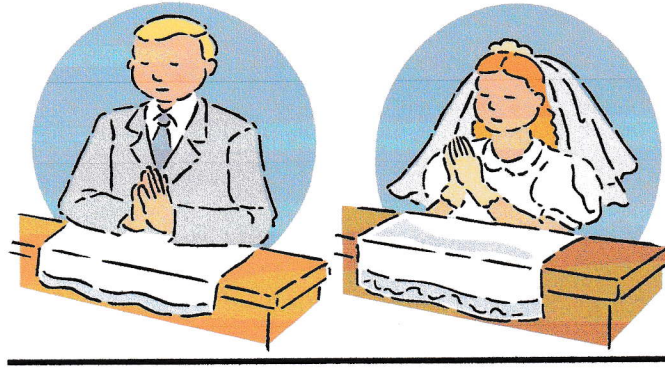
Next Meeting: April 21

Adjourned: 7:05pm - Pat Bronner, Secretary





On EASTER, the greatest day of the year, all fasting and somber thoughts are banished. As St. John Chrysostom announces in this famous Easter sermon, all are invited to the feast: "Let all then enter the joy of Our Lord!
Both the first and the last, and those who come after, enjoy your reward!
Rich and poor, dance with one another, sober and slothful, celebrate the day.
Those who have kept the fast and those who have not, rejoice today, for the table is richly spread.
Fare royally upon it-the calf is a fatted one.
Let no one go away hungry.
All of you, enjoy the banquet of faith!
All enjoy the riches of His goodness.
Let no one cry over his poverty, for the universal Kingdom has appeared!
Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again, for forgiveness has risen from the grave.
Let none fear death, for the death of our Savior has set us free.
He has destroyed it by enduring it.
He spoiled the power of hell when he descended thereto.
Isaiah foretold this when he cried, 'Death has been frustrated in meeting him below!'
It is frustrated, for it is destroyed.
It is frustrated, for it is annihilated.
It is frustrated, for now it is made captive.
For it grabbed a body and discovered God.
It took earth and behold! It encountered Heaven.
It took what was visible, and was overcome by what was invisible.
O Death, where is your sting?
O Death, where is your victory?
Christ is risen, and the demons are cast down.
Christ is risen, and life is set free.
Christ is risen, and the tomb is emptied of the dead.
For Christ, having risen from the dead, is become the first-fruits for those who sleep.
to Him be glory and power forever and ever!
Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"



God Bless Our April 5, 2025
Communicants

William Caudle
Maria Contreras-Lopez
Landyn Dickinson
Paulina Miranda-Miranda
Jeferson Pereira-Ortiz
Derick Pereira-Ortiz
Jimena Solis





April Events

Saturday April 5: 5:30pm First Holy Communion followed by reception

Sunday, April 6: 8:30am Confirmation recognition & reception

Wednesday, April 16: 9:00am No Mass

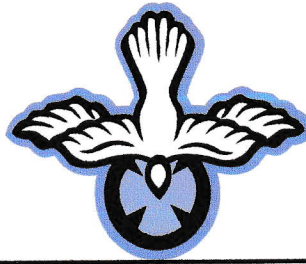
Thursday, April 17: 8:00pm Holy Thursday Mass

Friday, April 18: 7:00pm Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 19: 7:30pm Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 20: 8:30am Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 27: 3:00pm Divine Mercy

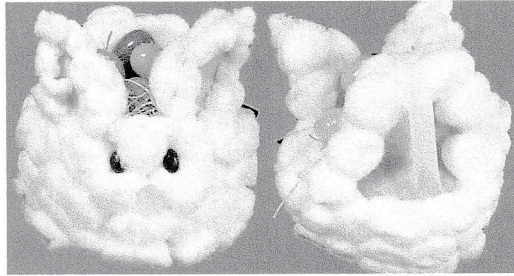


APRIL	HAPPY BIRTHDAY	HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
1	Adam Prince, Evelyn Cruz-Solis	
3	Kyle Davis	
4	Isidora Ruiz	Jose & Alondra Castillo
5	Sherly Gray	
6	Jesus Mendoza	
7	Janet Jetton	
9	Anthony Hunt	
10	Carolyn Emanuel, Becky Harris	
11	Osiel Miranda	Olin & Ellie Yancey
12	Betty Johnson, Damian Castaneda	
13	Marcelino Espino Jr., Kyle Testin	
14	Jose Diaz	
15	Landyn Dickinson	
16	Emily Castillo	
17		Jorge & Marisa Castaneda
18	Lucas Melton	
19	Angela Prince, Reva Heide, Mayra Martinez-Garcia	Jerry & Jean Benson
20	Nick Muzzarelli	
22	Sheila Faircloth, Gayle Young	Wilson & Jordan Greene
24	Melissa Mireles	
26	Don Keib, Alfredo Perez, Kiara Mahoney, Paola Flores	
27	Rose Loiacono, Marcelino Espino, Hans Hoffman	Ronald & Christina Sirman
28	Vidal Lopez	
30	Adrina Flores-Soria, Llaquelin Eugenio-Sanchez	

First Communion – Saturday, April 5.
Easter – Sunday, April 20.

Last CCD Class – April 27.

Fluffy Bunny Easter Basket



Materials:

- An empty, clean plastic gallon jug (with handle)
- Scissors
- Big bag of cotton balls
- Glue
- Paintbrush
- Plastic container
- Marker
- Pink construction paper
- Black buttons, black jelly beans, or black paper

Instructions:

Parents, first you need to cut the milk jug:

1. Looking at the jug from above, with a sharp marker, draw a circle around the mouth of the jug, about 1 inch from the opening, all the way around.
2. Next, looking at the jug from the front (with the handle in back), draw two bunny ears, starting 4 inches from the bottom of the jug, and ending so the tips of the ears meet the circle you just drew on top.
3. Now looking at the back of the jug so the handle is facing you, draw two vertical lines an inch and a half from either side of the handle, beginning from the circle line on top and ending 4 inches from the bottom of the jug.
4. Looking at the side of the jug, connect the bottom of the bunny ears with the bottom of the line around the handle with the horizontal line (4 inches from the bottom).
5. Place the scissors inside the mouth and cut along the lines.

Now, the fun part for you and your grandchildren:

1. Pour a puddle of glue into the plastic container. With the paintbrush, paint glue around the inside of the entire cut edge.
2. Stick cotton balls all along the edge. Let them hang over the edge a bit.
3. Paint glue along the outside of the edge, again letting the cotton balls hang over the edge a bit. The entire cut edge should be covered at this point — safe from scratching little hands!
4. Cut pink construction paper into 2 bunny "ears." Glue the pink ears onto the ones on the jug.
5. Pull apart cotton balls into mini-cotton balls, and glue these around the edges of the ears, allowing a little pink paper to show.
6. Continue to paint glue section by section, and stick on the cotton balls.
7. Do NOT glue cotton balls onto the handle. Glue them all around, but leave the handle free for little hands to fit in and carry.
8. Once the entire basket is covered with cotton balls, cut a piece of pink construction paper into a small circle, and glue on the front for a bunny nose.
9. Glue the black buttons, jelly beans or small circles of black paper above the nose for eyes.
10. Fill with Easter grass and have the kids wait for the Easter bunny to fill their basket with goodies!

April 2025 SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTORS	MINISTERS	SERVERS	GIFTS	USHERS
April 5	First Communion Students	Theresa Testin Julie West-Troy Mary Frances Jones	Thomas Caudle	First Communion Students	David Testin Richard Paladino
April 6	Confirmation Students	Billy Pace Jimmie Caudle Jake Peavey	Luke Peavey	Confirmation Students	Tommy Wilson Bill Dunning
April 12	Tommy Anderson	Debra Schaefer Larry Schaefer Mike Loiacono	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Jim Anderson Donnie Keib
April 13	Billy Pace Patty Wright	Becky Harris Mary Krack Eli Wright	Christian Perez	Crow Family	Grad Wright Alfredo Perez
April 19	SEE	SIGN-UP	SHEETS		
April 20	SEE	SIGN-UP	SHEETS		
April 26	Donnie Keib	Mary Frame Theresa Testin Julie West- Troy	Volunteer	Volunteer Family	Barry Yugas David Testin
April 27	Jordan Greene Mary Krack	Debbie Morgan Sherrie Gill Martha Wolf	TJ Wilson	Maria Garcia Family	Jim Weir Jason Melton or Jordan Bolton