

Our Lady of the Pines Catholic Church


Woodville, Texas

March 31 & April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday

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My dear parishioners:

The antiphon of Easter Sunday Mass proclaims, "The Lord is truly risen, alleluia. To him glory and power for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia." With these words well over two and a half billion people (Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant) are today celebrating the great tenet of the Christian faith that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. This truth changes everything. It changes the way people of faith view sin; for now the burden of sin find forgiveness. It changes the way people of faith view death; for now death is not an end but a new and everlasting beginning. It changes the way people of faith view the presence of God in the world today; for now we have a Lord who is really and uniquely present to his people in the sacraments of his Church.


By the death and resurrection of Christ sin and death have been conquered and the Gates of Heaven have been opened. In a funeral Mass we read these beautiful words in Preface I of the Eucharistic Prayer: "In him the hope of blessed resurrection has dawned, that those saddened by the certainty of dying might be consoled by the promise of immortality to come. Indeed for your faithful Lord, life is changed not ended, and, when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven." In these consoling words we are assured that if we strive to live well with the Lord here on earth we will one day enjoy an eternal life with Christ in the glory of heaven. All due to the death and resurrection of Jesus.

In the liturgy of the Mass, and in a very solemn way in the Easter Mass, we celebrate the fullness of the Paschal Mystery. In each and every Mass we celebrate the great gift of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday), his death on the cross (Good Friday) and his resurrection from the dead and presence in a glorified body to those who believed in him (Easter Sunday). So much of what is central to our Catholic faith is recalled and re-presented in the celebration of the Mass. The Christ who once rose from the dead and appeared to his disciples is re-presented and appears to us in the Eucharistic food. Hence, in the Mass we are not only recalling the great event of our redemption that occurred some 2,000 years ago, but we equally are celebrating it anew in the liturgy of the Mass. How blessed are we as Catholics to believe in the real and abiding presence of Christ in the Eucharist. How blessed are we to be witnesses of the great Paschal Mystery of Christ each time we participate in the Mass. So much of what we believe about Christ's presence here on earth today, as well as our future home with him in heaven, flows from the gift of his resurrection from the dead.

If you are a visitor to Our Lady of the Pines Church, we welcome you and thank you for enriching our parish community with your presence on this Easter Sunday. If you are a Catholic who has drifted a bit from the practice of the faith and are looking for a faith community to join, we open our arms to you and invite you to be a part of our family of faith. And if you are a faithful and active member of this parish, thank you so very much for being the life and richness of this parish. Just as there is no Catholic parish without the presence of Christ in the sacraments, so too there is no Catholic parish without the presence of the people of faith.

I want to offer my heartfelt prayers and loving support to each of you on this blessed Easter Sunday. May the Lord who rose from the dead and dwells with us bestow upon you the fullness of his grace. May your lives be filled with the joy and the love of the Lord. Alleluia, He is risen!

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Msgr. Frank H. Rossi
Pastor

March 31 - April 8, 2018
Readings and Mass Intentions

Holy Saturday, March 31 8:30pm - Easter Vigil Mass
Gn 1:1--2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/
Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15--15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/
Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/
Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Bar 3:9-15, 32--4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 [42:2] or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mk 16:1-7
Easter Sunday, April 1 9:00am—Mass
Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7or
Lk 24:13-35
Mass intention for the People of the Parish
Monday, April 2 4:30pm—Mass
Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/
Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday, April 3 11:30am—First Tuesday Mass
Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18
Mass intention for Ladies of the Altar Society
Wednesday, April 4 4:30pm—Mass
Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35
Mass intention for Lloyd and Ron Chance
Thursday, April 5 8:30am—Mass
Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48
Friday, April 6 9:30am—Communion Service
Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/
Jn 21:1-14
Saturday, April 7 4:30pm—Mass
Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/
Mk 16:9-15
Mass intention for Lloyd and Ron Chance
Sunday, April 8 9:00am—Mass
Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/
Jn 20:19-31
Mass intention for the People of the Parish

**This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps 118)**

PRAYER REQUESTS


Please pray for: Nelda Leathem, Rosemary Urban, Stephanie Wells, Don Palermo, Susie Gaudet, Evelyn Schima; Maureen Peltier, Billie Matthews, Tony Arnett, Linda Passons, Bob Mahaffey, Jenny Evans

Repose of the soul: Lammy Sittig

Names will remain on the prayer list for two weeks. You may list names in the Prayer book in the vestibule of the Church and your intention will be offered at daily Mass.

Weekly Stewardship

March 25 & 26 Weekly Offertory	\$ 3,613.00
Average Weekly Cost	\$ 3,152.00
Excess/Deficit	\$ 461.00

Sun. April 1 <i>Easter Sunday</i> 9:00am—Mass 	Mon. Apr 2 4:30pm— Communion Service	Tues. Apr 3 10:30am Senior Social 11:30am-First Tuesday Communion Service 12:00 Lunch 1:00pm—Altar Society Meeting	Wed. Apr 4 4:00pm—Rosary 4:30pm—Mass 6:00pm—CCE 7:00pm—RCIA	Thurs. Apr 5 8:30am—Mass 9:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet	Fri. Apr 6 9:30am— Communion Service	Sat. Apr 7 3:45-4:15pm—Confessions 4:30pm—Vigil Mass 6:30pm—Spanish Mass
Sun. April 8 <i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i> (Divine Mercy Sunday) 9:00am—Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet after Mass	Mon. Apr 9 4:30pm—Mass	Tues. Apr 10	Wed. Apr 11 4:00pm—Rosary 4:30pm—Mass 6:00pm—CCE 7:00pm—RCIA	Thurs. Apr 12 8:30am—Mass 9:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet	Fri. Apr 13 9:30am— Communion Service	Sat. Apr 14 3:45-4:15pm—Confessions 4:30pm—Vigil Mass 6:30pm—Spanish Mass


Welcome

New members of the Catholic Church

Theresa Broussard Charles Dean Michele Duncan
Barbara Hatcher Brandy Meredith Elyn Meredith
Olivia Meredith Carolyn Patrick Ricky Patrick

Congratulations on your Confirmation

Joseph Cuccia




Divine Mercy Chaplet
Sunday, April 8, 2018

Please join us after 9:00am Mass in the Church to pray in song a Christian devotion to Jesus as **The Divine Mercy**.

BRING YOUR FILLED RICE BOWLS ON THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 7-8, 2018

CCE Classes

Weigh-in of your Rice Bowls will occur during CCE on Wednesday, April 4, 2018.



CCE classes
Wednesdays at 6:00pm
Help is needed to provide meals for the children before class, like spaghetti, pizza, sandwiches, or chicken nuggets. Contact Twyla Darder at 409-384-0819 or vjtd1283@windstream.net.

CCE Parents and ALL Adults
are invited to attend
The Bible and the Sacraments Class offered on Wednesdays in the Family Center from 6:30 to 7:45pm