



700 AM'S

BULLETIN

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 26, 2020

Our Mission:

The Santo Niño Catholic Church is a faith community where all are welcome to celebrate Catholic beliefs embellished by the best Philippine traditions. It is a dynamic parish responding to the spiritual needs of the community to fulfill its evangelical mission and to realize Christ's call of making disciples of all nations. (Parish Pastoral Council, 21 April 2001)

Prayer Corner

Pray:

Lord Jesus Christ, open my eyes and my understanding so that I may recognize You in all my experiences. Help me to practice with strength and determination Your Words that are Spirit and Life.

Today's Gospel: LK 24:13-35

The Appearance on the Road to Emmaus.

That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God



and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not

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Reflections

HOW TO SEE JESUS

The two disciples in this Sunday's Gospel reading did not recognize Jesus until after they heard him explain the scriptures and then broke bread with him. It was a two-part process.

First, while listening to him teach about the scriptures, only their hearts recognized him. ("Were not our hearts burning within us?") Their eyes didn't see his true identity until Jesus shared a meal with them, raised the bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them to eat.

When we celebrate Mass today, we're on a similar journey with Jesus. First, we have the Liturgy of the Word, during which we hear the scriptures and a homily that explains

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them. This is a time of opening our hearts to him.

A well-trained reader will speak the words of scripture with meaning and emphasis so that our hearts can recognize God in the words. A well-trained priest or deacon will set our hearts on fire as if Jesus himself were teaching us the meaning of the scriptures. But even when the reader or homilist does a poor job, we can open our hearts to hear Jesus speaking to us directly.

Then we move into the Liturgy of the Eucharist. When the presiding priest consecrates the bread and wine, it is Jesus himself who is actually doing it, using the priest's hands and vocal chords. Jesus is doing for us what he did for those two disciples at Emmaus.

If we have opened our hearts to Jesus during the first part of Mass, and if we are still paying attention, we see much more than a piece of bread and a chalice of wine. We see Jesus. We recognize him with our hearts *and* our heads. We know beyond all doubt that the resurrected Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

In what area(s) of your life does Jesus seem to be absent? How can the Mass help you recognize Jesus and feel his closeness? What else can you do to discover the presence of Jesus when you are not able to sense his nearness?

Questions for Group Faith Sharing:

When did you discover that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist? What helped you with that discovery? How do you know that the bread and wine change into the substance of Jesus while retaining their original form (which is called "transubstantiation")? How easy is it for you to recognize Jesus in the Eucharist? Why?

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ANNOUNCEMENT

SUNDAY MASS IS SUSPENDED TEMPORARILY
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Sunday Santo Nino's Facebook Live Streaming Mass:

English Mass : 11:00 AM

Spanish Mass : 1:00 PM

In compliance with the CDC's recommendation to stay home, our church will be closed until further notice.

Office Hours

For our protection and preventive measures from the ongoing COVID-19, our office hours will be

Tuesday – Friday 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm only.

However, we are no longer accommodating walk-in business or inquiry for the meantime. We will communicate with you through phone @ (210) 648-1705 or by email @ santo.nino.sa@gmail.com.



FESTIVAL MARIA DE GUADALUPE

To support the health and safety of our parishioners and communities, the Santo Nino Church is suspending the Festival Maria de Guadalupe due to the outbreak of COVID-19

(Coronavirus) in Texas. The event will be rescheduled until further notice.

Mass Intention

WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

1. Our mass intentions are for:

- all who are sick and to those who are infected with COVID -19.
- the health of all the health-workers and front-line workers.
- Souls of Dr. Tony de la Cruz, Dr. Joe Gabatin, Jent Oliamot, Manny Tamayo, John Saunders, Bob Lewis, Bill/June Lenhart, Edilberto Nasis, Elena, David and Ed Custer, Allen Spencer, and the souls of all our faithful departed
- Recovery of P. McAllister, Clarke Lewis and all the sick in our community..

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see.” And he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?” So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, “The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!” Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

Stay Home, Work Safe, Save Lives

STEWARDSHIP (Collection) REPORT AND ATTENDANCE

Attendance and Offertory April 18—19, 2020

There was no collection last April 18 – 19, 2020, due to suspended masses from COVID-19.

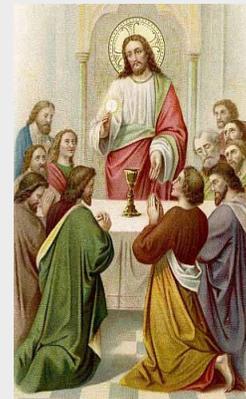
We would like to thank all online donors and to those who sent in their donations to Santo Nino Church. Thank you for all your support in these difficult times

PLEASE CONSIDER THE **SANTO NINO'S WEBSITE** **ONLINE DONATION** AS AN ALTERNATIVE WAY OF GIVING YOUR WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION TO SUPPORT OUR CONTINUING MINISTRY.



“Thank you for your goodwill and generosity.”

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER



My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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OUR SERVANTS

ADMINISTRATION

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Nena Connor, Alice Maldonado
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Webmaster – Ed Candelaria
Property Manager – Robert Mendez**

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**Chairperson
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**Chairperson: Armi Wallace (2019–2020)
Mel Garcia, - Secretary
Members – Jim Irwin,
Nelrose Mendez, and
Nena Connor**

MINISTRIES

WORSHIP

**Acolytes: Randal Garcia
Dévotion: Dr. Connie Nepomuceno
Lectors: Socorro Candelaria
Spanish Choir: Juan Anaya
Adult Choir: Helen Ona
Youth Choir: Noel Casino
Wedding/Quinceanera
Coordinator:
Alicia Anaya & Annie Spencer**

EVANGELIZATION

**Religious Education Coordinator:
Joanne Jaceldo/Mary Ester Rodriguez
RCIA : Deacon Jun Reyes & Dr. Connie
Guadalupana: Rosa dela Garza
Youth Ministry: Russell & Bernadette Cantu**

SERVICE

**Nutrition: Alma de Paz
Knights of Columbus : Grand Knight
Sean Flatley**

Our Devotions

Adoration, Rosary & Novena: 5:00-6:00 PM M-F

Holy Spirit: Mondays

Divine Mercy/Holy Hour for Vocation: Tuesday

Perpetual Help Novena: Wednesdays

St. Jude Novena: Thursdays

Santo Niño Novena: Fridays

Sacred Heart: 1st Fridays

First Saturday of the month:

2000 Hail Mary Devotion,
from 9:00 AM

Divine Mercy Devotion: Sunday 3:00 – 4:00 PM

**Parish Office/
Business Hours:**

**Tuesday thru Friday:
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
12 noon – 1:00 PM: Lunch Break**

Schedule of Masses and other Services

Sundays: 8:00 and 10:00 AM, and 12 noon Bilingual Mass (English & hymns in Filipino)

**Saturdays:
6:00 PM (Spanish Mass)
Daily Holy Eucharist:
M-F 6:00 PM**

Confession:

**Mon-Sat 5:00 – 6:00 PM
Baptism: By appointment & Seminars is necessary**

Confirmation:

11th to 12th grade

Marriage: Please meet with the Pastor one year in advance.

Counseling: By Appointment

Funeral: Please contact the Parish office before making arrangements outside

ANNOUNCEMENT

- All church activities are suspended temporarily due to COVID outbreak.
- San Antonio City Stay Home/Work Safe Guidelines.
 - All individuals living in the City of San Antonio are ordered to stay at home consistent with the direction and guidance in City Mayor's Declaration. If individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces outside their home or engaged in Exempted Activities or Exempted Businesses, then they must maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person.
 - All businesses operating within San Antonio except Exempted Businesses are required to stop operations and close.
 - All public or private gatherings occurring outside a single household or single-family living unit are prohibited unless specifically exempted under this Declaration. Members of a household or single-family living unit may gather.
 - Worship Services. Religious and worship services may only be provided by video, teleconference or other remote measures.
 - Subject to San Antonio City Council approval, this Declaration shall be effective until 11 :59 p.m. on April 9, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
- Copies of your weekly bulletin can be downloaded on the internet at www.stonino.org/bulletins.



STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Dear Lord, we thank you for being the Creator and Giver of all good gifts and ask you one to help us become good stewards of your gifts by teaching us how to return them to you with increase . Amen.

Online Giving



We would like to express our thanks to those who give online. We would love to see the number increase with this program, please consider our online donation.

If you want to give your tithes and donation online go to our parish website at www.stonino.org and click **online giving logo**.

All credit cards are accepted in our online donation.

