

St. Theresa
of the Infant Jesus
CATHOLIC CHURCH



*He was made
known to
them in the
Breaking of the
Bread*

Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

4 PM Poor Souls; Anna Markic;
†Aida Aranda; Martha Lockwood

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

8:15 AM †Bill Drennan
10:45 AM Pro Populo
1:45 PM Vazquez Guerrero Family

MONDAY, APRIL 20

8:15 AM Poor Souls

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

5:30 PM Intentions of Fr. Gonzalez

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

8:15 AM Poor Souls; †Leticia Villegas
Delgado; †Joseph Spain; Benefactors of St.
Joseph's Projects; Conversion of Angela
Santomero

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

8:15 AM †Ian Hudson

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

8:15 AM John Claxton

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

8:15 AM Poor Souls

4 PM Poor Souls; Michael Kelly;
†Adela Rodriguez; Alessandro Schnur

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

8:15 AM Maksymillian Zawada

10:45 AM Pro Populo

1:45 PM †Maria del Refugio Guerrero

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS

2 weeks: \$20 & 1 week: \$10

†J. Guadalupe Longoria Samaniego

†Juan Carlos Coss Vargas

Benefactors of the Parish

Families of the Parish

Conversion of Sinners

St. Joseph's Projects Benefactors

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Amparo Estrada

Whit & Carolyn Bell

Caleb Knight

Jeanine Hilbert

DONUT
SOCIAL
NEXT
SUNDAY

April 26
after the
10:45 AM Mass



MAY CROWNING

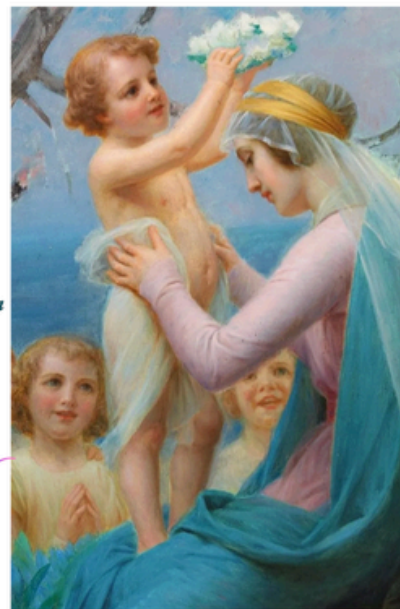
bring flowers of the fairest

Join us for a procession after the 10:45 a.m. Mass to crown
the image of Our Blessed Mother followed by a parish
potluck lunch honoring Our Lady and all mothers. Bring a
flower from home to offer the Queen of the May.

Dishes may be brought to Leppert Hall
from 10:15-10:35 a.m. Beer and wine will
be available for a donation.

Each family, please bring
a dish to share.
Gentlemen are
highly encouraged
to cook for
the ladies.

Sunday
MAY 3RD



MOTHER'S SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS

Pick up and fill
out a card from
Our Lady's Altar
to enroll a mother
in your life in the
Mother's Day
Bouquet of
Masses. They will
be remembered at
the Altar
throughout the
month of May

Weekly Offerings (Sunday, April 5, 2026)

General: \$3,701.56	YTD: \$137,311.88
Building: \$285	YTD: \$18,257.78
St. Martin: \$270	YTD: \$31,134.24
St. Joseph's Projects	YTD: \$77,104.36

(restoring our church)

Second Collection today is for the Sacred Music Program

SPEAKING OF FLOWERS...

We are looking for volunteers to help out in
our parish gardens. No experience needed.
Donations of fertilizer are also appreciated.
Flowers from our gardens are used to adorn
the sanctuary and the altars of the saints.

Join us for a single-session course with Dr. Brant Pitre



THE JEWISH ROOTS OF THE DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST

SUNDAY, APRIL 26
from 9:30 - 10:30 AM

Why do the Gospels stress that Jesus died at 3 PM? What were the
Jewish people praying for in the Temple at the time of Jesus'
Death? How did the Jewish daily sacrifice known as the *Tamid*
foreshadow Christ's Passion and Death? These questions and more
will be answered. Presentation in the Adult Faith Formation Room
in the school. Coffee and donuts provided.

The Seven Sisters
Apostolate invites
you to Save the Date
for the consecration
and reconsecration
of its members after
the Mass of
Corpus Christi on
Thursday, June 4th.

For the past two
years, a core group
of seven women have
committed to pray a
Holy Hour on a
distinct day of the
week in the presence
of the Blessed
Sacrament for the
intentions of our
priest. Contact Char
Claxton at
lfsevensisters@icloud.com
to learn more
or join.



BREAKING BREAD and giving it to them was not an ordinary act of courtesy, for it resembled too closely the Last Supper at which He bade His Apostles to repeat the Memorial of His death as He broke the bread which was His Body and gave it to them. Immediately on the reception of the Sacramental Bread that was broken, the eyes of their souls were opened. As the eyes of Adam and Eve were opened to see their shame after they had eaten the forbidden fruit of the knowledge of good and evil, so now the eyes of the disciples were opened to discern the Body of Christ. The scene parallels the Last Supper: in both there was a giving of thanks; in both, a looking up to heaven; in both, the breaking of the bread; and in both, the giving of the bread to the disciples. With the conferring of the bread came a knowledge which gave greater clarity than all the instructions. The breaking of the bread had introduced them into an experience of the glorified Christ. Then He disappeared from their sight. Turning to one another, they reflected: *“Were not our hearts burning within us when He spoke to us on the road, and when He made the Scriptures plain to us?”* (Luke 24:32) His influence upon them was both affective and intellectual: affective, in the sense that it made their hearts burn with love; and intellectual, inasmuch as it gave them an understanding of the hundreds of preannouncements of His coming. Mankind is naturally disposed to believe that anything religious must be striking and powerful enough to overwhelm the imagination. Yet this incident on the road to Emmaus revealed that the most powerful truths often appear in the commonplace and trivial incidents of life, such as meeting a fellow traveler on a road. Christ veiled His Presence in the most ordinary roadway of life. Knowledge of Him came as they walked with Him; and the knowledge was that of glory that came through defeat. In His Glorified Life as in His public life, the Cross and glory went together. It was not just His teachings that were recalled; it was His sufferings and how expedient they were for His exaltation.

The disciples immediately returned and went back to Jerusalem. As the woman at the well in her excitement left her water pitcher at the well, so these disciples forgot the purpose of their journey to Emmaus and went back to the Holy City. There they found the eleven Apostles gathered together, and with them other followers and disciples. They recounted all that had happened on the way and how they recognized Him in the breaking of the bread.

-from Venerable Fulton J. Sheen’s “Life of Christ”

**ROGATION DAY
MASS & PROCESSION**

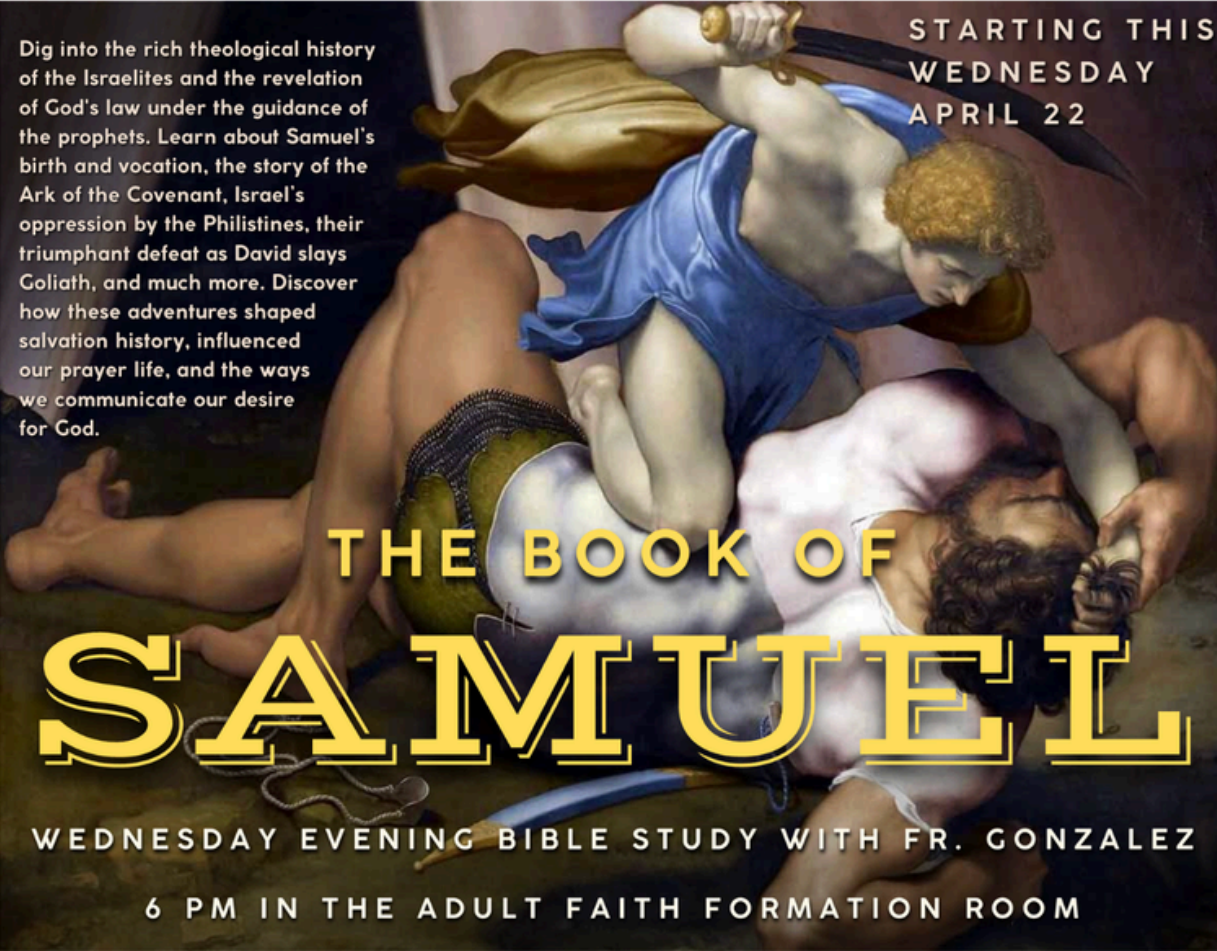
*Join us this Saturday,
April 25th at 8:15 AM
Procession and Mass for
the Major Rogation Days
(also the Feast of
St. Mark the Evangelist)*

*Rogation days are
traditional days of prayer,
fasting, and processions to
ask God’s blessing on the
fruits of the earth, to pray
for peace, and to implore
His protection against
disasters.*



Dig into the rich theological history of the Israelites and the revelation of God’s law under the guidance of the prophets. Learn about Samuel’s birth and vocation, the story of the Ark of the Covenant, Israel’s oppression by the Philistines, their triumphant defeat as David slays Goliath, and much more. Discover how these adventures shaped salvation history, influenced our prayer life, and the ways we communicate our desire for God.

**STARTING THIS
WEDNESDAY
APRIL 22**



**THE BOOK OF
SAMUEL**

**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. GONZALEZ
6 PM IN THE ADULT FAITH FORMATION ROOM**

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday- 4:00 PM *English* at *Blessed Sacrament*
Sunday- 8:15 AM; 10:45 AM;
1:45 PM *Spanish* at *Blessed Sacrament*
Monday & Wednesday-Saturday- 8:15 AM
Tuesday- 5:30 PM
First Friday- 8:15 AM & 6:00 PM
Holy Days- *See Bulletin or Call the Office for Times*

ADORATION & DEVOTIONS

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday - 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
First Fridays - 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Monday - Friday - 3:00 PM
Saturday - 3:00 PM at *Blessed Sacrament*
Sunday - Rosary before 8:15 & 10:45 Masses

Little Flower Novena:

Thursday after Mass & after evening Benediction

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms - *Parents of children to be baptized must be registered parishioners for at least 6 months and complete a baptism course*

Marriages - *Couples must contact Pastor 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.*

Sick Calls - *Anytime. Please let us know if someone is hospitalized or needs a home visit.*

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults - *please contact the DRE for information on becoming Catholic.*

CONFESSIONS

Monday -Friday- 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM
Thursday - 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM & 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Saturday - 7:45 - 8:00 AM
3:30 PM - 3:45 PM at *Blessed Sacrament*
Sunday - 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

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