

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH Holy Week Services & Liturgies – 2018

Sacrament of Penance

The Communal Lenten Penitential Service with several priests will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 22nd. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered every Wednesday 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. and Saturday 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Easter Triduum

The days from Holy Thursday Evening to Easter Sunday Evening are celebrated as one great feast called the **Easter Triduum**, the most solemn celebration of the Church. We invite each of you to make this week truly holy by participating in the following services and liturgies.



Holy Thursday, March 29th, 7:00 P.M.

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper – Fr. Dennis Aréchiga and All Priests

Solemn Mass of the Lord's Last Supper and the Washing of the Feet

This Liturgy recalls the institution of the Eucharist and the establishment of the priesthood as well as our call to serve one another. It will be following the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Exposition, approximately 8:30 P.M. to Midnight. We ask that you come according to the following schedule:



- 8:30 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. – Families whose last names begin with P-R
- 9:00 P.M. – 9:30 P.M. – Families whose last names begin with M-O
- 9:30 P.M. – 10:00 P.M. – Families whose last names begin with A-D
- 10:00 P.M. – 10:30 P.M. – Families whose last names begin with E-H
- 10:30 P.M. – 11:00 P.M. – Families whose last names begin with I-L
- 11:00 P.M. – 11:30 P.M. – Families whose last names begin with W-X-Y-Z
- 11:30 P.M. – 12:00 A.M. – Families whose last names begin with S-T-U-V

Good Friday, March 30th, 12:00 Noon, 3:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Good Friday Services includes the Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion. 12:00 Noon – Rev. Dennis Aréchiga and Rev. Jake Empereur, S.J.

3:00 P.M. – Msgr. Juan Alfaro

7:00 P.M. – Rev. Abel Ruiz

The Living Stations of the Cross with our Youth Group begins at 2 P.M. in the Church



Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday), March 31st, 8:30 P.M.

Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection – Fr. Dennis and All Priests

In accord with ancient tradition, this night is one of vigil for the Lord. This will be the ONLY celebration of this day. There will be no confessions as well. The Easter Vigil includes the Service of Light, Easter Proclamation, Liturgy of the Word, Celebration of Baptism, Renewal of Baptismal Promises, Celebration of Reception into the Church, Celebration of Confirmation, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

This service may last approximately two and one-half hours.

Easter Sunday, April 1st – Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection

6:00 A.M. (Sunrise Service) – Rev. Charles Banks, O.M.I. To take place at the Devotional /Recreational Park, weather permitting. If the weather is inclement the Mass will take place inside of the church at 6:00 A.M.



7:30 A.M. (Church) –

9:15 A.M. (Church) –

11:00 A.M. (Church) –

11:15 A.M. (Children's Liturgy– MFC)

12:45 P.M. (Spanish) –

6:00 P.M. (Church) –

Rev. James Mark Adame, O.S.s.T.

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PLEASE NOTE: THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL WILL CLOSE AT 12 MIDNIGHT HOLY THURSDAY AND WILL RE-OPEN FOLLOWING THE EASTER VIGIL SERVICE (HOLY SATURDAY).

