

Sunday, March 31, 2024

St. John of the Cross Parish



**Christ has risen
ALLELUIA!**

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Diane Mejia, Reception

BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON

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Happy Easter to all parishioners and friends!

Pope Francis Easter Message



Dear brothers and sisters,

Christ is risen!

On this day we proclaim that he, the Lord of our life, is "the resurrection and the life" of The world (cf. Jn 11:25). Today is Easter, the Pasch, a word that means "passage", for in Jesus the decisive passage of humanity has been made: the passage from death to life, from sin to grace, from fear to confidence, from desolation to communion. In him, the Lord of time and history, I would like to say to everyone, with heartfelt joy, Happy Easter!

Brothers & sisters, may we rediscover the enjoyment of the journey, quicken the heartbeat of hope and experience a foretaste of the beauty of heaven! Today, let us summon the energy to advance in goodness towards Goodness itself, which never disappoints. If, as one of the ancient Fathers once wrote, "the greatest sin is not to believe in the power of the resurrection" (SAINT ISAAC OF NINEVEH, Sermones Ascetici, I, 5), today let us believe and profess: "Christ is truly risen from the dead!" (Sequence). We believe in you, Lord Jesus. We believe that, with you, hope is reborn and the journey continues. May you, the Lord of life, encourage us on our journey and repeat to us, as you did to the disciples on the evening of Easter: "Peace be with you!" (Jn 19:21).

Pope Francis, Urbi et Orbi Message, Easter 2023

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/urbi/documents/20230409-urbi-et-orbi-pasqua.html>

Parish Office is Closed on: Saturday, March 30th / Easter Sunday, March 31st / Easter Monday, April 1st

WE ARE GOD'S FAMILY!



He is Risen!

Happy Easter, boys and girls! Wow! What an extraordinary celebration in the Church! Easter means new life. During spring time, we see flowers and leaves on the trees starting to come up, the birds chirping, little wild animals coming out to enjoy the sun. Jesus brought new life to all of us too when he resurrected from the dead. Remember that Jesus died on the cross on Good Friday and rose from the dead on Easter Sunday! Jesus is showing us, boys and girls, that we too, will rise from the dead and live forever. And he wants us to spend our forever with Him and with everyone we love, in heaven. Isn't that awesome!

It is always wonderful to live in and with God. We know that God IS love, God IS joy, God IS Peace, God IS all that IS good. When we live in and with God, His love, His joy, His peace, and His goodness, is in us which shines forth to everything and everyone around us. It's like a light that brightens everything and everyone around it.

O, the life in and with God, boys and girls, is glorious. It is so natural for us to be in it because He created us and His love shines forth in us. So, this Easter and beyond, let us make God our BFF— our best friend forever!

Happy Easter, boys and girls!

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Fr. Biju (Felix) Antony O.Carm., will be installed as Pastor at St. Martin of Tours Church on Saturday, April 6th, at 5pm Holy Mass. Congratulations, Fr. Felix!



A Mighty Thank you!

We would like to express our deep gratitude to all who helped in the Holy Week Celebrations including Danny Pavan and the Eucharistic Ministry Team; Alice Pinder and the Altar Servers Team; Donna Abalos, Julia D'Souza, and the Altar Society Team; Deanne Taylor and the Music Ministry Team; Ed Clarence and the Ushers Team; Kristen Lobo, Clinton Machado, and the Youth Group Team; Denzil Noronha and the Knights of Columbus; Debbie Price and the CWL for the Easter eggs; Liane Harris and the RCIA/RCIC Team and Easter Vigil Reception Team; Mary Grace Krzywioruczka, Sacristan; and to all who generously contributed to the Sanctuary flowers and to the Easter Vigil Reception. Thank you for helping make the celebrations welcoming, inspiring, and holy.

As you continue to serve the community of St. John of the Cross with humility and joy, may our faithful and merciful God reveal Himself more to you. May your days ahead be grace-filled.

God bless,
Fr. Joyson



There will be a Building Fund Collection next weekend for the ongoing projects in the church to complete.

Thank you for your generosity!

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MASS INTENTIONS



Monday, April 1, 9am

1. For the Birthday Blessings of Callie Romeo, requested by the Family
2. For the Repose of Manuel Legaspi, requested by the Family
3. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Dustin DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
4. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Rhea D'Souza, requested by Brigette & D'Costa Family
5. For the Repose of Claudette Suzanne Gasparro, requested by Pat & Rosa Gasparro & Family
6. For the Repose of Manolo Fermin, requested by the Family

Tuesday, April 2, 9am

1. For the Repose of Francis Yap, requested by Jessy Yap & Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Maria Fe Almonte, requested by Maria Fe Almonte
3. For the Repose of Thomas Kavanagh and Thomas Cleary, requested by the Kavanagh Family
4. For the Repose of Romano Pascolo, requested by Anne Viljakeinen
5. For the Repose of Natividad Santos de Leon and Mariano Dy Tan Tian Sang, requested by Albert & Vicky de Leon
6. For the Repose of Rosario San Andres, requested by Ronald Jualingco

Wednesday, April 3, 9am

1. For the Repose of Ricardina Fernandes, requested by the Fernandes/de Souza Families
2. For the Repose of Joseph & Nanny Lau, requested by the Lau-Ranger Family
3. For the Repose of Jessie & Paul Rebello, requested by Anita D'Souza

Wednesday, April 3, 7pm

1. For the Repose of Wilfred & Agnes D'Souza, requested by Ferdie D'Souza
2. For the Repose of Anna Vu Thi Xot, requested by Kim Vu

Thursday, April 4, 9am

1. For the Repose of Richard Palan, requested by Kevin & Sandra
2. For the Repose of Vallerie Ambrose, requested by the Robson Family

Friday, April 5, 9am

1. For the Repose of John D'Souza, requested by Ivy Carnelino
2. In Thanksgiving & Special Intentions, requested by the Menezes Family
3. For the Repose of Cresencia & Primitivo Regio, requested by the Regio Family

Friday, April 5, 7pm

1. For the Birthday Blessings of Rozanne & Bevan, requested by the Perera Family
2. For the Repose of Bernard Saldanha, requested by all his Karama Friends
3. For the Repose of Inocencio Coutinho, requested by Lumen Coutinho & Family
4. For the Repose of Thomas Anthicques, requested by the Family

Saturday, April 6, 9am

1. For the Souls in Purgatory & Unborn Babies, requested by the Chaves Family
2. For the Special Intentions of Mark & Chloe, requested by a Parishioner
3. For the Repose of Joseph Vu Dinh Loc, requested by Kim Vu

Saturday, April 6, 5pm

1. For the Repose of Diane Gazzola, requested by the Gazzola Family
2. For the Repose of Adeline Machado, requested by the Machado Family

Sunday, April 7, 10am

1. For the Repose of Nury Andrews, requested by the Andrews Family
2. For the Repose of Aloysius Maryan, requested by Sheone Sebastian

Sunday, April 7, 4pm

1. For the Repose of Raymond, Grisilda & Hyginus Perera, requested by the Perera Family

**Join us on April 5th, 9am and 7pm for the
1st FRIDAY HOLY MASS**

Followed by:

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

The Parish Prayer Group will lead us in the Taize prayer during silent adoration at 7pm.

CHURCH

Tues	Apr 2	Joyful Worship Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Wed	Apr 3	Band Choir 8:00pm
Thurs	Apr 4	Folk Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Fri	Apr 5	First Friday Mass 7:00pm
Sat	Apr 6	Children's Choir 10:00am

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Apr 1	RCIA 7:00pm
Tues	Apr 2	Prime Time Club Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Tues	Apr 2	Parish Women's Group: Made by God 7pm
Wed	Apr 3	Prime Time Club Crafts 1:00-3:00pm
Wed	Apr 3	CIC 6:00pm
Wed	Apr 3	Knights of Columbus Exec Meeting 7:30pm
Thurs	Apr 4	Baptism Class 7:00pm
Fri	Apr 5	Parish Prayer Group Taize 8:00pm
Sat	Apr 6	Mens' Fraternity TMIY 7:00-8:30am
Sat	Apr 6	Lay Carmelites 9:00am-3:00pm

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Apr 1	CWL Exec. Meeting 6:00pm
Sat	Apr 6	Tax Preparation 9:00am-12:00pm

Coffee Sunday will be hosted by the Youth Group after all Sunday Masses next weekend.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, April 7th

Coordinated by the Parish Prayer Group

2:45pm Exposition & Benediction

3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by the blessings of Divine Mercy Icons


4:00pm Sunday Holy Mass

Bring your Divine Mercy icons to be placed at the foot of the altar.

Jesus, I Trust in You.



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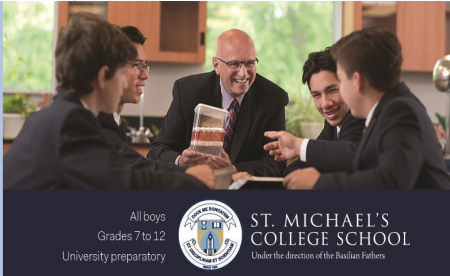
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