



## ST. JUSTIN PARISH

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SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



“Blessed is the king who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Peace in heaven  
and glory in the highest.”  
- Lk 19:38

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Community Ministry\*

## Help Jesus To Mount The Colt

The disciples helped Jesus to mount the colt (donkey). The humanness of Jesus is always expressed in the Gospel narrative. He cried at some point which means he needs our sympathy and empathy. He was tired at one time and was fast asleep, he needed some time for himself. Most of the time we do not see that our bosses are humans too, not superhuman. Our fathers and mothers are just as fragile as we are. They always need our help. Jesus in his *Godness* needed the apostles to help him mount the colt. But that was a sign that our human nature always calls for help no matter what our status in life.

I have shared many times how I did not know that my mother was as hungry as we were while growing up after the Civil War. Foods were rationed by the military government and people barely had something to eat. We would go and stand in the long line for hours, only to get a few cups of rice or beans depending on what the soldiers came to share. We do not have the liberty of choosing what to get and what not to get. Sometimes there would be so much commotion that the army would refuse to share, and we would go back hungry.

At home, my mother would cook whatever we had left, and the food distributed to us. I cannot count how many times she dished out all the food and nothing was left in the pot for her,



and she would beckon on us to come and pick our shares. It never occurred to me that she was as hungry as we were or even more hungry, because she had to go to the Ministry of Education to report as a teacher for her salary to be paid. How I wish I knew she was hungry and needed food like my brothers and I did. My father was never near the kitchen, maybe he knew as well that nothing was coming his way. I wish I knew at that time that they also needed to eat.

Our friends, families, co-workers, and classmates are not superhuman. They are made of flesh and blood. Jesus needed the help of the apostles to mount the colt so that he could triumphantly go into Jerusalem. The same way our bosses, our superiors, or leaders all needed help from us to triumph.

**-Fr. Gerald Nwafor**

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

|              | Sunday<br>4/06/2025 | Fiscal Year To Date<br>7/01/24-4/06/2025 |
|--------------|---------------------|--|
| Goal         | \$11,300            | \$452,00.00                              |
| Collected    | \$13,776.12         | \$476,679.22                             |
| Over/(Short) | \$2,476.12          | \$24,679.22                              |

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# Weekly Prayer

## MASST INTENTIONS Prayer REQUESTS

**April 14 – 20, 2025**

**Monday 8:30am**

Balwant Khaira  
Anthony Nguyen  
Francisco Xavier Dieu Phan +

**Tuesday 8:30am**

All Souls  
Balwant Khaira  
Anna T. Pham +

**Wednesday 8:30am**

All Souls  
Balwant Khaira  
Rosario Llamas

**Holy Thursday 8:30am**

Morning Prayer

**Good Friday 8:30am**

Morning Prayer

**Holy Saturday 8:00am**

Morning Prayer

**Easter Vigil 8:00pm**

For All Parishioners

**Easter Sunday 7:30am**

Balwant Khaira  
James R. Shoaf, III +

**Easter Sunday 9:00am**

Carmen Herrera  
Rich Rojas +  
Diane Serrienne  
Val T. Wilson +

**Easter Sunday 10:30am**

Noelle Ortiz

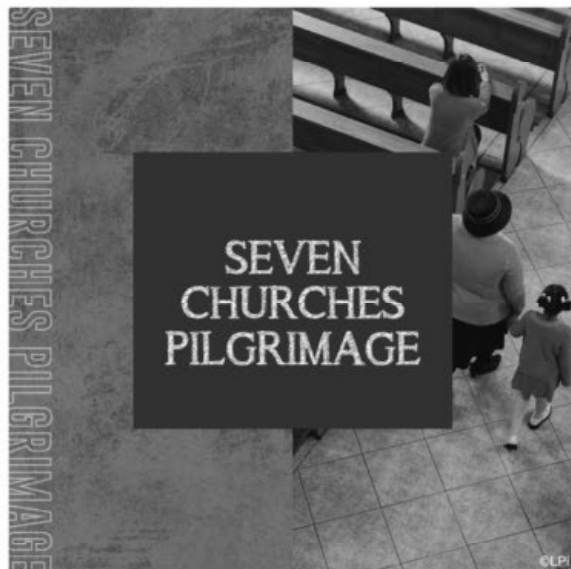
**Easter Sunday 12:15pm**

Manuel Escobar +  
Felicitas Sanchez +

We pray for those who are ill or suffering from loneliness, sadness, or depression. We pray for those who care for them. We pray for our deceased family and friends. We pray for our men and women who are serving in the military.

This week we pray especially for those who are ill or preparing for surgery:  
Kevin Bartholet, Joanne Cabral, Kane David Carlin, Carmen Cordina, Diane Cribari, David Dietz, Ursula Duncan, Rodolfo Feliciano, Rose Gackstetter, Crystal Galvez, Curtis Hambrick, Sr. , Hasan Hanusic, Michael Hastings, Clorinda Hite, Patricia Hogensen, Gabriella Ip, Balwant Khaira, Efrain Linares, Shirley McDonell, John McLachlan, Angelina Medina, Fred Nyulassy, Noelle Ortiz, Janet Osbourne, George Perez, Dorothy Rosa, Tony Rosa, Otto Rosales, Norma Saporito, Maria Vergano

*and for those who have died this week: Zenaída Encarnacion*



### **Devotions, Explained!**

The Seven Churches Pilgrimage is the practice of visiting seven different churches on Holy Thursday, in imitation of the journey of Christ on the eve of his crucifixion, when he asked his disciples to stay with him as he awaited his Passion and death.

### **Prayer for Holy Week**

Dear Lord,  
I open my heart to You,  
offering every day and night to  
You in sacred surrender. I pray  
for the grace to accompany  
You in a special way this Holy  
Week, joining and offering the  
trials I encounter on our shared  
journey to the cross .... and to a  
victorious hope.  
Amen.

# CATECHETICAL MINISTRY NEWS

*Catechesis is more than just religious education.  
It is a life long journey towards a deeper relationship with Christ.*



## Ongoing Faith Formation

4yr olds and Kindergarten: Sunday, 9-10:00 a.m.

1st grade – Jr. High: Sunday, 10:15-11:30 a.m.

Registration forms are available at [st-justin.org](http://st-justin.org) or in the Parish Office.

## Sacramental Preparation Program

### First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

*Called to His Supper,*

Books are Due. Please turn them into the Parish Office no later than Holy Thursday!



*God's Gift: Reconciliation & Eucharist,*

Books and Binders are Due. Please turn them into the Parish Office no later than Holy Thursday!



## High School Confirmation Program

Episcopal Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation

Most Rev. Bishop Oscar Cantu

Saturday, April 26th

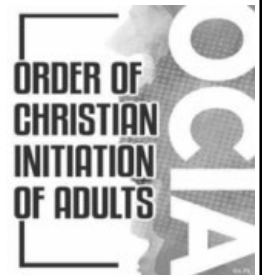
5:00 p.m.

Please keep our candidates in your prayers.

Contact [noel.balce@dsj.org](mailto:noel.balce@dsj.org) for more information

## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you are interested in joining OCIA, as a team member or as an inquirer, please contact the Parish ministry Office.



## Infant Baptism



Our next infant baptism preparation class is  
**Wednesday, May 21st** at 7 p.m.

Please email [laura.ortiz@dsj.org](mailto:laura.ortiz@dsj.org) to register.

# MINISTRY NEWS

## CALLED TO SHARE BREAD FOR LIFE



Holy Week, a sacred time in the liturgical year, invites us to journey with Christ through his Passion, Death and Resurrection. As we witness the Last Supper and Jesus' gift of the Eucharist, we are reminded of our call to be bread broken for others. Let us draw strength from the Bread of Life and dedicate

ourselves to serving our sisters and brothers who bear heavy crosses, bringing hope and the joy of the resurrection to the world. Visit [csrricebowl.org/holy-week](http://csrricebowl.org/holy-week) to learn more.

## St. Justin Community Ministry

### CLOTHES RACK NEWS



#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Clothes Rack primarily serves the needs of our unhoused clients and the families who use the St. Justin Food Pantry. They very much appreciate your donations of new and used clothing.

#### CURRENT NEEDS

Serviceable backpacks for those without permanent homes

Clean and lightly used or new blankets

#### ONGOING NEEDS

\*Men's pants, Medium and Large

\*Socks and Underwear

\*Tennis shoes

\*Rain jackets

#### NOT NEEDED

NO summer clothes

NO stained or unclean clothes

NO sleepwear

NO baby and children's clothes

Thank you from the volunteer staff of the Clothes Rack!

#### **CLOTHING DROP OFF HOURS:**

Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday, 10 -12 at Room 2  
(Clothes Rack Hours)

## Senior Citizen Outreach



Our next dinner is scheduled for **May 18, 2025.**  
**SMALL HALL**  
**1:30 P.M.**

## ALTAR SERVER

### TRAINING

### COMING SOON!



We are looking for current 4th graders or older to become apart of this important ministry. Please contact **Bill Catambay** to book a training appointment at [bill.catambay@excaliburworld.com](mailto:bill.catambay@excaliburworld.com) or call at 408-660-7689.

# DYR

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# Holy Week

## LITURGY SCHEDULE



### Holy Thursday: April 17<sup>th</sup>

Marks the beginning of the **Easter Triduum**—the three holiest days of the Christian year, leading up to Easter Sunday.

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m. – Mass of the Lord's Supper

*Altar of Repose until 11:00 p.m.*

### Good Friday: April 18<sup>th</sup>

The most solemn day in the Christian calendar, commemorating the **Passion and Death of Jesus Christ** on the Cross.

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

12:00 p.m. – Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Communion

7:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Communion

*Followed by the Procession of the Dead Christ inside the Church*

### Holy Saturday: April 19<sup>th</sup>

A day of **silence, waiting, and reflection**, as the Church pauses to meditate on the mystery of Christ's death and anticipate His glorious **Resurrection**.

8:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer

8:00 p.m. – Easter Vigil

# Hosanna!

### Easter Sunday: April 20<sup>th</sup>

The greatest and most important feast in the Christian calendar, celebrating the **Resurrection of Jesus Christ** from the dead.

7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Masses

**Saint Justin Parish Community**

*You are invited!*

# Christian Passover Seder Meal

*"For Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed."*

1 Corinthians 5:7



*RSVP*

**April 17, 2025,  
Holy Thursday  
2:00 – 4:00 PM  
Parish Ministry Center**

# Annual Diocesan Appeal

Supporting Our Mission Together

## \$200,000



| <i>Parish Goal</i> |              | <i># of Contributors</i> |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| \$175,469.50       | <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>290</b>               |
| \$18,530           | Weeks 9 & 10 | 30                       |
| \$9,000            | Week 8       | 15                       |
| \$13,844           | Week 7       | 26                       |
| \$13,290           | Week 6       | 9                        |
| \$9,175            | Week 5       | 24                       |
| \$18,715           | Week 4       | 35                       |
| \$9,858            | Week 3       | 27                       |
| \$33,642.50        | Week 2       | 48                       |
| \$52,915           | Week 1       | 76                       |

### WEEKDAY MASSES

*Monday to Friday*

8:30 a.m.

*Saturday*

8:00 a.m.

*Livestream via YouTube*

### WEEKEND MASSES

*Saturday*

5:00 p.m.

*Sunday*

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

*Livestream via YouTube*

10:30 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays

3:30-4:15 p.m.

Or by appointment



## WAYS TO SUPPORT THE CHURCH'S MISSION:

### 1. Securely Online

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### 4. Double the impact

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### Join the St. Francis Society!

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