



EASTER SUNDAY
April 4, 2010

To Him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in Him will receive forgiveness of sins through His name.
—Acts 10:43

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48
- Friday:** Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15
- Sunday:** Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118; Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
April 5-11, 2010



- Monday**
 - 8:00 am Communion Service**
 - 6:30 pm** Jose Homero Cavazos† - Rosie Botollo
- Tuesday**
 - 8:00 am Janice Koliba† - Joe & Gloria Alaniz
- Wednesday**
 - 6:30 pm Pierce Rowsome† - Msgr. Morgan
- Thursday**
 - 8:00 am Brooklynn Townsend† - Dwight Perez & Family
- Friday**
 - 8:00 am Timothy Tarble† - Tarble Family
- Saturday**
 - 6:00 pm Wedding Anniversary - Dwight & Renee Perez
- Sunday**
 - 8:00 am Deceased Members of Cath. Life Ins.
 - 9:30 am Tina Reyes† - M/M Quitugua
 - 10:00 am** Dionicio Castaneda, Jr.† - Norma Castaneda
 - 12:00 pm** Bill Brunson† - Brunson Family
 - 6:00 pm People of the Parish

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Envelope Collection	\$14,505.00
Loose Collection	\$1,057.12
Children's Collection.....	\$126.67
Other Fees.....	\$638.00
Total	\$16,326.79

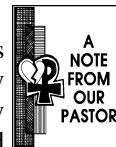
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ST. MARY MISSION

Envelope Collection	\$577.00
Loose Collection.....	\$158.79
Total	\$735.79

Dear Friends,

A big welcome to our parishioners, friends and visitors for the Celebration of Easter 2010. May the Risen Christ bless you and your families today and always. We have completed Lent, participated in Holy Week and now we celebrate the "Sunday of all Sundays," the Resurrection of Jesus. Many years ago, I heard a holy priest say: "We live in a Good Friday World, but we are Easter People" and this is so true. Even the great St. Augustine, who knew what a life entombed by sin was like, tells us, "We are Easter People and Alleluia is our song." Our coming to Mass today, listening to the Scripture Readings, singing our joyful songs and receiving the Risen Christ in Holy Communion, helps us to embrace Jesus like Mary Magdelene on that first Easter.



But Jesus' suffering, death and Resurrection is all in vain if we do not live the good news of Easter at all times. The Lord rose from the dead and the Bible and the Church tell us about this historic event, in order to get us through our bad days, difficult weeks and move on to a better life. All of us can learn valuable and life giving lessons from today's Liturgy and show people that we do not have to stay in tombs, live lonely, depressed nor dark lives. By living as Easter people, we can convince our relatives and friends that Easter is more than a nice Bible Story and that it can transform lives. Furthermore, we must remember that every Sunday is a little Easter and the Risen Jesus is with us at Holy Mass, to forgive us, nourish us with Word and Sacrament, to give us His peace, comfort us, challenge us and remind us that he is with us always.

The Jesuit Psychologist, Fr. John Powell S.J., wrote an excellent book some years ago and it's title was: "Fully Human, Fully Alive." His thesis was that most of us live at only 10% of our potential and he reminds us that we should not be afraid of dying but of never living and enjoying life to the fullest. He calls that the biggest sin of all. In his best selling book, The Rhythm of Life, the young Australian writer, Matthew Kelly, pleads with us to become Easter People but he calls it "the-best-version-of-ourselves." This is another way of saying what Jesus said, "I came to give you life, that you would enjoy it in all it's fullness." The saints were men and women who took these words and the Easter message seriously and their wonderful lives tell us what can happen to ordinary and even sinful people who turn to Jesus, "who is the way, the truth and the life."

The question that we must ask ourselves at Easter is not; "Do I believe in the Resurrection of the body and everlasting life?" No, the question is not about life after death but about living and I believe it goes like this: "Do I believe, really believe, that I can have a share in the Divine life or the Life of Christ, today and everyday I live on planet earth? If you keep the 10 Commandments, frequent the Sacraments, follow the Beatitudes and have a sincere life of prayer, you will see Easter miracles happen in your life. I know from my own experience! Sr. Bridge McKenna tells us in her book, "Miracles Do Happen," that, "With God, all things are possible" and I have seen that in my own life, and in the lives of many people in St. Peter Parish. Yes, we are Easter People and Alleluia is our song.

Your friend,
Msgr. Morgan

This Week at St. Peter Church

MONDAY: Communion Service 8 a.m. **Mass** 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY: Rosary 7:30 a.m. **Mass** 8:00 a.m. **Bible Class** 8:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAY: Rosary 6:00 p.m. **Mass** 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY: Rosary 7:30 a.m. **Mass** 8:00 a.m.

FRIDAY: Rosary 7:30 a.m. **Mass** 8:00 a.m.

SATURDAY: Confessions 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. **Vigil Mass** 6 p.m.

GOOD NEWS FOR YOUTH

OUR HS YOUTH CHOIR "The Foundation" have their CDs for sale. The songs were written by Jimmy Willden and our youth and you are encouraged to purchase one or more for \$15 each and support their fund-raiser.

HS YOUTH CHOIR Practice: Tuesday, 7 p.m. & Sunday, 4:30 p.m. in the Church.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE Wednesday, 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. in St. William Family Center. Call Margo Ayers @ 241-4509 FMI.

EASTER HOLIDAYS: There will not be any CCD Classes on Easter Sunday nor on Monday, April 5. Classes will resume on Wednesday, April 7.

CCD REGISTRATION: Registration packets for **RETURNING STUDENTS** for the 2010 - 2011 Religious Education year will be mailed this week. Please return the forms ASAP to secure your child's preferred class day and time. **NEW STUDENTS** can pick up forms in the Church foyer or at the CCD Center starting next weekend. If your child is new or is preparing for their sacraments, you must include a copy of their Baptism Certificate. **The deadline for early Registration is May 31. After May 31, there will be a \$10.00 fee per child.**

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, Council 7290, will be accepting applications for their \$1,000 and \$500 scholarships for students planning to attend an accredited college or university. Students have to be a dependent of a current K.C. member. Call Willie Zapata @ 241-0501 or Gabe Chapa @ 242-9602 for more information.

THE ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY is also accepting applications for their 2010 (\$1,000) scholarship. The forms for the Altar and Rosary Society are available in the parish office. FMI: please call the parish office @ 241-3249

HERE IN THIS HOLY PLACE. Please turn off cell phones, pagers, watches that beep, etc., so as not to disturb the prayer of those around us. Please no food or gum in Church (it makes a mess for the people following you) Please do not arrive late; it is a distraction to those around you. Arriving late is disrespectful to the Word of God. Please dress appropriately for Church.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WELCOME TO OUR EASTER MASSES. Today, we celebrate the 'feast of all feasts' and we ask God to Bless, with Easter joy, all who attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at our Church. May you receive the Risen Christ today with the same excitement as Mary Magdalene and all who experienced His Resurrection on that first Easter morning. Let us tell others that we have been touched and deeply moved by welcoming Jesus into our lives in Holy Communion today.

TOMORROW, EASTER MONDAY, IS A 'DAY OF JOY AND LAUGHTER' and April is looked upon as Holy Humor Month. Too many Catholics get stuck on Good Friday and act as if everything ended with the death of Jesus on the Cross. The purpose of Easter Sunday and having Easter Monday, as a day of merrymaking, joke-telling, and festivities, is to remind us that we should continue throughout the year, to celebrate the daily presence of the joyful Risen Christ in our lives. It is true that Jesus suffered and died, but He rose again, in order that His joy might be in us 365 days a year.

NEXT SUNDAY IS "DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY." The Sunday after Easter has been designated as Divine Mercy Sunday and the focus of the Liturgy that day is to remind us of the great gift of forgiveness and reconciliation that God gives us in the saving life and death of Jesus. There will be special sermons on "Divine Mercy" at all Masses and we are urged to celebrate this special day by granting mercy to others and to ourselves.

"A THANK YOU NOTE" FROM BISHOP CARMODY: Dear Msgr. Morgan, Msgr. McGowan and Friends. May the Good Lord shower you and all the parishioners with His Choicest Blessings. Thanks for coming to my Farewell Mass and Party. I certainly appreciate your friendship and support. Also thanks for your most generous gift. God Bless you all.....Bishop Carmody.

A BIG 'THANK YOU' TO PARISHIONERS OF ALL AGES. We are most grateful to adults, teenagers and children who gave time and talent to our Church activities during Lent and Holy Week. We are blessed here at St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Parish, in having such generous people who "make time" to be involved in our various ministries, inside and outside the Church. May the Lord Bless you for showing your gratitude in many different ways and for helping us have a "model parish" for which we receive many compliments. You are the "best of the best."

JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL TO HOLD "CENTURION FEST" ON SATURDAY, APRIL 17 FROM 1 TO 6 P.M Everyone is encouraged to attend and enjoy this Spring Festival with food, fun, games for the whole family and lots of music. It takes place at the High School which is located at 3036 Saratoga Blvd. Call Catalina Longoria @ 244-2469. For more

A VOCATION VIEW. We're no longer nobodies. Jesus rose from the dead. He promised to take us to heaven too. Our Ultimate Vocation: Union with God!