



Ascension Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASS: Saturday 4:00pm (Vigil) | Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

DAILY MASS: Monday 9:00am | Tuesday 9:00am | Wednesday 9:00am | Friday 9:00am | Saturday 9:00am

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD IN THE VESTING SACRISTY

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday— 8:40-9:00am (before daily Mass)
Saturday — 8:40-9:00am (before daily Mass) | 3:00-3:30pm (before vigil Mass)

ADORATION

Perpetual Adoration: Please call the parish office for the door code

Weekday Adoration: before and after daily Masses (8:00-9:00am, 9:30-10:00am) | Monday 5:00-9:00pm

PARISH STAFF

Administrator: Rev. Timothy Daniel

Secretary: Ms. Sharon Fanning | **Bookkeeper:** Mrs. Marilyn Donovan

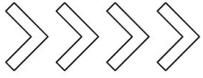
Coordinator of Religious Education: Mrs. Maria Centeno | **Coordinator of Youth Ministry:** Emma Bigony

Easter Sunday

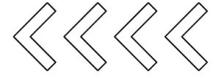
The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

Luke 24:1b-3

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Around Ascension



MASS INTENTIONS (April 18-24)

Monday 9:00am: +Roy LeSage

Tuesday 9:00am: +Betty DeMar

Wednesday 9:00am: +Jerry Barber

Friday 9:00am: +Florence Chesnick

Saturday 9:00am: Special Intention

Saturday 4:00pm: +Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday 8:00am: Parishioners

Sunday 10:00am: Special Intention

Sunday 12:00pm: +James Gallagher

A (+) indicates intention is for the repose of the person's soul

Reviving Sunday Donuts

Have you missed time for treats and chatting after Sunday Mass? Help our parish enjoy our beautiful new patio and parents to reward their children by helping with weekly donuts! Individuals or families are needed to volunteer a few times a year to help facilitate ordering, set up or clean up after Sunday morning Masses.

Email admin@women-serving-women.com for signup details. This is a very low time commitment with a huge reward - thank you to all who will help!

Middle School Capture the Egg

Guess what? It's Easter and will be Easter for the next 50 days! He is Risen! Alleluia! Come celebrate the Easter Season with friends in grades 6-8 on Monday, April 25th from 7pm-9pm. We will be playing Capture the Flag, Easter style on the field outside Bates Hall (Pickup will be outside the church). With prizes! We are also hosting an Easter Candy Potluck, so bring your basket leftovers to share.

*We are witnesses of all that he did
both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.
They put him to death by hanging him on a tree.
This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible,
not to all the people, but to us,
the witnesses chosen by God in advance,
who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.
He commissioned us to preach to the people
and testify that he is the one appointed by God
as judge of the living and the dead.
To him all the prophets bear witness,
that everyone who believes in him
will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.*

Acts of the Apostles 10:39-43

Dear Parishioners,

A happy Easter to you! I hope you have the opportunity to spend much time with your loved ones these days, as we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord -- our ultimate source of hope.

Of course, Easter impacts me in a different way this year. Thank you again for your many prayers for my dad, my family, and myself, and please keep them going. In place of a longer message, I just want to reference a reflection that has been helpful to me during this time. It comes to us from St. Braulio, a seventh-century Spanish Bishop.

God bless,

Fr. Tim

Lazarus our friend is sleeping. In saying this, Christ, who is the hope of all believers refers to the departed as those who are asleep. By no means does he regard them as dead. Paul the apostle does not want us to grieve about those who have fallen asleep.

Our faith tells us that all who believe in Christ will never die; indeed faith assures us that Christ is not dead, nor shall we die. The Lord himself will come down from heaven and there will be the command of the archangel's voice and the sound of the trumpet; then those who were united with Christ in death will rise. Let the hope of resurrection encourage us, then, because we shall see again those whom we lose here below.

Of course, we must continue to believe firmly in Christ; we must continue to obey his commandments. His power is so great that it is easier for him to raise the dead to life than it is for us to arouse those who are sleeping. As we are saying all these things some unknown feeling causes us to burst into tears; some hidden feeling discourages the mind which tries to trust and to hope. Such is the sad human condition; without Christ all life is utter emptiness.

O death! You separate those who are joined to each other in marriage. You harshly and cruelly divide those whom friendship unites. But your power is broken. Your heinous yoke has been destroyed by the One who sternly threatened you when Hosea cried out: O Death! I shall be your death. And with the words of the apostle we, too, deride you: O death! Where is your victory? O death! Where is your sting!

Your conqueror redeemed us. He handed himself over to wicked men so that he could transform the wicked into persons who were truly dear to him. It would take too long to narrate all the consolations intended for our benefit in the Scriptures. But by focusing our attention upon the glory of our Redeemer there is sufficient hope for our resurrection. Through faith we know that we are already risen from the dead. The Apostle writes: If we have died with Christ, we believe that we are at the same time living with him.

We do not really belong to ourselves; we belong to the One who redeemed us. Our will should always depend on his. For this reason we say in the Lord's Prayer: Your will be done. Confronted with death, the sentiments of Job should be our own: The Lord gave and the Lord took away. May his name be blessed! Let us repeat here and now what Job said, lest we turn out to be unlike him, when our time comes.



Congratulations to our raffle winner,

Jimmy DiGregory!

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK

Allen Barber, Francis Barnes, Mary Ann Boyer, Laura Chesnick, Al Cline, Rosita Dietrich, David Divine, Cynthia Graham, Cindie Harrison, Larry Hudson, Beverlee Lee, Bob Liggett, Robert Milburn, Ida Mullikin, Mary Murphy, Jean Mosby, Norma Perry, Norma Raffaele, GERALYN ROBerson, Mickey Ryan, Samuel Smith Sr., Bert Nemeth, Sr. Vincent de Paul OSF, and Shirley Mackessy.

The Easter flowers in the church are in memory of:

John R. Albright

Ettore Aquilina

Ralph & Amelia Aquilina

Abelino & Thelma Barrios

Deacon T. Kevin Barry

Deceased members of the Bigony/DiGregory
family

Col. & Mrs. Richard Borges

Rosemary Borges

Mr. Leonard Borges

Mrs. Anna A. Borges

Elliott & Lois Bouis

Teresa Chobot

Mr. & Mrs. Napoleon Coco

James L. Coco

John & Bernadette Connelly

James & Caroline Curran

Mr. Edward Daly

Betty DeMar

Joseph & Betty Disney

Olin Dovel

Alice Dunstan

Alfredo Figaredo

Maria Alina Figaredo

Charles & Bertha Fletcher

The Rybka & Givens families

Rosa Elvira Gonzalez

Paul A. Gross

Mrs. Rosetta Harris

Wayne C. Howard

Michael Hungerford

Mr. & Mrs. William Huntley

Jose & Dolores Jabonete

Warren & Elizabeth Jarman

Deceased members of the Jenkins/Kramer
family

Maryellen Sondberg Johnson

Ronald David Johnson

James & Lelia Johnson

For & Renee Kalil

Gene & Lena Kaufman

Russel Kay, Mary Kay, & James Kay

The Moore and Ketterer families

Deceased members of the Kozak family

The Krashoc family

Ray LeSage

Everett Lyles III & Everett Lyles, Jr.

Annette Maeder

Teresa Mamunes

Michael Mangum Sr.

Jack McAuliffe

Zetta McCullough

Deceased members of the McDonough family

Jacob, John, & Angela Grace Meyer

Charles Missar Jr., Charles Missar, &

Genevieve Missar

Betty Moriarty

John Murray

Helen Niemasik

Francis J. O'Gara

Alethea E. Patten

Alethea Patten

Angelo & Margaret Righi

Irma Rivera & Mercedes Rivera

Gervacio Sarra & Ines Sarra

Barbara Shipp

Denny Shreve

Ramon Thompson



The 4th and 5th grade Religious Education classes participated in a prayer meditation on the Parables of the Mustard Seed and the Yeast on Sunday, March 27th, with Lectio Divina led by Donna Dietrich (5th grade catechist). Afterwards the children planted their own mustard seeds to bring home.



On Saturday, April 2, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, the American Heritage Girls troop of our parish participated in a stream clean up service project. This project was in conjunction with the City of Bowie Stream Team clean up event that takes place each year on the first Saturday in April. Dozens of volunteers turn out to help clean streams across the city, walking along specific stream segments to pick up trash and litter. In all, the girls collected 840 pounds of trash, so it was a very successful service project! They enjoyed getting out into the environment and experiencing nature while working to protect Bowie's important natural resources and beautifying the place where we live.