

# Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

March 31, 2024



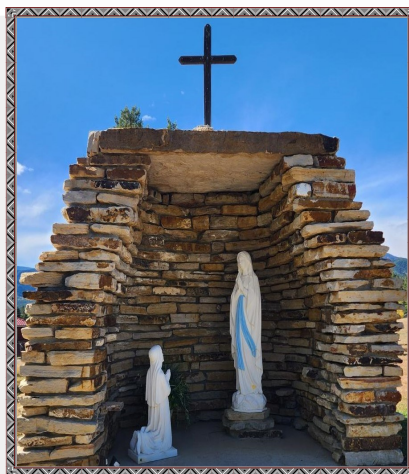
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*OUR MISSION AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER IS TO PROMOTE SPIRITUAL GROWTH, RELIGIOUS FORMATION, FELLOWSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP WITHIN OUR PARISH. WE SHALL GIVE WITNESS TO CHRIST BY MINISTERING AND LIVING THE WORD OF GOD.*

“O my God, almighty and merciful Father, creator of all things of the world: I firmly believe in you, my God and Lord, since you are my entire good. You, Lord, created me and you have given me body and soul and all that I have. And you, my God, have made me in your likeness. Thanks be to God!” - St. Francis Xavier

**“I do not promise to make you happy in this world but in the other.”**

**- Our Lady of Lourdes**

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

### Schedules of Masses/Liturgy

Tuesday through Friday	4:30 pm Adoration Confession 5:00 pm Vespers 5:30 pm Mass
Saturday	4:00 pm Adoration Confession 4:30 pm Holy Rosary 5:00 pm Holy Mass
Sunday	10:00 am Holy Rosary 10:30 am Holy Mass

### Office Hours

Monday	9:00 am - Noon
Tuesday - Friday	9:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

### Religious Ed Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday	9:00 am to 11:00 am
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### Pastoral Staff

<i>Rev. Peter John Abogado, SSS</i>	Parish Admin.
<i>Cathy Walkup</i>	Secretary
<i>Juan Casaus and Candy Madrill</i>	Rel. Formation CRE
<i>Ray Armenta</i>	Maintenance
<i>Parish Volunteers</i>	Music Director

In case of an Emergency, call: *Jim Vigil* 719-369-7658

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES

### MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 8:00 am  
FIRST FRIDAY MASS 8:00 am followed by Adoration

### CONFESSION

SUNDAY 7:30 am - 7:55 am

When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. - John 20:6-8



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday March 30th - 7:00 pm**

- +MARTIN and +STEVE ALCALA and the deceased members of the ALCALA FAMILY by Frank & Mary Aragon
- +TERESA BILGER by Rose Martinez & Family
- +GILBERT A. LUCERO by Monica Lucero
- +FIDEL and +JOHN ARRIAGA by Pat Muniz
- +DAVID and +ANDREA DE LEON by Pat Muniz
- RAVEN VAN DE GRIFT (Mental and Spiritual Health) by Anonymous

**Sunday - March 31st**

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES - 8:00 am**

For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER - 10:30 am**

- +CHARLES and +PETRA MCCULLEY by The McCulley Family
- JIM VIGIL (Health and Healing) by the McCulley Family
- +FRED and +HENRIETTA ARAGON by the Aragon Family
- +JOSIE T. HOWES by the Aragon Family
- +VERONICA GALLEGOS by the Aragon Family
- +RAMON, +HELEN and +RAY AGUIRRE by the Aguirre Family
- JIM VIGIL (Health and Healing) by Our Lady of Lourdes Church
- RAVEN VAN DE GRIFT (Mental and Spiritual Health) by Anonymous

**Tuesday - April 2nd - 5:30 pm**

JIM VIGIL (Healing) by Dave & Cathy Walkup

**Wednesday - April 3rd - 5:30 pm**

MARY, MARIO and KY BALERIO (Special Intentions) by Dorothy Butcher

**Thursday - April 4th - 5:30 pm**

For the People of St. Francis Xavier Parish

**Friday - April 5th - 5:30 pm**

+ Rev. JAMES MAHRER, O.S.B.

**Welcome Home Jim Vigil!**

Jim is one of the many volunteers in Our Church. He returned home after being in the hospital for 31 days. All the prayers that were offered up for him had power, and thank you to all who prayed for him. All Glory to God!

Welcome Home!

Your St. Francis Xavier Family



*The Staff and Volunteers would like to wish each and every one of you and your families a VERY BLESSED and HAPPY EASTER!*

**Readings and Feast Days for 03/31/24 through 04/06/24**

**31 SUN EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD** 10 white Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Lk 24:13-35  
**APRIL 2024**

**1 Mon Monday within the Octave of Easter** white Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15

**2 Tue Tuesday within the Octave of Easter** white Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18

**3 Wed Wednesday within the Octave of Easter** white Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35

**4 Thu Thursday within the Octave of Easter** white Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48

**5 Fri Friday within the Octave of Easter** white Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14

**6 Sat Saturday within the Octave of Easter** white Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

**PRAYER FOR EASTER SUNDAY**

**Halleluia!** Lord, Jesus, You have risen from the dead and are gloriously triumphant!

**Lord,** I offer You profound thanksgiving that I may join in the celebration of Your Resurrection! I thank You for loving me so much that I have been invited to participate in the new life won by You.

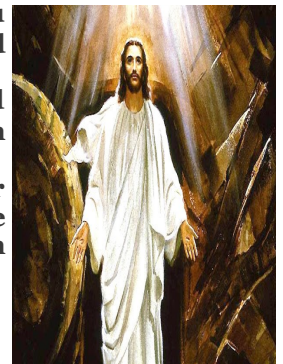
**Dear Lord,** the path to the Resurrection was one of exceptional pain and suffering. It required of You the total sacrifice of Your life. You held nothing back but poured out Your life to the last drop of blood.

**Risen Lord,** the joyful message is that suffering and death were not the end. You rose triumphantly in a new and glorified body, opening the door for all who believe in You to do the same. Draw me in, dear Lord, to Your suffering and death so that I may also be drawn into the glory of Your Resurrection. Give me the courage You had as You endured so much. Help me to face the crosses in my life with Your strength. As I do, fill me with hope as I anticipate the new life You will bring from all sufferings united to You.

**Halleluia!** Lord, Jesus, You have risen from the dead and are gloriously triumphant!

**Halleluia!** All glory and praise to You, dear Lord, for Your Resurrection!

**Halleluia!** May the glory of Your Resurrection be loved, embraced and proclaimed until the end of time and forever more! AMEN.



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## Our Giving to God - St. Francis Xavier March 24, 2024

Offertory Envelopes	\$	1,282.29
Offertory Loose		734.71
Children 's Collection		8.00
Building Fund		75.00
Flower Donation		127.00
Missal Sales		88.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,315.00</b>

**2ND COLLECTION on 4/6 and 4/7 for AMD.**

The Weekly Offertory needed to support our church budget is approximately \$3,250.00. Thank you for giving!

## Our Giving to God - Our Lady of Lourdes March 24, 2024

Offertory	\$	1,007.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	25.00

**2ND COLLECTION on 4/6 and 4/7 for AMD.**

### Announcements

As we celebrate our risen Lord, we thank our church community for all your offerings of food, help and prayers to make our community Easter celebration a great success. May you all have a blessed and Happy Easter.

### WEEKLY OFFERING/ DONATION

Make your weekly offering or a donation to the church by scanning the QR Code located on the right of this box.



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sign Up Sheets for Our Festival is in the back of the church. If you are interested in volunteering to chair or work a Food Booth please stop by. Your help is greatly needed and appreciated.

### ONLINE MOBILE APP

Sign up for the online/mobile app by scanning the QR Code located on the right of this box.



### DONATIONS FOR FESTIVAL

Monetary donations for Our Festival are being accepted. If you donate, please indicate that it is for this purpose. Thank

### PARISH INFORMATION

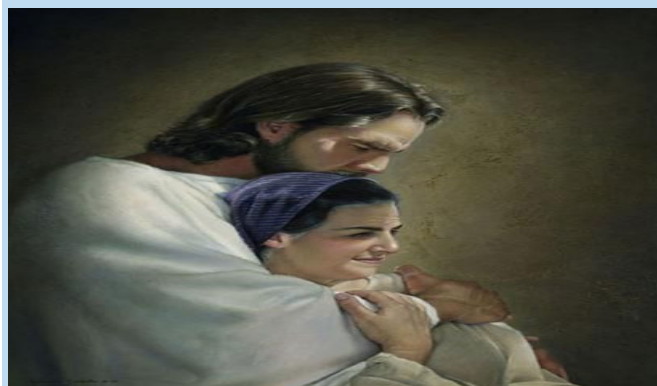
- Legion of Mary** Meets every Thursday at 11:00 am in the classroom
- Divine Mercy** Meets every Thursday at 1:00 pm in the classroom
- Finance Committee** Meets every 3rd Wednesday at 6:30 pm
- Parish Council** Meets every 4th Wednesday at 6:30 pm
- Hall Rental** Call Richard Falsetto at 719-671-9635
- Knights of Columbus #557** 1200 Acero Ave 719-564-9620

**Religious Education Classes** Preschool - 12th Grade **Sunday at 8:30 am**; Registration is ongoing. There is NO COST for the classes. **Reminder:** Religious Education forms need to be fully filled out before children may attend classrooms.

### 2024 Sunday Missals - \$3.00 each

The Sunday Missals are being sold in the back of the Church after Mass and in the Parish Office during office hours. Please stop by and pick one up.

Dear Lord, You have risen, indeed! Help me to remember each day of the year that You are triumphant in every area of my life. You are now united with Your Mother, Our Heavenly Mother Mary, who intercedes for all us. Amen.



### **ST. FRANCIS XAVIER MINISTERS April 6th and 7th**

<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>
<u>SATURDAY - 5:00p.m.</u> Paul Montez	Conrad Valdez Tony Baca	Eric Martinez
<u>SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m.</u> Juan Casaus	Pearl Casaus Maria Maes	Juan Casaus

### **OUR LADY OF LOURDES MINISTERS April 7th**

<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Rich Concialdi	Regina Fortune Julie Lord	Tara Stosek Tyree Morrison
	<u>Altar Server</u> Steve McLaughlin	

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## Understanding of Easter in our Catholic Faith

Easter Sunday holds profound significance in our Catholic faith, serving as the highpoint of the liturgical calendar. Rooted in biblical narratives and centuries of tradition, this holy day encapsulates the core beliefs of our Christian faith. Here's an in-depth exploration of the spiritual and theological dimensions of Easter in our Catholic tradition.

- 1. Resurrection of Jesus Christ:** At the heart of Easter lies the belief in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. According to the Gospels, Jesus, after his crucifixion, rose from the dead on the third day, thereby conquering sin and death. This miraculous event forms the foundation of Christian faith, symbolizing redemption and eternal life.
- 2. Salvation and Redemption:** Easter underscores the central tenets of Catholic theology – salvation and redemption. Through his death and resurrection, Jesus offered humanity the opportunity for forgiveness of sins and reconciliation with God. The resurrection signifies God's victory over evil, offering believers the hope of salvation and the promise of new life in Christ.
- 3. Triumph of Light over Darkness:** Easter signifies the triumph of light over darkness, echoing themes of renewal and transformation. The Resurrection represents the ultimate victory of divine love over the forces of sin and despair, illuminating the path to spiritual enlightenment and eternal joy.
- 4. Paschal Mystery:** The Easter celebration encapsulates the Paschal Mystery, encompassing Christ's passion, death, and resurrection. Through participation in the liturgical rites of Holy Week, we enter into the sacred drama of salvation history, reflecting on the profound mysteries of Christ's sacrifice and triumph.
- 5. Season of Renewal:** Easter inaugurates the liturgical season of Eastertide, a period of fifty days marked by joyous celebration and spiritual renewal. During this time, we, Catholics engage in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, deepening their relationship with God and embracing the transformative power of the Resurrection in their lives.
- 6. Sacramental Traditions:** Easter is rich in sacramental traditions within the Catholic Church. The Easter Vigil, the most solemn liturgy of the year, features the blessing of the Easter fire, the lighting of the Paschal candle, and the proclamation of the Exsultet. Baptisms and confirmations often take place during this liturgy, symbolizing spiritual rebirth and initiation into the Christian community.
- 7. Feast of Divine Mercy:** In addition to commemorating the Resurrection, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter also coincides with the Feast of Divine Mercy, established by Pope John Paul II. This feast emphasizes the infinite mercy of God, inviting believers to trust in God's forgiveness and to extend compassion and forgiveness to others.

Therefore, Easter holds profound significance in our Catholic faith, encapsulating the core beliefs of redemption, salvation, and spiritual renewal. Through the celebration of Christ's resurrection, we, Catholics affirm their faith in the transformative power of divine love and embrace the promise of eternal life in communion with God.

*This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it!  
Happy Easter!!!!*