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March 31, 2024—Easter Sunday

MASS SCHEDULE

Ordinary Form

Rectory Chapel (English Ordinary Form)
Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Extra-Ordinary Form (Traditional Latin Mass)

In the Church (English Homilies)
Mon – Fri 6:30 a.m. Missa Cantata
Mon – Sat 8:00 a.m. Low Mass

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
(English Ordinary Form)

Sunday (Traditional Latin Mass
with English Homilies)

7:30 a.m. Low Mass
10:30 a.m. High Mass

Confessions

Mon – Sat During Morning Adoration
in the Church
Sunday After All Latin Masses

Adoration

Mon – Sat After the 8:00 a.m. Mass
in the Church

First Friday

First Friday of Each Month:
Adoration begins after the
8:00 a.m. Mass in the Church.
Vespers at 6:00 p.m.
Followed by Benediction



*Happy Easter
to the Epiphany of Our Lord Family
from all the Priests and Staff*

Sr. Immaculata will be returning to sell Mantillas after the 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses on April 7th—
Divine Mercy Sunday.

Save the Dates!

****Spiritual Motherhood Retreat
April 13, 2024**

****First Holy Communion
May 5, 2024**

****Confirmation
June 15, 2024**

Our Parish is collecting Spiritual Bouquets for Bishop Parkes for his 25th Ordination Anniversary. Spiritual Bouquets can be dropped off in a blue box in the Social Hall. The final day to drop off is April 15th.



Please return your Pennies fundraiser cans. There are boxes at the back of the church for collection and in the social hall. Don't hesitate to leave them as they will be picked up immediately.
Thank you again for your generosity in prayer and almsgiving.



ANNUAL DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY BAKE SALE

Sunday, April 7th after both Masses

Celebrate this joyous Easter season with some tasty treats made by our very own American Heritage Girls! We will have cakes, pies, cupcakes, cookies, breads, and more!

Gluten-free and dairy-free items will be available.

We will accept cash or checks made out to "Epiphany of Our Lord."

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Edwin Palka

Priest in residence & in charge of the Immaculate Conception Haitian Mission: Rev. Fr. Pierre Dorvil, SMM

Priest in residence and Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Fr. Ignatius Tuoc

Retired Priest not in residence: Rev. Fr. Paul Mangiafico

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From the Pastor: Happy Easter especially to those who have fallen away!

Easter Sunday is one of the biggest days of the Church year in more ways than one. First of all, it is the day proof positive that Jesus is the Son of God, the Messiah, the One who fulfills all of the prophecies of the Old Testament, the Savior of the world. He was not simply resuscitated, coming back to the same life as He had before, but rather Resurrected, coming back, in His humanity, to a whole new manner of life. This new life is one that we all plan on participating in, one with a completely glorified human body and a perfect human soul, sharing in His divinity for all eternity in the splendor of Heaven.

But Easter is also one of the biggest days of the Church year as far as bringing back fallen away Catholics. This column is specifically aimed at *you* if you fall into that category. Perhaps you don't consider yourself a fallen away Catholic, though, unless you have been away from the Church and Her sacraments for a period of *years* or even *decades*. I, however, am including you in this category if you have been away from the Church and Her sacraments for "only" a few *weeks*!

You see, it is only by remaining in direct contact with God in this life that we can possibly hope to be in direct contact with Him in the next. He unites Himself with us totally in the seven Sacraments. These channels of grace are the primary paths of supernatural love, mercy, and strength that He has given us. Rejecting them by, say, purposefully missing Mass for even one Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation, not to mention years at a time, says without words, "God, I do not want Your grace; I reject Your supernatural love; I choose my will over Yours, even if it costs me my soul." *Faking* a sacrament says the same thing. Instances of this would include faking the sacrament of Holy Matrimony through sex outside of marriage (with others or self) or faking the sacrament of Confession by pretending to "go directly to God" while rejecting the absolution He offers through His priests.

Many more instances of rejecting or faking sacraments could be pointed out (failing to Baptize your children or receive Confirmation yourself, receiving Holy Communion in a state of mortal sin, rejecting God's call to Holy Orders or the religious life, or delaying the Sacrament of the Sick to avoid scaring the dying loved one). But why point out these dangers to the soul on such a holy day? Because there is an incredible means of repairing any damage to your relationship with God coming up next week. I want to reach the "fallen aways" present today and invite all of you to next week's Divine Mercy celebration.

Next Sunday, Low Sunday, is also called Divine Mercy Sunday. Last century our Lord Jesus appeared to Sister (now Saint) Faustina and told her of an incredible outpouring of His Mercy that He would make available to anyone, even the most hardened of sinners or the most naively innocent "fallen away" Catholic, on the Sunday after Easter. He will offer complete remission of sin (and even its due punishment!) to all who will spend just a little bit of time meditating on—and praying for—His Mercy. He has made it so easy to get back into His grace (and thereby headed for Heaven once again) that it would seem too ridiculously easy to be true if it weren't Jesus who made the promise, and His Church now offering a plenary indulgence.

Hardened sinners, those who have knowingly committed grave sins for long periods of time, may have despaired of ever being able to become a Saint. Divine Mercy Sunday is God's gift to them so that they can be forgiven, healed, and made holy. Other fallen away Catholics, those who don't see much wrong with their immoral actions, even those the Church calls mortal sins, can also find the supernatural graces that they have been unwittingly missing out on.

Come back to Mass next Sunday and stay for the afternoon prayers. Confess your sins. Pray for Divine Mercy. Then the next time you attend Mass (assuming that you don't fall back into mortal sin before then!) you will be able to receive Holy Communion—that is, Jesus Christ Himself—in a State of Grace. Jesus promises, through His Church, that your soul will be pure once again. He loves you that much.

Before ending, I want to make one very important item clear. Some people don't believe that Saint Faustina's Diary, regardless of what was proclaimed by the now-Sainted John Paul II, is a trustworthy source of Jesus' Divine Mercy message and they not only avoid participating in Divine Mercy devotions but also do a good job convincing others to refrain from participating as well. The clarification that I wish to impress upon you is that the plenary indulgence attached to participating in Divine Mercy Sunday prayer services and confession is specifically promulgated by the Church, note this well, without any demand that you do anything more than accept that the Church can make such a proclamation! Just as you can receive a plenary indulgence by praying a family Rosary (along with the other usual conditions) even if you don't believe that St. Dominic received the Rosary from the Blessed Mother, so, too, with the Divine Mercy indulgence and St. Faustina. Yes, Holy Mother Church has said so and that should be enough for any Catholic to accept it as true.

With prayers for your holiness,
Fr. Edwin Palka

Latin Masses for the Week: April

- 1 **Mon** Easter Monday
- 2 **Tues** Easter Tuesday
- 3 **Wed** Easter Wednesday
- 4 **Thurs** Easter Thursday
- 5 **Fri** Easter Friday
- 6 **Sat** Easter Saturday
- 7 **Sun** **LOW SUNDAY (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)**
Plenary Indulgence: Divine Mercy Service; or Our Father, Creed & Devout Prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus before the Blessed Sacrament exposed or in the Tabernacle.

PARISH CALENDAR

THIS WEEK —————
Sunday, March 31, EASTER SUNDAY
Return Your Prayers and Pennies Cans TODAY
Monday, April 1, OFFICE CLOSED
Mary's Flowers, 6:30 p.m., Parish Room
Tuesday, April 2,
Holy Face of Jesus Prayer Group, 10:00 a.m., Church Choir Area
Wednesday, April 3,
Purgatorial Society, 10:00 a.m., Social Hall
Thursday, April 4,
Sancti Amici Middle School Youth Group, 6:00 p.m., Parish Room
Friday, April 5, First Friday All-Day Adoration
JMJ Homeschool Group, 9:00 a.m., Campus
Young Adult Formation, 7:00 p.m., Parish Room
Saturday, April 6, First Saturday
Adult Catechism, 10:30 a.m., Social Hall
DOVES, 11:00 a.m., Classroom 5
Anima Christi Youth Group, 6:00 p.m., Social Hall
NEXT WEEK —————
Sunday, April 7, DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
American Heritage Girls Bake Sale, after both Masses
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 8:45 a.m., Parish Room
Exodus 90, 9:00 a.m., Classroom 1
Troops of St. George, 9:00 a.m., Classroom 3
Burgers, Beer, and Breviary, 12:30 p.m., Campus
Choral Vespers, 2:30 p.m., Church
Divine Mercy Hour, 3:00 p.m., Church
Monday, April 8,
Mary's Flowers, 6:30 p.m., Parish Room
Tuesday, April 9,
Holy Face of Jesus Prayer Group, 10:00 a.m., Church Choir Area
Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Zoom
Wednesday, April 10,
Purgatorial Society, 10:00 a.m., Social Hall
Thursday, April 11,
Holy League Men's Group, 6:00 p.m., Social Hall
Friday, April 12,
JMJ Homeschool Group, 9:00 a.m., Campus
Anima Christi High School Youth Group, 6:00 p.m., Social Hall
Saturday, April 13,
Spiritual Motherhood Retreat, 8:00 a.m., Church & Social Hall
Adult Catechism, CANCELLED
DOVES, 11:00 a.m., Classroom 5

Welcome to Our Parish



**EPIPHANY CATHOLIC CHURCH
IS VERY HAPPY TO HAVE VISITORS
and NEW PARISHIONERS WITH US**

*Social in the Church Hall
after the 7:30 & 10:30 Masses each Sunday.
Please join us to get acquainted*

New parishioners may register by visiting the Parish Website

<http://www.epiphanytampa.com> or place your registration form (located in the back of the church) in the offertory basket.

Office: (813) 234-8693 / Closed Monday
Tuesday—Friday from 7:30AM—3:00PM
Email: office@epiphanytampa.com



2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL

Goal: \$128,653.00

Pledged: \$18,205.00 Paid: \$15,139.86



*This week, the Sanctuary Lamp burns in Loving Memory
of KIDANE TAMMENE
by KIDANE FAMILY*

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| Ablutions | Genuflect | Offertory |
| Agnus Dei | Gospel | Prayer |
| Ancient | Gradual | Preface |
| Asperges | Gregorian Chant | Proper |
| Bells | High Mass | Reverence |
| Canon | Incense | Sanctus |
| Collect | Introit | Secret |
| Communion | Judica Me | Sermon |
| Confiteor | Last Gospel | Silence |
| Consecration | Latin | Traditional |
| Elevation | Latin Mass | Tridentine |
| Epistle | Lavabo | |
| Eucharistic Sacrifice | Mass of the Faithful | |

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- Saturday: 3-30-24**
8:00 AM No Daily Mass
8:00 PM All Parishioners
- Sunday: 3-31-24**
7:30 AM All Parishioners
10:30 AM All Parishioners
- Monday: 4-1-24**
6:30 AM Lourdes Lozada by The Lozada Family
- Tuesday: 4-2-24**
6:30 AM Lawrence Lozada by The Lozada Family
8:00 AM Lindie Raphael—Happy Birthday (3/24) by The Ferrara Family
- Wednesday: 4-3-24**
6:30 AM Joseph & Sara Ferrara—Happy Anniversary by The Ferrara Family
- Thursday: 4-4-24**
6:30 AM †Carmine & †Maria Cerasuolo by John & Carol Cerasuolo
8:00 AM Special Intentions of the Conrad Family
- Friday: 4-5-24**
6:30 AM Michaela Zupco—Happy Birthday Love, Mom & Dad
- Saturday: 4-6-24**
8:00 AM †Patricia Talsness by Bertha Frank
5:00 PM All Parishioners
- Sunday: 4-7-24**
7:30 AM Lozada Family by Lourdes Lozada
10:30 AM All Parish Volunteers

Our 2024 Mass Book is full as are the Sanctuary Lamp intentions.

Offertory—\$12,031.00
Online Giving—\$
Total—\$

PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers the sick and homebound of our community & others needing prayer.

Special Intentions

Armando Alicea, Barbara Brownlow, Brian, Denny Bolton, Ava Bumanglag, Campos Family, TJ & Tamara Davis, Farley Family Intentions, K.J., R. Jones, Robert & Lucas Matysuk, Nicole, Eamon O'Brien, Ed Palka Sr., Kay Rodgers, Jessica & Steven Smith, Erika VanGorden

For Healing:

Catherine Reilly Ahwash, Michael Anderson, Vienna Avelares, Alice Baker, Carmen Baker, Mary Ann Baker, Robert Baker, Kathy Balthazard, Claudia Barber, Kevin Baumgardner, Linda Baumgardner, Jesse Beacham Jr., Melba Beacham, Rachell Beacham, Mcaenzie Joy Bawor, Bob & Lynn, Jeannie Brackins, Magda Bravo, Scott Brezinski, Michael Britton, Sara Britton, Donna Brown, Mary Buckler, Roberto Cabrera, Dalton Colarusso, Raven Chandler, Dovie Corbin, Sergio Corredor, Carol Cretokos, Kristen Deskins, Deborah Durosher, Karen Esposito, Marilyn and Ernie Falvo, Paul & Pat Farley, Ariel Grubach, Dominic Henderson, Kim Kale, Kristin Karcher, Fatiha & Malaysia King, Bruce Knetze, Jeannette Kochik, John Kunnen, Denis Lankowski, Guillermo J. & Melody Lavandeira, Robert Lunsford, Helen Madden, Father Mangiafico, Frank & Ann Martin, Katherine Martin, Baby Jackson Mayne, Brianna McAnally, Andre McCarroll, Diana McGuirk, Arnold Mendez, Clayton Michael, Clara Miller, The Phil Morphew Family, Lourdes Munoz, Maria Munoz, Edmond O'Conner, Michael O'Conner, Alexis Olaniel, Fiona Oskam, Rita, Aileen Patrias, John Prince, Theodore Purington III, Rafael, Robert Reilly, Kay Rodgers, Bernadette Rodriguez, Anne Rosendale, Michelle Ruiz, Donna Ryan, Janet Ryan, Dorothy Sands-Cox, Marianne Santucci, Karen Scott, Gloria Sims, William Sims, Maniel Sotomayer, Mary Ann Spille, Katarzyna Szarfranec, Veronica Tamarit, Agnes Tambwe, Mary & Burt Tramer, Rafael Trinidad, Sandy Wehle, Gail Wheelock, Jean Zack

Please call the parish office to add a loved one's name to our prayer list or to let us know if someone no longer needs to be listed.



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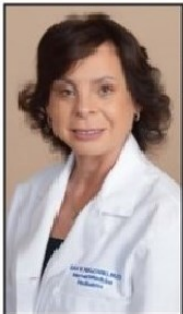
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