

# Parish of the Nativity

Diocese of Victoria in Texas

Most Reverend Brendan J. Cahill, Bishop

Fr. Peter Oscar Amo, Pastor

March 22, 2026

**EUCCHARIST CELEBRATION SANCTUARY - SATURDAY 5:00PM; SUNDAY 8:00AM (Español), 10:00AM (English)**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 7:30AM Rosary 8:00 AM Mass

Adoration of the **BLESSED SACRAMENT** - Friday after 8:00AM Mass

**OFFICE HOURS:** Tuesday-Thursday, 8:00AM-5:00PM (CLOSED Monday & Friday)

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**Office Staff:** Sylvia Sosa & Ruth Vazquez

**Cynthia Sunderman:** Pastoral Music Director/**Gerardo Vazquez:** Spanish Pastoral Music

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 21

5:00PM Joe & Kay Frybert †

### SUNDAY, MARCH 22

8:00AM Ramón Maldonado

10:00AM Lynn Rucka †

### TUESDAY, MARCH 24

8:00AM Salvador Rangel †

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

8:00AM Maria de la Luz – Por Su Salud

### THURSDAY, MARCH 26

8:00AM Bellanira Samaniego – Acción de Gracias

### FRIDAY, MARCH 27

8:00AM People of the Parish

### SATURDAY, MARCH 28

5:00PM Wilfred Wick †

### SUNDAY, MARCH 29

8:00AM Zoe Samaniego - Birthday

10:00AM Peace in the World

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY

### SATURDAY, MARCH 28 - 5:00PM

Altar Servers: Lia Osorio

Lector: Crystal Martinez

Eucharist Minister: Teresa Samaniego

### SUNDAY, MARCH 29 - 8:00AM

Altar Servers: Luis & Sofia Palomares

Lector: Yanet Becerra

Eucharist Minister: Yanet Becerra

### SUNDAY, MARCH 29 - 10:00AM

Altar Servers: Lila Torres

Lector: Bridget Belman

Eucharist Minister: Bridget Belman

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO SERVE ON YOUR ASSIGNED DAY,  
YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTACTING ANOTHER  
VOLUNTEER TO SERVE FOR YOU.**

**We would like to remind Altar Servers to please arrive  
10-15 minutes before mass. This will allow time for you to  
get ready, as well as light the candles and set out items for  
Fr. Oscar.**

## DAILY READINGS

|       |        |                                                                                                   |
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| Sun   | Mar 22 | Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rm 8:8 11; Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45     |
| Mon   | Mar 23 | Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; P s 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11                   |
| Tue   | Mar 24 | Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30                                                   |
| Wed   | Mar 25 | Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4; Lk 1:26-38                                  |
| Thurs | Mar 26 | Gen 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59                                                      |
| Fri   | Mar 27 | Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42                                              |
| Sat   | Mar 28 | Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56                                                |
| Sun   | Mar 29 | Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or Mt 27:11-54 |

**Announcements**

- \* **COMMUNITY LENTEN LUNCHEON** - United Methodist Church, 200 West Prairie Ave; Monday, March 23 – 11:30am; Fr. Oscar will be the presenter. Everyone is welcome, we hope to see you there to celebrate the Easter Holy season with lunch and fellowship. There is no charge but offerings are encouraged. Net proceeds go to benefit the Eagle Lake Community Food Pantry.
- \* **ALMUERZO COMUNITARIO DE CUARESMA** - Iglesia Metodista Unida, 200 West Prairie Ave; lunes 23 de marzo, 11:30am; el Padre Oscar será el presentador. Todos están invitados, esperamos verlos a allí para celebrar la Pascua con un almuerzo y un momento de confraternidad. La entrada es gratuita, pero se agradecen las ofrendas. Lo recaudado se destinará al Banco de Alimentos Comunitario de Eagle Lake.
- \* **LIVE RE-ENACTMENT OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS** is a significant event that allows participants to connect with the Passion of Christ. Parish of the Nativity volunteers are presenting this event in both English and Spanish. It is a meaningful experience for everyone, regardless of their language or background. The event is scheduled for 5:00pm on March 27, 2026, at the Parish of the Nativity Pavilion. Everyone is welcome, we hope to see you there.
- \* **REPRESENTACIÓN EN VIVO DEL VÍA CRUCIS** es un evento significativo que permite a los participantes conectar con la Pasión de Cristo. Voluntarios de la Parroquia de la Natividad presentarán este evento tanto en inglés como en español. Es una experiencia significativa para todos, sin importar su idioma o origen. El evento está programado a las 5:00pm el 27 de marzo de 2026 en el Pabellón de la Parroquia de la Natividad. Todos están invitados, esperamos verlos a allí.
- \* **MASS INTENTIONS** - We would like to kindly remind everyone that mass Intentions are scheduled by calling or visiting the office. A minimum offering of \$5.00 is requested for each mass intention.
- \* **INTENCIONES DE MISA** - Les recordamos que las intenciones de misa se programan llamando o visitando la oficina. Se solicita una ofrenda mínima de \$5.00 por cada intención de misa.

**Upcoming designated Collections**

- \* **Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl** – March 21 & 22
- \* **Collection for Education of Seminarians of the DOV (Holy Thursday)** – April 2
- \* **Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land** – April 3
- \* **Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA)**- 1st Weekend of Each Month – April 4 & 5
- \* **Building Fund In Memory of** – April 4 & 5

**Upcoming Events**

All meetings are at Didner Hall unless otherwise noted

- \* **MASS AT ARBOR HILLS NURSING HOME** – Wednesday, April 1; 1:30pm – everyone is invited
- \* **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS** annual Chicken Fried Chicken Fundraiser - Tuesday, April 7. Plates are \$13.00 each; serving will begin at 5:00pm until 6:30pm at Didner Hall, drive-through only. Tickets are available from the Catholic Daughters members.
- \* **EAGLE LAKE KC'S COUNCIL #4843** – Tuesday, April 7; meal 6:30pm; meeting 7:00pm
- \* **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** – Thursday, April 9th; 6:30pm
- \* **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COURT #2465** – Tuesday, April 28th – 6:00pm (no meetings June, July, December)

**HAPPENINGS AROUND THE DIOCESE - (Go to [victoriadiocese.org](http://victoriadiocese.org) for more info)**

**STRENGTH FOR THE JOURNEY: A GRIEF MINISTRY FOR PARENTS WHO HAVE LOST THEIR CHILD.** Grief Day Retreat Sat., March 28, 10:00am – 4:00pm KC Hall in Schulenburg. Reg. @ [www.victoriadiocese.org/griefsupport](http://www.victoriadiocese.org/griefsupport) or Call Pat Hoelscher @ 979-257-9984

**FORTALECIMIENTO PARA EL CAMINO: UN MINISTERIO DE DUELO PARA PADRES QUE HAN PERDIDO A UN HIJO.** Retiro de Día de Duelo, sábado 28 de marzo, de 10:00am - 4:00pm, en el KC Hall de Schulenburg. Regístrese en [www.victoriadiocese.org/griefsupport](http://www.victoriadiocese.org/griefsupport) o llame a Pat Hoelscher al 979-257-9984.

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**COLUMBUS COMMUNITY CHOIR** is presenting the Cantata "Come Walk with Me....Through the Passion and Resurrection of Christ. - Palm Sunday, March 29, at 5:00pm. A flyer is posted on the church bulletin board. Parishioners Cynthia Sunderman and Chuck & Donna Stephens are members of this choir. The Cantata will be held at the Columbus High School Auditorium. Everyone is welcome to this free event.

**EL CORO COMUNITARIO DE COLUMBUS** presenta la cantata "Ven a caminar conmigo... a través de la Pasión y Resurrección de Cristo". - Domingo de Ramos, 29 de marzo, a las 5:00pm. Hay un folleto informativo en el tablón de anuncios de la iglesia. Los feligreses Cynthia Sunderman y Chuck y Donna Stephens son miembros de este coro. La cantata se presentará en el auditorio de la escuela secundaria de Columbus. Todos son bienvenidos a este evento gratuito.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 31ST CHRISM MASS 10:00am**, Our Lady of Victory Cathedral, Victoria: The Chrism Mass is a yearly liturgy concelebrated by a bishop and the priests of his diocese, during which the bishop blesses oils for sacramental use throughout the diocese for the coming year. It is during this Mass that the holy oils used in Baptism, Confirmation, the Ordination of priests and bishops and the Anointing of the Sick are blessed. During this Mass, priests renew their priestly promises. The liturgy commemorates the priestly vocation of the Church, particularly of the clergy who share in the sacred ministry of priesthood.

**MARTES 31 DE MARZO, MISA CRISTIANA, 10:00am**, Catedral de Nuestra Señora de la Victoria, Victoria: La Misa Crismal es una liturgia anual concelebrada por un obispo y los sacerdotes de su diócesis, durante la cual el obispo bendice los óleos para uso sacramental en toda la diócesis durante el próximo año. Es durante esta Misa que se bendicen los santos óleos utilizados en el Bautismo, la Confirmación, la Ordenación de sacerdotes y obispos y la Unción de los Enfermos. Durante esta Misa, los sacerdotes renuevan sus promesas sacerdotales. La liturgia conmemora la vocación sacerdotal de la Iglesia, particularmente del clero que participa del sagrado ministerio del sacerdocio.

**ST. WENCESLAUS CHURCH SPRING FUNDRAISER** St. Wenceslaus at 407 S. Third Street in Beasley will be having their 2026 fundraiser on Sunday, March 29. Chicken-fried chicken and trimmings will be served from 10:30 until sold out. Both drive thru and dine in. Homemade kolaches and other pastries will be available.

**MOULTON EASTER PICNIC, SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH, ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL CENTER:** Mass 10am, Easter Egg Hunt: Fried Chicken Dinner \$15, 10:30am, Dine in, drive-thru, plates to go. Fried Chicken to go available.

**ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH, WEIMAR, SPRING FESTIVAL**, Sunday, April 26th: Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner: 11am -Plates \$15, Drive-Thru & Take-Home plates available.

**MEN'S ACT RETREAT** Registration is now open for the next Men's ACTS Retreat to be held May 7-10, 2026 at the Spiritual Renewal Center. Registration and medical release forms are available at the Rectory or you can contact Retreat Director, Brad MacFarlane at 361-550-4775, Retreat Co-Director, Ben Huante at 361-465-2290, or the Parish Office at 361-575-4741.

**THE DIOCESE OF VICTORIA YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY** is accepting registrations for Camp David, a Catholic camp for middle school students. The camp will be held at the Diocese Spiritual Renewal Center in June and they will have 2 sessions. A flyer is posted on the church bulletin board.



**Altar Servers Needed** – for the Saturday 5:00pm mass and the Sunday 10:00am mass. Once again, we are calling on all our young people 4th grade and above to consider becoming altar servers. When you volunteer to be an altar server you help the church by assisting your priest at God's Holy Altar. Being an altar server teaches you to be responsible, follow a schedule, and commit to something important. If you have made your 1st Communion we encourage you to consider serving as an altar server; please call the office at 979-234-2842 for more information.

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**Se necesitan monaguillos** para la misa del sábado a las 5:00pm y la misa del domingo a las 10:00am. Una vez más, invitamos a todos nuestros jóvenes de 4.º grado en adelante a que consideren ser monaguillos. Al ofrecerse como monaguillos, ayudan a la iglesia asistiendo a su sacerdote en el Santo Altar de Dios. Ser monaguillo les enseña a ser responsables, a seguir un horario y a comprometerse con algo importante. Si ya hicieron su primera comunión, los animamos a considerar servir como monaguillos; llamen a la oficina al 979-234-2842 para más información.

## LENT MASS SCHEDULE 2026

LENT begins with the celebration of ASH WEDNESDAY on February 18. There will be 2 masses: 8:00AM (English) & 6:30PM (Bi-Lingual), with the distribution of ashes at both masses.

THE LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation – Thursday, March 19 at 6:00pm; several visiting priests, both English and Spanish speaking, will be available throughout the church to offer individual confession.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS continues every Friday during LENT at 6:00PM.

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PALM SUNDAY VIGIL, SATURDAY, MARCH 28 – 5:00PM - Gather outside for the blessing of the palms.

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 29 - 8:00AM & 10:00AM - Gather outside for the blessing of the palms.

TUESDAY, MARCH 31 & WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1 – 8:00AM MORNING MASS

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 2 & GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3 – NO MORNING MASS

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 2 - WASHING OF THE FEET – 7:00PM

- \* Father will select 12 parishioners to get their feet washed.
- \* There will be a second collection for Seminarians.
- \* Anyone who would like to stay and pray for a while is more than welcome to do so.
- \* After mass there will be a small gathering at Didner Hall - please come by!

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3 - PASSION OF THE LORD - 2:00PM

- \* We will gather outside for the stations of the cross.
- \* After the stations of the cross we will proceed inside for the rest of the service.
- \* After service remember to leave quietly and try to remain quiet even at home.

EASTER VIGIL, SATURDAY, APRIL 4 (NO 5:00PM MASS) – LIGHTING OF THE FIRE – 7:00PM - Gather outside for the lighting of the fire. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own candles.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5 - 8:00AM & 10:00AM

## **HORARIO DE MISA DE CUARESMA 2026**

**LA CUARESMA** comienza con la celebración del Miércoles de Ceniza el 18 de febrero. Habrá dos misas: 8:00am (en inglés) y 6:30pm (bilingüe), con la distribución de ceniza en ambas.

**SERVICIO DE PENITENCIA CUARESMA** para recibir el Sacramento de la Reconciliación: jueves 19 de marzo a las 6:00pm; varios sacerdotes visitantes, tanto angloparlantes como hispanoparlantes, estarán disponibles en toda la iglesia para ofrecer confesiones individuales.

**EL VÍA CRUCIS** continúa todos los viernes de Cuaresma a las 6:00pm.

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**VIGILIA DE DOMINGO DE RAMOS, SÁBADO 28 DE MARZO** – 5:00PM - Reúnanse afuera para la bendición de las palmas.

**DOMINGO DE RAMOS, 29 DE MARZO** - 8:00AM Y 10:00AM - Reúnanse afuera para la bendición de las palmas.

**MARTES 31 DE MARZO Y MIÉRCOLES 1 DE ABRIL – 8:00AM MISA DE LA MAÑANA**

**JUEVES SANTO 2 Y VIERNES SANTO 3 DE ABRIL – NO HAY MISA DE LA MAÑANA**

**JUEVES SANTO 2 DE ABRIL - LAVADO DE PIES – 7:00PM**

- \* El Padre seleccionará a 12 feligreses para el lavado de pies.
- \* Habrá una segunda colecta para los seminaristas.
- \* Cualquier persona que desee quedarse a orar un rato es más que bienvenida.
- \* Después de la misa, habrá una pequeña reunión en Didner Hall. ¡Por favor, vengan!

**VIERNES SANTO, 3 DE ABRIL - PASIÓN DEL SEÑOR - 2:00PM**

- \* Nos reuniremos afuera para el Vía Crucis.
- \* Después del Vía Crucis, nos reuniremos adentro para el resto del servicio.
- \* Después del servicio, recuerden salir en silencio y tratar de mantener silencio incluso en casa.

**VIGILIA PASCUA, SÁBADO 4 DE ABRIL (NO HAY MISA DE 5:00PM) - ENCENDIDO DEL FUEGO** - 7:00PM - Reúnanse afuera para el encendido del fuego. Se anima a todos a traer sus propias velas.

**DOMINGO DE PASCUA, 5 DE ABRIL - 8:00AM Y 10:00AM**