



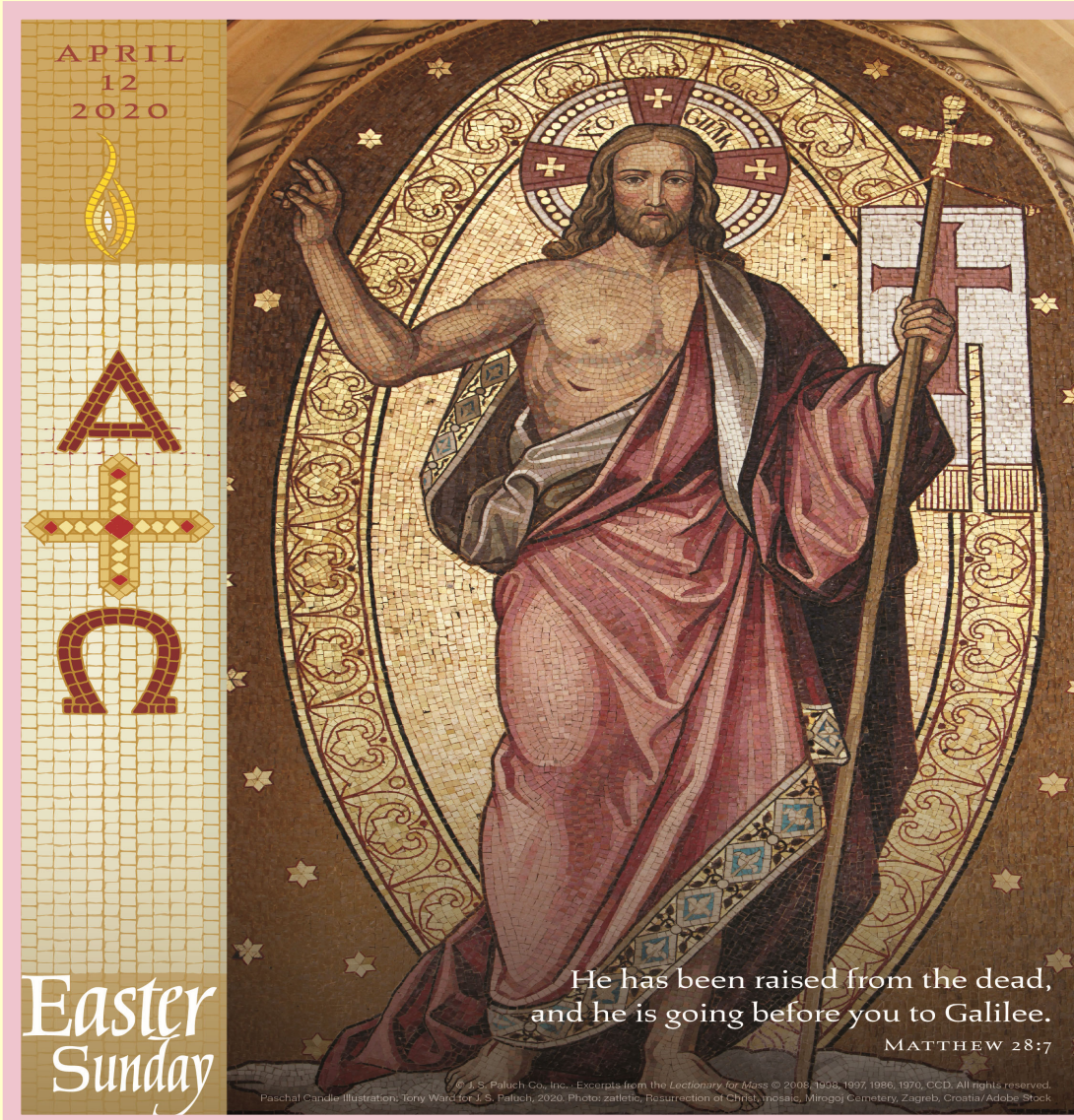
St. Matthew Catholic Church

10703 Wurzbach Rd. San Antonio, TX 78230-2499

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING (All Offices)
(210) 478-5000

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC SCHOOL
(210) 478-5099

“The mission of St. Matthew Catholic Church is to be a welcoming community that encounters Christ and leads others to Christ through prayer, sacraments, and charitable service.”





WORSHIP SERVICE

WEEKEND MASS Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:15, 11 am, 11:15 am St. Matthew Athletic Center Children's Liturgy of the Word & Eucharist, 12:45 pm (All Spanish Mass) and 6:00 pm

DAILY MASS Church Mon.—Fri. 6:00, 8:15 am ,
12:05 & 6:00 pm;
Sat., 8:15 am

Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration Always Open

Penance Wednesday 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday 4:00 - 5:30 pm Church (Or you may make an appointment with one of the parish priests)

Anointing of the Sick SECOND Sunday 2:00 pm
and Also on First Friday following 12:05 pm

Prayer Groups English Thursday 7:00 pm
Espanol Monday 8:00 pm

Novena to Miraculous Medal Tuesday 7:30 pm

PASTOR 478-5000
Rev. Dennis D. Aréchiga

PRIESTS 478-5000
Rev. Duncan Amek
Rev. Jake Empereur, SJ (Living in Residence)
Msgr. Juan Alfaro (Living in Residence)

DEACONS
Deacon Tom Fox 521-3377
Deacon Alonzo Guzman, Jr. 478-5000
Deacon Rafael Lara 601-0800
Deacon Michael Nealis 478-5000
Deacon John Ochiagha 478-5000
Deacon Scott Sowell 478-5094
Deacon Oscar Vela, Jr. 478-5060

RETIRED DEACONS
Deacs. Pete Cuellar, Ernesto Garza, Wilbur Hoelscher,
Roberto Rios, Tony Ludolph (210) 316-5086

PASTORAL COUNCIL PRESIDENT 478-5000

Jaime D. Martinez

FINANCE COUNCIL 478-5000

Rene Garcia

BUILDING COMMITTEE 478-5000

Jason Linahan

SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT 478-5099

Eloy Alcantar

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL 478-5099

Geneva Salinas

SCHOOL PTC 478-5044

Kimberly Gustafson, President

ALTAR SERVERS

Michael and Yvette Martinez **558-9117**

CATECHESIS-EDUCATION 478-5000

Sister Therese Gleitz (Children) 478-5010

Gloria Reyna (Liturgy with Children) 478-5019

Tracy Garcia (Parish Youth Minister/Confirmation) 478-5011

Loren Garcia (Youth Ministry Assistant) 478-5038

Gail Dereszewski, (Adult Education/RCIA Director) 478-5004

Beth Duarte (Adult Education Ministries/ACTS) 478-5006

Deacon Oscar Vela, Jr. (Baptisms/Convalidations) 478-5060

Deacon Alonzo Guzman, Jr. (Annulments) 538-8526

COUNSELORS 478-5000

Judith Poston, LCSW, CGP 478-5016

Mari Gonzalez, M.Ed., LPC 478-5018

Maria Leavy Hoelscher, Ph.D., LMFT 210 364-2215

COMMENTATORS/LECTORS 478-5000

Danny Padron 478-5005

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS 478-5000

Danny Padron 478-5005

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS 669-8377

Mary Klenke

USHERS 641-7670

Richard Loza

MUSIC COORDINATOR 478-5000

Sister Therese Gleitz 478-5010

ADMINISTRATION STAFF 478-5000

Bernard Zarazua (Facilities Manager) 478-5001

Jannelle Macias (Finance Manager) 478-5007

Nanette Dion (Business Manager) 478-5015

Kay Moczygemba (Pastor/Priests/Parish Secretary) 478-5003

Ginger Wurz (Catechesis Secretary) 478-5008

Vacant (To Be Announced) (Bookkeeper) 478-5014

Mary H. Freeman, (Baptisms/Confirmation Sacramentals) 478-5075

Georgia Wall (Senior Center Manager) 478-5017

Bruce Orey (Consolation Ministry) 478-5036

Chris Juarez, (Parish Athletic Director) 478-5027

Bill Cancel (Refugee Ministry) 478-5029

Javier Pacheco (Facilities Maintenance Supervisor) 478-5037

Danny Padron (Coordinator of Volunteers) 478-5005

Carol Ramirez (Membership) 478-5034

OFFICE

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

SENIOR NUTRITION CENTER

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

HOURS

Mon-Fri 8am to 7pm, Sat 9am-12N

Mon-Fri 8am to 4pm

Mon-Fri 8:30 am-12:30 pm

Tues-Sat 8:30 am to 12:00 pm (Noon)

PHONE

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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS	MEETING DAY	TIME	PARISH ORGANIZATIONS	MEETING DAY	TIME
Blessed Sacrament & Altar Society	1st Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Novena of the Miraculous Medal	Tuesdays	7:30 p.m.
ACTS Core Group	1st Monday	7:00 p.m.	Parish Pastoral Council	2nd Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Athletic Association	1st Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Perpetual Adoration	Mike Robles	579-0716
Cancer Support Group	Norma Willet	561-0581	Prayer Group (English)	Thursdays	7:00 p.m.
Catholic Daughters of America	3rd Monday	7:00 p.m.	Refugee Ministry	1st Monday	478-5029
Children's Mass	Sundays Athletic Center	11:15 a.m.	Respect Life Ministry	Deacon. Scott Sowell	478-5013
Choirs - ACTS	Sundays	7:30 a.m.	School Council	3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m.
Adults	Wednesdays	7:30 p.m.	SCOTS(Dolores Mc Atee)	Twice Monthly	340-5449
Bilingual	Tuesdays	8:00 p.m.	Scouts (Boys)	Stephen Tipps	694-0152
Children's	Saturdays	4:30 p.m.	Scouts - Cubs	Charles Butcher	437-3057
Young Adult Ensemble	Sundays	5:00 p.m.	Scouts - Venturing	Larry Grona	696-2889
Youth	Sundays	10:00 a.m.	Scouts -Girl	Sharon Beiter	275-6461
Christian Meditations	Wednesdays 7-8p.m.	445-1107	Society of St. Vincent de Paul	Tuesday-Saturday	8:30 a.m. - 12 Noon
Confraternity of Our Lady of Guadalupe	1st Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Mondays	8:00-9:00 p.m.
Finance Council	3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	St. Matthew's Mission Group	2nd Tuesday 7PM	344-7310
Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree	1st Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	St. Matthew's Singles (40+)	Thursdays MFC RM 106	7:00 p.m.
Knights of Columbus 4th Degree	3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Transportation Ministry	2-3 Days' Notice	478-5000
Legion of Mary	Monday	7:00 p.m.	Widow/Widower	1st & 3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Men's Club - Holy Name Society	2nd Monday	7:00 p.m.	YC ³ (Young Adults 25-40)	Beth Duarte	478-5006



QUICK MESSAGE-INFORMATION dial 478-5098

Emergency Line for Sickness/Sickness ONLY
 Deacons Office
 Mass and Confession Schedule
 Infant Baptism
 Marriage (Contact Church 6 Months prior to Wedding Date)
 CYO Athletic
 Senior Nutrition Center
 RCIA/Adult Confirmation

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

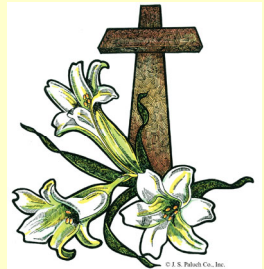


*"Exult, let them exult, the hosts of heaven,
 Exult, let Angel ministers of God exult,
 Let the trumpet of salvation sound aloud our mighty
 King's triumph!"*

*...
 O truly blessed night,
 when things of heaven are wed to those of earth,
 and divine to the human.*

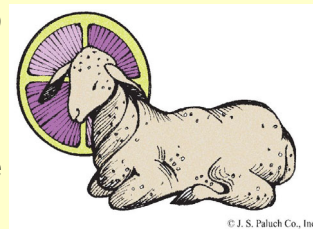
*...
 May this flame be found still burning by the Morning Star:
 the one Morning Star who never sets, Christ your Son,
 Who, coming back from death's domain,
 has shed his peaceful light on humanity,
 and lives and reigns for ever and ever."*

Excerpts from the Easter Vigil Proclamation or Exsultet



From the brink of the hopelessness that shrouded the crucifixion and death of our Lord, comes a ray of hope. The empty tomb, the rushing of apostolic footsteps hastening forward, the message of resurrection shouted from the rooftops and the realization that death's sharp sting has been assuaged, all describe the Easter Story. Imagery of trumpet blasts, angelic exultation, the union of Christ, the bridegroom, with his bride, the Church, fill us with rejoicing and gladness. Easter has arrived, and boy are we in need of some Good News these days!

We are glad because we are in the midst of a darkness that is plaguing our country and world, a darkness spurned by anxiety and fear, illness and death; glad, because this Lenten Season has been especially punctuated by an emptiness, separation and loss that has not visited other past 40 days; and glad because we know that when we do reach the moment of our death, the victory has been won by Christ's rising. For all of these reasons we exult and rejoice this Easter Season.



Just as light diffuses throughout every nook and cranny of a room, so the light of Christ can transform every aspect of our lives. Christ's light can warm hearts filled anxiousness and fear, comfort those who are struggling and in distress and bring forth a deep peace for those who have recently lost a loved one or are contemplating their own mortality. With the possibility of still not being able to receive Christ in the Eucharist at this time or attend Mass together as a church family, this Easter may be more muted than usual. What has not changed, however, is the message of resurrection, hope and new life that this day promises. May we cling to the joy that our faith provides as we sing our own Easter Alleluias, even if sadly, unaccompanied this year.

Fr. Dennis

UPDATED DETAILED OF PARISH AS OF APRIL 2, 2020

The Archbishop sent a Decree, which means the terms are not optional for pastors or parishes, on March 31st that lasts until April 30th that contains these following points.

1. This decree applies to all 19 counties in the Archdiocese of San Antonio.
2. Social Distancing of at least six feet between persons and limits crowd sizes to no more than 10 persons.
3. Public celebration of Masses is suspended; we are encouraged to livestream or record Masses.
4. Reconciliation/Confessions are by appointment respecting social confidentiality and social distancing guidelines.
5. Funerals, Weddings and Infant Baptisms must respect the 10 person limit.
6. First Communion postponed "for children until they can be celebrated with proper solemnity when large gatherings are again permitted."
7. Confirmation "schedule remains on hold until large gatherings are again permitted and the schedule revised."
8. Opening of Churches: "If it cannot be guaranteed that no more than 10 people will be present in the church at one time, the church should be closed." *[At St. Matthew, since we are a large parish, this cannot be guaranteed, and this is why we are closed, per Fr. Dennis. There are some smaller parishes whose churches are open: you are free to call those parishes to ask for hours that they are open.]*
9. C.T.S.A. – Catholic Television of San Antonio does broadcast weekend and weekday Masses. Here is a list of how to find C.T.S.A.

Spectrum: Channel 15

Roku: Catholic TV SA

Amazon Fire TV: Catholic TV SA

FaceBook: Catholic TV SA

YouTube: Catholic TV SA

YouTube: San Fernando Cathedral

Vimeo: ArchSA Communications

Today's Catholic is also livestreaming on their Facebook page: Today's Catholic Newspaper

10. "We look forward to a time of renewed connections and concrete closeness, to a time of healing from the wounds of this COVID-19. May the grace of God be with all of you as He guides us in His ways of mercy and love. May our Lady of Guadalupe accompany us with her maternal love."

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



THESE ARE OUR PARISH UPDATES FOR OUR BULLETIN AS OF APRIL 2, 2020

1. OFFICE HOURS: We are open: M-F 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and closed on Saturdays.
2. ALL WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES ARE CANCELLED. However, our priests are celebrating closed, private Masses to cover all of the previously scheduled Mass intentions. We continue to have taped English and Spanish Mass posted on our website and Facebook page.
3. DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: On the Second Sunday of Easter, April 19th, we encourage all parishioners to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet wherever you may be at 3 p.m.
4. CHURCH BUILDING IS CLOSED and ADORATION is suspended.
5. SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Fr. Dennis and Fr. Duncan can hear an individual confession that is by appointment only. We do ask those with only venial sins to consider waiting for a later date; we ask penitents to not come more than once a month.
6. SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Fr. Dennis and Fr. Duncan will anoint those who call our office who are in critical condition.
7. FUNERALS, WEDDINGS, INFANT BAPTISMS: See Archbishop's Decree above.
8. BAPTISMS: Our classes have been postponed. E-mail Deacon Oscar Vela at deaconoscar@stmatts.org with questions.
9. UPCOMING CONFIRMATION, FIRST COMMUNIONS: See Archbishop's Decree above.
10. PARISH MEETINGS: Meetings have been cancelled for the time being.
11. STAFF MEMBERS: Due to the Stay at Home Ordinance, staff members are working from home except for a few key members who are coming in for a limited amount of time. Staff members are conducting business over the telephone and through e-mail at this time. If a parishioner or vendor needs to drop something off, come during the office hours, M-F 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
12. SOCIAL MEDIA: WEB PAGE & FACEBOOK: We are updating the webpage frequently with the latest changes. We have Sunday's Mass taped so parishioners can pray with us at: www.stmatts.org.
13. ONLINE BIBLE STUDY AND ADULT EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS – Are listed on our parish website under the Adult Education Page.
14. FESTIVAL: The festival on May 3rd has been cancelled and the raffle has been postponed, hopefully to this Fall. Please keep your tickets and any money that you collected.
15. SCHOOL: We invite you to go to the school webpage for more information. The children are currently not coming to our school but are practicing distance learning from their homes.
16. DONATIONS: We thank you, our treasured parishioners for having stepped up in response to our request for donations. The first week we were closed we received about 20% of our offertory, the next week it went up to about 50%! Over 100 persons have signed up for online donations; we are receiving envelopes through the mail, and many of you are dropping them off during our office hours. We have not yet had to lay off any staff members, but we have reduced hours. We have frozen new expenditures except the essentials. Because this situation will go on longer than we originally thought, we ask parishioners to donate as they have in the past. If you have not been tithing, we ask you to begin since we are all asked to give back to God a portion of our blessings. If you have lost a job, been furloughed, or laid off, use your prudent judgment to see if you can afford to tithe or may have to suspend your tithing to take care of your essential needs. You can sign up for online giving on our website or call 210-478-5015 to have someone walk you through it. Now there is a new way to donate through your **mobile phone: type in 555888** and then type in **"stmatts"** and follow the directions. We are still baptizing, marrying, anointing, hearing confessions, conducting zoom meetings for Confirmation, Youth Group, YC3 Young Adults, Parish Council, Finance Council, and soon other group gatherings. Thank you for your heartfelt support to St. Matthew.
17. ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: They are open only Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9 to 11 a.m. We thank the parishioners who have dropped off what they are in need of: canned goods, pasta, diapers, toilet paper, and the usual items they request. You can drop them off only during their open office hours or 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. M-F to our Parish Administration Building.
18. PRAYER: As we rejoice in the mystery of Christ's resurrection, let's continue to pray for those who are going through the effects of the COVID-19 virus. The world needs your prayers more than ever; turn to the Book of Psalms to pray heartfelt prayers for healing, mercy and hope. **Fr. Dennis**

Happy Easter! Christ Is Risen!!

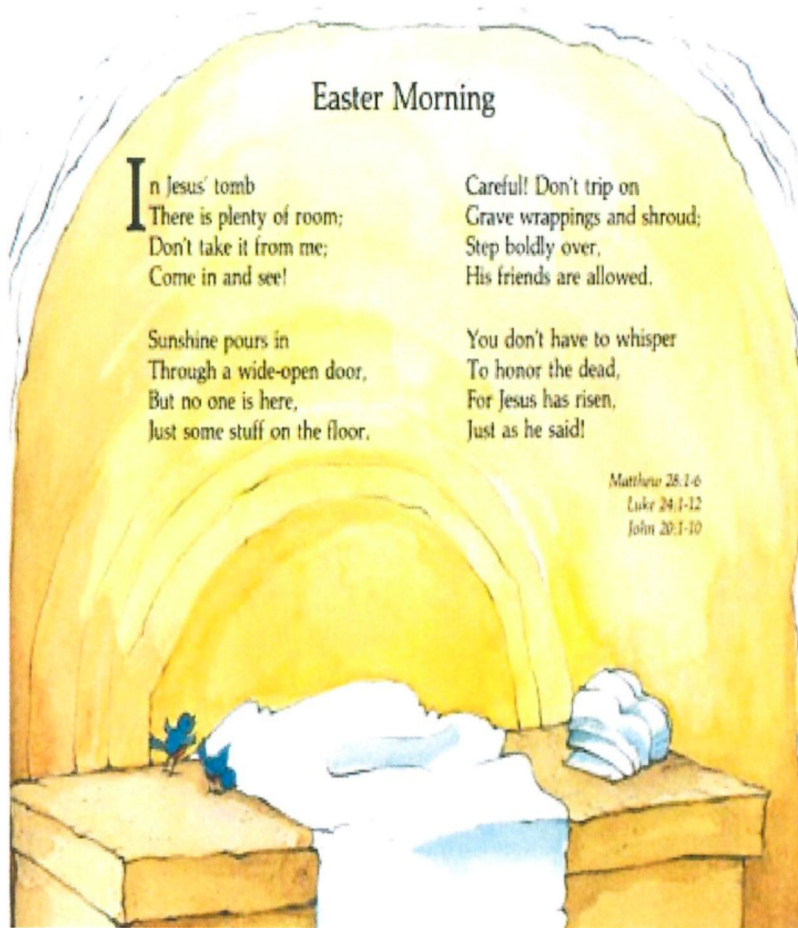
This is the day we've all been patiently waiting for and is a day for great celebration. From our Children's Liturgy family to yours, have a blessed and joyous Easter.

I'll Race You To The Tomb

By Karl Kohlhasse



<https://www.smp.org/resourcecenter/resource/11598/>



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St. Matthew's Kids

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11, Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

LITURGY OF THE HOURS — Follow the directions of the liturgy of the hours for the octave of Easter.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLES will burn this week in loving memory of Clara & V.J. Jeannin.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP will burn this week in loving memory of Dr. Miguel Najera.

NO MASS ATTENDANCE for March 14/15, 21/22, 28/29 & April 4/5 due to the COVID-19 Virus



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PRAYER LIST

Please pray for those suffering from illness that they may find relief from their burdens, especially:

Carmen Adams	Elda Maria Estrada	John Montez
Stan Adams	Marilyn Ezzel	Joseph Montez
William D. Adamski	Moses Fierro	Mary Mora
Tillie Agnick	Barbara Flood	Laura Moreno
Gilbert Aldrete	Justin Flowe	Raul J. Moreno, Jr.
Joey Alonzo	Tracie Foreman	Virginia Morrow
Socorro Alvarez	Joe Freeman	Kenneth Narendorf
Delia Araujo	Mary Helen Freeman	Del Nevarez
Paul Aymes	Susan Fritz	Kathy Nichols
Sheila Aymes	Raymond Galindo	Rachel Olvera
Frances D. Bahrami	Rose Galindo	Bruce Orey
Maddie Barber	Fr. Jim Galvin	Gracie O'Rourke
Leonardo Benavides	Margarita Garbalena	Stephen Pepps
Doris Biry	Julissa Garib	Flor Perez
Marlene Blake	Albert Georges	Fr. Jose Francisco Puente-Flores
Joan Bleir	Joe Albert Georges	Pat Pulsifer
Rhiannon Bleir	Mary Jane Georges	Roland Ramirez
Robert Bleir	Joe Girard	Yolanda Ramirez
Dr. Heliodoro Boone	Kathy Gisin	Andy Rayburn
Mary Bothe	Marta Gomez	Ava Reyes
Michelle Bowman	Josie Gongora	Dr. Marco A. Reyes
Dinah Braun	Frank Gonzalez	Paula G. Reyes
George Braun	Helen Gonzalez	Erin Rhea
Karen Braun	Mary K. Govoni	Chris Riojas
Reagan L. Breeding	Shirley Grossman	Dianna Rivera
Betty Burke	Alvah C. Hawkins	Estella Rivera & Family
Charles Burke	Barbara Hayden	Rose Mary Robert
David Burke	Adrian Hays	Diana Robles
Julian Burke	Kristen Helkey&Family	Roger Robles
Jeannine Campion	Christoph Henry	D. Russell
Henry Castro	Jack Hirsh	Jack Schlegel
Viola Cobos	Jane Horny	Annette Slater
T. Collins	Billy Huff	Sylvia Smith
Ben Coward	Michelle Huff	Rose Sonnen
David Coward	Carolyn Janik	Karen Sturdivant
Rachel Crosby	JoAnn Kehler	Manuel Majam Tamayo
Charlie Davis	William D. Kennedy	Ethna Torres
Ralph Dearth	Turner Koch	Manuel Torres
John David Delcambre	Keith Kondoff	Tina Torres
Carmen De Leon	Louis Konze	Bill Toudouze
John J. De Leon, Jr.	Joe Kouba	Kathy Toudouze
Michael De Leon	Helois Laiche	Gabriela Villanueva
Phillip De Leon	Norma Leal	Margarita Villarreal
Margaret DeMunbrun	Federico Lopez	Carolyn Walton
Jared Diamond	Leonor Lopez	Michelle Weekley
Clara Maria DiBlasi	Jason McClung	Cres Wellman
Grace Diaz	Stephen McGinnis	Matthew Wenckens
Brenda Dominicie	Marco Mena	Juliana Wetmore
Sr. Sheila Donegan	Maricela Mena	Myra Wiatrek
Anita Dotson	Rachel Meyer	Mary Williams
Jerry Drennan	Ed Michels	Alijah Wiser
Michael Ehlich	Lisa Mittel	Msgr. Mike Yarbrough
Teodora Ellis	Cuca Montecel	Bernard Zarazua
		Cristina Zepeda

MASS REMEMBRANCES WEEK OF APRIL 13—19, 2020

Mon. — 6:00 a.m. — Dave Sonnen †
 Mon. — 8:15 a.m. — Angelo Perez †
 Mon. — 12:05 noon — Mary Curiel †
 Mon. — 6:00 p.m. — Kathryn Rinefield †

Tues. — 6:00 a.m. — Tony & Ann Cascio
 (42nd Wedding Anniversary)
 Ninette Jackson (Special Intention)
 Tues. — 8:15 a.m. — Mary Helen Freeman (Recovery)
 Tues. — 12:05 noon — Ted Rayburn †
 Santiago Lugo †
 Tues. — 6:00 p.m. — Mary Mendoza †

Wed. — 6:00 a.m. — Evelyn Golsch †
 Wed. — 8:15 a.m. — Ruth Foster †
 Wed. — 12:05 noon — Eve Bammann †
 Baby Shaylee & Ryan Tepe †
 Wed. — 6:00 p.m. — Maria Estella †

Thurs. — 6:00 a.m. — Dr. Joe Gabatin †
 Thurs. — 8:15 a.m. — Reagan Breeding (Healing)
 Beatrice Martinez †
 Thurs. — 12:00 noon — Joseph Figaro †
 Lydia Gouvias †
 Thurs. — 6:00 p.m. — Joe Mangione (Special Intention)
 Noreen Morell (Special Intention)

Fri. — 6:00 a.m. — Barbara Packard †
 Fri. — 8:15 a.m. — Cecilio V. Botello †
 Fri. — 12:05 noon — V.J. & Clara Jeannin †
 Jack Foster †
 Fri. — 6:00 p.m. — Roland Ramirez (Recovery)

Sat. — 8:15 a.m. — Jerry "Buzz" Bohlin †
 Sat. — 5:30 p.m. — Raul J. Moreno (85th Birthday)
 Blanca Vela †

Sun. — 7:30 a.m. — Edgar Behrens †
 Sun. — 9:15 a.m. — Trisha Ann Trevino †
 Rev. Enda McKenna (Recovery)
 Sun. — 11:00 a.m. — Joe Finnegan †
 Pedro Cabrera †
 Sun. — 11:15 a.m. — Manuel Tamayo †
 Sun. — 12:45 p.m. — Richard Boykin †
 Sun. — 6:00 p.m. — Armando Riojas †
 Recovery For All Suffering With COVID19

*"Remember that the passion of Christ
 ends always in the joy of the Resurrection,
 so when you feel in your own heart
 the suffering of Christ,
 remember the Resurrection has to come,
 the joy of Easter has to dawn.
 Never let anything so fill you with sorrow
 as to make you forget
 the joy of the Risen Christ!"*

— Mother Teresa of Calcutta

