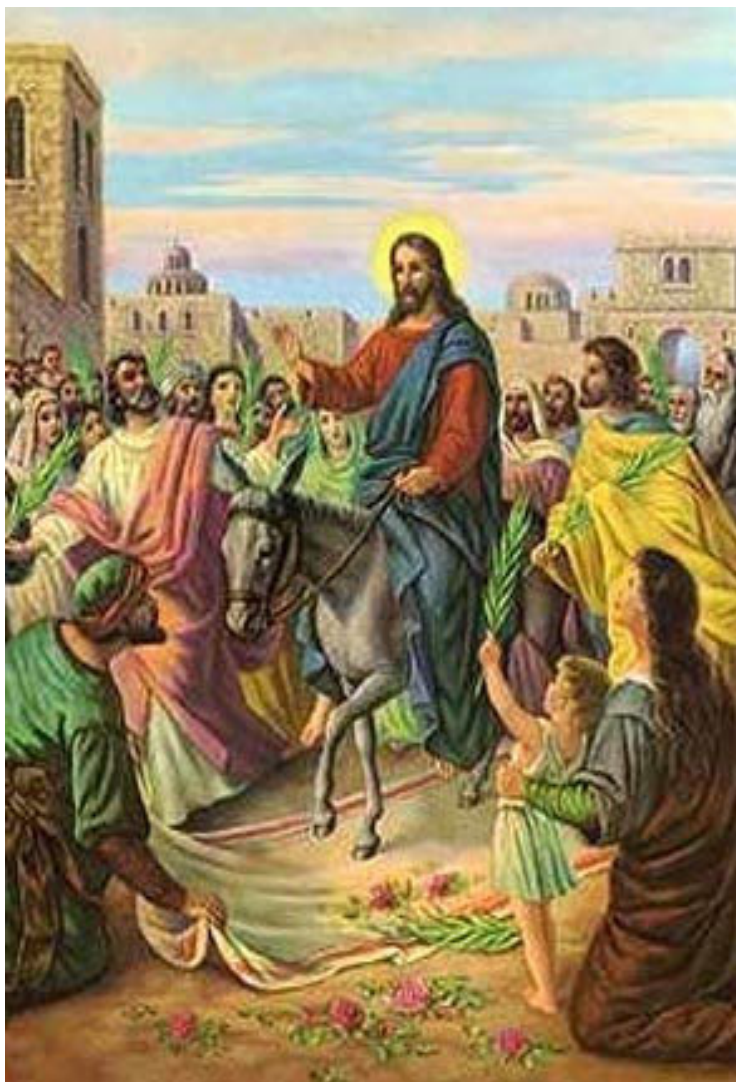


St. Mary's Mission

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Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:30 AM

Mission Staff

Sister Susana Renteria, PCI

PASTOR: Msgr. Michael Heras
PRIESTS: Msgr. Seamus McGowan
Fr. Patrick Higgins
Fr. Joseph Olikkara
DEACONS: Allen Cicora
Eluterio Farias
Richard Lewinski

April 13, 2014

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

The Lenten cycle brings us to this “mixed” Sunday of palm branches and painful suffering. Our liturgy opens by recalling Jesus’ triumphant entry along the main road into Jerusalem, then moves quickly to the back streets of betrayal and humiliation, the courtyards of torture and abandonment, the hill of execution.

Isaiah’s strange and gripping “Song of the Servant of God” was to become the song of Jesus. It is the song of one who strides forward consistently in the face of criticism, even scorn: “I have not rebelled, have not turned back.” It is to become our song, as faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

How are we to react when we hear the account of the passion and death of the Lord? Paul tells us that our attitude must be Christ’s, who “emptied himself, taking the form of a slave.” We pray that we may absorb the attitude of Christ, and face life squarely in its triumph and its pain.

Living God's Word

*We pray that we will follow
Jesus faithfully all the days of
our life, recognizing him as
the one who continues to come
in the name of the Father bringing
life. We ask that
we may trust in God as Jesus did
until we see God face to face.*

MASS INTENTIONS

April 14-20, 2014



Monday

8:00 am †Jose & Mary Lou Suarez - M/M Joe Alaniz

6:30 pm †Juan & Guadalupe Aleman - Janie Smith

Tuesday

8:00 am †Adelina Chavez - Blanca Garcia

6:30 pm †Melvin Arnold - Harold Arnold & Fam

Wednesday

6:30 pm †Louis Petru - Carolyn Straus

Thursday

6:30 pm (St. Mary's)†Earl Nesloney - Ed & Jane Kronke

7:00 pm †Ismael Leal, Sr. - Leal Family

Friday

12:00 pm Solemn Liturgical Service

6:30 pm (St. Mary's) Liturgical Service

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday

8:00 pm †Thad & Orien Tindol - Harold & James McCown & Fam

COLLECTIVE MASSES

Sunday

8:00 am †Nadia Guerra (B-day) - Family

9:30 am †Pedro Rios (B-day) - Maria Leal

10:00 am †Mary Kowalik - Will & Dianne Dziuk

12:00 pm †Mira S. Flores (B-day) - Family
†Jimmy Rodriguez & Juan Martinez - Family

†Bill Bluntzer - Erwin & Betty Menn

†Marcos Garcia - Janie Smith

†Margie Schmidt - Louis & Carol O'Brien

†Gerald Maikoetter - Klock Fam

6:00 pm People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 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: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Most Christians today receive a bunch of palm fronds, olive branches, pussy willow, or forsythia (a relative of the olive) to carry in procession and to bear home in blessing. Some even offer sprigs of palm or other branches as a gesture of peace to those they have offended. The desire is to make a clean sweep of your spiritual house before the Easter feast.


Accepting the branch is a token of the bearer's willingness to journey with the Church through a grateful remembrance of Jesus Christ's passion, death, and life-giving resurrection. Traditionally, the plants associated with today's feast are planted in cemeteries as a sign of Christ's victory over death and the promise of new life.

The joy of this day's opening procession soon gives way to a solemn reading of the Passion, this year according to Matthew. The ritual is meant not only to strengthen us to hear this account, but to stir us up to accompany the Church on this journey through Holy Week. It also prepares us for next Sunday's joyful renewal of our baptismal vows.

A Vocation View

Today's world is so filled with suffering, injustice, anger, depression and loneliness that it cries for people waving palm branches of hope and resurrection, proclaiming new life.

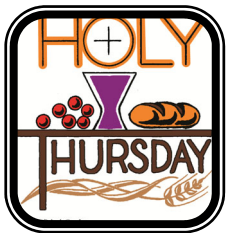
C.C.D Classes on Wednesday,
5:30 to 6:30 pm.
Confirmation Class - Wednesday,
7:00 - 8:00 pm.
 Call Sr. Susana at 947-4601
 for more information.

Congratulations! 

This past Sunday Leticia Mondragon of the Coastal Bend Blood Center presented Msgr. Michael Heras with the top Blood Collections award in the Religious Category to St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Catholic Church! Your parish shares this award with Holy Family Catholic Church in Corpus Christi. Thank you for supporting our life saving mission in the Coastal Bend!



THE CROSS: We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.



Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 pm at St. Peter's Church and 6:30 pm at St. Mary's Mission. On this Holy night, we remember Jesus giving us the Holy Eucharist, ordaining His first priests and showing us how to serve and love each other. On Holy Thursday, we begin the Easter Triduum and all Catholics should strive to attend and participate fully in the beautiful Liturgies as we spend three days preparing for Easter. This is the night before Jesus died for our sins and we watch and pray with Him at Holy Mass and in Adoration from 8 pm to 12 am.



Good Friday Service is at 12:00 noon at St. Peter's Church and 6:30 pm at St. Mary's Mission. The Liturgy will consist of the reading of the Passion, Holy Communion and Veneration of the Cross. Good Friday is the day on which Jesus suffered and died on the cross to save us from our sins. Surely we can make the sacrifice to attend on of the above services and listen to the Passion of Our Lard. We will have Stations of the Cross at 7 pm at St. Peter's Church. Please remember Good Friday is a day of fast (only one full meal) and abstinence (no meat).



Easter Vigil Mass at St. Peter's Church is at 8:00 pm with Scripture Readings, Blessing of Holy Water, Baptism (and reception of other Sacraments) of Adults, Renewal of Baptism Promises and Holy Communion.



Easter Sunday Masses at St. Peter's Church, 8:00 & 10:00 am, 12 Noon and 6:00 pm. Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 am. All are invited to attend and CELEBRATE Christ's resurrection from the dead.