

April 14, 2019

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED: Hearing aids for use are in the sacristy—please return them after Mass.

TODAY’S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem (Luke 19:28-40).
First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).
Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).
Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).
Gospel — The account of Christ’s passion according to Luke (Luke 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]).

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday April 13 St. Martin I

5:30 pm Fe Magpusao (dec) by Mindy & family

Sunday April 14

8:00 am St. Theresa parishioners

10:00 am Bishop Francis Quinn (dec) by St. Theresa staff

12:00 pm Jeff & Bridget Spencer (safe travels)

7:00 pm

Monday April 15

8:00 am Matthew Spencer (bday) by the Spencer family

Tuesday April 16

8:00 am Bishop Francis Quinn (dec) by St. Theresa staff

Wednesday April 17

8:00 am Mark & John Hurley (dec) by the Hurley family

12:00 pm Concordia Balong (healing) by Ester Balong

Thursday April 18

8:00 am NO MASS

7:00 pm

Friday April 19

12:15 pm

Saturday April 20

8:15pm

PRAYER REQUESTS

FOR PARISHIONERS ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Concordia Balong | Bill Barboni | Kathleen Brady | Krista Carson | Romie Enriquez | Gene Estepa | Mamerto Estepa | Steve Frick | Ophelia Kirvida | Kel Lohmeier | Matthew Morisky | Simon McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O’Malley | Cecilia Ramirez | Tony Russo | Gloria Walkowiak

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to add to the prayer list, please send an email with your loved one’s name along with your name and phone number to tahoeatholicbulletin@gmail.com.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

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| Monday, April 15 | 8am Mass; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth Meal |
| Tuesday, April 16 | 8am Mass; 9am Session IV of Forgiveness; 4:30pm Children Faith Formation; 6:30pm RCIA in English |
| Wednesday, April 17 | 8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 12:30pm to 1pm Confessions; 6pm rehearsal for Triduum celebrations |
| Holy Thursday, April 18 | NO 8am Mass; 8am Morning Prayer; 2pm-4pm B&B4Kids; 7pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper |
| Good Friday, April 19 | NO 8am Mass; 12:15pm Good Friday: celebration of the Lord’s Passion; 6pm Bilingual Stations of the Cross from Library to the church; 7pm Good Friday: celebration of the Lord’s Passion in Spanish |
| Holy Saturday, April 20 | 8am Morning Prayer; NO 4pm confessions; NO 5:30pm Mass; 9am-2pm decorating the church; 8:15pm Easter Vigil Mass |
| Easter Sunday, April 21 | 8am, 10am, 12 noon and 7pm (in Spanish) |

FR. MAURICIO’S WEEK AT A GLANCE

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| Monday, April 15 | 8am Mass; 9am-12:30pm office work; 1pm internment at Happy Homestead; 3pm-8pm office work |
| Tuesday, April 16 | 7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 9am Session IV of Forgiveness; 11am-4pm off; 5pm-6pm preparing for RCIA class; 6:30pm teaching the RCIA in English |
| Wednesday, April 17 | 7am opening the church & setting up for Mass; 8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 12:30pm to 1pm Confessions; 1pm break; 2pm-5pm preparing liturgical resources for Triduum; 6pm rehearsal for Triduum celebrations |
| Holy Thursday, April 18 | 8am Morning Prayer; 10am-12noon office work; 2pm-4pm office work; 4pm break; 5pm setting up for Mass |
| Good Friday, April 19 | 7am opening the church; 11am setting up; 12:15pm Good Friday: celebration of the Lord’s Passion; 5pm setting up; 6pm Bilingual Stations of the Cross from Library to the church; 7pm Good Friday: celebration of the Lord’s Passion in Spanish |
| Holy Saturday, April 20 | 7:00am opening the church; decorating the church; 5pm setting up for Easter Vigil Mass; 8:15pm Easter Vigil Mass |
| Easter Sunday, April 21 | 6:45am opening the church; 8am, 10am, 12 noon Masses; 2pm-5pm personal time; 6pm setting up for Mass; 7pm Mass in Spanish |



BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES
 Call or visit the Religious Education Office
 530.544.4788 Find the **2019 SCHEDULE:**
<http://www.tahoecatholic.com/baptisms>



RESPECT LIFE PREGNANT ? NEED HELP?

We offer practical help to any women with a crisis pregnancy. We have a special concern for you and your unborn child. For any help with a troubled pregnancy, 544-3533.



KNIGHT'S CORNER

Men of the Parish are you looking for something more in your life? We do men's Catholic Fellowship! We take our Faith seriously but.....Come join us for some fun and always a good time!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST—May 5 after the 8AM & 10AM

Masses. It always tastes right when cooked by a Knight!

MONTHLY MEETING—May 8—Dinner 6pm; meeting 7pm

Become a better version of yourself. Become a knight!

Call Frank Dixon 530 318 1574

CATHOLIC HUMOR

Paddy went into St. Mary's Hospital for major surgery. In the recovery room, the nurse came in and said, "So Pat, how will you be paying for your surgery?"

"I don't know," said Pat.

"Do you have any insurance?" the nurse asked.

"No," said Pat.

"Do you have any money?" she asked.

"Not a penny," said Pat.

"Do you have any relatives who might be able to pay for this surgery?"

"Only my spinster sister in New Mexico; she is a nun," said Paddy.

The nurse said, "Nuns are not spinsters Pat; they are married to God."

"Fine," replied Pat, "then sure and you'll be sending the bill to my Brother-in-Law."

From the *Book of Catholic Jokes*

FORGIVEN: The Transforming Power of Confession

All are invited to be part of these series. Just show up with your Bible!

Tuesday 9am-10:30am

SESSION IV: Biblical Foundations

Tuesday, April 16 at 9am

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

Palm Sunday at 6pm

Holy Wednesday (April 17th) from 12:30-1pm

STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH

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| 4/7 | Regular Collection | 8225.59 |
| | BUILDING MAINTENANCE | 1713.52 |

Second collection THIS weekend:

SEALING AND RESTRIPIING THE PARKING LOT

Second collection NEXT weekend:

NO SECOND COLLECTION

PROMOTING LIFE

Jesus' Death is Our Example

Jesus, who upon entering into the world said: "I have come, O God, to do your will" (cf. Heb 10:9), made himself obedient to the Father in everything and, "having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end" (Jn 13:1), giving himself completely for them. He who had come "not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mk 10:45), attains on the Cross the heights of love: "Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (Jn 15:13). And he died for us while we were yet sinners (cf. Rom 5:8). In this way Jesus proclaims that life finds its center, its meaning and its fulfillment when it is given up. At this point our meditation becomes praise and thanksgiving, and at the same time urges us to imitate Christ and follow in his footsteps (cf. 1 Pt 2:21). We too are called to give our lives for our brothers and sisters, and thus to realize in the fullness of truth the meaning and destiny of our existence. *Pope St. John Paul II, The Gospel of Life, n. 51.*

<http://www.priestsforlife.org/liturgy/liturgicalresource-cycles.aspx?id=80>

FORGIVING AND GIVING ALL

"In His anguish He prayed with all the greater intensity, and His sweat became like drops of blood falling to the ground. Then He rose from prayer and came to His disciples." — Luke 22:44-45

Jesus prayed always (see Lk 18:1). He even prayed while He was hanging on the cross and dying. He prayed: "Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing" (Lk 23:34). With His last breath, He prayed: "Father, into Your hands I commend My spirit" (Lk 23:46). These two prayers are related. To give ourselves totally to the Lord, we must forgive. When Jesus taught us to pray, He taught us to ask our Father in heaven to give us our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses. If we do not give forgiveness, we are not giving our "all." Therefore, we are not giving as Jesus gives. Thus, we must forgive in order to give our lives to the Lord. During Holy Week, we are encouraged to accept the grace to forgive all those who have sinned against us. Jesus forgave us for participating in His crucifixion through our sins. We have been forgiven the unimaginable sin of being involved in crucifying God (see Catechism of the Catholic Church, 598; cf Acts 3:15). In thanksgiving for being forgiven, we should pass on the Lord's forgiveness to those who have sinned against us (Mt 18:33). Jesus died forgiving His enemies. May we live forgiving our enemies and thereby give our lives to Him as a total, unblemished sacrifice (see Lv 1:3; cf Rm 12:1).

Prayer: Father, make this week holy through miracles of forgiveness. May I decide to accept these miracles now on the first day of Holy Week.

Promise: "He humbled Himself, obediently accepting even death, death on a cross!" —Phil 2:8

Praise: All hail, King Jesus, suffering servant and Messiah! Your name is above every other name. All glory be to You.

<https://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=en&d=4/14/2019>

REFLECTIONS

WHAT'S THE SMOKE FOR?

Dear Johan,

My friends tell me that because the Bible is the word of God, we have to believe it all. Is that true? If so, how can that be?

Gentle Reader,

As you know, when we read from the Bible in a liturgical setting, we end the proclamation with "The word of the Lord" or "The Gospel of the Lord." This is an affirmation that we indeed believe the Word proclaimed to be the word of God. Does that mean that God wrote every single word of the Bible down or maybe dictated the Bible to a human scribe?

We can be pretty sure that he did not.

As Catholics we honor the Bible as the word of God for two reasons. First, it tells the story of the relationship between God and the people from the time of creation to the time of salvation with all its ups and downs and all its human progress and setbacks. The Bible, then, is first of all the book that narrates not as much the history but more so the relationship between God and the people and the people's experience of God speaking to them in many different situations.

Second, the Bible is considered the word of God because its very existence is divinely inspired. As such the Bible contains God's word conceived in human language, written by and for specific people but with a deep meaning for all generations since.

What, then, about those people who insist that since the Bible is the word of God, we should interpret it literally? Even if we thought we should, certain biblical passages literally prevent us from doing so. I suggest that you and your friends read the Bible cover to cover and try to insist on its literal interpretation. You might be surprised, if not shocked, by the things you would find yourselves doing if interpreting the text literally. Theoretically, of course, the literal interpretation seems to be a more respectful approach to the word of God. In reality, it is not.

Thankfully, God's intent for the Bible is spiritual, rather than literal. Thus, a spiritual interpretation of the Bible is even better than a literal interpretation. In order to do that, we need to know the context in which each passage has been written. This is not always easy. That is why homilies are of the utmost importance. They are intended to break open the Word that was just proclaimed and to assure that we understand what God's plan is for us, today.

I don't suspect this will convince your friend. However, I do hope it confirmed you in your beliefs.

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EASTER

The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils. *Easter Sunday, then, is the greatest of all Sundays*, and Easter Time is the most important of all liturgical times. Easter is the celebration of the Lord's resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. **There are 50 days of Easter from the first Sunday to Pentecost. It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death, expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian: Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching; empty, too, is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14)**

"What you sow is not brought to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel of wheat, perhaps, or of some other kind...So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown corruptible; it is raised incorruptible. It is sown dishonorable; it is raised glorious. It is sown weak; it is raised powerful. It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual one. So, too, it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being," the last Adam a life-giving spirit. But the spiritual was not first; rather the natural and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven. As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly, and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly. Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one (1 Cor 15:36-37, 42-49).

The octave of Easter comprises the eight days which stretch from the first to the second Sunday. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. In a sense, every day of the Octave is like a little Sunday.

The word "Easter" comes from Old English, meaning simply the "East." The sun which rises in the East, bringing light, warmth and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world. **The Paschal Candle is a central symbol of this divine light**, which is Christ. It is kept near the ambo throughout Easter Time and lit for all liturgical celebrations.

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/easter/>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BAPTISM AND RCIA

The origin and foundation of Christian Baptism is Jesus. Before starting his public ministry, Jesus submitted himself to the baptism given by John the Baptist. The waters did not purify him; he cleansed the waters. . . . Jesus did not need to be baptized because he was totally faithful to the will of his Father and free from sin. However, he wanted to show his solidarity with human beings in order to reconcile them to the Father. By commanding his disciples to baptize all nations, he established the means by which people would die to sin – Original and actual – and begin to live a new life with God. In Baptism, the Holy Spirit moves us to answer Christ's call to holiness. In Baptism, we are asked to walk by the light of Christ and to trust in his wisdom. We are invited to submit our hearts to Christ with ever deeper love. ~*from the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*

CARING FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

Dear Parishioners of Saint Theresa,

Our Church is facing one of the most painful chapters of her history with the clergy sexual abuse crisis. Soon the Diocese of Sacramento will be releasing a list of priests and deacons who have been credibly accused of abusing minors and young people in the Diocese of Sacramento since 1950. This could raise many questions and even shake your faith. Some of the following resources might be helpful in coping with this. May the Lord who died on the Cross and was raised from the dead grant us healing and peace.

Fr. Mauricio

Articles

[If One Member Suffers, We All Suffer Together With It](#) (Letter from Pope Francis)

[USCCB Chairman Response to Pennsylvania Grand Jury Reports](#) (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)

[USCCB National Review Board Calls for Lay Leadership Amid Sexual Abuse Crisis](#) (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)

[The Church Sex Abuse Crisis: What You Need to Know](#) (A collection of news and articles on the clergy abuse crisis compiled by America Magazine)

[Eight lessons to help us move forward from the sex abuse crisis](#) (America magazine)

[The Darkness of Scandal and the Light of Christ](#) (Leah Murphy, LifeTeen)

[When Leaders Fail](#) (LifeTeen)

[Youth Ministry: Addressing the Sad Reality of Sexual Abuse](#) (Center for Parent / Youth Understanding)

[Dear Catholic Bishops: This is Not The Time to Play Defense](#) (Katie Prejean McGrady, America Magazine)

[Grieving with You: On the Clergy Abuse and What We Can Do](#) (Blessed is She)

[The Church and Clergy in Crisis: 7 Practical First Steps We Must Take](#) (Word on Fire)

[Coping with the clergy sex abuse crisis: How do we keep the faith amid such betrayal? How do we talk to our kids about this?](#)

[Here's what you need to know](#) (Catholic Digest)

[In the midst of sex abuse allegations, what is Catholic layperson to do?](#) (Catholic Digest)

Videos and Audio

[The Pennsylvania Sex Abuse Scandal](#) (Fr. Mike Schmitz, Ascension Presents)

[Why Remain Catholic? \(With So Much Scandal\)](#) (Bishop Robert Barron, Word on Fire)

[Q&A about the Sexual Abuse Crisis](#) (Bishop Robert Barron, Word on Fire)

[Bishop Barron on Ezekiel and the Sex Abuse Crisis](#) (Bishop Robert Barron, Word on Fire)

[Belief, Faith, and the Church Sex Scandal](#) (Dave Rubin, The Rubin Report) (link starts at 21:02)

[Interview with Fr. Thomas Berg, author of "Hurting in the Church: A Way Forward for Wounded Catholics"](#) (Our Sunday Visitor)

2019 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

MONDAY & TUESDAY (April 15 & 16)

8am Daily Mass

WEDNESDAY (April 17)

8am & 12noon Daily Masses

HOLY THURSDAY (April 18)

Morning Prayer at 8am (No morning Mass)

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm

(with Eucharist Adoration until 7am next day)

GOOD FRIDAY (April 19)

The Lord's Passion Liturgy at 12:15 pm

(with Stations of the Cross at 1:30pm,

concluding with the Divine Mercy Chaplet)

6pm Bilingual Stations of the Cross

from the Library to the church

The Lord's Passion Liturgy in Spanish at 7pm

HOLY SATURDAY (APRIL 20)

Morning Prayer at 8am

Easter Vigil at 8:15pm

Note: There are no Confessions at 4pm and no 5:30pm

Mass

EASTER SUNDAY (April 21)

8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm (Spanish) Masses

¿SERÁ ESTA SEMANA SANTA, REALMENTE SANTA?

"Cada mañana, Él despierta mi oído para que yo escuche como un discípulo. El Señor abrió mi oído y yo no me resistí ni me volví atrás" (Isaías 50:4-5).

Nos hacemos santos por la gracia de Dios. El ser santo, -como lo es Él- en cada aspecto de nuestra conducta, es un regalo de Dios (1 Pe 1:15-16). Sin embargo, nosotros debemos decidir si aceptaremos este regalo. Aceptamos la gracia de la santidad obedeciendo al Señor, especialmente aceptando nuestras cruces diarias (ver Lc 9:23). Si aceptamos el regalo de la santidad veremos a Dios (Heb 12:14) y proclamaremos por siempre: "Santo, santo, santo es el Señor Dios, el Todopoderoso, el que era, el que es y el que vendrá" (Ap 4:8).

Esta es Semana Santa. Es la semana en que el Señor nos dará la gracia de manera excepcional para crecer en santidad. Sin embargo, la Semana Santa puede que no sea ese tiempo tan especial de santidad a menos que aceptemos la cruz de ser perseguidos (ver Mt 5:11). Esta semana el Señor nos llama a ofrecer la espalda a quienes nos golpean y nuestras mejillas a quienes nos arrancan la barba (Is 50:6). La Semana Santa puede ser un tiempo para dar nuestra otra mejilla (Mt 5:39) y no para proteger nuestras caras de "ultrajes y escupidas" (Is 50:6). La Semana Santa es el mejor tiempo para tomar la cruz de la reconciliación y acercarnos a los Judas que nos han perseguido y traicionado (ver Jn 13:26; Mt 26:24-25).

¿Será esta Semana Santa, verdaderamente santa? ¿Abrazaremos la cruz de la persecución sufriente y de los perseguidores amados?

Oración: Padre, en este último día de la cuaresma, dame tal deseo por la santidad que desee morir por amor a Ti.

Promesa: "El celo de tu Casa me devora, y caen sobre mí los ultrajes de los que Te agravian" (Sal 69:10).

Alabanza: En un servicio de sanación, Jesús curó a David de ceguera en el ojo derecho.

<https://www.presentationministries.com/obob/obob.asp?lang=es&d=4/17/2019>

LA PASCUA

La Vigilia Pascual es "la Madre de todas las vigiliyas". El domingo de Pascua, por tanto, es el mayor de todos los domingos, y el Tiempo Pascual es el más importante de todos los tiempos litúrgicos. Pascua es la celebración de la resurrección del Señor de entre los muertos, y culmina en la Ascensión al padre y en envío del Espíritu Santo sobre la Iglesia. Hay 50 días de Pascua desde el primer domingo a Pentecostés. Se caracteriza, sobre todo, por la alegría de la vida glorificada y la victoria sobre la muerte, expresada más plenamente en la gran resonante aclamación del cristiano: ¡Aleluya! Toda la fe fluye de la resurrección: "Si Cristo no ha resucitado, vana es nuestra predicación; vana, también es nuestra fe". (1 Cor 15:14).

"Lo que se siembra no tiene fruto a no ser que muera. Y lo que siembran no es el cuerpo que va a producirse, sino una semilla de trigo, quizá, o de alguna otra cosa... Así es también en la resurrección de los muertos. Se siembra corruptible; pero brota incorruptible. Se siembra sin honor, pero brota glorioso. Se siembra débil, pero brota poderoso. Se siembra en un cuerpo físico; pero se levanta en un cuerpo espiritual. Si existe un cuerpo natural, también hay uno espiritual. Así, también, se escribe: "El primer hombre, Adán, se convirtió en un ser vivo," el último Adán en un espíritu dador de vida. Pero el espiritual no fue el primero; más bien el natural y luego el espiritual. El primer hombre nació de la tierra; el segundo hombre, del cielo. Como hubo uno terrenal, también son todos los terrenales, y como es el celestial, también todos los celestiales. Así como hemos llevado en nosotros la imagen del terrenal, también llevaremos la imagen del celestial" (1 Cor 15: 36-37, 42-49).

La octava de Pascua comprende los ocho días que van desde el primero al segundo domingo. Es un modo de prolongar la alegría del día inicial. En cierto sentido, cada día de la octava es como un pequeño domingo.

La palabra Pascua viene del paso del Señor, la Pascua judía que conmemora la noche anterior al paso liberador de los judíos por el mar Rojo, de la esclavitud a la libertad, de la muerte a la vida, de la tiniebla a la luz. El cirio pascual es un símbolo central de esta luz divina, que es Cristo. Se coloca cerca del ambón durante el Tiempo Pascual y se enciende en todas las celebraciones litúrgicas.

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/ano-liturgico/pascua.cfm>

SEMANA SANTA

DOMINGO DE RAMOS (13 & 14 DE ABRIL)

Misas: 5:30pm Misa de Vigilia el sábado; y 8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm (en español)

LUNES & MARTES (15 & 16 DE ABRIL)

8am Misa

MIÉRCOLES (17 DE ABRIL)

Misas de 8am & 12 mediodía

JUEVES SANTO (18 DE ABRIL)

Oración de la Mañana a las 8am

Misa de la Cena del Señor a las 7pm

(con adoración al Santísimo hasta el día siguiente a las 7am)

VIERNES SANTO (19 DE ABRIL)

12:15pm Liturgia de la Pasión del Señor (inglés)

6pm Vía Crucis Bilingüe desde la Biblioteca a la Iglesia

7pm Liturgia de la Pasión del Señor (español)

SÁBADO DE GLORIA (20 DE ABRIL)

Oración de la Mañana a las 8am

Vigilia Pascual a las 8:15pm

Note: no hay confesiones a las 4pm y no Misa de 5:30pm

DOMINGO DE PASCUA (21 DE ABRIL)

Misas de 8am, 10am, 12noon & 7pm (español)