



We struggle with the meaning of losing our life in order to find it, of dying in order to live. In the covenant of our world, these contradictory concepts make no sense. But Jesus came to establish a new covenant, one of service and of love. "He learned obedience from

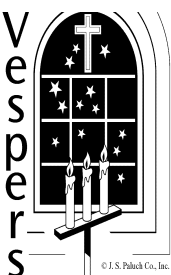
what he suffered" (Hebrews 5:8). "Obedience" and "suffering" are two much-misunderstood concepts. To obey means to listen and take to heart. Jeremiah speaks of God's law being written in our hearts, and that we will come to know our God. Psalm 51 cries out to God for "a clean heart," for it is with a clear conscience and clear vision that we will see God's will for us.

Our Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 29

Mass at 9:00 (Fifth Sunday of Lent)
SVDP Monetary donations

Mass at 11:00 am (El Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma)
No Religious Education Classes This Week



Monday, March 30

Reunión Ríos de Agua Viva a las 7:00

Wednesday, April 1

Knights of Columbus meeting (7:00 pm)

Thursday, April 2

Scripture Reflection 1:30 (Smed's home)
Parish Wide Penance Service 7:00 pm

Friday, April 3

The Stations of the Cross / El Vía Crucis (7:00 pm)

Saturday, April 4

Bible class w/Deacon Mike (3:00—4:30 pm)
Mass at 5:00 pm (Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion)

Sunday, April 5

Mass at 9:00 am (Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion)
SVDP meeting/Food Bank collection
11:00 Mass (Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión del Señor)
RE HS Mass w/Fr. Mike—YM Session (1-2:30 pm)
No RE Classes This Week (Break for Holy Week)



Holy Week Schedule

April 8—Wednesday of Holy Week
(Stations of the Cross (live) 6:30 pm

April 9—Holy Thursday (7:00 pm)
(Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper)

April 10—Holy Friday (7:00 pm)
(Good Friday of the Lord's Passion)

April 11—Holy Saturday (7:00 pm)
(Easter Vigil—Resurrection of the Lord)

April 12—Easter Sunday (9:00 am)
(The Resurrection of the Lord) (11:00am)

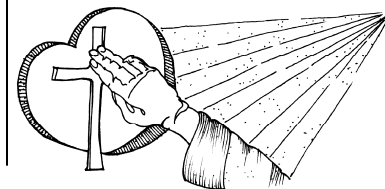


The Readings For The Week

- Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Jn 8:1-11
- Tuesday:** Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
- Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
- Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
- Friday:** Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
- Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56
- Sunday:** Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (procession)
Is 50:4-7; Psalm 22; Phil 2:6-11
Mk 14:1— 15:47 [15:1-39]



Because the people broke the old covenant, God promised a new covenant, not in the blood of oxen and other animals, but in the blood of the Son, Jesus



Christ. This new covenant, foreseen from afar by Jeremiah and the prophets, was not to be engraved on stone, or written on paper, but carved on our hearts, so that we might know God intimately. Not by keeping many laws are we to be saved, but by the love of God, living and real in our hearts through the sacrifice of Christ. Our Eucharist is the pledge of that indwelling of Christ, and of our response of praise and thanksgiving to God for the mercy, love, and kindness to us in forgiving our sins and cleansing our hearts of everything evil. God issues this invitation to intimacy by offering us the chance to have our sufferings transformed into the perfect love of the Savior, who first loved us.

Ministers Schedule / Horario de Ministros

April 4 (Palm Sunday Vigil-5pm) (C) Jane Davis (L) Janice Meitl, Sharon Sykes (EM) DiAnn Bresina, Kathy Lasecki

April 5 (Palm Sunday-9am) (C) Magua Kerschner (L) JoAnn Stover, Gertrudis Madrigal (EM) Pat Bradley, Irma Celez, Martín & Magdalena Madrigal, Mary & Verl Heller
11:00 am Mass (C) Jose Suarez (L) Ines Aguila, Rosa Arellano (EM) Andy McKenna, Gloria Arrebollo, Lourdes McKenna, Manuel Valdez, Elsa Vaquero, Evie Grota

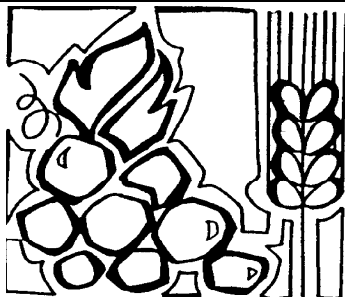
AARP/IRS free tax preparation service up to April 15:
Mondays 11-3 at Our Lady of the Valley, Wednesdays at La Perla at La Posada, Fridays at Risen Savior Lutheran Church. Wednesdays, 3-7 at Sonora Rec Center at Rancho Sahuarita.

Weekly Offering—Ofertorio

March 22, 2009 — \$5,060.90
Cap. Improvement — \$250.00
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UNA NUEVA ALIANZA



Después de que los israelitas quebrantaron la antigua alianza, Dios prometió una nueva alianza, no con la sangre de bueyes y otros animales sino con la sangre del Hijo, Jesucristo. Esta nueva alianza, que Jeremías y los profetas habían anticipado, no sería grabada en piedra ni escrita en papel, sino que se escribiría en el corazón, para que pudiéramos conocer a

Dios íntimamente. La salvación no está en obedecer muchos preceptos, sino en el amor de Dios, que está vivo y es real en nuestro corazón gracias al sacrificio de Cristo. Nuestra Eucaristía es la promesa del Cristo que vive dentro de nosotros y de nuestra respuesta de alabanza y agradecimiento a Dios por su misericordia, amor y bondad al perdonar nuestros pecados y limpiarnos el corazón de todo mal. Dios extiende esta invitación a la intimidad al ofrecernos la oportunidad de que nuestro sufrimiento se transforme en el amor perfecto del Salvador, que siempre nos amó.

Mass Intention/Intención Especial



March 28

(Saturday Mass)

Jim Gabriel (+) special intention

March 29

(9:00 Mass)

Guillermo Sanchez (+)
on the 4th anniversary of his death

(11:00 Mass)

Peggy & John McGee
on their 40th wedding anniversary

April 4

(Saturday Mass)

For San Antonio for favor granted

April 5

(11:00 Mass)

Jose Orozco (+) on his birthday

April 12

(9:00 Mass)

Mary Ann Riddle (+)
On the 5th anniversary of her death

Horario de Semana Santa

Abril 8—Miércoles de Semana Santa

(Estaciones de la Cruz—en vivo) 6:30 pm

Abril 9—Jueves Santo (7:00 pm)

(Misa Vespertina de la Cena del Señor)

Abril 10—Viernes Santo (7:00 pm)

(Celebración de la Pasión del Señor)

Abril 11—Sábado de Gloria (7:00 pm)

(Vigilia Pascual—La Resurrección del Señor)

Abril 12—Domingo de Pascua (Misa de 9:00 am)

(La Resurrección del Señor) Misa de 11:00 am



Las Lecturas de La Semana

Lunes: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Jn 8:1-11
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 Is 50:4-7; Salmo 22 (21); Fil 2:6-11
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Tratamos de entender el significado de perder nuestra vida para encontrarla, de morir para vivir. En nuestro mundo actual, esos conceptos contradictorios no tienen sentido. Pero Jesús vino a establecer una nueva Alianza de amor y servicio. “Aprendió en su pasión lo que es obedecer”. “Obediencia” y “sufrimiento” son dos palabras muy malentendidas. Obedecer significa escuchar y tomar las cosas en serio. Jeremías habla de la ley de Dios escrita en nuestro corazón, y que llegaremos a conocer a nuestro Dios. El Salmo 51 clama a Dios por “un corazón limpio”, porque será con una conciencia y una visión clara que veremos la voluntad de Dios para nosotros.

There will be a Parish Wide Penance Service on Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00 in the evening.
Tendremos un Servicio de Penitencia para toda la comunidad el jueves, 2 de abril a las 7:00 pm.

Knights of Columbus: The Rosary for the Unborn will be prayed on Palm Sunday, April 5, at 8:00 am. The Knights thank you for your support of their pancake breakfasts. All proceeds are donated to the seminarians. All Catholic men who are members of SMDP Parish are invited to join the KCs; information and applications are available from any member. Newest members are Earl Estrada and Juan “Danny” Duarte. The Knights are selling raffle tickets, six for \$10 for following prizes: trip to Tuscany, Alaska Cruise, trip to Puerto Vallarta and 6 cash prizes ranging from \$500 to \$2500. Proceeds benefit the Benedictine Convent in Tucson and St. Joseph’s Camp. Buy your tickets from any member of the KCs.

Easter Basket Drive—P.J. and Chrissi Gomez are asking for your help to donate Easter Baskets or supplies for making baskets, including candy, cellophane, stuffed animals, etc. They also need assistance in making and delivering the baskets to different establishments for the needy and abused children. Call the Gomez family at 207-1041 if you have any questions. A sign up list is available to those who can help.