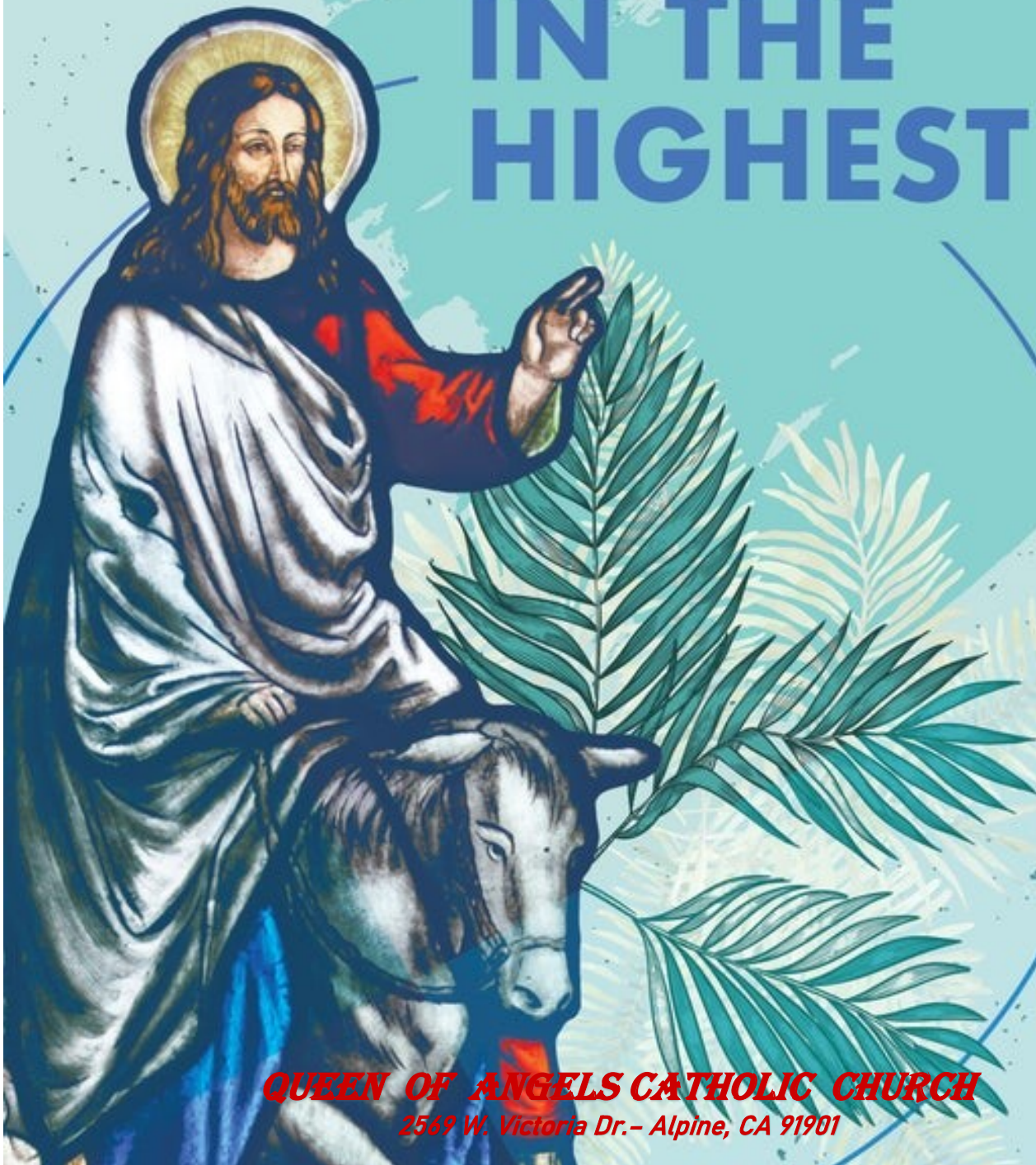


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QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH
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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

The 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal "Living our Faith", has begun

Our Annual Catholic Appeal enables us to fund our Pastoral Center ministry offices and programs that help our community members to live their faith. They include our schools and programs to support faith formation at all ages, to strengthen families, to promote a culture of life, to care for creation, to engage youth and young adults, to sustain our retired clergy and those preparing for the priesthood, and to extend a helping hand to the marginalized.

We ask you to prayerfully consider how much you can give to this year's appeal. Your continued generosity in support of our local Church is vital to the mission of the Universal Catholic Church. If you cannot donate at this time, we ask you to pray for a successful works: Show me your faith by your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

GOAL: \$27,804.00 PLEDGE: \$ 3,055.00 BALANCE: \$24,749.00

READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 1-9, 2023

Palm Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Holy Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 16-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Good Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Luke 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday, Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday, Easter: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>
Saturday, Apr 1	9:00 am	
Saturday, Apr 1	5:30 pm	†April Williams
Sunday, Apr 2	8:00 am	For the People
Sunday, Apr 2	10:30 am	For the People
Monday, Apr 3	7:30 am	Rosary
Tuesday, Apr 4	8:00 am	Josefina Osorio
Wednesday, Apr 5	8:00 am	Robert Osorio
Thursday, Apr 6	7:00 pm	For the People
Friday, Apr 7		
Saturday, Apr 8	8:00 pm	For the People
Sunday, Apr 9	8:00 am	For the People
Sunday, Apr 9	10:30 am	For the People



Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.



Kelly Barker
Richard Beach
Joyce Drexler
Katie Clark Larson
Jim Hill
Carmen Holt
Father David Leon
Jason Laccone
Becky Rangel
Steve Rodkey
Joan Smith
Kailyn & Charis Whaley
Melissa Yelvington

**Deployed Military**

Meagan Abad, LT
Matthew D. Fuller, PV2
William W. Fuller II, PFC
Edward R.M. Lopez, SSgt
Rebekah Meyer, BM2(sw)
Jacob Tweed, HM3
Mattison Underhill, USN
Morgan Williams, CPL



If you have a friend or relative who is serving in our military and is deployed or will be deployed, please contact Darlene at bulletin@queenofangels.org.

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting Darlene Ames at bulletin@queenofangels.org.

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Monthly Tecate & ECPCC Collection Please leave your donations after all the Masses this weekend, **April 1-2**, in the "TECATE TREASURE CHEST" directly behind the church. You can access the chest any day of the week. Please remember to close the lid when you are finished, and **PLEASE** only leave maternity and baby clothing for the ECPCC.



Faith Formation Schedule Following is the schedule for classes during the Easter holiday:

April 2: Palm Sunday, No Class
April 9: Easter Sunday, No Class
April 16: Divine Sunday, No Class
April 23: Classes Resume



Bible Study Join us for a study of "THE BIBLE AND THE VIRGIN MARY". Beginning Tuesday, **April 4** at 9:00 AM for 12 weeks in the parish hall. Registration is free. Participation Bundle is \$24.95 and Paperback is \$16.00 plus shipping. For registration and more information visit stpaulcenter.com/studies.

Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed **Wednesday, April 5-Friday, April 7**. We will re-open at 9:00 AM on **Monday, April 10**.



Easter Egg Hunt HOP On Over to the 1st Annual Queen of Angels **EASTER Eggstravaganza!** Hosted by the Knights of Columbus on **Easter Sunday, April 9** after the 10:30AM Mass in the church playground. BYOB (Bring Your Own Basket/Bag). All ages welcome; 18 years and younger. Parents are highly encouraged to supervise their children.



Thank You!! A huge THANK YOU to **Tuesday's Bible Studies, Queen of Angels Office Staff, Music Ministry, the Woman Auxiliary, Holy Hearts Co-Op** and **the Knights of Columbus** who contributed to our Lenten Soup Suppers this year. The Soups and breads were hearty and delicious and the company was heartwarming. Your continued support and generosity to our Parish Community is so appreciated.



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Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am

Rosary

Monday-Friday: 7:00 am

First Saturday to Honor the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Mass 9:00 am

First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus Exposition/Adoration

10:30-11:15 am
(Benediction follows)
Confessions
10:35-11:15 am,
Mass 11:30 am

Confession

Tuesday-Friday: 7:15-7:45 am,
Saturday: 4:00-5:00 pm,
or by appointment

Baptism

Contact Fr. David

Clergy

Rev. David Exner: **Pastor**,
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Enriqueta Luquin: **Business Manager**,
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Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

Holy Week ~ Triduum ~ Easter 2023

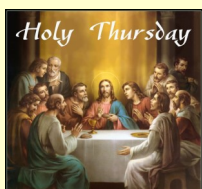
Palm Sunday ~ April 1 & 2

Masses at 5:30 pm-Saturday,
8:00 am and 10:30 am-Sunday
Procession with Palms at all Masses



Holy Thursday ~ April 6

7:00 pm-Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration from the Procession
to the Tabernacle of Repose
until 11pm



Good Friday ~ April 7

12:00 noon Stations of the Cross
7:00 pm Communion Service with
Veneration of the Cross



Holy Saturday ~ April 8

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass



Easter Sunday ~ April 9

Masses at 8:00 am and 10:30 am



PASTOR'S PAGE

Friends,

One of the great traditions that we have in the Church is the proclamation of the entire Passion Narrative from one of the Gospels on Palm Sunday. And yes, I know that it takes approximately a gazillion minutes to get through, plus or minus, but it's only once a year, and it's totally worth it.

One point from the story of Christ's Passion that I would like to draw attention to, and that I think is good for us to consider as we enter into Holy Week this year is this: the contrast between Simon Peter and Judas. Both men were Apostles, called by Jesus to follow him – and both men accepted. Both men were present for his ministry, saw him in action, witnessed his miracles, heard his teachings, and stayed with him even when many of his followers abandoned him (cf. John 6:66-71). Both men, as evidenced by numerous stories in the Gospels, were broken and imperfect, but had apparently resolved to keep trying to follow Jesus as well as they could. Both men had their feet washed by Jesus and were present for the Last Supper. Both men committed the grave sin of apostasy – Simon Peter by denying the Lord three times (after being warned!) and Judas by betraying him outright (after also being warned!) and turning him over to his enemies. But that's where their stories break off from one another and start moving in wildly different directions: one towards mercy, redemption, and sainthood; the other towards probable damnation and eternal suffering. And if we're being honest, we can detect a bit of ourselves in both of them, so it would behoove us to look at their part in the unfolding drama of Christ's Passion closely. So what is the difference between these two men? Why did Peter come back in search of reconciliation with someone he knew was dead, while Judas killed himself in despair?

I think there must be many reasons, but I would like to focus on one in particular: **MERCY**. Peter, for all of his faults, understood that there was no sin too great to separate him from God's mercy, even denying the Messiah! Judas, unfortunately, apparently despaired of ever being forgiven for what he had done. Nor is this a onetime shot in the dark. This actually is in keeping with many other stories in the Old Testament that contrast faith in God's lovingkindness with unbelief that leads to despair and hopelessness. One rather obvious example that comes to mind is the contrast between the first two kings of Israel, Saul and David. Similar to Simon Peter and Judas, both men were called by God to greatness and anointed for their task, and similar to Simon Peter and Judas, both men failed and sinned in spectacular fashion. But while Saul was obstinate in his sin and fell so far that he – like Judas – would eventually despair and take his own life, David is called "a man after God's own heart" by God Himself (cf. 1 Samuel 13:14), despite committing sins that appear, at least on the surface, to be far, far worse than the sins that caused Saul to lose the kingdom. And this, I believe, highlights the critical difference between David and Saul, and between Peter and Judas, which is nothing less than the humility and willingness to be forgiven. It is always God's will to forgive us and bring us back to Him again, but He will not force Himself or His mercy upon us; we have to believe that He desires us, and then be willing to receive His forgiveness when He freely offers it to us. Peter knew that God could and would always forgive him, so he went back, even after everything he had done. And as a result, Jesus found him. Never forget that He wants to find us too.

Trusting in His Ineffable Mercy,

Fr. David



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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 16, 2023

We will have a special hour of adoration from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm on Divine Mercy Sunday.

We will begin with exposition and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and close with the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and benediction. Please join us as we come together and ask for God's Mercy.

The Second Sunday of Easter, April 16th this year, is designated as the Sunday of Divine Mercy. To encourage the celebration of God's infinite Mercy, Pope St. John Paul II established this feast day and bestowed it with a plenary indulgence. This favor is granted to the faithful under the usual conditions:

- (1) Going to confession (within eight days, before or after, though before is typically better)
- (2) Receiving Holy Communion
- (3) Praying for the intentions of the Holy Father
- (4) Complete detachment from all sin, including venial sin

If one does not have complete detachment from all of his sins, he may still receive a partial indulgence.

Most of the requirements for a plenary indulgence are satisfied by attending Sunday Mass:

*In the Penitential Rite we implore the mercy of God to be detached from all affection for sin.

*In the general Intercessions we pray for the Holy Father and his intentions, and for greater fidelity in our own lives to works of charity and mercy.

*In the Creed and the Our Father, we thank God for His mercy and ask to be forgiven as we forgive those who sin against us.

*We receive the Eucharistic Lord in Holy Communion.

The Lord Jesus gave the celebration of His Divine Mercy through private revelations to Saint Maria Faustina from 1925 until her death in Krakow in 1938. Jesus promised great graces to the faithful who keep this devotion. For more information please visit: www.thedivinemercy.org

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA and CHAPLET

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy can be said at any time; however, Jesus encouraged us to pray it during the hour of mercy (3 pm, the hour He died on the Cross) and especially to pray it with and for those who are dying. He also asked Saint Faustina that the chaplet be recited as a novena, specifically on the nine days before the Feast of Divine Mercy, which places the start date on Good Friday every year. This year the novena of Divine Mercy starts on Friday April 7, 2023.

At Queen of Angels Church we will begin pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet 15 minutes before each weekend Mass on the Second Sunday of Easter (April 15-16). Please arrive early to join us.



***ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO BEVERLY, O LORD, AND
LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HER. MAY THE
SOUL OF BEVERLY REST IN PEACE, AND MAY THE
SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH
THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE.
AMEN.***



It is with a heavy heart that we share the passing of Beverly Jo Michelli on March 13, 2023. A long-time parishioner and volunteer, wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend. Beverly will be dearly missed by all.

Please keep Beverly and all her family and friend in your prayers.



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Andrew Tompkins Memorial College Scholarship Award



Andrew Joseph Tompkins was born to Diana and Paul Tompkins on Easter Sunday, April 12, 1998. He is survived by two sisters, Marion and Julia. He received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, Holy Communion, and Confirmation at our family parish, Queen of Angels Church in Alpine, California. He was very active in our parish as a member of the children's choir, a long-time altar server, a member of the 412 Church Youth Ministry Group, and he attended the Steubenville Youth Conferences throughout his high school years.

Andrew graduated from Granite Hills High School in 2016 and attended the University of La Verne (ULV) on an academic scholarship to study business marketing. He received the Knights of Columbus scholarship award for the two years he attended ULV and was grateful to the Knights Council for the financial support. Andrew had a passion for learning. He was an Honor Student and an accomplished swimmer and diver in high school and college.

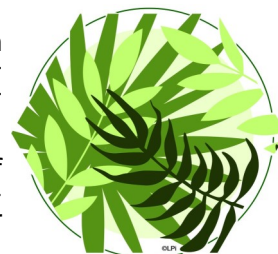
Unfortunately, Andrew was diagnosed with cancer in his second year of college and was forced to suspend his studies while he had surgery and went through chemotherapy for several months. After a very tough battle, the Lord called him home on September 22, 2019 at the age of 21. While Andrew's time at ULV was short, he completed enough units to receive his Associate of Arts degree (posthumous). He was a natural born student and loved school and university life. He would be honored to know that this scholarship fund is now named after him. Indeed, his family is honored that Andrew's memory will live on through all students who go off to college with big hopes and dreams and remain strong in the Catholic faith.

The Knight of Columbus will once again be awarding scholarships to practicing Catholics and members of Queen of Angels Parish. Applicants must be a senior in a Catholic, Public, Charter or accredited Home High School or a full-time student at an accredited College or Trade School. Applications will be available online at queenofangels.org. and in the parish office.

PALM SUNDAY

It was during the fourth century in Jerusalem that Christians first started using palm branches in commemoration of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. Today, we continue to use palms in most churches on this Sunday, Catholic and Protestant alike. It is one of those traditions of worship that, no matter how far apart we may seem at times, we continue to share due to our common heritage.

But Palm Sunday is also known as Passion Sunday, because we hear an account of the passion of Jesus Christ during the liturgy. Most churches also share this reading in common. Many Catholic parishes use multiple lectors to proclaim the Gospel, while it is not uncommon for a similar reading or even a performance in many mainstream Protestant churches.



The commonality found in the worship on this particular Sunday seems to highlight the fundamental truth in the observance: Jesus Christ died for everyone. He did not die on a cross for just Catholics, or just Orthodox, or just Protestants. Whether one acknowledges it or not, he was crucified for all those who are born of man. Today, we rejoice not just for what he has done for us but also for what he has done for all of creation.

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Spring Floral Bouquets



If you would like to donate a "Spring Floral Bouquet" for Easter in memory of a family member or a friend, please complete the following form and return it to the parish office or put it in the collection basket. All donations will be used for an assortment of Spring flowers and decorations for the church during Easter and the Easter Season. (Please use one form per donation.)

The suggested donation for each intention is \$15.00.

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