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Mass Intention



Our Parishioners

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please give Mass intentions to Father.

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth para programar una misa o si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor, den intenciones de misa al Padre.

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Responsorial Psalm: 118:1-2,
16-17, 22-23
Reading II: Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel: John 20:1-9

April Birthdays

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

- 1 **Katherine Abernathy**
- 2 **Lane Newsome Gloria Vazquez Rodrigez**
- 14 **Liam George Quejado**
- 15 **Timmy Grace Gorman**
- 18 **Geronimo Moleno**
- 22 **Hilmer Martinez Vazquez**
- 23 **Ruby Santes**
- 27 **Monica Deluna-Hawkins Omar Ramirez**



Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer.
Steven Goellner; Rosemary Buskirk, Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

- April 6**-Holy Thursday
- April 6-10**-Office Closed
- April 15**-**NO SPANISH MASS**
- April 23**-First Communion

Officers for 2022-2023

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta
Grand Knight: Bobby Berndt
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Trustee One Year: Tom Eddy, PGK*
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*PGK-Past Grand Knight

If you are a Catholic man 18 years or older and wish to join our Council, please contact Bobby Berndt (434)636-2565 or Tom O'Neill (252)308-0493.

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

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Liturgical Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)
Sunday—10:30 am

Rosary:

Sunday—10:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—

Finance Council—Janet McKenzie: 614-579-8185

Religious Formation—Dr. Santiago Gasalao-Epps: 434-594-8023

Music Coordinator— Francis Mendoza

Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713

Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion—April 2, 2023

Study of the Readings

Focusing the Gospel

Key words & phrases:

you will have your faith in me shaken, mine will never be, all the disciples left him and fled, false testimony, Jesus was silent, gave up his spirit

To the point: Jesus warns the disciples at the Last Supper that their faith would be shaken, but the disciples deny that this will ever happen. Nonetheless, faith is greatly threatened when there is great cost, and we instinctively protect ourselves: the disciples flee; the Jewish leaders are adamant about destroying Jesus.

Jesus alone remains unshaken in his faith: in the Garden he says yes to his Father's will, he is silent before his accusers' false accusations, he willingly gives up his spirit on the cross. Instead of protecting himself, Jesus embraces the cost of his suffering and death—the great sign of his own faithfulness. An even greater sign is yet to come.

Connecting the Gospel ...

... to the First Reading:

The selection from the third Suffering Servant song in Isaiah

poignantly underscores Jesus' conscious and active choice to remain faithful to his saving mission no matter what the cost: "I have not ... turned back" and "I gave my back to those who beat me."

... to experience: The more something costs us, the greater the demand on our resources and personal commitment. The cost of our salvation was Jesus' very life; he did not shy away from the demands or cost or personal commitment. And remains even now so committed to us.

Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión del Señor

Estudio de las lecturas

Enfocando el Evangelio

Palabras y frases claves:

tendrás tu fe en mí sacudida, la mía nunca lo será, todos los discípulos lo dejaron y huyeron, falso testimonio, Jesús guardó silencio, entregó su espíritu

Al punto: Jesús advierte a los discípulos en la Última Cena que su fe sería sacudida, pero los discípulos niegan que esto suceda alguna vez. Sin embargo, la fe se ve muy amenazada cuando hay un gran costo, e intuitivamente nos protegemos: los discípulos huyen; los líderes judíos son inflexibles acerca de

destruir a Jesús. Sólo Jesús permanece inquebrantable en su fe: in the Garden he says yes to his Father's will, he is silent before his accusers' false accusations, he willingly gives up protecting himself, Jesus embraces the cost of his suffering and death—the great sign of his own faithfulness. An even greater sign is yet to come.

Conectando al Evangelio

... a la Primera Lectura: La selección de la tercera canción del Siervo Sufriente en Isaías

subraya conmovedoramente la elección consciente y activa de Jesús de permanecer fiel a su misión salvadora sin importar el costo: "No he ... volví atrás" y "le di la espalda a los que me golpearon".

... experimentar: Cuanto más nos cuesta algo, mayor es la demanda de nuestros recursos y compromiso personal. El costo de nuestra salvación fue la vida misma de Jesús; No rehuyó las demandas, el costo o el compromiso personal. Y sigue estando incluso ahora tan comprometido con nosotros.

PARISH NEWS

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, he initiated the chain of events that would lead to his execution. Palm Sunday is also our entrance into Holy Week. Lift your palm branches today in joy against the coming darkness. Find strength in praise of God to endure the Triduum's trial close by our Savior's side. Possibly the bitterest truth of Holy Week is that we are complicit in Jesus' crucifixion. "All have sinned," Paul writes in the Letter to the Romans (3:23). Sadly, we can identify with Judas because we betray Jesus when we sin and avoid speaking about Him out of fear. We can identify with the crowd shouting "Crucify him!" because we condemn Jesus when we judge others. Join our Annual Diocesan Appeal so that our neighbors find the hope that comes from knowing that God can even use our sins for our salvation. The mercy of God has no limits, and our hearts cannot anticipate his dynamic goodness. Give to our Annual Appeal so that others may find hope in him this Easter. He is returning to us soon; take heart!

Holy Week, & Easter Schedule

Apr 6-Holy Thursday

Mass 5:30 pm

Apr 8-Easter Vigil Mass

8 pm; St. Peter

Apr 9-Easter Sunday

Mass 10:30 am



Join us after Mass
Easter Sunday for the
Knights of Columbus
Easter Egg Hunt

All children 12 and under
bring your Easter baskets
to Mass!

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Cuando Jesús entró en Jerusalén, inició una cadena de eventos que lo llevarían a su ejecución. El Domingo de Ramos es también nuestra entrada a la Semana Santa. Levante hoy con alegría su ramo de palmas en contra de la oscuridad que se acerca. Encuentre fortaleza alabando a Dios para aguantar la prueba del triduo al lado de nuestro Salvador. Posiblemente la verdad más amarga de la Semana Santa es que nosotros somos cómplices de la crucifixión de Jesús. Pablo escribe en su Carta a los Romanos (3:23). "Todos pecaron," Tristemente podemos identificarnos con Judas, porque traicionamos a Jesús cuando pecamos y evitamos hablar de Él por miedo. ¡También podemos identificarnos con la muchedumbre gritando "Crucifícalo!" porque condenamos a Jesús cuando juzgamos a otros. Únase a nuestra Campaña Anual Diocesana para que nuestro prójimo encuentre la esperanza que viene del saber que Dios aún puede usar nuestros pecados para nuestra salvación. La Misericordia de Dios no tiene límites y nuestros corazones no pueden anticipar su bondad dinámica. Done a nuestra Campaña Anual Diocesana para que otros puedan encontrar esperanza en Él en esta Pascua. Él pronto regresará a nosotros; ¡tómelo en serio!



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Anual Diocesana 2023



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Domingo de Pascua
para la Búsqueda de
Huevos de Pascua de
Caballeros de Colón

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de 12 años traigan sus
canastas de Pascua a Misa!

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual	
Offertory:	\$884.62	\$864.50	(\$20.12)
Easter Flowers:		\$286.50	

Online Giving

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MASS ATTENDANCE:

March 26th
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Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	BODY OF CHRIST	USHERS	SERVERS
George Seif	Steve Brophy	Elizer Carillo	Louise Nery
Toni Ferris		Dave Thomas	Carlos Nery
			Jayden Nery

Next Week's Cleaning Group

Teresa Verduzco	Nélida Rosales
Ester Zepeda	Jennifer González
Concepcion	Juan Carlos
Mendoza	González