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Mrs. Maria C. Guerra, *Secretary*

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 6:30am *(Bilingual)*

First Saturday	8:00am	*(Español)*
Saturday	5:30pm	*(Español)*
Sunday	7:30am	*(Español)*
	10:00am	*(English)*
	12:00 Noon	*(English)*

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00pm
Or by appointment

BAPTISMS: First Sunday of month. Parents and Godparents must attend one instruction session. Call the office for further information.

MARRIAGES: Couple must make arrangements at least 6 months in advance. Contact office for details.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

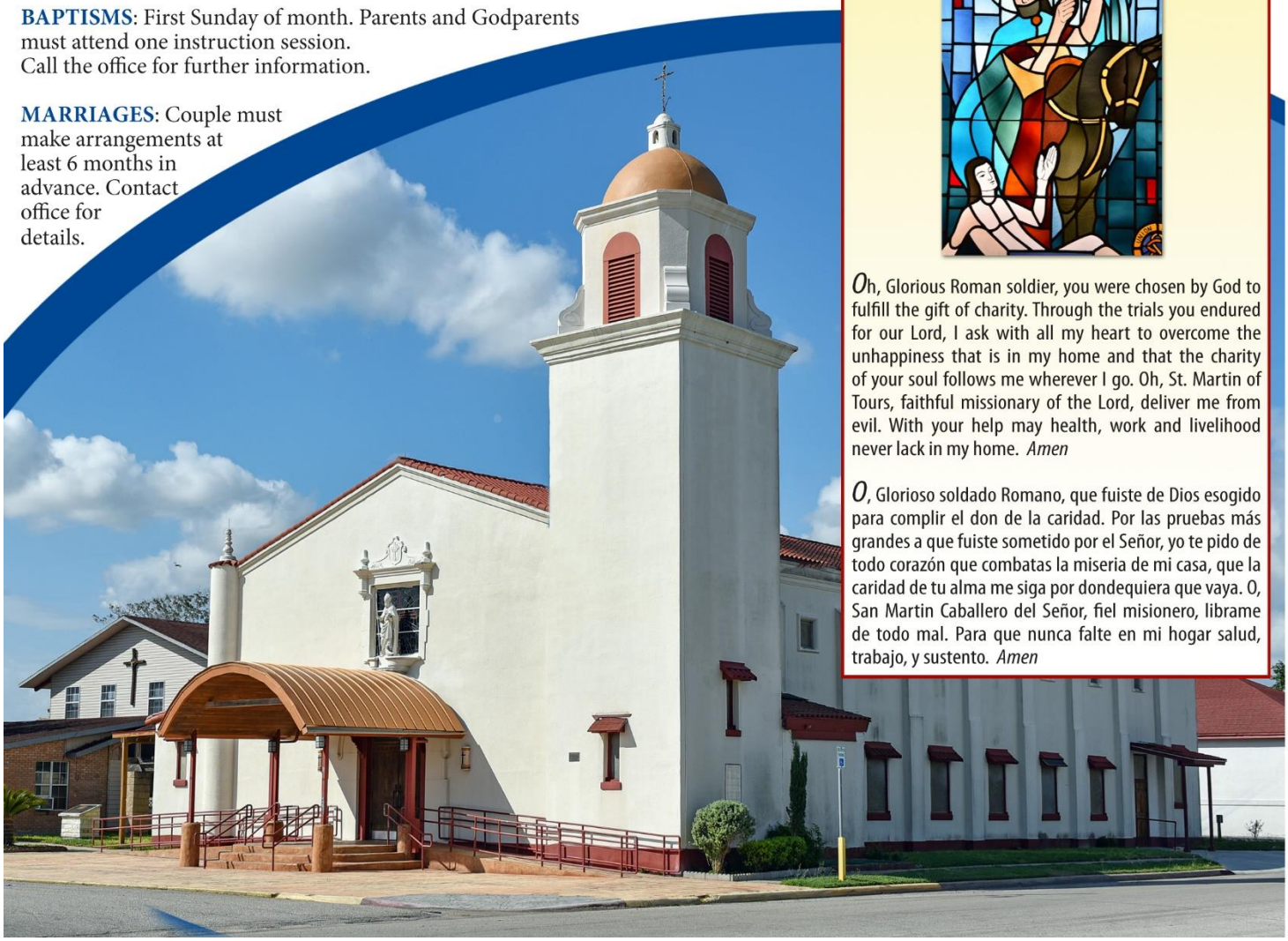
Coordinators:

CCD DRE:	Maria Isabel Guzman
Altar Society:	Mary Dahl Delbosque
Catholic Daughters:	Rosalinda Gutierrez
K.C. Grand Knight:	Miguel Briseno
St. Martin's Men's Club:	Victor Montez
Altar Servers:	Dalila Rivera
Eucharistic Ministers:	Sandra Seymour
Guadalupanas:	Missionary Daughters
Hospitality/Ushers:	Diana Ochoa
Lectors:	Maria C. Guerra
Music Ministry:	Orlando Zepeda

All Coordinators may be reached by calling the parish office.

Oh, Glorious Roman soldier, you were chosen by God to fulfill the gift of charity. Through the trials you endured for our Lord, I ask with all my heart to overcome the unhappiness that is in my home and that the charity of your soul follows me wherever I go. Oh, St. Martin of Tours, faithful missionary of the Lord, deliver me from evil. With your help may health, work and livelihood never lack in my home. *Amen*

O, Glorioso soldado Romano, que fuiste de Dios esogido para complir el don de la caridad. Por las pruebas más grandes a que fuiste sometido por el Señor, yo te pido de todo corazón que combatas la miseria de mi casa, que la caridad de tu alma me siga por dondequiera que vaya. O, San Martin Caballero del Señor, fiel misionero, librame de todo mal. Para que nunca falte en mi hogar salud, trabajo, y sustento. *Amen*

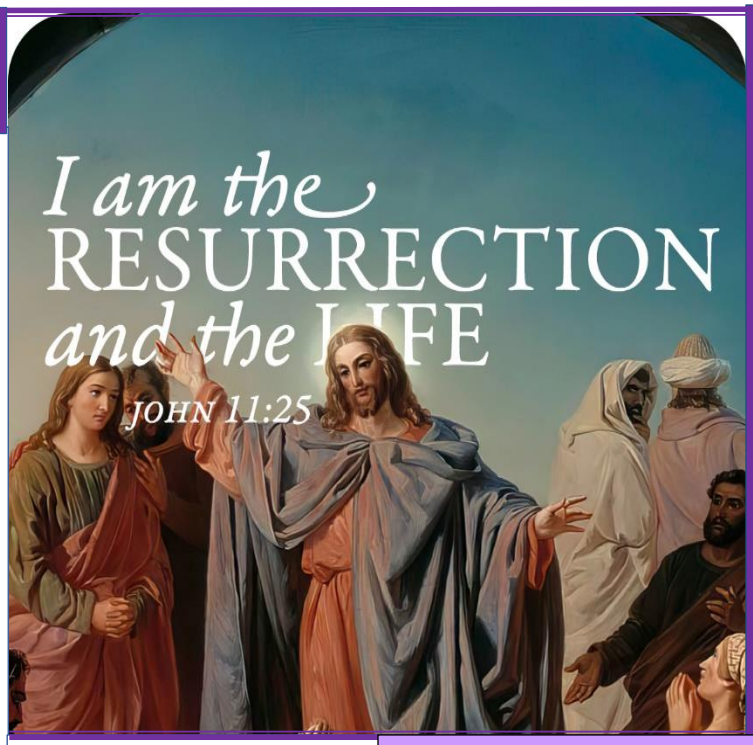


Mass Intentions for the Week

March 25, 2023 Saturday 5:30pm
†Lupe Olivarez
De parte de su familia
†Josefa B. Lucio (recuerdo de su cumpleaños)
De parte de Janie Ydrogo
†Cory Garza
De parte de Javier y Andrea Martinez
†Sandra Cortez
De parte de Carlos y Connie Martinez
†Robert Luera (Aniversario)
De parte de su familia
†Adelmo (Al) Luera y Jose Angel Luera
De parte de su familia
†Tomas Garza
De parte de su familia
†Romeo Ruiz
De parte de Alonzo Y Rosalinda Vidal
†Frank Salinas
De parte de Dora Byington y Yvonne Deneé Madrazo
†Juan Carrillo Jr. (Recuerdo de su cumpleaños)
De parte de su familia
†Tom Colin
De parte de Mary Ann Colin y familia
En Accion de Gracias al Nino de Prague
De parte de Anna Hernandez
En Accion de Gracias al Sagrado Corazon de Jesus, la Santisima Virgen Maria y la Virgen de Guadalupe
De parte de Dalinda Garcia

March 26, 2023 Sun. 7:30am
Pro Populo (For the People of the Parish)

March 26, 2023 Sunday 10:00am
†Sandra Cortez
Requested by Trujillo Family
†Ignacio Jimenez
Requested by her family
†Jacob Hinojosa (1st Year Anniversary)
Requested by his family



MARCH 26, 2023
Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 26, 2023 Sunday 12:00 Noon
†Waldo Cuellar (6th Anniversary)
Requested by the family
†Dolores Bárcenas, Castulo Camarillo & Amos Ruiz
Requested by the Camarillo Family
†Rosa & Fidencio Sanchez
Requested by their family

March 27, 2023 Monday 6:30am
For those battling cancer

March 28, 2023 Tuesday 6:30am
No Morning Mass

March 29, 2023 Wednesday 6:30am
†Sandra Cortez
Requested by her family

March 30, 2023 Thursday 6:30am
†Sidra Alvarez Vela
Requested by her family

March 31, 2023 Friday 6:30am
†Sidra Alvarez Vela (1st Year Ann.)
Requested by the Castillo Family

April 1, 2023 Saturday
8:00am Mass at Mother Julia Chapel

Scripture Readings
For the Week of March 26, 2023

Sunday Fifth Sunday of Lent
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45
Monday Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18. 19-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10; 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Sanctuary Candle

Donated in the memory of Baby Rey, Ernesto, Jose Guadalupe, Maria, Ernestina & Jacobo Requested by Ofelia & Dr. V and in memory of Juan Sr, Juan Jr, Maria, Manuel, Lupita & Anita G. Carrillo

COLLECTION REPORT

FOR 03/19/23

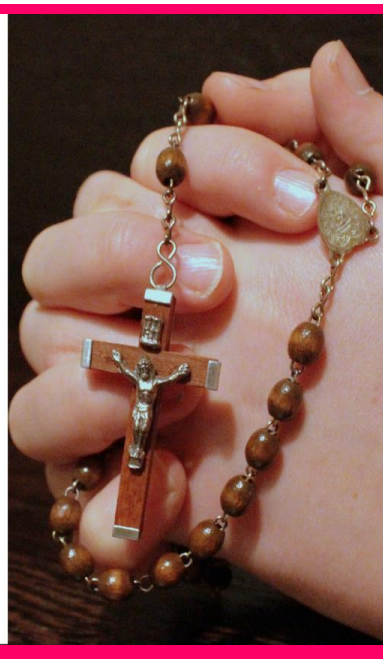
Loose	**$2,033.06**
Envelopes	**$1,529.00**
Catholic Relief	**$1,174.00**
Total	**$4,736.06**

Prayer Request

We pray for the following who need healing:

Vangie Longoria, Eva Perez, Mary Lou Pena, Gloria Deleon, Mr & Mrs Elias Moreno, Locha Moreno, Serafin Rodriguez, Eva Pena, America Crouse, Olga Cruz, Mon & Chelo Aguilar, Patty Galvan, Aida Reyes, Angelica Barrera, Mary Rios, Dolly Hernandez, Timmy Moreno, Lela Guzman, Corina Cantu, Annette Barrera Bridges, John Tovar Mark Madrazo, Sandra Cortez, James Sendejo, Hilda Flores, Martha Cuevas, Margie Green, Jimmy Carrillo, Steve Trichell, Carmelita Rios, Guadalupe V. Gonzalez, Roel Salinas , Luis Salazar Sr., Mary Ann Colin, Lupita Chapa, Mark Anthony Molina, Steve Garcia, Linda Garcia, Albert Garcia, Consuelo Espino, Rosalinda Beltran, Alfredo Medrano James Lee Sendejo, Mark Molina, Mark Lopez, Yolanda De La Paz, Ofelia Rodriguez, Dr. Randall Olson, M. Barrera, Gregorio Carrillo & Amparo Hernandez, Cindy Vela, Ernestina Ramos, Everett Hinojosa.

We pray for all those who are sick on our list and for those whose names we don't know but are written on the heart of our Lord Jesus.



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1st Prize *Brisket Dinner for 20 includes, Rice, Beans, Potato Salad & Pan de Campo
(Brisket from AAA BBQ & Catering)
2nd Prize Easter Basket for Girl
3rd Prize Easter Basket for Boy
Drawing: April 2, 2023 at 1pm
In front of Church
Need not be present to win
First Prize will be delivered to winner on April 8
(the day before Easter Sunday)

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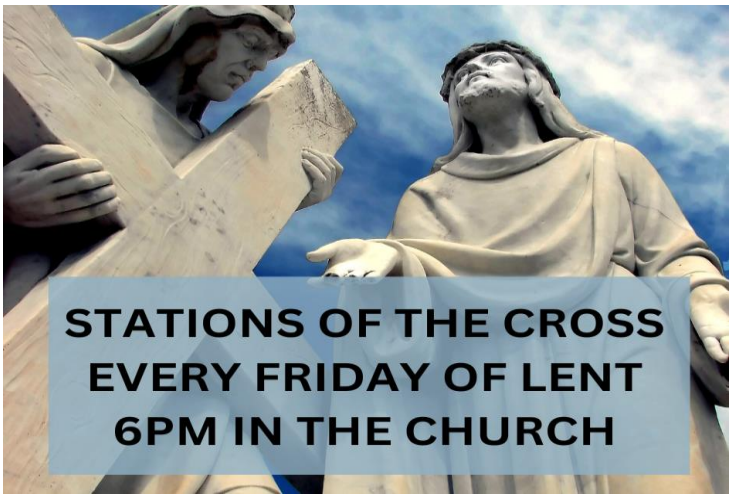

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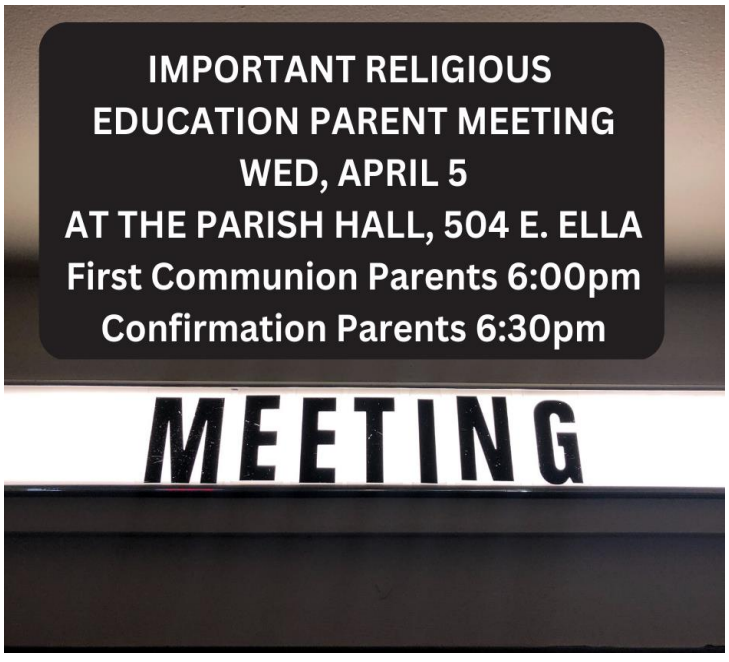


RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IMPORTANT DATES

First Communions May 13, Saturday at St. Martin Church 9:00am & 11:30am

Confirmation for St. Martin High School Students, May 24, Wednesday at St. Gertrude Parish 6:30pm

CONFIRMATION STUDENT INFO:

There will be a make-up class on April 2 for anyone who has missed a 12:00pm class. If you have missed more than one class please let your teacher know so we can schedule another make up class. The last 12 Noon Sacrament Class is scheduled for April 16. The Confirmation Sponsor must accompany the student for this class.

The Confirmation student retreat will be held on Saturday, April 22 at Our Lady of Good Counsel from 8:15am-4:15pm. ***This retreat is mandatory requirement.*** There is a $25 registration fee for the retreat and deadline to register is April 13. If your child does not attend the retreat THEY WILL NOT RECEIVE THE CONFIRMATION SACRAMENT. If your child can not attend this retreat then it is parent's responsibility to find a Confirmation Retreat for your child to attend.

Attending Mass is also a requirement. QR codes are available at entrance of the church to record their attendance. **Confirmation will be held at St. Gertrude church on Wed May 24 at 6:30pm.** We will schedule a penance service before Confirmation so students have an opportunity to confess. Students must be in a state of Grace to receive their Sacrament.

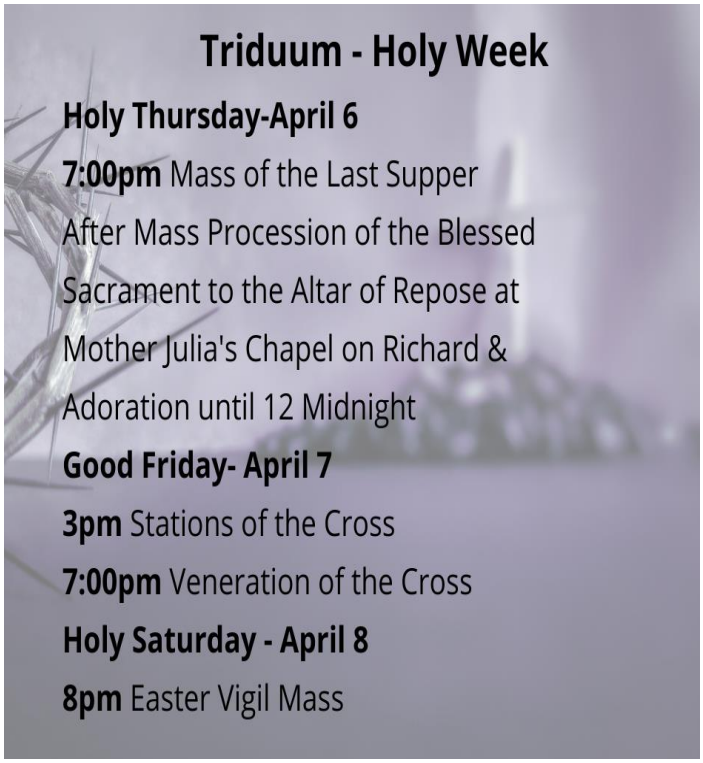
PENANCE SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5 AT ST. GERTRUDE PARISH

6:30PM

Several Priests will be on hand to hear your confession

(This will be the last opportunity available to confess before Easter)



Fifth Sunday of Lent, Cycle A

Sunday, March 26, 2023

First Reading
Ezekiel 37:12-14
God will open the graves and restore the people of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 130:1-8
With the Lord is forgiveness and mercy.

Second Reading
Romans 8:8-11
The Spirit of God dwells in you.

Gospel Reading
John 11:1-45 (shorter version John 11:3-7,17,20-27,33b-45)
Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Our Gospel on this day, the fifth Sunday of Lent, is again taken from the Gospel according to John. The reading from John continues the break from Cycle A's focus on the Gospel of Matthew. Today's Gospel reading recounts another sign, or miracle, found in John's Gospel, the raising of Lazarus. As our catechumens move closer to the celebration of their Baptisms at the Triduum, today's reading invites us to reflect upon what it means to call Jesus the Resurrection and the life.

The context for the story of the raising of Lazarus is the Jewish leaders' growing animosity toward Jesus. Jesus has been in Jerusalem, taking part in the feast of the Dedication, which we have come to know as Hanukkah. The people have been pressing him to declare plainly whether he is the Messiah. Jesus tells them to look to his works, which testify to his coming from God. Many do not believe Jesus, however, and some try to stone him for blasphemy.

Into this scene of confrontation, Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus, send word to Jesus that his friend is ill. Jesus is said to love Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, but he delays his journey for two days. The delay heightens the drama and shows Jesus' obedience to God, who is to be glorified through Lazarus's resurrection. When Jesus finally declares that he will journey to Bethany, his disciples fear for his life. Thomas declares that he and the other disciples should prepare to die with Jesus.

The scene described at Bethany is a sad one. Martha meets Jesus weeping and saying that if Jesus had been there, Lazarus would not have died. Yet she remains confident that God will do whatever Jesus asks. Martha affirms her belief that there will be a resurrection of the dead in the last days. Then Martha's sister, Mary, comes to Jesus with the same confidence, saying that Jesus could have cured Lazarus. Jesus asks to be brought to Lazarus's tomb where he prays and calls Lazarus out from the tomb. At this sign, many come to believe in Jesus, but others take word of the miracle to the Jewish authorities, who begin their plans for Jesus' death.

Set against the backdrop of Jesus' impending death, many elements of the raising of Lazarus foreshadow the good news of Jesus' own Resurrection. Jesus, facing the conflict with the Jewish authorities, acts in complete obedience to God. In raising Lazarus, Jesus shows his power over death so that when Jesus dies, those who believe in him might remember that and take hope. Just as Jesus calls for the stone to be rolled away from Lazarus's tomb, so too will the disciples find the stone rolled away from Jesus' tomb.

With our catechumens preparing for their Baptism at Easter, the Gospel today calls us to reflect on Baptism as a dying and rising with Jesus. In Baptism we die to sin's power over us, rising as children of God. In Baptism we join ourselves with Christ, who conquered death once and for all so that we who believe in him may have eternal life. With Martha and Mary, we are called to profess our belief that Jesus is indeed the Resurrection and the life.

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