

**Priests of the
Institute of Charity
(Rosminians)**

Pastor

Fr. Edison Bernavas, I.C.

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Bibin Mathew, I.C.

Deacon Dick Beaudry

Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass (Saturday):

4:30 p.m. (English)

6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Sunday Masses:

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

4:30 p.m.

Rosary 35 minutes before
each weekend Mass

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Thursday: 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

First Friday: 6:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday thru Friday

After 8:00 Morning Mass to 4:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 p.m.

First Friday: 7:30 a.m.

or Anytime by Appointment with
Priest

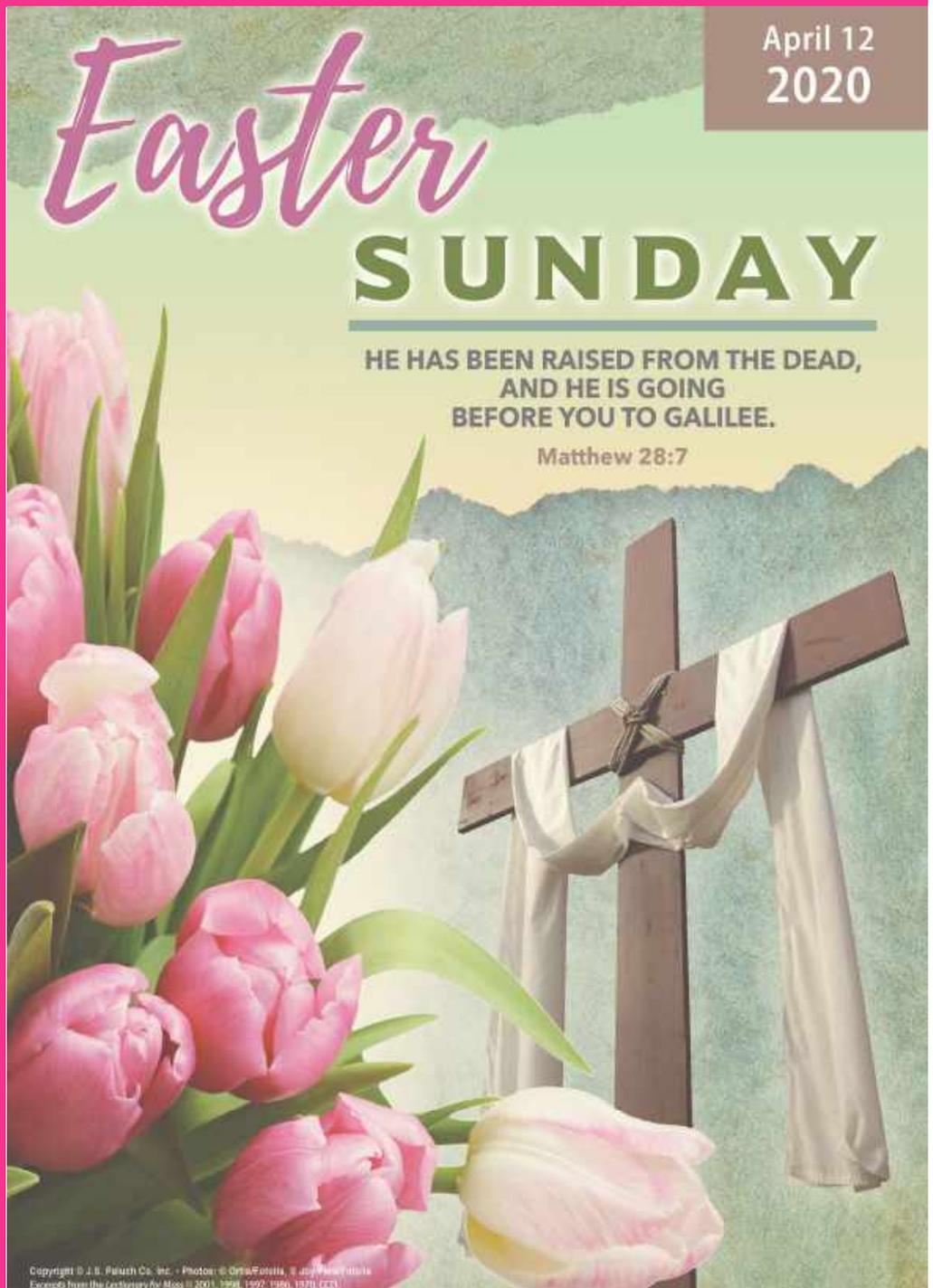
April 12
2020

Easter

SUNDAY

HE HAS BEEN RAISED FROM THE DEAD,
AND HE IS GOING
BEFORE YOU TO GALILEE.

Matthew 28:7



Mass Intentions for the Week



- Saturday April 11**
Easter Vigil
 8:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Francis
- Sunday April 12**
Easter Sunday
 9:00 a.m. Intentions for the Nick Trotto Family
 by The McElhatten Family
 †Betty Muley
 by Jose & Anne
 † Pierre, Josette & Michael Casagrande
 by Jose & Anne
 12:00 p.m. Spanish Mass-
- Monday April 13**
 8:00 a.m. †George Belinski, Sr.
 by Sharon & Family
- Tuesday April 14**
 8:00 a.m. †Tracy Martin
 by Doug & Gay Stephanie
- Wednesday April 15**
 8:00 a.m. †Marilu Nery
 by Jose & Stephanie Puerto
- Thursday April 16**
 8:00 a.m. Intentions for Joe Puerto
 by Dad & Stephanie Puerto
- Friday April 17**
 8:00 a.m. Birthday Intentions for Melvin Thomas
 by Jimmy & Leela
- Saturday April 18**
 4:30 p.m. Anniversary mass for Linda
 & Darryl Mummert
 6:30 p.m. Spanish mass-
 †Fidel Gonzalez, Sr.
 by Noelia Gonzalez
- Sunday April 19**
Divine Mercy Sunday
 9:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Francis
 †Karen Irving
 by John & Dottie Mabe
 † Matthew Mukalel
 by James Mukalel

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, please pray for those who are ill, home-bound, or confined to hospitals and nursing homes, especially for the following:

Pat Allen, Helen Bacovsin, Jerry Bauer, Joan Barrentine, Lois Bean, Bonnie Beaudry, Sharon Belinski, John Bernal, Patsy Bourassa, Monica Brandies, Mariana Birchell, Dick Boelter, Frances Calvani, Jim Calvani, Margaret Canely, Marie Casale, Buddy Chapman, Vincent Cindra, Katrina Crooks, Vaughn Crooks, Carmen Connors, Todd Davis, Jim Decker, Kayla Dennis, Josie Frisco, Lilah Gill, Howard Hunter, Rhett Keane, Linda Kick, Joan Kirkpatric, Ethel Kotrady, Blanche Kosierowski, Rush Limbaugh, Mary Little, Chuck Lloyd, Joseph Martin, Dillon McDonald, Norman McKenzie, Jim Miller, Billie Morrow, David Mueller, Darryl Mummert, Gerry Murray, Iris Mussenden, John Nicklus, Diania Niles, Rudy Reers, Diane Openlander, Dympna O'Reily, Antonio Pascual, Mike & Eva Presley, Judy Ragan, Jordan Schadrie, Adalina Scimeca, Ed Shea, Andy Silva, Sue Soleau, Bernadette Suppa, Joe Suppa, Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Mary Edwina Binwa Sylvester, Christy Torres, Heather Trotto, Amorette & Hadley Tweed, John Vicario, David Weddermann, Janice Weddermann, Robby Weddermann, Loraine Wenner, Kurt Wicker, Donna Wiley, Mary Winiarski, Addy Wright, John Yeninas, Richard Young, the Doug Shoup Family, Linda Dixon & Family, the Homebound and their Caregivers.

In repose of the souls of Aroqyam Anthony, Marie Colvin, Mercelita Stroz, Rev. Paul Mizener, Rachel Harlor, Nicholas Fabic & John Waylan.

Please remember to call the parish office if you need to have a name added to our prayer list. Names will remain on the list for four weeks, unless otherwise specified or they are considered a long-term illness. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

LORD,
 Look upon me with eyes of mercy, may Your healing hand rest upon me, may Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.

Follow the Holy Father on Twitter!

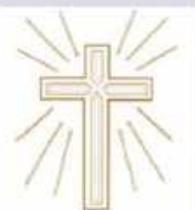
Pope Francis is on Twitter! The Vatican uses Twitter as a way for the faithful to interact more closely with the Holy Father and is available in several different languages. Follow him at www.twitter.com/pontifex as he shares his wisdom, thoughts, and blessings!



Please remember to pray for our troops, especially:

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| Anthony Jordan Casale | Patrick Junker |
| Casey James Casale | Wesley Kosierowski |
| Alejandro Cuesta | Nicholas Kosierowski |
| Tony Cuesta | Leobardo Martinez |
| Matt Daniels | Michael Mulhern |
| Spencer Dewey | Collin Newman |
| Jesse Doyle | Keenan Newman |
| Remy Herrero | Donovan O'Connor |
| Jeanine Hatfield | Magaly Oliu |
| Dan Holder | Paul Michael Presley |
| Christopher Jeffers | Derrick M. Shea |
| | & Logan |

(To have a name added to this list, please call the parish office.)



Eternal rest, grant unto them,
 O Lord, and let perpetual
 light shine upon them.
 May the souls of the faithful
 departed through the mercy
 of God rest in peace. Amen.

Rest In Peace

From the Pastor...

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I recently heard about a story that went something like this: "A three-year-old girl, Nicole, was as anxious for Easter to come as she had been for Christmas to come. One day as Nicole and her father stopped at a store to buy her a new pair of shoes...she once again said, "I can't wait for Easter Daddy!" Her dad asked, "Do you know what Easter means, honey?" She replied, "Yes." "Well, what does Easter mean?" With arms raised a smile on her face, and at the top of her voice she said, "Surprise!"

What better word could sum up the meaning of Easter, 'Surprise!' In Matthew's account of the Resurrection, we are told that the guards, as well as the women, were *SURPRISED* when they learned that Jesus had risen from the dead. The women had come in deep sorrow to Christ's grave, expecting and believing that He lay dead in His grave. The women however, experienced the *GREATEST SURPRISE of their lives!* Christ was no longer dead, *HE WAS ALIVE!* Closely related to the women's surprise was their *JOY.* Matthew tells us in verse 8: "So (the women), departed quickly from the tomb with fear and *GREAT JOY,* and *ran to tell His disciples.*" They were *SURPRISED BY JOY* at Christ's Resurrection. Their sorrow, darkness and despair were defeated by the *SURPRISING, JOYFUL news* of the Resurrection.

We, too, have been *SURPRISED BY JOY* at Christ's Resurrection. Our sorrow, darkness and despair have been defeated by the *SURPRISING, JOYFUL NEWS OF THE RESURRECTION.* This happens in many different ways for each one of us throughout our lifetime. For example, it happens whenever an impossible situation is transformed into a possible situation. It happens when we expect the worst, but with God's help, we receive the best. The surprising joy of Christ is experienced whenever: a sick person is healed of their illness; an atheist is given the gift of faith; enemies are reconciled with each other; the enslaved are given a new freedom. These are but a few among the many surprising joys of Christ's Resurrection that we experience in a lifetime.

A second quality or characteristic of the women's joy is mentioned by Matthew in verse 9: "And behold, Jesus met them and they came up and took hold of His feet and *WORSHIPPED Him.*" The joy we are given by our risen Lord leads us to respond by worshipping him.

If we are truly joyful, we shall surely *WANT TO RESPOND TO THE RESURRECTED CHRIST BY WORSHIPPING HIM.* When we gather here every Sunday, we are celebrating his Resurrected presence among us.

This instruction to, "*GO AND TELL*" was not only given to the women and to the disciples—It's an instruction for *EACH ONE OF US, TOO!* We are called to share the Good News with *JOY and CONFIDENCE* that God's marvelous saving action, through Christ's Resurrection, *HAS WON THE VICTORY OVER SIN, EVIL, AND DEATH.*

May we, like the women, like three-year-old Nicole, be so filled with the joy and enthusiasm of Christ's resurrection that we too just have to *SHARE THIS GOOD NEWS WITH THE WHOLE WORLD!*

I wish you a happy and Blessed Easter to you and your family.

~Fr. Edison Bernavas I.C

**Welcome to St. Francis of Assisi!**

We **extend a special welcome** to all our visitors and new parishioners who have come to celebrate Mass with us today! If you are new to our community, please introduce yourself to our clergy. If you live in this area and attend regularly, we invite you to join our parish of St. Francis of Assisi. Registration is necessary for better care of souls, more effective administration of sick calls, and matters pertaining to baptism, education, marriage and burial. Registration is very easy, and the cream "*Parish Registration*" cards can be found in the pamphlet holder above the table in the lobby. After completing, please place it in the Parish Drop Box, located in the door by the water fountain in the lobby.

**Today's Readings**

First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

(1) Second Reading — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) or

(2) Second Reading — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

Gospel — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) or Matthew 28:1-10 (or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35).

Five simple ways to celebrate Holy Week at home

Create a simple prayer space in your home, and gather there to pray during the week.

Palm Sunday: At your regular Mass time, read the first Palm Sunday Gospel (Mt 21:1-11) and meditate on or discuss what Jesus might be thinking as he enters Jerusalem for the last time.

Holy Thursday: Bake bread for sharing at dinner; make a ritual of stripping the dinner table of all cloths and decorations after dinner.

Good Friday: Pray the Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m.

Holy Saturday: In the morning, read Psalm 64 and break your Good Friday fast solemnly with a simple meal.

Easter Sunday: Dress up the dinner table again. Include candles and crosses, so that the candy baskets aren't the only festive items present. Sing Alleluia and read the Easter Gospel (Matthew 28:1-10) with solemnity and joy.

Celebrate Holy week and Easter with EWTN

Learn more about your Faith during the holiest time of the year with EWTN's first-rate movies, documentaries, musicals, children's programs, and much more. Join in the celebration of Mass from Rome and Washington, D.C. Get program details at www.ewtn.com. Also, during Lent, be sure to visit the special Lent website, www.ewtn.com/lent

**No Masses Scheduled
Until Further Notice**

Facebook Live Mass stream

Follow the Parish Facebook page “St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church” or <https://www.facebook.com/stfranciscc/>.

Masses are streamed:

Monday—Friday: 8:00 a.m. in English

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. in English and 6:30 p.m. in Spanish

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. in English

Eucharistic Adoration will continue during regular Parish hours but you must enter the Sanctuary NOT the Chapel. We want to keep everything in open areas.

Parish Office Hours

The office will remain open during the regular hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will continue to serve lunch for those in need.

Dinner for the Needy

Dinner for the Needy will continue, unless told otherwise, every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Dinner Hall. The dinner will be served and distributed in to-go boxes.

Confessions

Call the Parish office at (813) 681-9115 to schedule a Confession with Fr. Edison or Fr. Bibin.

CHRIST HAS RISEN

Where is your sting, O death? Where is your victory, O hell? Christ has risen, and you are overthrown. Christ has risen, and the demons have fallen. Christ has risen, and the angels rejoice. Christ has risen, and life reigns. Christ has risen, and not one dead rests in the grave. For Christ having risen from the dead became the first-fruits of them that slept. To him be glory and majesty to ages of ages. Amen.

—Byzantine Pentekostarion

Eucharistic Adoration in Sanctuary

Monday - Friday.....8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Legion of Mary

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Novena to Our Lady, Queen of Peace

Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday.....3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

First Friday:.....7:30 a.m.

or anytime by appointment with priest.

Anointing of the Sick

For all those threatened by serious illness: available anytime.

Baptisms

Contact parish office to receive required instruction.

Marriage

Contact office at least six months before desired date and before setting date.

Business Office Hours

Monday - Friday9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

This Week at St. Francis

April 13—April 17, 2020

Wednesday Dinner for the needy 4:30 p.m.
April 15

Dinner for the Needy

Dinner for the Needy will continue, unless told otherwise, every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Dinner Hall. The dinner will be served and distributed in to-go boxes.

Please Join our FORMED Online Community

As a member of the FORMED community, you will have access to movies, inspiring audio talks, informative bible studies, and much more. St. Francis of Assisi parish is providing this resource free of charge to help our members learn and grow in their faith. So please join us. **To sign up for FREE, visit us here: <https://stfranciscc.formed.org>** and use Parish Code: Y499KR.



Hurting from Abortion?

Project Rachel offers Post Abortion Healing for women and men impacted by abortion by helping them to move toward reconciliation with their self, their unborn child, family, faith, and God in a confidential, nonjudgmental, caring, and hopeful setting.

Post Abortion Healing Schedules for 2020:

August 15 Raphael’s Way 10-hour Day Retreat

For more information call Project Rachel at (813) 924-4173 or visit

www.rachelsvineyard.org

September 18 - 20 Spanish Rachel’s Vineyard Weekend Retreat

December 11-13 Rachel’s Vineyard Weekend Retreat



Ways to Worship God and Practice our Faith while

Masses are suspended

- ◆ Spend time with the Scriptures both as individuals and as a family. Catholics can find the Sunday and Daily Mass Readings online at USCCB.org in both written and audio form.
- ◆ Use your normal worship time to practice a more contemplative way of praying through Lectio Divina which is simply meditating on or contemplating the texts of Holy Scripture, allowing them to lead you to a deeper prayerful communion. Visit www.dosp.org for suggestions.
- ◆ Parish groups can make use of social media to gather virtually for prayer, the rosary or the Liturgy of the Hours.
- ◆ Individuals and groups can worship God by performing the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy and other acts of charity.
- ◆ Rather than hoarding essential items, families and neighborhoods can organize ways of looking out for others and sharing what is needed.



Prayer Against Coronavirus

Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Physician, we ask you to guard and protect us from Coronavirus COVID-19 and all serious illnesses. For all that have died from it, have mercy; for those that are ill now, bring healing. For those searching for a remedy, enlighten them; for medical caregivers helping the sick, strengthen and shield them. For those working to contain the spread, grant them success; for those afraid, grant them peace. May your precious blood be our defense and salvation. By your grace, may you turn the evil of disease into moments of consolation and hope. May we always fear the contagion of sin more than any illness.

We abandon ourselves to your infinite mercy.

Amen.

Parish Assistance Program

Your Life, your Faith, your Well-Being

Confidential counseling and support, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

You can call when you are struggling with:

- ◆ Anxiety and depression
- ◆ Stress
- ◆ Relationship issues
- ◆ Family Issues
- ◆ Grief & Loss
- ◆ Addictive behaviors



Confidential help is just a phone call away: **(800) 878-5470** or email at: BayCareCAP@BayCare.org

Helping the Faithful to support their Parishes

With the suspension of public Masses and social distancing in place to support community efforts to slow the spread of illness, a reality our parishes face is that basic operational expenses are addressed through active participation in offertory giving. The intent is for our parishes to continue ministering and serving our communities through this time, and therefore support is not just appreciated, it is vital to the health and stability of each parish, even when the doors are not open on the weekend for Mass.

While some are facing financial hardship themselves, others may be searching for a way to continue supporting their parish. For those not currently utilizing online giving, the Office of Stewardship and Development has created a resource to connect parishioners with their parish's giving site. Click visit <https://www.dosp.org/stewardship/supporting-your-parish/> and select "St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Seffner"

Date Change!

Walk/Run For Life 2020 - Tampa Bay

Saturday - MAY 30th, 2020 at 7740 W. Courtney Campbell Causeway. Registration: 8 - 9 am and Walk/Run Begins: 9 a.m. Benefitting Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center: Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco & Pinellas. Knights Women's Center, Project Rachel & Perinatal Comfort Care.

You can also register today by calling Ben T. Beach at (813) 631-4393,

by email at foundationsoflife@ccdosp.org or register online at: FoundationsOfLife.org

Courageously Live the Gospel by helping provide medical care for those in need

The Catholic Charities Free Medical Clinic's primary fundraiser - "Birdies for Charities" - run with the Valspar (Golf) Championship must change since the tournament's cancellation. BUT, our **brothers and sisters in Christ** who have **NO health insurance** and receive medical care through Catholic Charities Free Medical Clinics **STILL NEED YOUR HELP!**

Make your gift part of your Lenten Almsgiving!

You can donate by:

1. Text **BIRDIES** to **91999** (or go to the online form: igfn.us/form/ofqcEA)

Ignore the Per Birdie Pledge or the *Number of Birdies* AND simply make a one-time or sustaining donation.

2. Call Lou at 727-893-1314 ext 104

3. Email Lou at lricardo@ccdosp.org

Parish Ministries

Altar Servers	
Judy Erlendsson.....	244-2853
Church Musician	
Ramon Martos	334-3454
Clothing Pantry	
Contact the Parish Office.....	681-9115
Faith Formation	
Judy Erlendsson.....	244-2853
Food Pantry	
Parish Office.....	681-9115
Eucharistic Ministers	
Pam Caskey	651-1165
Helping Hands	
Dottie Mabe.....	681-2421
Hispanic Religious Education	
Carolina Gonzales.....	451-0637
Flor Vazques.....	763-7219
Hispanic Baptism Classes	
Maria Elena Parilla.....	716-7325
Hispanic Homebound/Visitacion a Hogares de Ancianos	
Hispanic Ministry Coordinator	
Juanita Vega	731-0893
Homebound/Nursing Home Visitation	
Janet Ganske.....	943-9928
Knights of Columbus	
Dave Jervey	986-7686
Lectors	
Bob Winiarski.....	333-1976
Legion of Mary	
Sharon Belinski.....	951-0146
Respect Life	
Carl Francis Kosierowski.....	546-9440
Rosary Leader	
Deirdre Bristol	689-3121
RCIA / Hispanic RCIA	
Fr. Edison Bernavas.....	681-9115
Maria y Jose López.....	453-7215
Sacristans	
Maria Ocampo	653-3011
Scouts	
Kathy & Ted Domey	685-8242
Tender Care	
Parish Office.....	681-9115
Ushers	
Ron Mullen	661-5983
Women of Faith	
Dottie Mabe.....	681-2421
Youth Ministry	
Debbie Voor	245-3294

Stewardship Reflections

“Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.” (Colossians 3:2)
 Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don’t let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment – I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me.

Easter Sunday

When Christ, who is your life,
 appears,
 then you too will appear with him
 in glory.
 ~ Colossians 3:4



Seeing is believing

You've heard the saying "Seeing is believing." Today's first reading seems to say just the opposite. You might think that when Jesus rose from the dead, everyone would see him. Then his friends would rejoice and those who had put him to death would repent (or run as fast as they could). Yet Peter says that he was only visible to some of the disciples. Jesus did not appear to Herod or Pilate or Caiaphas. The Pharisees and scribes did not see him, either. Even the disciples did not immediately see him. The first thing they saw was the empty tomb, with burial cloths lying on the ground. They may have thought that if his enemies had stolen Jesus' body, they would not have removed the burial cloths; touching a corpse would have made them unclean.
 So it seems the empty tomb helped them to believe, and believing enabled them to see the Lord. The exception to this may be Thomas, who said he would not believe until he saw and touched Jesus' risen body. Yet when he does see the Lord, Jesus himself declares that believing is primary when he blesses those who have not seen but still believe (John 20:31). I used to think that Jesus was invisible to non-believers, but Mary of Magdala saw him, thinking he was the gardener. Then she believed and recognized him.
 What does this mean for us? Jesus seems to be hidden again. Yet we say that he is present in the sacraments; baptism, Eucharist, and confirmation show that the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit live in us. So perhaps we just need to believe in order to see him. Mother Teresa could do it. She said she was amazed at the love she felt when she saw Jesus in the poor and the dying people of Calcutta. St. Francis saw him not only in the poor but in all creation. Maybe we need to grow in faith so that we can see Jesus in the poor, the dying, the people who annoy us, even our enemies. That is why it is so important to spread the faith; if we don't see Jesus in everyone, we may never have true peace.

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*St. Francis of Assisi
Catholic Church
Easter 2020
Easter Flower Memorials*

The following Deceased and Honorees are
Memorialized in the Beautiful Easter Flowers that adorn our Altar & Sanctuary on
Easter.

Memorials:

Frank Vass
Sean McCoy
William Braner
Joan Braner
Rosa Maria Panizo
Joseph Quinones
Juan Panizo
Betty Muley (2)
Riccio & Mulé Family
TeLese & Muley Family
Emily St. Philips (2)
Laura St. Philips
Harry St. Philips
Earl Stocker
James P. (Jim) Everett, Jr.
Jim & Garline Everett
Deceased members of the Kilkerr family
Jose Sámano
Deceased members of the Martinez & Sámano family

By:

Evan Vass
Anonymous
Sally & Joe Clark
Sally & Joe Clark
Anna R. Shoemaker (Quinones)
Anna R. Shoemaker (Quinones)
Anna R. Shoemaker (Quinones)
Nick A. Muley
Nick A. Muley
Nick A. Muley
Joe St. Philips
Joe St. Philips
Joe St. Philips
Cynthia & Bob McElhatten
Veronica Everett
Veronica Everett
Veronica Everett
Maria E. Sámano
Maria Martinez

Honorees:

Fr. Michael O'Neill I.C.
Catherine F. Mulé
The McElhatten Girls
Fr. Edison & Fr. Bibin
The dedicated Office & Parish Volunteers
Rolando Martinez & Maria E. Sámano
The Martinez & Sámano Family

By:

Evan Vass
Nick A. Muley
Cynthia & Bob McElhatten
The McElhatten's
The McElhatten's
Maria Martinez
Maria Martinez



Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo!

Hace poco escuché sobre una historia que decía algo como esto: “Una niña de tres años, Nicole, estaba tan ansiosa por que llegara la Pascua como lo había estado por la Navidad. Un día, cuando Nicole y su padre se detuvieron en una tienda para comprarle un par de zapatos nuevos ... una vez más dijo: “¡No puedo esperar a que papá de Pascua!”, su padre le preguntó: “¿Sabes lo que significa Pascua, cariño?” Ella respondió: “Sí”. ¿Qué quiere decir Pascua? “Con los brazos en alto, una sonrisa en su rostro, y en lo alto de su voz dijo: “¡Sorpresa!”

¿Qué mejor palabra podría resumir el significado de Pascua, “Sorpresa!” En el relato de Mateo sobre la resurrección, se nos dice que los guardias, así como las mujeres, se sorprendieron cuando supieron que Jesús había resucitado de entre los muertos. Las mujeres habían llegado con profunda tristeza a la tumba de Cristo, esperando y creyendo que Él yacía muerto en su tumba. ¡Sin embargo, las mujeres experimentaron la MAYOR SORPRESA de sus vidas! Cristo ya no estaba muerto, ¡ESTABA VIVO! Estrechamente relacionado con la sorpresa de las mujeres estaba su ALEGRÍA. Mateo nos dice en el versículo 8: “Entonces (las mujeres), partieron rápidamente de la tumba con miedo y GRAN ALEGRÍA, y corrieron a decirle a sus discípulos”. Fueron sorprendidos por la alegría en la resurrección de Cristo. Su tristeza, oscuridad y desesperación fueron vencidas por la SORPRENDENTE y ALEGRÍA noticia de la Resurrección.

Nosotros también hemos sido SORPRENDIDOS POR LA ALEGRÍA en la Resurrección de Cristo. Nuestra tristeza, oscuridad y desesperación han sido vencidas por las SORPRENDENTES, ALEGRÍAS NOTICIAS DE LA RESURRECCIÓN. Esto sucede de muchas maneras diferentes para cada uno de nosotros a lo largo de nuestra vida. Por ejemplo, sucede cuando una situación imposible se transforma en una situación posible. Ocurre cuando esperamos lo peor, pero con la ayuda de Dios, recibimos lo mejor. La sorprendente alegría de Cristo se experimenta siempre que: una persona enferma se cura de su enfermedad; un ateo recibe el don de la fe; los enemigos se reconcilian entre sí; los esclavos reciben una nueva libertad. Estas son solo algunas de las muchas alegrías sorprendentes de la Resurrección de Cristo que experimentamos en la vida.

Mateo menciona una segunda cualidad o característica del gozo de las mujeres en el versículo 9: “Y he aquí, Jesús se encontró con ellas y se acercaron y se apoderaron de Sus pies y lo ADORARON”. La alegría que nos da nuestro Señor resucitado nos lleva a responder al adorarlo.

Si estamos verdaderamente alegres, seguramente QUEREMOS RESPONDER AL CRISTO RESUCITADO ADORÁNDOLO. Cuando nos reunimos aquí todos los domingos, celebramos su presencia resucitada entre nosotros.

Esta instrucción para “IR Y CUENTAR” no solo fue dada a las mujeres y a los discípulos, ¡es una instrucción para CADA UNO DE NOSOTROS, TAMBIÉN! Estamos llamados a compartir las Buenas Nuevas con ALEGRÍA y CONFIANZA en que la maravillosa acción salvadora de Dios, a través de la Resurrección de Cristo, HA GANADO LA VICTORIA SOBRE EL PECADO, EL MAL Y LA MUERTE.

¡Que nosotros, como las mujeres, como Nicole, de tres años, estemos tan llenos de la alegría y el entusiasmo de la resurrección de Cristo que nosotros también tengamos que COMPARTIR ESTA BUENA NOTICIA CON TODO EL MUNDO!

Les deseo una feliz y bendita Pascua para usted y su familia.

P. Edison Bernavas I.C



Bienvenidos a San Francisco de Asís!



Damos una especial bienvenida a todos los visitantes y nuevos feligreses que han venido hoy a celebrar la Misa con nosotros. Si usted es nuevo en nuestra comunidad, Bienvenido! Si vive en esta área y participa de la Misa regularmente, le invitamos a unirse a nuestra parroquia. Registrarse es importante para asuntos de bautizo, primera comunión, confirmación, unción de los enfermos y funerales.

La inscripción es muy fácil. Los formularios se encuentran a la entrada de la parroquia. Son unas tarjetas de color crema con el título “**Registro Parroquial**”. Después de completarla, colóquela en el buzón ubicado en la puerta al lado de la fuente de agua.

Lecturas de Hoy

Primera lectura — Pedro es un testigo: el Señor ha resucitado (Hechos 10:34a, 37-43).

Salmo — Este es el día del triunfo del Señor. Aleluya (Salmo 118 [117]).

(1) Segunda lectura — Todos los bautizados, eleven su corazón al cielo (Colosenses 3:1-4) o

(2) Segunda lectura — Cristo, nuestra Pascua, fue sacrificado; por tanto celebremos (1 Corintios 5:6b-8).

Evangelio — Tres testigos, María, Pedro y Juan; cada uno responde a la tumba vacía (Juan 20:1-9) o

Mateo 28:1-10 (o en la Misa de la tarde o de la noche, Lucas 24:13-35).

**No hay misas programadas
Hasta nuevo aviso**

La adoración a la eucaristía continuará durante las horas regulares de la parroquia de 8:30 a.m. a 4:00 p.m.

Horario de oficina parroquial

La oficina permanecerá abierta durante el horario normal de 9:00 a.m. a 4:00 p.m. y continuará sirviendo almuerzo para los necesitados.

Cena para los necesitados

La cena para los necesitados continuará, a menos que se indique lo contrario, todos los miércoles a las 4:30 p.m. en el comedor. La cena se servirá y se distribuirá en cajas para llevar.

Confesiones

Llame a la oficina de la parroquia al (813) 681-9115 para programar una confesión con el Padre Edison o el P. Bibin.

Oración

Dios de la vida en abundancia,
tú que nos has dado la causa de nuestra gran alegría en este día de Pascua,
incluso en medio de nuestras pruebas.
Concédenos la gracia de compartir esta buena nueva con todos nuestros hermanos y hermanas
y dignate escuchar todas estas súplicas nuestras.
Por Cristo, nuestro Señor resucitado. Amen.



Oración—Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Señor Jesucristo, nuestro médico divino, te pedimos que nos guarde y protejas del coronavirus COVID-19 y de todas las enfermedades graves. Por todos los que murieron, ten piedad; para aquellos que están enfermos ahora, triales curación. Para aquellos que buscan un remedio, ilumínalos; para los médicos y a los que ayudan a los enfermos, fortalécelos y protégelos. Para aquellos que trabajan para contener la propagación, concédanles éxito; para los que tienen miedo, concédeles paz. Que tu preciosa sangre sea nuestra defensa y salvación. Por tu gracia, que puedas convertir el mal de la enfermedad en momentos de consuelo y esperanza. Que siempre tengamos miedo al contagio del pecado más que a cualquier enfermedad. Nos abandonamos a tu infinita misericordia. Amén.

Por favor únase a nuestra comunidad en línea

“FORMED”

Como miembro, tendrá acceso a entretenidas películas, inspiradoras charlas en audio, estudios bíblicos informativos y mucho más.

Proporcionamos este recurso de forma gratuita para ayudar a nuestros miembros a aprender y crecer en su fe. Así que únase a nosotros. **Para inscribirse GRATIS, simplemente visítenos aquí:** <https://stfranciscc.formed.org> y use el código parroquial: Y499KR.

¿Duele del aborto?

El Proyecto Rachel ofrece la curación posterior al aborto para mujeres y hombres afectados por el aborto, ayudándoles a avanzar hacia la reconciliación con ellos mismos, su hijo nonato, la familia, la fe y Dios en un entorno confidencial, sin prejuicios, atento y esperanzador. Cronogramas de curación posterior al aborto para 2020:



11 de Abril Retiro de 10 horas de A Son's Journey para hombres. Para más información llame al Proyecto Rachel al (813) 924-4173 o visite www.rachelsvineyard.org

Celebra Semana Santa y Pascua con EWTN

Obtenga más información sobre su fe durante la época más sagrada del año con las películas, documentales, musicales, programas infantiles y mucho más de EWTN. Unase a la celebración de la misa desde Roma y Washington, D.C. Obtenga detalles del programa en www.ewtn.com. Además, durante la Cuaresma, asegúrese de visitar el sitio web especial de la Cuaresma, www.ewtn.com/lent

Cómo ver o escuchar la Misa

Hay muchos recursos en línea y canales católicos que pueden ayudarnos a participar en la misa virtualmente. Visite: <https://www.dosp.org/chancellor/directory/radio-and-tv-broadcast-masses/> para ver las diferentes opciones en Español e Inglés.

Adoración Eucarística:

Lunes - Viernes..... 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Legión de María:

Martes después de la Misa de 8:00 a.m. (Inglés)

Novena a Nuestra Señora, Reina de la Paz:

Martes después de la Misa de 8:00 a.m. (Inglés)

Sacramento de Reconciliación:

Jueves 6.00 p.m.– 6:30 p.m.

Sábado 5.30 p.m.

O a cualquier hora haciendo cita con el sacerdote.

Unción de los Enfermos:

Confiere al cristiano una gracia especial para enfrentar las dificultades propias de una enfermedad grave o vejez. Este Sacramento está disponible en cualquier momento.

Bautismo:

Por favor comuníquese con María Elena Parrilla.

Matrimonio

Llame a la oficina de la parroquia por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha deseada.

Horas de Oficina:

Lunes - Viernes 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

EN LA CARIDAD DE SUS ORACIONES, por favor oren por aquellos que están enfermos en su casa o confinados en hospitales y hogares para ancianos, especialmente por las siguientes personas:

Pat Allen, Katheryn Auton, Helen Bacovsin, Jerry Bauer, Bonnie Beaudry, Patsy Bourassa, Monica Brandies, Frances Calvani, Jim Calvani, Jay Cantwell, Marie Casale, Buddy Chapman, Katrina Crooks, Vaughn Crooks, Todd Davis, James Dailey, Jim Decker, Lilah Gill, Scott Gill, Rachel Harlor, Rhett Keane, Ethel Kotrady, Mary Little, Chuck Lloyd, Dale Mattice, Norman McKenzie, Jim Miller, Billie Morrow, David Mueller, Darryl Mummert, Andy Murphy, Ed & Gerry Murray, Diania Niles, Dymrna O'Reily, Antonio Pascual Theresa Polak, Ruth Pope, Judy Ragan, Jordan Schadrie, Bruce Scheuerman, Ed Shea, Sue Soleau, Bernadette Suppa, Joe Suppa, Jr., Phyllis Suppa, Mary Edwina Binwa Sylvester, Richard Tompkins, Heather Trotto, John Vicario, David, Janice, David Weddermann, Janice Weddermann, Robby Weddermann, Kurt Wicker, Donna Wiley, Mary Winiarski, John Yeninas, Ron Ziegler, La familia Doug Shoup.

Por favor recuerde llamar a la oficina si necesita añadir el nombre de un familiar a la lista de oraciones. Los nombres se mantendrán en esta lista por cuatro semanas, a menos que usted nos indique que es una enfermedad a largo tiempo. Gracias por su soporte y colaboración.

Oramos por las personas que están luchando con alguna enfermedad. Señor, pasa tu mano sanadora sobre ellas, y líbralas del sufrimiento, concédeles una pronta recuperación, fortaleza y cuidado mientras se sanan. Gracias en el nombre de Jesús, Amén

Por favor recuerden orar por nuestras tropas, especialmente:

Casey James Casale
Alejandro Cuesta
Tony Cuesta
Matt Daniels
Spencer Dewey
Jesse Doyle
Remy Herrero
Dan Holder
Christopher Jeffers
Patrick Junker

Wesley Kosierowski
Nicholas Kosierowski
Leobardo Martinez
Michael Mulhern
Collin Newman
Keenan Newman
Donovan O'Connor
Magaly Oliu
Paul Michael Presley
Derrick M. Shea
& Logan

(Recuerde que para añadir el nombre de una persona a esta lista deberá llamar a la oficina.)

Formas de adorar a Dios y practicar nuestra fe mientras se suspenden misas

- ◆ Pase tiempo con las Escrituras como individuos y como familia. Los católicos pueden encontrar las lecturas de misas dominicales y diarias en línea en USCCB.org, tanto en forma escrita como en audio.
- ◆ Use su tiempo normal de adoración para practicar una forma más contemplativa de orar a través de la Lectio Divina, que es simplemente meditar o contemplar los textos de la Sagrada Escritura, lo que les permite llevarlos a una comunión de oración más profunda. Los grupos parroquiales pueden hacer uso de las redes sociales para reunirse virtualmente para rezar, el rosario o la Liturgia de las Horas.
- ◆ Visite www.dosp.org para sugerencias.

Domingo de Pascua

Quando se manifieste Cristo,
vida de ustedes,
entonces también ustedes se manifiestarán gloriosos, juntamente con él.
~Colosenses 3:4



Ayudando a los fieles a apoyar sus parroquias

Con la suspensión de misas públicas y el distanciamiento social para apoyar los esfuerzos de la comunidad para frenar la propagación de la enfermedad, una realidad que enfrentan nuestras parroquias es que los gastos operativos básicos se abordan a través de la participación activa en la ofrenda del ofertorio. La intención es que nuestras parroquias continúen ministrando y sirviendo a nuestras comunidades durante este tiempo, y por lo tanto, el apoyo no solo es apreciado, es vital para la salud y la estabilidad de cada parroquia, incluso cuando las puertas no están abiertas el fin de semana para la misa. Mientras que algunos enfrentan dificultades financieras ellos mismos, otros pueden estar buscando una manera de continuar apoyando a su parroquia. Para aquellos que actualmente no utilizan donaciones en línea, la Oficina de Administración y Desarrollo ha creado un recurso para conectar a los feligreses con el sitio de donaciones de su parroquia. Haga clic en visitar "<https://www.dosp.org/stewardship/supporting-your-parish/>" and select "St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Seffner"

Dios misericordioso

en tu gran amor por nosotros permitiste que tu Hijo Jesucristo hiciera el último sacrificio. Concede que podamos reconocerlo y emularlo en nuestras propias vidas por el bien del resto del mundo, y escucha estas oraciones que hacemos en su nombre, quien es nuestro Señor por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.