# Fourth Sunday of Easter

# April 21, 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

4:00 pm Adoration

Saturday

Sunday

4:30 pm Holy Rosary 5:00 pm Holy Mass

Confession

10:00 am Holy Rosary 10:30 am Holy Mass

### **Office Hours**

Monday Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am - Noon 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

### **Pastoral Staff**

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

> <u>CONFESSION</u> SUNDAY 7:30 am - 7:55 am



I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. John 10:11

# St. Francis Xavier and Our Lady of Lourdes

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 20th ~ 5:00 pm +JOHN A. and +IRENE A. VIGIL by Michael, Dennis, Tosha, Tim & Nicole Family

+ANDRES LUCERO by Monica Lucero +FLORA LAMBERT by Monica Lucero Sunday April 21st

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES ~ 8:00 am

CINDY BEAUDETTE (Special Intention) by Cindy & Star Reynolds +FRANCES DAVIS by Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners

<u>ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ~ 10:30 am</u> +LORETTA VIGIL (Birthday - 4/26/24) by Philip Vigil & Family

<u>Monday - April 22nd - No Mass</u> +Rev. CHARLES A. ROBINSON, S.J.

Tuesday - April 23rd - 5:30 pm RAQUEL MADRID (Baptismal Anniv. - Sobriety) by Dave & Cathy Walkup

+Rev. MARTIN C. ARNO, O.S.B.

Wednesday ~ April 24th ~ 5:30 pm JIM VIGIL (Speedy Recovery) by Dave & Cathy Walkup +Rev. ALOYSIUS POTOCHNIK, OS.B.

<u>Thursday ~ April 25th ~ 5:30 pm</u> No Special Intentions

<u>Friday ~ April 26th ~ 5:30 pm</u> For the People of St. Francis Xavier

#### What is the Eucharist?

Anticipating, as it were, the time even before the Eucharist was instituted, Christ revealed what it was. He spoke this: "I Am the Living Bread which came down from heaven; if anyone eats of this Bread, he will live forever; and the Bread which I shall give for the life of the world is My Flesh". (John 6:51)



### **Updated Registration Forms**

We are kindly asking all parishioners to fill out the updated Registration Form. We are trying to get an accurate count of how many parishioners we actually have. This form has not been updated for many years. Please fill out the form and you can either return to the Parish Office or give it to one of the ushers at back of the Church. If you do not have the current form, they are also located in the back. Thank you so much. <u>Readings and Feast Days</u> for 04/21/24 through 04/27/24

**21 SUN FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** white Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

**22 Mon Easter Weekday** white Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10

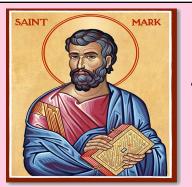
**23 Tue Easter Weekday** white/red/red [Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr] Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30

**24 Wed Easter Weekday** white/red [Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr] Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50

**25 Thu Saint Mark, Evangelist** red *Feast* 1 Pt 5:5b-14/ Mk 16:15-20

26 Fri Easter Weekday white Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6

27 Sat Easter Weekday white Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14



<u>April 25th - Feast Day</u> <u>of Saint Mark</u>

"What profit is there for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?"

Mark 8:36

## **Prayer to the Holy Spirit**

O Holy Spirit, Beloved of my soul, I adore You. Enlighten me, guide me, strengthen and console me. Tell me what I ought to do and command me to do it. I promise to submit to everything that You ask of me and to accept all that You allow to happen to me. Amen.

### THANK YOU FOR MAKING THE BURRITO FUNDRAISER A SUCCESS!

The Religious Education Program earned \$709.00 from this sale that was held last Sunday. For those who volunteered their time and for all who purchased the Burritos and Baked Goods, may God continue to Bless you for all you do to help Our Church.

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## Our Giving to God - <u>St. Francis Xavier</u> April 14, 2024

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 1,240.00
Offertory Loose	595.41
Children 's Collection	4.00
Funeral Fee	200.00
Missals	20.00
Building Fund	10.00
Flowers	25.00
Fundraiser - Burrito/Bake Sale	709.00
AMD	 190.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,993.41
Festival Raffle Tickets	\$ 190.00

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

### 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.

### **ONLINE MOBILE APP**

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

### PARISH INFORMATION

Legion of Mary<br/>Divine MercyMeets every Thursday at 11:00 am in the classroomDivine Mercy<br/>Finance CommitteeMeets every Thursday at 1:00 pm in the classroomParish Council<br/>Hall RentalMeets every 3rd Wednesday at 6:30 pmCall Richard Falsetto at 719-671-9635Call Richard Falsetto at 719-671-9635Knights of Columbus #5571200 Acero Ave 719-564-9620

### 2nd Collection Next Week/April 28th

This Collection is for the Catholic Home Missions which is a grantmaking agency. It offers financial support to missionary activities that strengthen the Catholic Church in the United States, and in its territories and former territories. Through its annual fundraising campaign, the Catholic Home Missions educates American Catholics about mission needs and invites them to assist fellow Catholics in the practice of the faith.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER MINISTERS April 27th and 28th			
<u>Commentator</u>	Lectors	<u>Eucharistic</u> Minister	
<u>SATURDAY - 5:00p.m.</u> Paul Montez	Karen Garcia (Sj Conrad Valdez	oanish) Eric Martinez	
<u>SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m.</u> Karl Aguilera	Karen Aguilera Juanita McCulley	Karl Aguilera y-Santos	

## Our Giving to God - <u>Our Lady of Lourdes</u> April 14, 2024

### Offertory

\$ 662.00

Our Advanced Missionary Discipleship 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection will take place next Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. Please help our church assist our Diocese fund the programs necessary for the continuation of our valuable missionary priests. Our Goal for our Fiscal Year is \$8,300.00. Also, please remember to fill out a registration form so we can help St. Francis Xavier update their records. Thank You.

#### **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.

#### **DONATIONS FOR FESTIVAL**

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



### Lectio: Mark

Join Dr. Tim Gray in this powerful 14-part series to discover the Gospel of Mark like never before. Immerse yourself in this action-packed Gospel that offers Saint Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching. Combining the insights of Dr. Tim Gray with the masterful artistry of the Augustine Institute, this Lectio series uses the Church's rich tradition of Lectio Divina to help you better understand and better pray with the Gospel of Mark.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



An offering from the PAUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and Discuss press

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES MINISTERS April 28th

<u>Commentator</u>

#### Lectors

Kathy Serena

Tyree Morrison Marilyn Wren <u>Eucharistic</u> <u>Ministers</u> Regina Fortune Tara Stosek

Altar Server Dylan Ortiz

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# **Eucharistic Catechesis: The Homily**

General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) 65 (The Homily)

The Homily is part of the Liturgy and is highly recommended, for it is necessary for the nurturing of the Christian life. It should be an explanation of some aspect of the readings from Sacred Scripture or of another text from the Ordinary or the Proper of the Mass of the day and should take into account both the mystery being celebrated and the particular needs of the listeners.

The homily plays a vital role in the Liturgy of the Word, expounding on the scripture readings to nourish the gathered faithful. The homilist illuminates the passages proclaimed, exploring meaning and relevance to the liturgical celebration. This serves a core purpose - fostering transformative encounters with Jesus Christ who speaks through Scripture. By tapping the Holy Spirit's power to unlock renewal within God's Word, preaching leads the community deeper into Christ's life and love.

The Church highly affirms homilies for their immense spiritual potential amidst worship. Yet as Pope Francis warns in his Apostolic Exhortation, Evangelii Gaudium or Joy of the Gospel, preaching set within liturgical praise must resist resembling media entertainment. He wrote: "The homily cannot be a form of entertainment like those presented by the media, yet it does need to give life and meaning to the celebration. It is a distinctive genre since it is preaching situated within the framework of a liturgical celebration".

Archbishop Roche, secretary of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments in the Vatican reiterating Pope Francis' Evangelii Gaudium said that the homily "is not an intermission in the middle of Mass" - homilies remain intimately woven to proclaiming the living Word. When grounded in diligent preparation, creativity, and pastoral wisdom, preaching kindles the joy of communal connection to God speaking His dynamic, consoling truth.

This unfortunate situation of homilies as entertainment saps the joy that can and should permeate the homily. For as Pope Francis teaches, the homily can be a spiritually energizing experience, through which we find consolation in God's Word and continual renewal.

Let us remember that the very purpose of the homily is to lead others into transformative encounters with Jesus Christ, truly present in the proclaimed scriptures. It serves to break open the meaning of the Word so that we are nourished and guided by divine wisdom into ever-deeper communion. When the homily taps into the power of the Holy Spirit, accessing the renewal and growth offered to us by God, then it kindles true and lasting joy.

All the baptized share responsibility regarding the homily's purpose. As clergy preach and lay faithful listen openly, together they experience Christ's presence dwelling richly in Word and Sacrament. God renews relationships and faith through the preached Gospel. But without prayerful study and reflection, homilies fall distressingly flat. By embracing the homily's grace-filled vocation, clergy and laity alike help it powerfully transform lives through the Liturgy's overflowing vitality.