

Calendar

Monday

April 24

Easter Weekday

Acts 4:23–31

Jn 3:1–8

Tuesday

April 25

St. Mark,

Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b–14

Mk 16:15–20

Wednesday

April 26

Easter Weekday

Acts 5:17–26

Jn 3:16–21

Thursday

April 27

Easter Weekday

Acts 5:27–33

Jn 3:31–36

Friday

April 28

Easter Weekday

Acts 5:34–42

Jn 6:1–15

Saturday

April 29

St. Catherine of Siena,

Virgin and

Doctor of the Church

Acts 6:1–7

Jn 6:16–21

Sunday

April 30

Third Sunday

of Easter

Acts 2:14, 22–33

1 Pt 1:17–21

Lk 24:13–35

Dear Padre,

Does the Church allow sick and elderly people to have “do not resuscitate (DNR)” orders?

Yes. The Church understands the human person as a union of body and soul. Made in God’s image and likeness, we cannot separate our physical life from our spiritual life. When our bodies die, our spiritual existence continues. Thus, to believe that we are morally bound to exhaust all possible medical treatments incorrectly overemphasizes the good of our physical life here on earth—which our faith teaches comprises, in the end, shadows and dust—and overlooks the good of our spiritual life as well as the eternal destiny to which we are called by God.

There comes a time when medical intervention, beyond that required to keep a person comfortable and to relieve pain, is unnecessary and can excessively burden the patient or the family. Elderly and imminently dying patients are not obligated to undertake unreasonable or excessively burdensome medical procedures or to use measures that sustain life beyond basic nursing care such as proper hygiene, food and fluids (when they can be assimilated into the body), comfortable room temperature, turning to avoid bed sores, and other means.

Having conversations with loved ones about this matter is an excellent way to find support during times of suffering and loss. “Do not resuscitate (DNR)” orders can be part of the process of letting go of the life we have known while embracing the new life that awaits us in Jesus Christ.

Source: *Liguorian*, March 2011



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A Word From Pope Francis

“We are called to abandon the behavior of sin and fix our gaze on what is essential. ‘A man is more precious for what he is than for what he has’ (Gaudium et spes, 35)...This love conquers sin and gives the strength to rise and begin again... and [be] rejuvenated.”

—Homily, March 28, 2014



2nd Sunday Of Easter

April 23, 2017



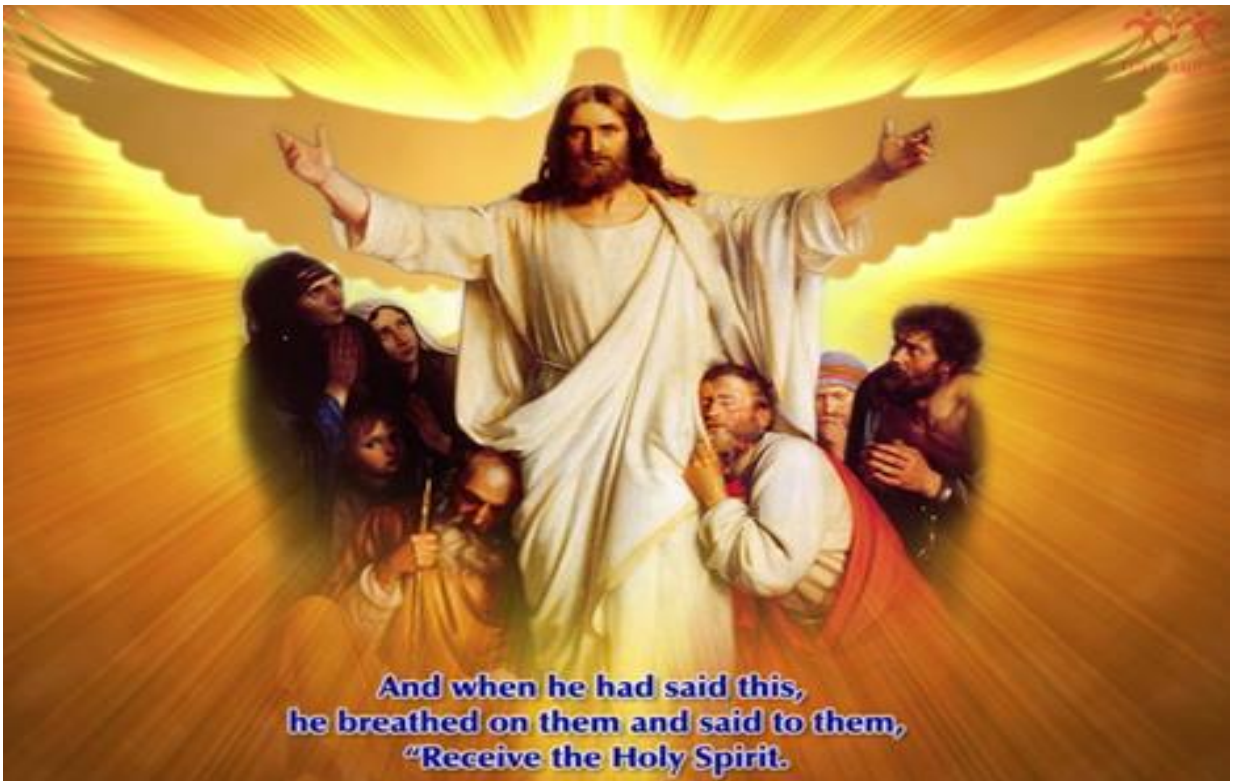
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m.
**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am +Maria
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 5 pm Our Parish Family
9:00am Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00am Spec Int
Tues 8:00 am +Maria
Wed 6:00 pm Spec Int
Thu 8:00 am +Fr Pete
Fri 8:00 am Benefactors

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

"Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'"

This greeting from the resurrected Christ must have been a profound one for the disciples. They were living behind locked doors "for fear of the Jews," which really meant for fear of their own lives. They had seen what happened to Jesus and didn't want to face the same fate. Imagine the paralysis of this fear, keeping them locked inside a prison of their own making.

But even the walls and the locks could not keep Jesus out! He came "although the doors were locked" and brought them a message of peace. And then their fear turned to gladness for they "rejoiced when they saw the Lord." This transformation from sadness to joy, from fear to peace was not just a gift for these first disciples. It is a gift for all of the followers of the Lord, ourselves included! When we are afraid of what might happen in our lives, where we are trapped or paralyzed by the burdens of our own habitual sins, Jesus wants to step in and offer us peace. This is what we celebrate today on this feast of the mercy of Christ. His love and peace the gift of his mercy is meant for all of us, weak, sinful, and scared though we may be.

And we who receive this great gift of mercy from the Lord are also called to be merciful to others. We are called to be peacemakers and to forgive others as we have been forgiven. Our celebration of Divine Mercy need not stop at the doors of our own hearts.

We can seek ways to be ministers of God's mercy to others, reaching out with the

love of God, bringing comfort and consolation to those who need it most.

May God bless all of us!

...Fr. Khoa

Last weekend at the Easter Vigil our RCIA Candidates Melvin Marcontell Jr. were received into Full Communion with the Roman Catholic Church after making a Solemn Profession of Faith, celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation and sharing in the Holy Eucharist. As we welcome him into our church community let us pray that he continues to grow in understanding of the paschal mystery.

Knights of Columbus: Meet next Sunday. For more info, please contact Thomas Moran 228-234-2572.

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

93Identifiable: **\$1,502.00**; Loose: **\$2,152.00**;
Total: **\$3,654.00**; Children: **\$67.80**; Holy Thursday: **\$231.00**; Good Friday: **\$152.00**.

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Identifiable: **\$185.00**; Loose: **\$186.00**; Total: **\$371.00**

****Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.**

Thank you for your generosity.

Updating Address and Phone Number:

Please fill out the index card about your phone and address so we can update your file. Thank you.

The Word Among Us Reflections for Easter is available at the Church entrance.

Parish Council: meets third Saturday.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat April 22 5pm	Kathleen Cuevas	Doris Snowden, Henrietta, Kay Van Pelts	Austin Scarengoas	Doug Augustus	Frankie & Emma Ladner
Apr 23 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Apr 23 9am	Sharon Leimer	Kim Wood, Robin Peterson, James Quintini	Nick Will	Robert David	Thomas & Brandi Lassabe
Sat April 29 5pm	Henrietta Ladner	Ellen West, Mike West , Diane Northrop	Austin S.	Kermit David	Mike & Diane Mays
Sun April 30 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun April 30 9am	Sharon Leimer	Carolyn Brewer , Will Burke , Lester Palmer	Keegan Carson	Garland Pat	Lester Palmer Family

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

Catfish Festival: will be on June 1-4. We still need someone to run the Burger Booth. If you have any question please contact Gina Leverett 228-669-8741. Thank you.

Bible Study: We study **the Psalms.** Please join us. Classes are on **Wed at 6:00pm and on Tues at 9am.** For more information, please contact **Ruth and Henrietta.**

Bereavement Committee: Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

Lizana Light: For more information, please contact **Doris or Diane.**

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE
Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Please contact us well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

+In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Our Father, Hail Mary, The Creed

2. Then on the Our Father Beads say:
Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

3. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

4. Conclude with (*three times*):
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Breanna Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, Margaret Northrop, Andrew, Albert Ncaise, Taylor Boyd, and James Moran.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.