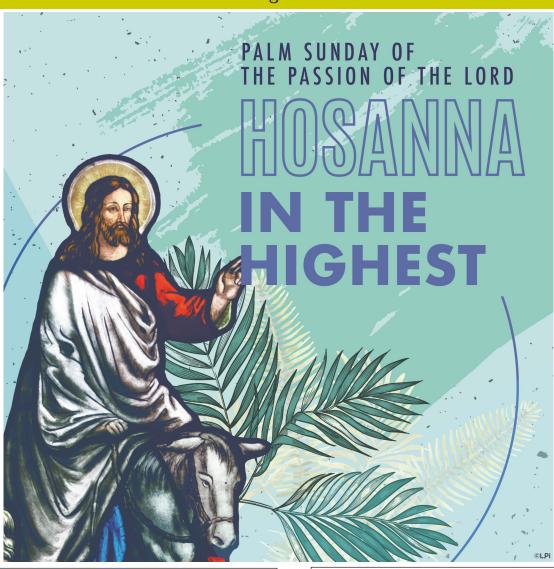
Saint John Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan

April 10, 2022 — Palm Sunday - Passion of the Lord 10 de Abril de 2022 — Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión del Señor



LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:30 p.m
Sunday	9:00 a.m.
Daily Masses:Wednesday	12:00 p.m.
Thursday	8:30 a.m.
CONFESSIONS (Saturday) 4:30 p.m. or by appointment	

HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES – JUEVES: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio dia

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Domingo12:3	go12:30 p.m. (Español)	
Misa Diaria: Miércoles	12:00 del medio día	
. Jueves	8:30 a.m.	
CONFESIONES (Sábado)4:30 p.m. o por cita		

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12 NOON

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St John Parish Calendar

SATURDAY April 9, 2022

4:30 AM Reconciliation
5:30 PM Mass soul of "Otts" Miskimon

SUNDAY 9:00 AM April 10, 2022 Mass soul of Mel Siple

12:30 PM Misa por Aparicio Serrano Cano

WEDNESDAY April 13, 2022

12:00 Noon Mass Thanksgiving John Brereton

THURSDAY April 14,2022 7:00 PM HOLY THURSDAY

FRIDAY April 15, 2022 7:00 PM GOOD FRIDAY

SATURDAY April 16, 2022 8:00 PM HOLY SATUDAY

SUNDAY April 17, 2022 9:00 EASTER SUNDAY 12:30 DOMINGO DE PASCUA

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:

Helen Rice, John & Jolene White, Junie Kirby, Maxine Di-Marino, Wayne Ewing, Jeff Konschack, Mary Higgins, Elena Chavez. John & Peggy Smith, Stanhope Flournoy, Betty Yingst, Paul Greene, Frank Haselton, Leonora Gray, Leslie Gray, Melissa Harrington, Chris Jones, Carl Saunders, Hallett Harrison, Joseph Di Marino, Mike Elrod, Theresa Mosely, James Geishermer, Joan Purcell, Paul Evans, Reymar Penarrieta Chavez, Frank & Kathy Mcollum

2022 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Together, we bestow His first fruits

Finish Lent strong! As a final act of Lenten almsgiving, please consider supporting our Annual Diocesan Appeal.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 10, 2022

Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/ Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21

-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt

26:14-25

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/ Ps 116:12-13, 15-16abc, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25/Heb

4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday: Vigil: 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/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/

WEEKLY COLLECTION

April 3 & 4, 2022

 Weekly
 Year to date

 Actual
 \$ 5,868.00
 \$189,753.91

 Budget
 \$4,135.00
 \$165,400.00

 \$1,733.00
 \$24,343.91

All totals include weekly collection and e-giving

MASS ATTENDENCE

5:30 9:00 12:30 65 138 254

DONATION FOR FISH
REQUEST FOR THE MONTH OF April
Laundry Detergent

DONACIONES PARA FISH ESTE MES Abril

Detergente de Ropa

The Busy Bees Spring Craft and Bake Sale is the weekends of April 2/3 and 9/10. There will be lots of baked goods, stove towels, rosaries, and Easter decorations. Come shop with us!

From the Desk of the Administrator

Accompanying Jesus from the Garden of prayer to the hill of crucifixion in Holy week

We have begun the Holy week also known as the Passion week of the Lord, leading to His suffering and excruciating death on the cross. Everyone must kindly stare at the crucifix for a while (at least 1-2 mins). Imagine is you or family member on the cross, how would you have felt?

With the words of the composition of Fanny Crosby in the Universal Methodist hymn # 301, **Jesus, keep me near the cross:** There a precious fountain; Free to all, a healing stream, Flows from Calv'ry's mountain, let us deeply

reflect on Jesus' journey with the cross to Calvary in this holy week.

Catholics are often accused of holding up Jesus to shame by constantly displaying Him on the Cross, denying that he rose from the dead and ascended into heaven. Other times also they have been falsely judged as being worshippers to a "dead" God, rather than worshippers to a Risen God. Is that true? Of course, No, because Catholics worship both the Jesus who died for their sins as well as the Jesus who rose from His sacrificial death for their sins. At Mass Catholics profess: "Christ has died, Christ is risen and Christ will come again." (the mystery of faith)

According to some non-Catholic Christians, Jesus' Crucifixion is a past event only, and displaying Him on a Cross supposedly suggests Catholics want to keep Jesus dead or continually dying as if they want to deny His Resurrection. Catholics do not deny Jesus' Resurrection, if they did, there wouldn't be church on Sundays (the day of the Lord) to commemorate Jesus' Resurrection, nor the celebration of Easter. It's sad that a Crucifix to some non-Catholic professing Christians is a "dead" God and an "idolatrous image." But what is a Crucifix to a Catholic? Why do Catholics still have Jesus on the Cross and hold on to it so strongly? Let us see a few scriptural references.

The Cross is a picture of radical love showing Jesus' unconditional

& passionate love and infinite mercy (John 15:13) The Cross is a Picture of Christ in Glory (Jn. 12:23-27)

The Crucifixion of Jesus atoned for our sins, because for the Resurrection to have happened it had to begin with the Crucifixion on the cross (1Corinthians 15:17)

The repentant thief is saved on the cross when he believes in Jesus and

professes him as savior. (Lk.23:42-43)

As Moses lifted up the bronze serpent in the wilderness, so must the son of man be lifted up and when lifted up, will draw all men to himself

The Cross is the picture of God's wisdom and Power since Christ is the picture of God's power and His wisdom. (1Corinthians 1:18; 23-24)

The Cross is an act of obedience and humility of Jesus:

i)Becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross (Phil.2:8); ii) His own self bore our sins in his own body on the tree (1 Pt. 2:24), iii)

He endures the cross despising the shame (Heb. 12:2). Very close at the foot of the cross at Calvary were 4 people out of which 3 were women (Mary, Jesus' mother, her sister, Mary, wife of Clopas and Mary Magdalene). The only male was John the beloved disciple. (Jn. 19:25).

However, on the way of the cross these personalities are identified, so close to Jesus and accompanying him on his journey: Mary his mother and the other women, John the disciple, Veronica, Simon of Cyrene, the repentant thief and Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodamous who brought a mixture of myrrh & aloes weighing hundred pounds after they have taken the body

from the cross. Each of them had a peculiar role to play, for instance;

Mary his mother (Jn.19:26): a woman of faith who heard God's word better than anyone (Lk. 1) and who according to St. Augustine first conceived Jesus in the heart before conceiving him in the womb. Her presence is not so surprising because at Jesus' presentation in the temple, Simeon had already predicted that sword will pierce her heart (Lk.2:35). She therefore shares in the son's suffering. Look at the PIETA, the most painful mo-

ment of receiving the tortured and dead body of her son.

John, the beloved disciple (Jn. 19:27): representing all believers and followers of Christ and the dimension of community life and association in the perspective of caretaking. The intention of Jesus was to break every barrier of isolation by supporting each other in our burden.

Have a fruitful Holy week, journeying with Jesus from Gethsemane to Calva-

ry/Golgotha.

Holy Week | **Easter Sunday | Schedule**

HOLY THURSDAY | April 14 Mass of the Lord's Supper | 7:00 PM

The church will remain open until 10:00 PM for Adoration.

GOOD FRIDAY | April 15

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion | 7:00 PM

*Confession 12pm—3pm at St. Peter

HOLY SATURDAY | April 16 Easter Vigil | 8:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY | April 17

Sunday | 9 AM – English Sunday | 12:30 PM - Spanish

CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass will take place on Monday, April 11 at 6 PM. This is a unique opportunity to gather with Bishop Knestout and the priests of the diocese as they renew their priestly promises, an expression of their union and communion in Christ with all the faithful in the life of the Church. There are no designated restrictions or pro**tocols** that will be in place for the Chrism Mass. The QR code parking permits are available in the commons area.

Baby Bottle Campaign for East End **Pregnancy Center**

Don't forget to bring them back by April 10th.

RICE BOWLS

Please don't forget to return your Rice Bowl's donations by Holy Thursday.



COUNCIL OF WOMEN **YARD SALE**

Mark your calendar so you don't forget the Yard Sale on Saturday May 14th and

Sunday 15th. We need lots of donations to fill up our storage building. We will take donations any day beginning now. Just call Margaret Owens (804-795 -5090) or Pauline Carlson (804-932-8547)

Fr. Maxwell