



Blessed Francis X. Seelos Catholic Church
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MISSION STATEMENT

Celebrating community and cultural diversity, striving to treat everyone as our neighbor, all with the help of the power, love and grace of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Martinez-Patiño
Pastoral Assoc.: Deacon M.J. Landry
Secretary: Mary Beth Broussard
SO / DRE: Bunny Thompson

Pastoral Council:

Meets every 3rd Wednesday
of the month

Religious Education:

Grades K-5: Nativity Center
Wed. 5:30pm;

Grades 6-11: Lifeteen;
Sun. 6:45 pm at Nativity Ctr.

Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil) Mass – 4:00 pm
Sunday Mass – 8:30 am
Sunday Spanish Mass – 11:00 am
Mon. – Thu. Daily Mass – 7:30 am
at the Mercy House Chapel
Our Mother of Perpetual Help
Devotions: Tuesdays at 8 am
Fridays: Communion Service

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm
or by appointment

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and / or emergency:

Communion will be brought to anyone desiring to receive but unable to attend Mass for serious reasons. Please call Fr. Daniel at (228) 860-6377.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should call the parish office at least six (6) months prior to the anticipated date of the marriage. At least one member of the couple should be a registered and practicing member of the parish for at least six (6) months.

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant baptism requires that at least one parent is a registered and practicing member of the parish for at least six (6) months. It must be the intent of the parent to actively raise the child in the Catholic faith. Contact the parish office.

Funerals

Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to make arrangements.

CATECHISM CORNER

Signs and Symbols of Easter: (part 2)

Wood: On Good Friday two crisscrossed planks of lumber were carried into church. A voice sang out, “This is the wood of the cross, on which hung the Savior of the world.” And all of us gathered there stepped forward to give glory to God by venerating this holy wood. For us Christians, wood calls many things to mind: A cypress ark saved creation from the flood. Moses held high his walking stick to divide the sea. When God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac, the boy carried the wood for his own funeral pyre. But God chose life, not death, for Abraham’s beloved son. In your home, honor the life-giving cross. Hang it in the place you pray. During this Easter season keep some spring flowers by it.

Wax: Throughout the Easter season the paschal candle shines in church. This candle is an image of the risen body of Christ. It was kindled and consecrated with great ceremony on Easter Eve. At baptisms the paschal candle is a symbol of receiving the light of Christ. They are told to keep the light burning brightly and the flame of faith alive in their hearts. At funerals the paschal candle shines on the dead, like a pillar of fire to guide them to the promised land. A burning candle is a sign of self-sacrifice. Traditionally, the church’s candles are made from beeswax. A beehive is a symbol of the church, where everyone is called to work together for the common good. When you light a candle in prayer you might say, “Jesus Christ is the light of the world, a light no darkness can extinguish.” Or say the words proclaimed at the Easter Vigil, “Light of Christ! Thanks be to God!”

MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of April 20, 2024

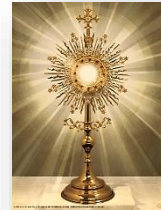
Saturday	†Doc & Anna Ladnier; Don Hunt
Sunday	†Susan Newman & Brenda Newman Sargent
Sun. 11 am	Hispanic Community
Monday	Dale Cannon
Tuesday	†Jim & Juanita Eide; George Juanico
Wednesday	†Fr. Steve Wilson, CSsR
Thursday	†Jamie Cannon
Friday	Our Parish Family

****If you would like to have Masses offered for a loved one or friend, living or deceased, please call the office. The stipend is \$10 per Mass intention.**

PARISH NEWS

Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thurs.- 8 am – 9 am
in the Mercy House Chapel



STEWARDSHIP

Last Week’s Collection

Collected: \$ 1,880
Weekly Budget: \$ 2,705

Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 108,649
Yearly Budget: \$ 140,671

We will have a special collection next weekend, April 27th/28th, for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. The Appeal supports those dioceses in the United States that are unable to offer their people the basic pastoral ministries of word, worship, and service without outside help. They also support organizations and religious communities engaged in missionary work.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

LECTORS

Sat., April 20 th	Ann Marie Hill
Sun., April 21 st	Charnell Martino
Sat., April 27 th	Orin Eleuterius
Sun., April 28 th	Betsy Boney

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat., April 20 th	David & Ann Marie Hill	
Sun., April 21 st	Charlotte Balius	Kristin Orr
Sat., April 27 th	Katie McMahan	Ann Marie Hill
Sun., April 28 th	Joe & Nancy Boney	

SACRISTANS

Sat., April 20 th	Greg & Loretta Eleuterius	
Sun., April 21 st	Charlotte Balius	Angela Cannon
Sat., April 27 th	David & Ann Marie Hill	
Sun., April 28 th	Joe & Nancy Boney	

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., April 20 th	Lola Simnicht	Ava Simnicht
Sun., April 21 st	Lyle Ramon	
Sat., April 27 th		
Sun., April 28 th	Cobie Martino	Zoe Andrews

April Church Cleaning: Hill / Quinn Families

****Any questions, please call Mary Beth at 228.238.1816**

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Our Parish requirements for subsidy / financial assistance for grades K through 12th to attend Catholic schools are:

1. You must be a registered member of our parish.
2. You must attend Mass regularly with the child and use your offertory envelopes.
3. The children (of age) are required to be altar servers and parents must participate in church activities.

YOUTH NEWS

CCD:

Wed., April 24th
CCD Class – 5:30 pm
Family Rosary in the
Sacred Heart Center

LIFETEEN:

Sun., April 21st
No Lifeteen



T-shirts are \$20 each



Sizes available:
Youth XS – L
Adult S – 4X

Please call the office to place your order! Deadline is Sunday, April 28th

MOTHER'S DAY MASS CARDS: The Mother's Day Mass cards are in the back of the church. Please write the name of the mother being honored on the large envelope and place your donation inside. Keep the card and smaller envelope to send to the person for whom the Mass is being celebrated. If you are honoring a deceased mother, please use the "In Memory of a Mother" envelope. Mother's Day is May 12th.

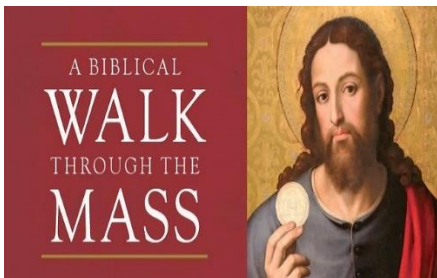


**** Please return the large envelope with the names so the Mass intentions may be kept on the altar during the month of May.**

EGG ROLL SALE



For our parish fundraiser, we have frozen egg rolls by the dozen for sale. The cost is \$15 per dozen. We have a limited number for sale, so it is first come, first serve!! Please help support your parish!! For more information, please call Mary Beth or the office.



Beginning May 15th, Our Mother of Sorrows will host a "Biblical Walk Through the Mass". This is a 5-week program with videos and discussions. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist. ****You are required to purchase The Mass Book for \$15 (or \$8 on Kindle). You may also purchase the Workbook for \$25 (Optional). Both are available at <https://ascensionpress.com> or Amazon.com.**

**** Please call Our Mother of Sorrows office to register.**

