

## SUNDAY'S REFLECTION / REFLEXIÓN DOMINICAL

April 13, 2025  
Pastoral Reflections...from Fr. Gama

13 de April, 2025  
Reflección Pastoral ...de P. Gama

"He emptied himself... becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross." (Philippians 2:7-8)

Today we enter Holy Week by holding a paradox in our hearts: we wave palm branches in joyful praise as Jesus enters Jerusalem—and moments later, we read the Passion narrative and walk with Him toward the Cross.

From a Franciscan perspective, this day invites us into the humility and vulnerability of Christ. St. Francis of Assisi was captivated by the Crucified Lord—not as a symbol of defeat, but as the supreme revelation of divine love. For Francis, the Passion wasn't simply a moment in history; it was the living mirror of God's heart. He saw in the suffering Christ a call to compassion, to surrender, and to walk the path of self-emptying love.

The readings today give us both triumph and tragedy. In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus enters the holy city not as a warrior king, but riding a humble donkey—fulfilling the prophecy of Zechariah and showing us that God's power is made perfect in gentleness. Yet as the week unfolds, the crowds turn, the disciples scatter, and Jesus is betrayed, mocked, and crucified.

Philippians 2 reminds us that Jesus "did not regard equality with God something to be grasped," but emptied Himself in radical obedience. This is the heart of our salvation. Jesus does not save us from above, but from within—by stepping fully into our suffering and sin, bearing it in love, and transforming it through mercy.

Franciscan theology teaches us that the Cross is not about satisfying divine anger but revealing divine compassion. In Christ's Passion, God shows us just how far love will go to redeem us. As St. Bonaventure wrote, the Passion is the "fountain of life-giving water," from which we are washed, renewed, and made free.

As we begin this most sacred week, let us not rush to Easter joy without pausing at the Cross. Let us walk with Christ in His suffering, recognizing in His wounds the wounds of our world. Let us be present, with reverent silence and hearts open to be changed.

May this Holy Week draw us deeper into the mystery of divine love—so we, too, may become instruments of peace, compassion, and hope.

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April 13, 2025, Palm Sunday  
Domingo de Ramos, 13 de Abril, 2025

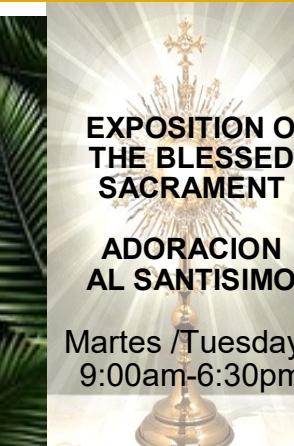
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Tuesdays—Friday. 9am—4:00pm

Deacon: Henry Concha (retired)

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Vicar: Fr. Christopher Gama, OFM Cap.



### Sacrament of Reconciliation Sacramento de Reconciliacion

Tuesday / Martes 5:30pm- 6:15pm

Sabado / Saturday 4:30pm- 5:30pm

Or by appointment — o por cita

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### Sunday Mass Schedule Horario de Misa Dominical

Misa Sabados (Spanish) 6:00pm

Mass (English) 8:00am & 11:30am

Misa (Spanish) 9:30am & 1:00pm

Sunday Mass (Syro-Malabar) 3:00pm

Daily Masses:  
Tuesday's - Friday's 8:15am Español

Misa por la tarde  
Martes: 6:45pm | Miércoles: 6:00pm

### Annunciation Catholic School

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Principal: Mrs. Deb Roberts



### Twin Parishes Food Bank

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Open: Tuesdays & Thursdays

10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm

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Kevin Holwerda-Hommes

## Pray for the people who died this year Oremos por los Difuntos de este año

Charlotte Gonzalez, Eloise Vera, Debbie Lynn Escamilla, Alberta Brito, Galdino Reyes de la Cruz, Pedro Leon, Gilbert Pena, Albert Brito, Jaya Capri Flores, Pedro Luevano, Reyes Flores, Jose Medina



## Pray for the Sick & the Elderly Oremos por los Enfermos y Ancianos

Laura Gutierrez, Lana McFee, Dale Talmich, Jr, Zaniyah Vadez, Carol Vera, Tino Ramirez and Suzette Scott, Mathison Sandoval, Teresa Casillas, Jose Bocanegra, Cesar Munoz, Yolanda Verduzco, Manuel Martinez, Joaquin Chavez, Maria del Refugio Esquivel, Rayonn Lobato, Mickey Chavez, Carmen Vargas, Bob Gonzales, Erica Gonzales, Devany De la Torre, Jose Castaneda, Alex Chavez, Carmen Lechuga, Gary Garcia, Maria del Toro, Maria Estrada,

### Mass Intentions Intenciones de la Misa

**Monday, April 14 / Lunes, 14 de Abril**

No Mass

**Tuesday, April 15 / Martes, 15 de Abril**

8:15am **Misa S- Por intenciones de Juan Antonio Garcia Gonzalez**

12:00pm Eucharistic Adoration/ Adoración Eucrística

6:30pm Benediction / Reposición del Santísimo

6:45pm **Misa NS- Open/ Abierto**

**Wednesday, April 16 / Miércoles , 16 de Abril**

8:30am **Mass - S- +Greg Rohr**

6:00pm **Misa S- Por Leonardo y Esmeralda Luevano**

**Holy Thursday, April 17 / Jueves Santo, 17 de Abril**

7:00pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual)  
Adoration till midnight**

**Good Friday, April 18 / Viernes Santo, 18 de Abril**

12:00pm **Passion English (with communion)**

3:00pm **Via Crucis Español**

7:00pm **Passion Español ( con communion)**

**Easter Vigil Saturday, April 19  
Sabado Vigilia Pascual, 19 de Abril**

8:15pm **VIGILIA PASCUAL**

**EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20  
DOMINGO DE PASCUA, 20 DE ABRIL**

8:00am **Mass S- +Lorraine & Bryan Miller**

9:30am **Misa S- Por salud de Brisa Lucia Garcia Gonzalez & Juan Jose Garcia**

11:30am **Mass S- +Manuel & +Josie Perez**

1:00pm **Misa S- +Vicente Saucedo, +Belen Chavez, +Roman Chavez, +Tomas Casillas**

Date / Fecha	Offertory / Colecta	Total
In Person, 04/06		\$6,621
Venmo, 04/06		\$1,400
<b>Total week 04/06</b>		<b>\$8,021</b>



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Because of various viruses that are being spread, we ask that if you feel ill or have been in contact with anyone who is ill, please do not receive the precious blood from the cup at communion time. You receive Jesus completely in the consecrated bread and it is not necessary to receive from the cup.

Debido a varios virus que se están propagando, le pedimos que si se siente enfermo o ha estado en contacto con alguien que esté enfermo, por favor no reciba la preciosa sangre de la copa a la hora de la comunión. Recibes a Jesús completamente en el pan consagrado y no es necesario recibir de la copa.

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## PARISH HAPPENINGS - ACONTECIMIENTOS PARROQUIALES

# HOLY WEEK

### PALM SUNDAY DOMINGO DE RAMOS

**MISA ESPANOL:**  
Sabado 6:00pm

**SPANISH MASSES:**  
9:30am Empieza en frente de la escuela con procession.

1:00pm Empieza en el patio con procession

**ENGLISH MASSES:**  
Sunday 8:00am and 11:30am

### HOLY THURSDAY JUEVES SANTO



### LORD'S SUPPER

**MASS (BILINGUAL)**  
7:00pm Adoration until midnight

### GOOD FRIDAY VIERNES SANTO



**PASSION ENGLISH**  
12:00 (with communion)

### VIGILIA PASCUAL EASTER VIGIL



**EASTER MASS  
MISA PASCUAL**  
Regular times

### WE ARE CLOSED

**Holy Thursday**

April 17, 2025

**Good Friday**

April 18, 2025



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### Lenten Fish Fry

#### Sponsor by Knight of Columbus

April | Abril, 11th

All will be in School Cafeteria from 5:30-7:00pm.

Entrance will be through School Gym

Todo será en la cafetería de la escuela de 5:30 a 7:00 pm.

La entrada será a través del Gimnasio de la Escuela

