



Rejoice!

He is Risen!

Holy Week, 2018

Dear friends / Mis queridos amigos en Cristo,

Throughout the Lenten season God has challenged us to become holier people by opening our hearts to Him. The awareness of His presence among us and our desire to serve Him and others overcomes the self-centeredness and sin in our lives. As we enter Holy Week, we remember through our sacred liturgies the depth of the love that Jesus has for us even in our sinfulness. Holy Week culminates with our celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord.

This is a special time in the life of the Church - days in which we celebrate the central mysteries of our Catholic faith. The rich symbols of the Easter Triduum convey a sense of hope and expectancy. Because of Christ, death no longer has the last word in our lives. The Resurrection makes all things new, and the promise of new life is shared with all who put their faith in the Lord.

Holy Week at St. Stanislaus is a solemn yet joyful time in the parish. I invite you to attend as many of the celebrations and liturgies as you are able in order to experience God's love and to be renewed in your faith. A complete listing of all of the liturgies and events of Holy Week are on the opposite page.

At this time of year, many people remember a deceased loved one/s with a flower donation. If you would like to make a donation to the flowers and decorations of Easter, an envelope is enclosed. A significant source of income for St. Stanislaus Parish is the Easter collection; funds donated will remain in the parish for local use.

At Easter, we realize that God's love is stronger than even death and can transform our lives. May our celebration of the Paschal Mystery - the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus, be a source of strength, spiritual growth and blessing in these days. Happy Easter to you and to your family! Que el Espíritu de Cristo resucitado viva siempre en ustedes, y que gocen siempre el don del amor, la bendición de la esperanza, y la promesa de la paz. ¡Felices Pascuas a todos!

Sincerely in Christ / En Cristo Jesús,

Rev. Philip M. Soriano

Parochial Administrator

Holy Week, 2018 at St. Stanislaus Church

+ *Sunday, March 25: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion – regular Sunday Mass Schedule*

+ *Monday and Tuesday, March 26 - 27: Monday and Tuesday of Holy Week – regular Mass Schedule*

+ *Wednesday, March 28: "Spy Wednesday:"*

- *Masses at 6:30, 8 am in Parish Center Chapel*
- *Passion Play presented by 7th grade of Mater Dei Catholic School at 2 and 7 pm in Main Church*
- *Individual Reconciliation following conclusion of 7 pm Passion Play
(This is the last opportunity for the sacrament of confession before Easter)*

+ *Thursday, March 29: Holy Thursday*

- *Morning Prayer at 8 am in Parish Center Chapel*
- *Chrism Mass: 10 am at the Cathedral Basilica of Ss. Peter & Paul – parishioners from all parishes in the Archdiocese are invited to this special liturgy where sacramental oils are blessed by Archbishop Chaput and priestly commitments are renewed*

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

- *EVENING MASS OF THE LORDS SUPPER: 7 pm in Main Church. Perpetual adoration will be suspended during the Triduum from 7 pm March 29 until 1 pm Easter Sunday*
- *Parish Center Chapel Open for Visits to Blessed Sacrament until 10 pm*
- *Night Prayer: 9:30 pm in Parish Center Chapel*

+ *Friday, March 30: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion (a day of fast and abstinence)*

- *Morning Prayer: 8 am in Parish Center Chapel*
- *COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION: in Main Church
3 pm (English)
6 pm Via Crucis (en español)
7 pm Viernes Santo de la Pasión del Señor (en español)*

+ *Saturday, March 31: Holy Saturday*

- *Morning Prayer: 8 am in Parish Center Chapel*
- *Blessing of Easter Foods: 2 pm in Main Church*
- *EASTER VIGIL: 8 pm in Main Church*

*[Note: this Mass takes the place of the 5:15 pm Vigil. It will be bilingual (English/Spanish)
There will not be the regularly scheduled Saturday confession times on Holy Saturday.]*

+ *Sunday, April 1: Easter – regular Sunday Mass Schedule*