

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

5:30PM Thanksgiving & Further Blessings Gregory & Mary Wiatrek

happy 50th wedding anniversary

by Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 24 – PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

7:30AM † Kirby Rogers - *birthday*

by Clarence & Ellen Pruski & Sons

9:00AM For Our Parish Family

by Father Andrzej

MONDAY, MARCH 25

6:30PM B.J. Sekula & Sue Lyssy – *happy birthday*

by Roger & Corinne Sekula

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

6:30PM † **NO MASS TODAY**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

7:30AM † Dorothy Cione

by Brett & Bernadette Ckudre

THURSDAY, MARCH 28 – EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (Holy Thursday)

8:00PM † Otto Waclawczyk

by Chris & Kathy Jendrusch

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 – Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

4:45PM *Divine Mercy Novena*

5:00PM – Stations of the Cross – Celebration of the Lord's Passion

SATURDAY, MARCH 30 – Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil

7:45PM *Divine Mercy Novena*

8:00PM For Our Parish Family

by Father Andrzej

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 – EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

7:15AM *Divine Mercy Novena*

7:30AM † Leo Moczygamba Jr.

by Willa & Sally Wiatrek

8:45AM *Divine Mercy Novena*

9:00AM For Our Parish Family

by Father Andrzej

SERVING THE LORD – Holy Week

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of the HOLY COMMUNION:

Holy Thursday - Mary Wiatrek

Good Friday - Mary Stulting

Holy Saturday - Dianne Dziuk

Sunday 7:30AM - Pat Jarzombek



9:00AM - Mary Stulting



LECTORS:

Holy Thursday - Mary Wiatrek

Good Friday- Patrick Pollok, Red Sturm

Holy Saturday – Dianne Dziuk

Lanelle Pollok

Sunday 7:30AM – Karissa Jarzombek



9:00AM - Jeannette Wiggins

ALTAR SERVERS: Holy Week

Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday - volunteers

Easter Sunday 7:30am – Seth L. Kenna L. Alberto G. Gabriel L.

9:00am – Ryland A. Avery S. Kenley W. Carson S.



Money Counters for March

March 24 – James and Sophie Dziuk

March 31 – Wilfred and Dianne Dziuk

Weekly Collection \$2926.00

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

The Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem - DAILY MEDITATION: MARK 11:1-10

Hosanna! (Mark 11:9)

The two Gospel readings today can give us emotional whiplash. As Mass begins, we hear the story of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We may even wave our own palm branches and join the crowd in shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Mark 11:9). Then, in the Liturgy of the Word, we hear Mark's passion account. Once again, we join our voices with the crowd—but this time, we cry out, "Crucify him!" (15:13). How jarring!

Why does the Church have us play a role in both of these readings as we begin Holy Week?

It's all for one purpose: so that we can grasp more fully what Jesus did for the crowds back then—and for us. As we will see throughout Holy Week, he accepted the suffering set before him and freely offered himself for his people, regardless of how they responded. Whether they acclaimed or condemned him, he loved them just the same. And that's how he loves us.

Jesus is not put off by our fickleness. That's good news! Because if we're honest, we can all recognize times when our own commitment to the Lord and our love for him has wavered. When life is going well, it's not so hard to praise him. But it can be another story altogether when danger threatens or sadness darkens our outlook.

So allow these passages to motivate you to pay attention to this final week in Christ's life. Acknowledge the inconstancy of your own love for Jesus and ask him to strengthen you. But don't stop there! Open your heart to the liberating truth that Jesus loves you even when you stray. Look at the cross and believe that he held you close to his heart throughout his passion, death, and resurrection.

May the Lord pour out graces on us all during this most holy week of the year!

"Lord, prepare me to receive you more deeply as I prepare for the feast of your resurrection!"

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY) - DAILY MEDITATION: ISAIAH 52:13–53:12

Their guilt he shall bear. (Isaiah 53:11)

Though written nearly six centuries before Christ, the "Servant Songs" in the Book of Isaiah are remarkable for the way they seem to describe Jesus and his mission. Today's reading even sums up what Jesus would accomplish by his passion and death: "Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear" (Isaiah 53:11).

Yes, Jesus willingly bore our guilt. He even bore the guilt of the very people who were complicit in his arrest, trial, and crucifixion! John's passion narrative, which we read every Good Friday, makes it clear who they are:

Judas, one of the Twelve, who followed Jesus from the beginning of his public ministry and yet still made the grievous decision to betray him.

The high priest Caiaphas, who failed to recognize Jesus as the Messiah and sent him to be tried before the Roman authorities.

Peter, one of Jesus' closest disciples, who swore that he would die rather than turn on his Master but then denied three times that he even knew him.

Pontius Pilate, who knew that Jesus was innocent but, fearing the reaction of the people, condemned him to death.

The people in the crowd, who called out to Pilate, "Crucify him!"

Of this cast of characters, we only know of one person, Peter, who responded to the grace of the cross and received Jesus' forgiveness (John 21). Fully restored, Peter went on to preach the good news and ultimately give his life for the Lord.

The truth is that all the people in this story could have repented and turned to the Lord—even in the last hour of their lives. Despite their treatment of him, Jesus loved them, and by "his stripes," he offered all of them healing and forgiveness (Isaiah 53:5). And perhaps some of them did accept his mercy!

Astounding? Yes. But that's the message of the cross. Not only on Good Friday, but every day, let that message speak to you: You are loved. You are forgiven. You are redeemed.

"Jesus, from the bottom of my heart, I thank you for bearing my guilt so that I might be healed of all the wounds of sin."

Easter Confessions today, Sunday, March 24th from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

ATTENTION – There will be NO mass this Tuesday, March 26. All priests will be San Antonio for the Chrism Mass at the Archdiocese.

March 29 – Good Friday – Special Collection for the Shrines of the Holy Land

March 31 – 2nd collection on Easter Sunday for the Rice Bowl

PREPARATIONS FOR EASTER: Please join the Altar Society in preparing the altars for Holy Week and Easter. Be a part of this very holy celebration that is the core of Christianity -- Jesus our Savior died and rose from the dead so that the gates of Heaven would be opened for us! Share a little bit of your time and see how much happiness it brings to your Easter.

Thursday, March 28th - 8am - Change altar cloths from purple to white, set up altar in Candle Room

Thursday, March 28th - immediately after evening mass - Strip altars and prepare for Good Friday services.

Saturday, March 30th - 8am - Decorate for Easter. We need lots of help at this time. Please bring your daughters too. Make decorating the church a family tradition.

Sunday, March 31st - 9:30am - Meet behind the rectory to hide Easter Eggs for the children's Egg Hunt which follows immediately after the 9am mass.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT - sponsored by the Altar Society, will be held Sunday, March 31st immediately after the 9am mass behind the rectory. Age groups are as follows: 0-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, and 9 thru 11. Bring you baskets and join the fun!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY! The Altar Society will lead the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 7th at 3pm. Afterwards, home baked goods, fruit, and soft drinks will be served in the Sisters Convent. Come enjoy! Note: The monthly Altar Society 5pm rosary will not be recited on April 7th.

There will be CCD classes this Wednesday, March 27 at 6:00pm.

Bingo - Sunday – March 24th - 1-5 p.m. at Kosciusko Hall (doors open at 1 - bingo at 2)
Contact: Becky at 210-394-3009 or Penne at 830-391-0817 - Concessions & Baked Goods available

Catholic Daughters: St. Genevieve Court Sausage Dinner and Bake Sale
Sunday, April 7, 2024 at the Falls City Diner Serving from 10:00 to 11:30am
Plates will be \$10.00 Call or text Karissa Jarzombek: 830-534-8299 for tickets

DON'T FORGET THE 40 CANS FOR LENT FOOD DRIVE. WILL BE COLLECTING UNTIL EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

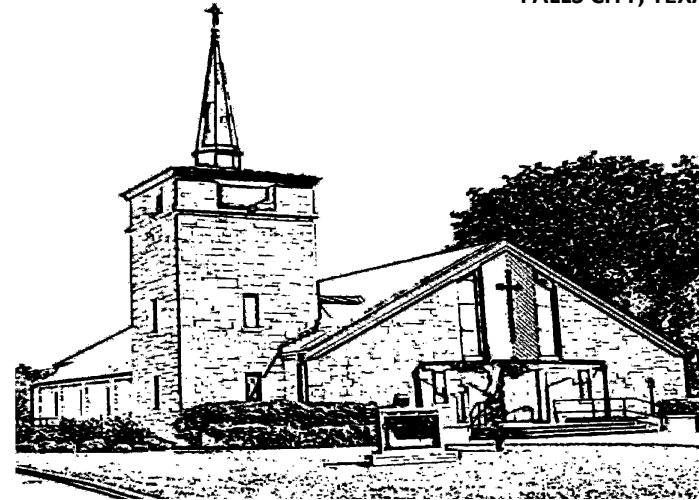
Attention – The church is looking for a secretary/bookkeeper for both Holy Trinity and St. Boniface starting June 1, 2024. The jobs will be posted on the Archdiocese of San Antonio website starting in April.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
8AM-2PM
CLOSED THURSDAY

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:30PM
Sunday 7:30AM & 9:00AM

DAILY MASSES

As scheduled.

DEVOTION TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Monday after Mass

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday 6:00PM.

SACRED HEART DEVOTIONS

First Friday: Mass, Exposition, Benediction,
Mass 6:30PM.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please make arrangements with the Pastor at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Call Rectory to make arrangements at least two weeks in advance. **A birth certificate must be shown.**

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Please call the priest when sick or before going to the hospital, if possible.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

30 MINUTES BEFORE EVERY MASS

VISITING OF THE SICK & ELDERLY

First Fridays & upon request.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

25 minutes before every Mass