



**HE HAS BEEN RAISED
FROM THE DEAD**

April 5, 2026



St. Joseph
CATHOLIC CHURCH
ROCKDALE, TEXAS

**MASS TIMES / HORARIO DE
MISA**

Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m.
(Español) 11:30 a.m.

**Daily Mass Schedules - look inside for
times.**

**RECONCILIATION /
RECONCILIACIÓN**

Saturday: 4 - 4:45 p.m.
By appointment also / Con cita previa
también
Contact the office 512-446-2049

First Friday Mass: 12:15 p.m.
Eucharistic Adoration 1-3 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesdays and Thursdays 7-10 p.m.

Adoración Eucarística
martes y jueves de 7-10 p.m.

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes prior
to all weekend Masses.

El Rosario se reza 30 minutos antes de
todas las misas
de fin de semana.

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**Office Hours / Horas de Oficina Tues. - Thurs.
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

**HA RESUCITADO DE
ENTRE LOS MUERTOS**

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 6		No Mass
Tuesday, April 7	6 p.m.	No Mass
Wednesday, April 8	12:15 p.m.	No Mass
Thursday, April 9	12:15 p.m.	Living and Deceased members of the Ladies Society
	6 p.m.	†Maria Ines Cardona
Friday, April 10	12:15 p.m.	†Maria Ines Cardona
Saturday, April 11	5 p.m.	†Frank Ramirez Sr. †Frank Ramirez Jr. †Frank Garcia
Sunday, April 12	9 a.m.	For the People
	11:30 a.m.	†Maria Ines Cardona †Alejandro Perez

Readings for the Week

Monday: April 6 Easter Monday
Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: April 7 Easter Tuesday
Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: April 8 Easter Wednesday
Acts 3:1-10/ Lk 24: 13-35

Thursday: April 9 Easter Thursday
Acts 3:11-26/ Lk 24:35-48

Friday: April 10 Easter Friday
Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: April 11 Easter Saturday
Acts 4:13-21/ Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: April 5 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
Acts 2:42-47/ 1Pt 1:3-9/ Jn 20:19-31

Daily Mass / Adoration is held in
the Holy Family Chapel.

Misa de Dia / Adoración diaria se lleva a cabo
en la Capilla de la Sagrada Familia.

March 2026

Monthly need:	\$ 17,208.00
To Date: March	\$ 17,059.54
Profit/Loss:	\$ -148.46
Last Sunday collection:	
Sunday Collection: 3/28-3/29	\$ 3,652.00
Black Bag	\$ 659.04
Online Giving: 3/23-3/27	\$ 128.35
Total:	\$ 4,439.39

"All must give as they are able, according to the
blessings given to them by the Lord your God."
- Deuteronomy 16:17

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Parish Monthly Assessment \$6,803.00

*(Catholic Spirit, Cathedraicum, Priest Pension
& Health Insurance, Property Insurance,
Ministry Platform, Workmen's Compensation)*

Special Collections / Colecciones Especiales

April 11-12 Red Bag

DATE	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	USHERS
Sat. Apr 4– 5 p.m..	Linda Masur	Elizabeth Longoria, Craig Snow Mario and Marcos Santellano	Carlos Garza, Margaret Coker, Jasmin Nieto	Wesley Janak Carlos Garza
Sun. Apr 5— 9 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Craig Snow Mari Santellano Claudia Valadez	Mario and Marcos Santellano Camila Cardona, Elizabeth Longoria	Shannon O'Brien, Gloria Pedroza, Nancy Zenner Erika Rivera, Alejandra Rivera, Julia Cardona	Jason Ehler David Ehler Macario Flores Jose Nieto
Sat. Apr 11 – 5 p.m.	Jasmin Nieto	Elizabeth Longoria	Nancy Phillips, Maria Dubey, Wesley Janak	Chad Ehler Kenney Svrcek
Sun. Apr 12— 9 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Pat Barcak Lupe Tristan Sylvia Ramos	Omar Chavez, Craig Snow Camila Cardona, Craig Snow	Tino & Cynthia Gonzalez, Pete Zenner Maria Velazquez, Maria Tristan, Sylvia Ramos	Jeff & Kelley Zapata Felipe Pacheco Jesus Ponce



Let Us Pray/ Oremos

Deacon Gus & Norma Coelho
Maria Teresa Mora
Richard Facundo

Mary Vega

Cruz Martinez	Karen Eckert
Jim Garza	Lillian Sanchez
Nick & Mamie Guzman	Bill Martinez
Familia Reyes	Mike Morris
Charlie & Pat Watson	Matilde Garza
Tom & Barbara Hormuth	Alex Martinez
Roberto Reyes	Bea Tomczuk
Amalia Hernandez	Maria Gonzalez
H.T. Anderson	John Bland
Lydia Ramirez	Bill Wisener
Lupe Orozco	Teresa Key
Gladys Skubal	Susan Maldonado
James Gorney	Jesus Maldonado
Charlie Mae Miller	Ed Hill
Jesse Alvarez	Wendy Fournet
David Boudreaux	LeslieJoyce Garcia
Janie Zapata	Mark Alvarez
Leslie Joyce Garcia	Teresa Brown
Jim Grametbauer	Hunter Burney
Lisa Vongonten	Andrea Tovar
Jordan Juarez	Donna Kerlin
Vernon Crowder	Larry Kerlin
Valentina Rodarte	Georgie Kerlin
Maria Garro B.	Dolores Turner
Damon Corona	Marcelino Flores
Christina Alvarez	Susie Flores
Francisca Longoria	Theresa Alvarez
Benji Blanco –Navy deployment	Steve & Mary Zapata
Leo Dubey	Robert & Susie Urban
Marianne Lopez	Rudy Castaneda
Manuel Garcia	Joe Ruelas

PLEASE Call the office @ 512-446-2049 if you would like to keep any of the above persons on the prayer list. NAMES WILL BE REMOVED BY APRIL 24TH.



The Sanctuary Light in the church is burning in Memory of

Salvador Hernandez Jr.

By

Claudia Hernandez



The Sanctuary Light in the chapel is burning in Honor of

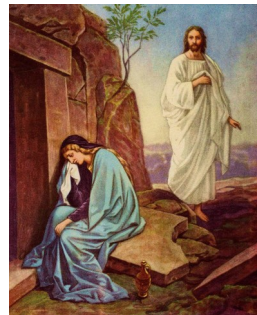
Miguel Vergara

Sanctuary Candle Intentions



2026 Sanctuary Candle intentions available, at the chapel or at the church. If you would like to schedule an intention for a deceased loved one, someone's birthday or anniversary etc., we do have dates available for scheduling.

Please come by the parish office if you would like to schedule sanctuary candle intentions.



Thank you

To everyone who helped make this year's Holy Week and Easter so beautiful and special. Without this many hands we would not have been able to journey with Jesus from his entry to Jerusalem to the Last Supper, his Passion, Death, and Glorious Resurrection.

May God Bless You

Fr. John



Catholic Social Teaching Corner / Rincón de la Doctrina Social Católica

April 4-5, Easter Sunday

The root of our Easter joy is in celebrating with family and community the triumph of Jesus over sin and death. How will that joy find concrete expression in our lives? The risen life of Jesus is given to us so that we can continue his ministry of proclaiming good news to the poor, liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind and a year of favor from our God. On Monday will we go back to business as usual or will we bring the joy of the resurrection to our brothers and sisters still living in the darkness of poverty, imprisonment and want?

Abril 4-5, Domingo de Pascua

La raíz de nuestro gozo Pascual está en la celebración con la familia y la comunidad del triunfo de Jesús sobre el pecado y la muerte ¿Cómo es que ese gozo encontrará una expresión concreta en nuestras vidas? La vida resucitada de Jesús se nos da para que podamos continuar su ministerio de proclamar las buenas noticias a los pobres, liberar a los cautivos, devolver la vista a los ciegos y gozar del favor de nuestro Dios por un año. El lunes ¿volveremos a nuestros asuntos como siempre o llevaremos el gozo de la resurrección a nuestros hermanos y hermanas que todavía viven en la oscuridad de la pobreza, la prisión y la carencia?

St. Joseph Organizations / Contacts Meeting Dates / Times

Sociedad Guadalupana

Maria Tristan, President 512-429-0541

Meets the 1st Saturday of the month with Rosary and Mass at 9 a.m. followed by Meeting in the RE Building. New members are always welcome.

Knights of Columbus

Kenny Svrcek, Grand Knight 512-921-2184

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. @ the K of C Hall. New members are always welcome.

St. Joseph Ladies Society

Maria Santellano, President 254-760-0568

Meets the 1st Monday of the month in the RE Building with Rosary at 5 p.m. followed by Meeting. New members are always welcome.

The Marian Cenacle (Prayer Group)

Contact the Parish Office @ 512-446-2049

Meets each Thursday, beginning with the Cenacle (prayer) 11am-noon, @ the RE Building, follow by the Angelus, 12:15 Mass in the chapel. Bi-weekly meeting is from 10am- 11am on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays. Open to all men and women of the parish.

Daughters of Mary/Hijas de María

Contact the Parish Office @ 512-446-2049

Meets the 1st Saturday of each month (Sept.—May) @ RE Building from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Open to girls who have made their First Communion and older, and their parents.

Impact Youth Group

Youth Minister

Meets the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month starting in October @ RE Building, from 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy

Contact Debby Currey 512-775-0977

Various groups meet weekly to study the Divine Mercy, St. Faustina's Diary, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and to pray.

Viri Christi (Men's Group)

Contact Carlos Garza 512-760-0273

Men's group focusing on prayer, education and spirituality. Meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm in the RE Building.

Pastoral Council Chairman

Felipe Pacheco 512-269-2502

Finance Council President

Margaret Coker 512-970-8177



Baptism Class

**Next Baptism Class will be held on
Saturday, April 18, 2026 at 10 a.m.
at the RE Building.**

Must be pre-registered to attend.
Please contact the parish office to register.

Mass Intention Dates Available for Scheduling

If you would like to schedule a mass intention for a deceased loved one, someone's birthday or anniversary etc., we do have dates available for scheduling. Please come by the parish office if you would like to schedule some mass intentions.

Fechas disponibles para programar intenciones de la misa

Si desea programar una intención de la misa por un ser querido fallecido, para el cumpleaños o aniversario de alguien, etc. Tenemos fechas disponibles para programar. Por favor, pase con la oficina parroquial si desea programar algunas intenciones de misa.



If your child is in the second grade, or higher, and has been baptized, they are invited and strongly encouraged to become an Altar

Server. Interested please come by or call the church office.

Si tu hijo está en segundo curso, o superior, y ha sido bautizado, se le invita y se le anima encarecidamente a convertirse en monaguillo. Si te interesa, por favor pasa o llama a la oficina de la iglesia.

We are looking for Choir Members



Please consider joining the choir and help the congregation raise their voice to praise God in prayer at our Masses. We are not looking for professional singers (unless you are!). We are looking for anyone who has a passion for music, anyone who has voice and likes to sign. Also, we would love to have another pianist in the group to help our dedicated pianist Pat. You may text Eugene Holub at 512-429-5577 or email him at music@stjosephrockdale.org if you are interested. Please consider this request in prayer. Thank you.



May you all have a Blessed Easter!

Bendecida Pascua Para Todos!

From/De parte de:

Fr. John, Bonnie, Kristina, Evelyn,

María & Mary Helen

Easter Lilies will adorn the altar this Easter Season to honor & remember the loved ones of St. Joseph's Parishioners.



- In Memory of Willie, Mary & Gene Mrkwa by Rita Juergens*
In Memory of Benjamin Rubio by Benjamin Rubio's children
In Memory of Joe & Maria Arriaga by Marie Rubio
In Memory of Pete & Mercedes Rubio by Pete Rubio Jr.
For the Priest of the Diocese of Austin by Fr. John Boiko
In Honor of the Sisters of Mary Morning Star by Fr. John Boiko
Souls in Purgatory by Fr. John Boiko
In Memory of Randy Pedroza by Gloria Pedroza
In Memory of Louis & Matea Paniagua by Gloria Pedroza
In Memory of Guillermo & Mary Pedroza by Gloria Pedroza
In Memory of John Santellano Sr. by Janie Santellano
In Memory of Frank Ramirez Sr by Lydia Ramirez
In Memory of Frank Ramirez Jr. by Lydia Ramirez
In Memory of Herman and Billie Kocian by Sharon Kocian
In Memory of Herman and Billie Kocian by Debra Key
In Memory of Matthew Currey by Michael & Debbie Currey
In Memory of Frank Garcia by Esther Garcia
In Memory of Rudy and David Ortega by Mary Helen Ortega
In Memory of Cecilia and Alfred Garza by Mary Helen Ortega
In Memory of Sam & Basilisa Masiel by Dolores Masiel
In Memory of Francisco & Basilia Maldonado by Tom & Anna Maldonado
In Memory of Domingo & Julia Juarez Sr. by Tom & Anna Maldonado
In Memory of Rosie Flores by Macario Flores
In Memory of Lerma Family by Macario Flores
In Memory of Flores Family by Macario Flores
In Memory of Clarence & Lillian Krenek by Margaret Coker
In Memory of Dr. & Mrs. A.A. Urban by Charles and Elizabeth Urban
In Memory of Fr. Lonnie Urban by Charles & Elizabeth Urban
In Memory of Nehi and Helen Zapata by Kelley Zapata
In Memory of Roberto Orozco by Yolanda Orozco
In Memory of Trino Navarro by Maria Santellano
In Memory of Cindy Robertson by Maria Santellano
St. John Family Living and Deceased by Evelyn Merchant
In Memory of Alejandro Perez by Tomasa Perez
In Memory of Antonio and Alberta Perez by Tomasa Perez
In Memory of Robyn Black by Wilma Hauck
In Memory of Annie Darby by Jean Darby
In Memory of Gloria Bachmann by Jody & Jean Darby



The raffle committee has set a deadline for turning in **SOLD TICKETS** - Please return all sold ticket stubs and money in the envelope in which you received it by April 18 - 19 at all masses. Committee

members will begin contacting those who have not responded by April 20th. Please keep selling tickets and we do have additional tickets if needed, that can be picked up at all masses and in the parish office. Contact David Ehler (512-446-1087) or Felipe Pacheco (512-269-2502) if you have any questions regarding raffle tickets.

We are also still accepting monetary donations to help defray the cost of the meal as well as possibly purchase auction items that we feel would bring in a lot of money. If you have something that you want to donate to the auction, (new items) please contact Benito Costilla

(512-658-5917) or any committee member. We would need to know the approximate retail value of the item. Help is still needed in all areas of the festival. Please volunteer your time, talents and treasures to insure that our festival is a success!



El comité de la rifa ha establecido una fecha límite para la entrega de los **BOLETOS VENDIDOS**.

Por favor, devuelvan todos los talones de los boletos vendidos, junto con el dinero recaudado, dentro del sobre en el que los recibieron; la entrega debe realizarse entre el 18 y el 19 de abril, durante cualquiera de las misas. Los miembros del comité comenzarán a contactar a aquellas personas que no hayan respondido para el 20 de abril. Por favor, continúen vendiendo boletos; contamos con boletos adicionales disponibles, en caso de ser necesarios, los cuales pueden recogerse durante las misas o en la oficina parroquial. Si tienen alguna pregunta relacionada con los boletos de la rifa, por favor comuníquense con David Ehler (512-446-1087) o con Felipe Pacheco (512-269-2502).



Asimismo, seguimos aceptando donaciones monetarias para ayudar a cubrir los costos de la comida y, posiblemente, para adquirir artículos para la subasta que consideremos que generarán una buena recaudación. Si desean donar algún artículo para la subasta (se aceptan artículos nuevos), por favor comuníquense con Benito Costilla (512-658-5917) o con cualquier miembro del comité. Necesitaremos conocer el valor comercial aproximado del artículo donado. Todavía se necesita ayuda en todas las áreas del festival. ¡Por favor, ofrezcan voluntariamente su tiempo, sus talentos y sus recursos para asegurar que nuestro festival sea un éxito!

April 3-11, 2026



Friday, April 3: 3pm in Church

Saturday, April 4: 3pm in Chapel

Sunday, April 5: Easter Sunday, Pray on your own with family

Monday, April 6: 3pm in Chapel

Tuesday, April 7: 3pm in Chapel

Wednesday, April 8, 3pm in Chapel

Thursday, April 9, Noon and 3pm in English

7pm in Spanish

(All in Chapel)

Friday, April 10, Noon and 3pm in Chapel

Saturday, April 11, 3pm in Chapel

Chapel: this is the Holy Family Chapel located behind the Church just to the back side of the choir area of the Church

Come join us in preparing for the great feast of the Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 12

Divine Mercy Sunday

On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12, 2026 we will sing the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3PM in the chapel and afterwards all are invited to a reception at the Religious Ed Building. A plenary indulgence can be obtained by going to a church on Divine Mercy Sunday in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin and participating in the prayers. In order to receive the indulgence, the three usual conditions of going to confession, receiving Holy Communion, and praying for the intentions of the Holy Father must also be met. While it is appropriate that the two sacraments be received on the same day, the Church permits them to be received up to about 20 days before or after the day the indulgenced work is performed.

Domingo de la Divina Misericordia



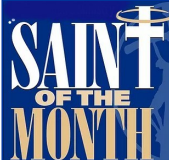
El Domingo de la Divina Misericordia, 12 de abril de 2026, cantaremos la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia a las 3 p.m. en la capilla y luego todos están invitados a una recepción en el Edificio de Educación Religiosa. Se puede obtener una indulgencia plenaria yendo a una iglesia el Domingo de la Divina Misericordia con un espíritu que está completamente separado del afecto por un pecado, incluso un pecado venial y participando en las oraciones. Para recibir la indulgencia, también deben cumplirse las tres condiciones habituales de confesarse, recibir la sagrada Comunión y rezar por las intenciones del Santo Padre. Si bien es apropiado que los dos sacramentos se reciban el mismo día, la Iglesia permite que se reciban hasta unos 20 días antes o después del día en que se realiza la obra de indulgencia.



RE CALENDAR

Please note some date changes from original calendar

- April 5** **NO Sunday Class—Easter!**
- April 8 Wednesday Class, 6:30-7:45pm
- April 12 Sunday Class, 10:15-11:15am
- April 12** **1st Communion RETREAT, 2pm** for students/parents
- April 15 Wednesday Class, 6:30-7:45pm
- April 15** **IMPACT 10th-12th graders**, 6:30-7:45 pm
- April 19 Sunday Class, 10:15-11:15am
- April 22 Wednesday Class, 6:30-7:45pm
- April 22** **1st Communion Practice / Reconciliation, 5pm**
for 2nd grade students/parents
- April 25** **1st Communions**
- April 26 Sunday Class, 10:15-11:15am
- April 26** **1st Communions**
- April 22 Wednesday Class, 6:30-7:45pm
- April 29 Wednesday Class, 6:30-7:45pm
- May 6** **Closing Mass / May Crowning / Awards**, 6:30pm,
for ALL students and parents



*A Year of First in
the Continent” SAINTS*

**OUR LADY of the SNOWS
(Antarctica)**

Feast Day: August 5

*Invoked for: Protection against snowstorms/
harsh winter, skiers, snowboarders*



The first recorded Catholic presence in Antarctica dates back to the early 20th century, with the arrival of explorers and scientists. In 1916 a large memorial cross was erected in honor of three members of a Trans-Antarctic Expedition party who died in 1916. In 1947, the first Catholic priest appeared on the island and celebrated the first Mass in a temporary tent. In 1956, Catholics built the Chapel of the Snows, on Ross Island. In 1984, Pope John Paul II visited the southernmost point of the world, emphasizing the Church's commitment to the region.

La primera presencia católica registrada en la Antártida se remonta a principios del siglo XX, con la llegada de exploradores y científicos. En 1916, se erigió una gran cruz conmemorativa en honor a tres miembros de un grupo de la Expedición Transantártica que fallecieron ese mismo año. En 1947, el primer sacerdote católico llegó a la isla y celebró la primera misa en una carpa provisional. En 1956, los católicos construyeron la Capilla de las Nieves en la isla de Ross. En 1984, el papa Juan Pablo II visitó el punto más austral del mundo, subrayando el compromiso de la Iglesia con la región.



FIRST COMMUNION IMPORTANT DATES
for students and parent(s)

- April 12** **1st Communion Retreat, 2-5 pm**
- April 22** **1st Communion Practice/Reconciliation, 5 pm**
- April 25 & 26** **First Holy Communions, during Masses**

FECHAS IMPORTANTES DE LA PRIMERA COMUNIÓN
para estudiantes y padre(s)

- 12 de abril** **Retiro de Primera Comunión, 2-5 pm**
- 22 de abril** **Ensayo de Primera Comunión/
Reconciliación, 5 pm**
- 25 y 26 de abril** **Primeras Comuniones, durante las Misas**

Celebrate the
resurrection of
our Lord!

Happy
EASTER



There will be **NO CLASS on Sunday, April 5.**

We wish all our students and their families a very blessed Easter!

No habrá clase el domingo 5 de abril.

¡Les deseamos a todos nuestros estudiantes y sus familias una Pascua muy bendecida!

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Danny & Linda Masur



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call the parish office.

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St. Joseph Ladies Society
Meets 1st Monday of each Month
@RE Building

Rosary at 5 p.m. followed by
Meeting

New members always welcome

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