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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays (Vigil Mass) at 4:00 p.m.

Sundays at 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. (English),
and 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Weekday Services:

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 8:00 a.m.

Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy prayed after
Daily Mass.

Holy Hour on Fridays after morning Mass.

First Friday Services:

Masses at 8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration begins after the 8:00 a.m. Mass
throughout the day and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

Benediction Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

First Saturday of Month Mass: 8:00 a.m. (after Benediction)

Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil 6:30 p.m., Holy Day: 8:00 a.m.,
12:10 p.m., 4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Bi-Lingual Mass.

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 2:30-3:30 p.m., **Wednesdays** at 7:00 p.m.
and after daily Mass.

BAPTISMS

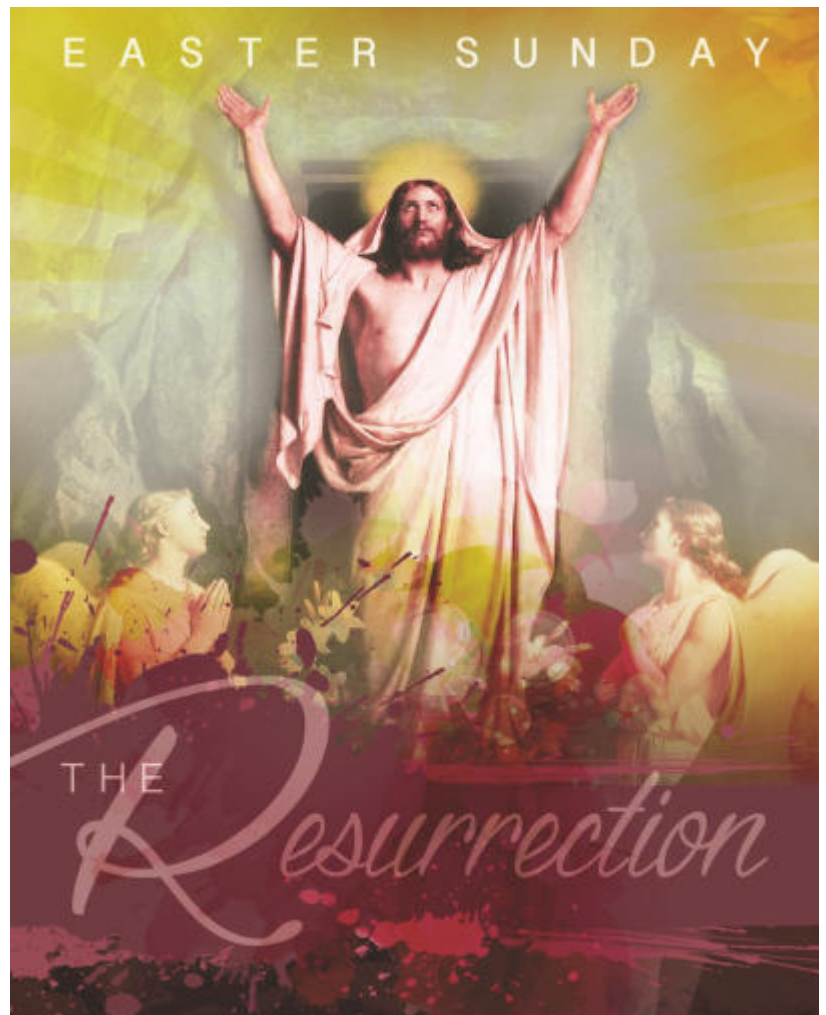
Baptisms will be celebrated in English on the third Saturday and
in Spanish of the fourth Saturday of the month at 1:45 p.m.
Baptism preparation classes are offered once a month in English
and in Spanish. Please contact the parish office to register for
the class and to begin the Baptism process.

ENGAGED COUPLES: Congratulations! Arrangements for the
Sacrament of Matrimony must be made at least nine months in
advance. Please contact the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS: Please contact the Parish Office to
schedule a Mass. Suggested donation is \$10.00.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Sunday prior to the Sunday Bulletin date.



APRIL 21, 2019

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Domingo de Pascua de la Resurrección del Señor

A Letter from our Pastor . . .

Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of Grace,

"Alleluia, Alleluia!" "Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord!" Since the beginning of Lent, we have not been using this expression of praise during the celebration of the Mass and any other liturgical service. Lent was a season of penance, a season to associate ourselves with the suffering Savior, with Jesus in His Passion and Death leading us to the glory of the Resurrection. Easter is a season of joy and rejoicing and so we sing and sing again: "Alleluia, Alleluia!"

On Easter Sunday the climax of our liturgical celebration and the whole reason for the existence of the Lenten season is for the Renewal of Baptismal Promises. Most of us, being baptized as children, had our parents and godparents take the baptismal promises on our behalf, they spoke in our name and committed us to these vows. As we grow and mature in our faith, each one of us is called to make and renew the baptismal promises, first as children reaching the age of reason, then as first communion communicants, then confirmation candidates, then as teens, young adults, adults, elderly, etc. Throughout our entire lives we are called to constantly renew and live out this promise and commitment to God the Father, Jesus His Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Our Baptismal Promises are very simple: reject sin and profess (live) faith. Reject sin by rejecting temptation, Satan and his empty promises. Live the faith by believing in God and putting into practice (living out) His commandments. I say this commitment is simple and yet sometimes very hard to do. But they are only difficult when we forget what love the Lord has for us or we don't adequately have a personal, real love for God. Marriage vows are easily understood as a commitment in love to another person, a willingness to sacrifice everything for that person because of our love for them. Our vows to God (baptismal promises) must be seen as a similar relationship. When we see our vows to love God as a real, divine person, then our baptismal promises become a true expression of love and become easy to carry out. Another reason to sing: "Alleluia, Alleluia!" Happy Easter!

In Christ,

Fr. Velásquez

Queridos feligreses de Nuestra Señora de la Gracia,

"¡Aleluya, Aleluya!" "¡Alabado sea el Señor, Alabado sea el Señor!" Desde el comienzo de la Cuaresma, no hemos estado utilizando esta expresión de elogio durante la celebración de la Misa y ningún otro servicio litúrgico. La Cuaresma fue una época de penitencia, una época para asociarnos con el Salvador que sufría, con Jesús en Su Pasión y Muerte que nos lleva a la gloria de la Resurrección. Pascua es una temporada de alegría y regocijo, así que cantamos y cantamos de nuevo: "¡Aleluya, Aleluya!"

El domingo de Pascua, el clímax de nuestra celebración litúrgica y toda la razón de la existencia del tiempo de Cuaresma es para la Renovación de las Promesas Bautismales. La mayoría de nosotros, al ser bautizados de niños, cuando nuestros padres y padrinos hicieron las promesas bautismales en nuestro nombre, hablaron en nuestro nombre y nos comprometieron con estos votos. A medida que crecemos y maduramos en nuestra fe, cada uno de nosotros está llamado a hacer y renovar las promesas bautismales, primero como niños que llegan a la edad de la razón, luego como comulgantes de la primera comunión, luego como candidatos de confirmación, luego como adolescentes, adultos jóvenes y adultos, ancianos, etc. A lo largo de toda nuestra vida, estamos llamados a renovar y cumplir constantemente esta promesa y compromiso con Dios el Padre, Jesús su Hijo y el Espíritu Santo.

Nuestras promesas bautismales son muy simples: rechazar el pecado y profesar (vivir) la fe. Rechaza el pecado rechazando la tentación, Satanás y sus promesas vacías. Vivir la fe al creer en Dios y poner en práctica (vivir) sus mandamientos. Yo digo que este compromiso es simple y, a veces, muy difícil de hacer. Pero solo son difíciles cuando olvidamos el amor que el Señor tiene para nosotros o no tenemos adecuadamente un amor personal y real por Dios. Los votos matrimoniales se entienden fácilmente como un compromiso en el amor a otra persona, una disposición a sacrificar todo por esa persona debido a nuestro amor por ella. Nuestros votos a Dios (promesas bautismales) deben verse como una relación similar. Cuando vemos nuestros votos de amar a Dios como una persona real y divina, nuestras promesas bautismales se convierten en una verdadera expresión de amor y se vuelven fáciles de cumplir. Otra razón para cantar: "¡Aleluya, Aleluya!" ¡Feliz Pascua!

En Cristo,

Padre Velásquez

Our Lady of Grace Parish Monthly Financial Report

Month of March 2019

Operations

Operational Income (All Sources)	\$58,251.41
All Operational Expenses	<u>\$58,450.11</u>
March Balance: Shortage	\$198.70

2019 Calendar Year Shortage **\$6,788.52**

Building Fund

Mortgage Balance as of March 31, 2019:

\$4,075,436.31

New Building Donations	\$935,681.03
Debt Reduction	\$7,072.05
Capital Campaign	\$12,364.04
Fundraising	<u>\$15,049.00</u>
Total Building Income	\$970,166.12
Building Expenses	<u>\$516,835.13</u>
March Balance: Surplus	\$453,330.99
2019 Calendar Year: Surplus	\$455,756.79

Sunday Offering

Weekend of April 13 - 14, 2019

Sunday Collection \$8,255.98
211 Envelopes used

We Share (Online) Offertory

April 8 - 12, 2019 \$2,625.00

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTED \$10,880.98

Debt Reduction Collection. \$3,979.07

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 21st - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 am Soul of Michael Tremonto
9:30 am Soul of Abby Olvey
11:00 am Intention of poor Souls in Purgatory
12:30 pm Intention of the Estrada family
6:00 pm Easter Memorial Novena

Easter Monday, April 22nd

8:00 am Easter Memorial Novena

Easter Tuesday, April 23rd

8:00 am Easter Memorial Novena

Easter Wednesday, April 24th

8:00 am Easter Memorial Novena

Easter Thursday, April 25th

8:00 am Easter Memorial Novena

Easter Friday, April 26th -

8:00 am Easter Memorial Novena

Easter Saturday, April 27th

4:00 pm Easter Memorial Novena

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28th -

8:00 am Easter Memorial Novena
9:30 am Soul of Mary Ann Emanuel
11:00 am Birthday of Fr. George
12:30 pm Soul of Jaileen Macedo
6:00 pm **Pro populo**

If you would like to have a Mass offered for the soul of a loved one or for some special intention, please contact the sacristan or call the parish office. The suggested donation is \$10.00.

Our Lady of Grace Parish - April 21st, 2019



Annual Catholic Appeal 2019

Entire Diocese Goal: \$4 million

Parish Goal: \$66,340

Pledges to date: \$42,467

64% of Parish Goal

223 donors

Thank you for your support!

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, April 21st

OFFICE CLOSED

5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Church/Choir Loft

Monday, April 22nd

5:15 p.m. Legion of Mary, Office

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Church/Choir Loft

Tuesday, April 23rd

6:45 p.m. La Justicia/Grupo Biblico, Off Grounds

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Church/Choir Loft

Wednesday, April 24th

6:00 p.m. Compliance Training, Office

6:30 p.m. RE First Communion Classes, Church

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Church/Choir Loft

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting, Off Grounds

Thursday, April 25th

6:00 p.m. Faith HS Youth Group, Office

6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Church/Choir Loft

Friday, April 26th

6:00 p.m. Hope MS Youth Group, Office

6:30 p.m. Grupo de Oración y Estudio Biblico, Church

Saturday, April 27th

9:00 a.m. First Communion Mass, Church

11:00 a.m. First Communion Mass, Church

1:00 p.m. Quinceañera Mass, Church

3:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Church/Choir Loft

Prayer for the Sick:

Elena Padilla

Don Quinones

Ken Thielen

Kim Marx

Carolyn McKinley

Jenny Kraus

Sherri Melich

Fred Tomczak

Guy Routhier

Nancy Duncan

Shelley McClaren

John Wilson

Julian Castillo

Loretta Walter

Candy Moore

Ann Every

Don Peyton

Michael Kramarczyk

Hilda Martinez

Ofelia Balderrama

Arline Espino

Jocelyn Oyzon

Richard Cole

John Wielgus

Gary Haller

Marcus Tavarez

Eric Dill

Paco Gálvez

Preming Luna

Kirstenne Era Espino

Norma C. Ciani

Dick Shwan

Josefina Gonzalez

Ken Sechler

Genevieve Small

Alejandro Cruz

Aria James Munoz

Christina Dink

David Ollearo

Phillipa Rosales

Darlene Reimer

Bobbie Jean Jackson

Sarah Morones

Mike Negro

Glenn Hornick

Mary Febbraio

Christine Morales

Raul Peralta

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Samantha Garrett

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Eric Larson

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James Grootegoed

Ashley Abellera

Bishop George Murry

Andrew Bustamante

George LaVasseur

Justin White

Martha Shrout

Rhea Sanchez

Mike Graham

Elizabeth Reyes

Maria Nguyen

Juan Francisco Ortiz

Encarnacion Gonzalez

Jean Wickham

Raymond Martinez

Alejandrina Dojaque

David Ciani Sr.

Carroll Keller

Bemar Hernandez

Marissa Gustillo

Chase Curry

Sonia Krywiak

Marissa Escandon

Please send your *Prayer for the Sick* requests to information@maricopacatholic.org or call the parish office. We will include them on our prayer list for one month or sooner by request. If someone is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the church office to make arrangements for our Homebound Ministry. Also, please let the office know if you would like a prayer shawl to comfort those who are sick.

April 21st, 2019 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Summer Mass Schedule - Change in Mass Times

Our Summer Mass schedule will begin on Sunday, May 5, 2019. The Sunday Masses will be at the following times, 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m. (Spanish), and 6:00 p.m. **Please note that the 9:30 a.m. and the 11:00 a.m. will be combined into the 10:00 a.m. Mass for our summer schedule.**

First Communion Masses

Please join us as **97 students** will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this Saturday, April 27th. Mass times are 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Please pray for these students as they continue to grow in their faith.

Pass It Forward....Spread the Good News!

Our Religious Education Program needs YOU!

Over 300 children and young people, preschool through grade 12, will sign up this fall to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. You can help them learn and grow by becoming a catechist for Religious Education Program. With classes offered Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, you are almost sure to find a time that fits your schedule. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well! As one long-time catechist put it, "I learn so much from the children!" We will provide you with training, materials, and support. Religious Education classes begin September 9, 2019. If interested or for more information, contact Ann Maidman or AJ Napolitano in the Religious Education Office at 520-568-4605 or via email at amaidman@maricopacatholic.org to schedule a time to meet and discuss your interest in the program.



Knights of Columbus State Raffle

\$5.00 each or a book of five for \$20.00

Representatives will be available after the weekend Masses selling tickets through May 7th. Grand Prize is \$10,000, Second Prize \$7,000, Third Prize \$5000 with numerous other cash prizes. 50% of the amount collected comes back to our council and will be donated to local charities or church ministries

Honoring our Blessed Mother, Mary

Daily Rosary during the Month of May at 6:30 p.m.

The month of May, in the Roman Catholic tradition, is a month dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The holy Rosary will be prayed every day during the month of May in the Church at 6:30 p.m.



May Crowning

The May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary will take place on Sunday, May 5th at the 6:00 p.m. Mass followed by the Rosary.

Please join us for this beautiful devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary.



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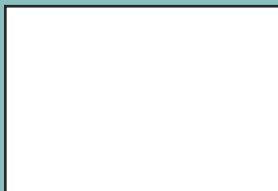
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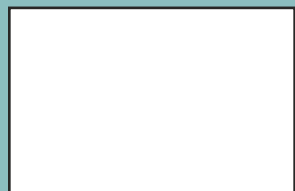
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