QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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<u>Office Hours</u> Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Friday: 9:00 am to Noon

Holy Sacrifice of The Mass Saturday: 5:30 pm Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 am

Daily Mass Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am

<u>Rosary</u> Monday-Friday: 7:30 am



Mary, Queen of Angels, pray for us!

Confession

Tuesday-Friday: 7:30 am, Saturday: 4:00 pm, or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday: after 8:00 am Mass until 9:30 am

First Friday Devotions Adoration/Confession: 10:00 am

Mass: 11:30 am

First Saturday Devotions Rosary: 8:30 am Mass: 9:00 am

Baptism, Holy Matrimony <u>& Funerals</u> Contact Fr. David

<u>Clergy</u> Rev. David Exner: **Pastor**, frdexnerqofa@gmail.com

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If you're worried about an unplanned pregnancy, you may be experiencing a personal crisis full of concerns about your future. Pregnancy Care Clinic can assist you. www.unplannedparenthood.org, 619-442-4357

Reporting Sexual Abuse

Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy or by a parish or Catholic school employee or volunteer can be made by calling Mary Acosta at the Child and Youth Protection Office, Victims Assistance Coordinator, at 858-0490-8353.

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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

March 30-31	<u>, 2024</u>	<u>April 6-7, 2024</u>		
Envelopes Used	99	Envelopes Used	83	Stewardship
Envelope Collections Plate Collections TOTAL	\$ 6,175.00 \$ 1,750.96 \$ 7,925.96	Envelope Collections Plate Collections TOTAL	\$ 6,375.04 \$ 381.00 \$ 6,756.04	WHEN IT COMES TO GIVING, SOME PEOPLE STOP
Holy Thursday Good Friday	\$ 615.00 \$ 330.00			AT NOTHING.

READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 13-21, 2024

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/ 1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48 Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/ Jn 6:22-29 Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35 Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/ Jn 6:35-40 Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/ Jn 6:44-51 Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59 Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/ Jn 6:60-69 Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Sunday,	Apr 13 Apr 14 Apr 14 Apr 15 Apr 16 Apr 17	8:00 am 10:30 am 7:30 am 8:00 am 8:00 am 8:00 am 8:00 am 5:30 pm 8:00 am	INTENTION †Celeste Woestman Peter & Bernadette Mills †Brian Ford <i>Rosary</i> †Bernadette Gross †John & Man Dao & Parents Bernadette Mills The Souls in Purgatory †Steve Rodkey †Celeste Woestman Carl Osborne
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Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.



Deployed Military Meagan Abad, LT

Matthew D. Fuller, PV2

William W. Fuller II, PFC

Edward R.M. Lopez, SSgt David J. McIntyre, PFC

Rebekah Meyer, BM2(sw)

Nicholas Pálstorm, È8

Jacob Tweed, HM3

Aida Ahles Kelly Barker Milan Casteneda Rosa Garret Dennis Grogg Mike Gust Jim Hill June Hill Chik Hylton Carmen Holt Eugene Isaacs Deacon Fred Thornton Jason Laccone Steven McMeeken Suzie Pfingsten Becky Rangel Joan Smith Jack Welch Kailyn & Charis Whaley

...may they find joy in the healing love of Christ.



Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting Darlene Ames at bulletingofa@gmail.com.



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

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WELCOME TO QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC FAITH COMMUNITY

We invite you to be a "Sharing Member". Register, Participate, and Share your Gifts and Talents.



All middle and high school youths are invited to our next meeting on Wednesday, April 24 at 7:00 PM in the parish hall. Bring a friend; bring two friends and join in some fun, music and fellowship.

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 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 the Lord is inviting you to give towards this year's appeal. Your continued generosity in support of our local Church is vital to the mission of the Universal Catholic Church.

GOAL: \$25,607.00 PLEDGE: \$5,960.00 BALANCE: \$19,647.00

Don't Forget If any of your personal information has **DON**¹ changed please call the Parish Office at 619-445-2145 to let us know. We strive to keep our family records up-to-date and confidential.

Flocknote If you have not signed up for Flocknote, please do so! It is the simplest flocknote



way for you to stay up to date as changes come up during the week. Visit out webpage at queenofangels.org and click on the Flocknote link to sign up.

Please Remember Upon leaving Mass, please make sure all Missalettes, Hymnals, Prayer Cards, and donation envelopes are put back neatly in the pew backs. It



only takes a few seconds and greatly enhances the appearance of the church when arriving to celebrate Mass. Thank You~



Do You Feel the Call to Serve?

If so, why not consider start serving here at Queen of Angels. We are always in need of Altar Servers, Communion Ministers, Lectors and Ushers.

We will work with your availability to serve at the Mass which you now attend. Please contact the parish office at 619-445-2145 if you feel the call.



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

April 14, 2024 3rd Sunday of Easter

When I was a kid, a friend at my home parish told me, "If you get to Mass by the Gospel reading, it counts!" As a lifelong late-arriver, it's something I have told myself many times, especially in my earlier years as a Catholic. If the "it counts" is justifiable on a pathetically minimal scale of liturgical legalism, then the Gospel reading today shows how insanely wrong-headed it is, and how helpful it is to re-think the Mass in its light.

The famous "Road to Emmaus" story recounts, on that first Sunday of the Resurrection, the basic two-fold structure of the Mass: Word, followed by Eucharist. Jesus spends a significant period of time with two dismayed disciples, as he connects a wide swath of the Hebrew scriptures with his own suffering, death, and resurrection. They would later report that this Liturgy of the Word touched their hearts with an inexplicable fire. This Word-induced flame alone is what leads the two disciples to discover Jesus' presence in the "breaking of the bread."

With this in mind, how can we possibly think that the Liturgy of the Word is unnecessary or incidental? The two disciples needed the Scriptures explained to them in order to experience Jesus alive in the eucharistic breaking of bread. Sure, we say, but they had the Risen Jesus. But that's precisely the point: Jesus is risen and accompanies us in both parts of the Mass. Imagine how much our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist would deepen if we (preachers and listeners) took even more seriously that Jesus himself sets our hearts ablaze with his Word so that we know him in the Eucharist. That Word-induced fire counts, too!

— Father John Muir

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A BLESSED FIRST EUCHARIST

Congratulations to all of our First Communicants who received our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament on March 31, 2024.

Jacob Contreras Asher Couri Dakota Green Diego Martinez Cruz Martinez Emma Ortiz-Lomeli Elliette Spykerman Cienna Villa

May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of his love, and the joy of his life within you.

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How to Fail Your Way to Heaven

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

You know what are some of my favorite moments in Scripture? The little "Easter eggs" of Jesus' humanity, things like Jesus falling asleep, Jesus drawing in the sand, Jesus playing with kids. And how about Jesus rising from the dead, appearing to his disciples and saying, "So, have you got anything to eat?"

It's right for us to always keep in mind that Jesus is God. But we also have to remember that he was man. He got hungry. He cried when he felt sad and laughed when he felt happy. He got tired. He got bored.

Because he was God, none of those feelings ever led him into sin, like they do us. He never spent a car ride trying to pass the hours by seeing how annoyed he could make his older sister. He never smacked Peter over the head for saying something really stupid. But he did unleash some Biblically righteous anger on those traders in the temple, didn't he? And he wasn't shy about calling Peter "a Satan" when his friend tempted him to take the easy way out.

It's the tightrope walk we all try to balance every day, honoring our human emotions while still answering God's call to be better. Being perfect isn't the domain of the Christian — that's the domain of Christ only. Trying and failing, then trying again (and failing again) and again and again? That's the domain of the Christian.

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The Twist Ending

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Any reader of psychological thrillers will come across the "dead main character trope" fairly often. This is the famous *Sixth Sense* twist ending (I would say "spoiler alert," but the movie is older than most of the people who work in Youth Ministry at your archdiocese, so you've probably seen it by now) where the reader finds that the main character has been dead for all or most of the story.

I'm always a little disappointed when this happens. It delivers shock value, sure, but it also undermines everything that happens in the story. You've come on a journey with this character, only to find out that nothing you saw transpire was real in the way you thought it was. You feel a little stupid, because the whole time you only had part of the truth.

I suspect Jesus knows this about us. He knows we don't like to have the rug pulled out. It's why he is so up-front about his humanity following the resurrection. See how Jesus, resurrected, shows the disciples his feet, his hands. See how he asks them for food and lets them watch him eat it. See how this creates in them an understanding, a belief.

The humanity of Jesus Christ is absolutely crucial. It's what bridges the divide between the sons of Eve and the God she defied. Our reconciliation with God cannot happen unless human flesh pays the price that will balance the scales. Human flesh: skin that can tear and bleed, bones that can break, a mouth that can thirst, a stomach that can ache with hunger.

The passion and death of Jesus Christ is not a thriller with a twist ending: *he was a ghost the whole time!* The twist, if anything, is this: he was human the whole time.

"Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have."— Luke 24:39



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What Is the Eucharist?

The word eucharist (pronounced YOO-kuh-rist) comes from the Greek word *eucharistia*, meaning thanksgiving. The Catholic Church describes the Eucharist as "the source and summit of the Christian life."

Pope Paul VI, in his 1965 encyclical Mysterium Fidei, wrote:

"The Mystery of Faith, that is, the ineffable gift of the Eucharist that the Catholic Church received from Christ, her Spouse, as a pledge of His immense love, is something that she has always devoutly guarded as her most precious treasure".

In more practical terms, the Eucharist is the Body and Blood of Christ. In addition to being the source and summit of Christian life, it's also the center of the Catholic Mass in the Liturgy of the Eucharist (which follows the Liturgy of the Word–readings, Gospel, homily and intercessions).

"Communion" or "Holy Communion" are often used synonymously with "Eucharist." Holy Communion sometimes refers to the entire action of receiving the sacrament, while "Eucharist" is normally reserved for the sacrament itself. The USCCB itself makes reference both to receiving Communion and distributing Communion.

In either case, it's critical to grasp the concept of Real Presence.

Real Presence – The Actual Body and Blood of Jesus

Catholics believe that the Eucharist is the actual Body and Blood of Jesus.

Not a symbol or a ritual to remind us of Jesus's sacrifice. His genuine, true Body and Blood.

How could that possibly be?

During Mass, the priest consecrates bread and wine. The bread is usually round "hosts," or wafers consisting of just flour and water. Liturgies must use wine from grapes.

The prayers that a priest offers during consecration transform the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus. This occurs by the power of the Holy Spirit through a process called transubstantiation.

In transubstantiation, the substance of the bread and wine is transformed into the Body and Blood of Jesus. The accidents, or appearance, of the bread and wine retain their familiar hallmarks-the host still looks like host and not flesh; the wine still smells and tastes like wine.

But it is no longer bread and wine, despite its appearance.



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