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<p>PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday through Friday 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 N.N. and 1:00 P.M.- 5:00 P.M.</p>	<p>PARISH STAFF Mrs. Josie R. Arellano, Bookkeeper Ms. Bertha A. Rodriguez, Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor Ms. Veronica Ramirez, Cantor, Pianist</p>	<p>BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL Vacant, Principal 1501 North Bartlett Avenue Laredo, TX 78043 Phone: (956) 722-1222 Fax: (956) 712-2002</p>
<p>SUNDAY MASSES Saturday: 6:00 P.M. (Vigil) Sunday: 8:00 A.M. (Español) 10:00 A.M. 12:00 N.N. 5:00 P.M.</p>	<p>DAILY MASS Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu. and Fri. 7:00 A.M. in the Adoration Chapel Wednesday 6:00 P.M. in the church FIRST FRIDAY: 6:00 P.M. in the church FIRST SATURDAY ONLY: 9:00 A.M. in the church</p>	<p>ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Daily: Mon.—Fr. 7:30 a.m.— 8:00 p.m. Sat. 10 a.m.—8 p.m. & Sun. 1 p.m.—8 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP Wednesday after the 6:00 P.M. Mass (church)</p>
<p>SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Baptisms are administered on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Baptismal instruction is offered on the preceding Thursday.</p>	<p>SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY Couples should inquire about premarital preparation and available church dates at least six (6) months prior to planned wedding date. <i>Do not make any arrangements before contacting the parish office.</i></p>	<p>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays, 4:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. Wednesdays 5:30 –5:55 P.M.; First Fridays 5:30-5:55 P.M. First Saturday 8:30-8:55 A.M. or by appointment ANOIDING OF THE SICK & COMMUNION By appointment (please call the parish office) In case of emergency, any time (722-1231 Ext.12).</p>

<p>ACTS CORE (Meet 3rd Thursday of the month) Maria Elena Martinez 722-1231 ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION <i>please contact parish office</i> ADORATION NOCTURNA (First Saturdays of the month at 9 P.M. begins in the parish hall) Robert Rodríguez, President 722-1231 ALTAR SERVERS Deacon Roger Martinez, Jr. 722-1231 ALTAR SOCIETY (Meet 2nd Monday at 3:30 PM in the parish hall) Mrs. Patricia Garcia, President 286-3075 BIBLE STUDY (2nd & 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 PM in the parish hall) Deacon Roger Martinez Jr., 722-1231 Ext. 13 CUBMASTER FOR PACK 192 Mr. Ernesto Elizondo 722-1231 BOY SCOUT TROOP 192 Mrs. Nora Peñaloza 722-1231 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Deacon Roger Martinez Jr., Scheduling 722-1231 EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ONLINE SCHEDULING COORDINATOR Mrs. Adriana Nunemaker 744-4267 GIRL SCOUT TROOP 9150 Mrs. Naomi C. Arredondo 236-8672</p>	<p>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #10939 (Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 P.M.) G.K. Mr. George Narvaez 602-2038 FOURTH DEGREE K.C. ASSEMBLY (Meet 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 P.M. in the parish hall) Mr. Florencio Garcia 722-12312 LECTORS Deacon Roger Martinez Jr., Scheduling 722-1231 Ext. 13 PARISH COUNCIL Mr. Blas A. Martinez, President 722-1231 MEN'S FAITH SHARING Meet 1st & 3rd Mon. at 7:00 PM in the parish hall LADIES' FAITH SHARING Meet every 1st & 3rd Tue. at 6:30 PM in the parish hall QUINCEAÑERA & WEDDING COORDINATOR Patsy Salinas 722-1231 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM Mrs. Patricia Lopez, Coordinator 722-1231 Ext. 21 ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Miss Yolanda Valdez 722-1231 LIFE TEEN YOUTH GROUP (Meet every Wed. @ 7PM in the P.H.) Mrs. Ida Gutierrez 206-8116, Deacon Roger Mtz. Jr. & Team</p>
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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 12, 2024



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ASCENSION

The theological unity, or perhaps even the temporal experience of the early community, made it seem that Jesus' resurrection and his ascension were inseparable aspects of a single mystery. Only in the later writings of Luke and John has further theological reflection helped the Christian community to distinguish different dimensions of the mystery. Liturgical tradition has followed the forty-day chronology formulated by Luke. We would miss the point, however, if we were to demand a precise historical chronology of events such as the Resurrection-Ascension that are primarily spiritual in nature and that clearly surpass the bounds of time and space as we know them.

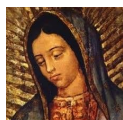
What is important for us to grasp is the significance of the Ascension. For Luke, it is the decisive turning point that marks the end of Jesus' earthly ministry and the beginning of the disciples' Spirit-led ministry and thus the ministry of the whole church down to our own day.

EL SIGNIFICADO DE LA ASCENSIÓN

La unión teológica, o tal vez la experiencia temporal de la primera comunidad cristiana, hizo parecer que la Resurrección y Ascensión de Jesús eran aspectos inseparables de un único misterio. Solo en los últimos escritos de Lucas y Juan la reflexión teológica que iba madurando ayudó a la comunidad cristiana distinguir las diferentes dimensiones del misterio. La tradición litúrgica ha seguido la cronología de cuarenta días formulada por Lucas. No comprenderíamos lo esencial, sin embargo, si exigiéramos una cronología precisa de acontecimientos históricos como la Resurrección y la Ascensión que son principalmente de naturaleza espiritual y que superan claramente los límites del tiempo y el espacio tal como los conocemos.

Lo que es importante es que comprendamos el significado de la Ascensión. Para Lucas, es el momento decisivo que marca el final del ministerio terrenal de Jesús y el comienzo del ministerio guiado por el Espíritu de los discípulos, y por lo tanto el ministerio de toda la Iglesia hasta nuestros días.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Candles
will be burning this week in Loving Memory of:
†Virginia Cavazos



The Sanctuary Lamp (church) will be burning
this week in Loving Memory of:
†Maria Teresa Garza

The Sanctuary Lamp (chapel) will be burning
this week in Loving Memory of:
†Carlos G. Garza



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 11, 2024 – Easter Weekday [6]

6:00PM †Michael Anthony Leija, Jr. (B)
By His Family
†Edmundo Cavazos H.
By Family

Sunday, May 12, 2024 – THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8:00AM †Margarita Gonzalez
By Children

10:00AM For Parishioners

12:00PM Mother's Day Novena (1)

5:00PM †Anna Victoria Perez Vasquez (B)
By Mr. & Mrs. Jesus D. Romero & Family

†Ricky Vasquez
By His Wife, Son & Family

†Ignacio Alaniz

By Estela Brown

In Thanksgiving

By Wilfredo L. Guzman

†Ruth Alvarez Del Castillo (A)

By Luis Ramon

†Jorge Verduzco

By Aurora Guardiola

†Raymundo Valenciano, Jr.

By His Wife & Children

Monday, May 13, 2024 - Easter Weekday [7]; *Our Lady of Fatima*

7:00AM Mother's Day Novena (2)

Tuesday, May 14, 2024– SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

7:00AM Mother's Day Novena (3)

Wednesday, May 15, 2024 - Easter Weekday [7]; Saint Isidore (USA)

7:00AM Mother's Day Novena (4)

6:00PM †Raul Hinojosa- By Maria Teresa Hinojosa

†Jose Chavarria III (A)- By Adriana Chavarria

†Maria Teresa Garza- By E.C. Juarez

†Dr. Olivia T. Garza- By Family

†Maria Teresa Garza- By Family

†Carlos & Carmen D. Sanchez (A)- By Sanchez Family

For All Those In Our "Pray For The Sick List"

Thursday, May 16, 2024 - Easter Weekday [7]

7:00AM Mother's Day Novena (5)

Friday, May 17, 2024 - Easter Weekday [7]

7:00AM Mother's Day Novena (6)

9:00AM School Mass - 8th Grade Completion

Saturday, May 18, 2024 - Easter Weekday [7]; *Saint John I, Pope and Martyr*

6:00PM Mother's Day Novena (7)

Sunday, May 19, 2024 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00AM †Jose H. Flores

By Mom & Family

†Alfonso Jr. & Margarita Gonzalez

By Children

For all the Souls in Purgatory

By Roberto & Carmen Santos

†Maria Teresa Garza

By Family

†Leti Valdez

By Cousins

†San Juana Silvestre

By Isabel Sanchez

†Jose Edmundo Cardenas

By Jimenez Family

10:00AM Mother's Day Novena (8)

12:00PM For Parishioners

5:00PM In Thanksgiving for Peggy Duncan (B)

By Duncan Family

B-Birthday A-Anniversary

PRAY FOR THE SICK

We especially pray for them every Wednesday during the evening Mass and the Novena of Our Mother of Perpetual Help. **Please join us!**

Please Note: This list will be updated on **June 30th** and every 90 days thereafter. We ask that you contact the parish office at 722-1231 if you would like for the name of your family member to remain on the **"Pray for the sick"** list.

Msgr. Stanley Sliwiak	Estela Ochoa	Yvette R. Sena
Gabriel E. Rodriguez	Loretta Santos	Leonor R. Robles
Rosie Hinojosa	Mari Salinas	Raquel Rodriguez
Samara Andrade	Jorge Zamarripa	Arabela Avalos
Malgorzata Benc	Teresa D. Rodriguez	Joan Dunn
Jose Luis Requejo		



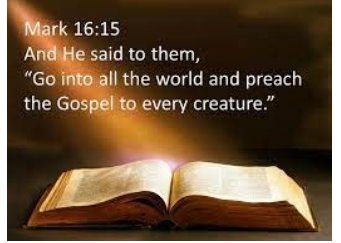
When Our Lord sees pure souls coming to visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament, He smiles on them. They come with the simplicity that pleases Him so much. (St. John Vianney)



"Could you not watch one hour with me?"
You can sign up any time on our we Adore Him page at: <https://bscac.weadorehim.com/en>

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE, GROW:

It's easy for me to get impatient with the Lord – to wonder why he makes me wait for an answer to a prayer or, worse, why his answer may be no. However, when I look back at the lessons of the Bible, it becomes clear that God works on his timetable, not mine. That same message comes through in today's first reading. The apostles ask Jesus whether he will be restoring the kingdom to Israel, and he is clear in his answer: "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority." And then, after saying this, he ascends to the Father. Forty days after his resurrection, Jesus has left his disciples again. But instead of leaving them to weep and mourn – as happened after his death – this time, our Lord left them with a mission. They were to "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." They did, faithfully, and they traveled far and wide. Armed with the gift of the Holy Spirit which they received at Pentecost, they baptized countless people as they shared the Good News about Jesus and his gift of salvation.



Mark 16:15
And He said to them,
"Go into all the world and preach
the Gospel to every creature."



The Diocese of Laredo will be celebrating the **Annual Blue Mass** at San Agustin Cathedral on **Monday, May 13, 2024** at 12:00 P.M. The Annual Blue Mass honors men and women in law enforcement who admirably fulfill their duty to serve and protect our community. Everyone is invited to attend!

2nd year Confirmation Students, practice and Confessions: **Tuesday, May 14th at 6:00 p.m.** starting in the parish hall.
Confirmation Mass:
Saturday, May 18th at 6:00 p.m.



Knights of Columbus, Council #10939 invites us to come pray the Holy Rosary the 13th of each month from Monday, May 13th through October 13th at 7:00 P.M. church parking lot. The Fatima message emphasizes truths and devotions of the catholic faith: the Blessed Trinity, The Eucharist, Penance, the Rosary and sacrifices for the conversion of sinners. **Everyone is invited!**



NOVENA PRAYERS TO THE HOLY SPIRIT, PENTECOST 2024 MAY 10 THROUGH MAY 18

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created....
<https://adoremus.org/>

**Happy Mother's Day
Feliz Día de las Madres**

On behalf of Msgr. Stanley, Deacon Roger and I, wish all of our mothers many blessings and much joy!
¡De parte de Monseñor Stanley, Diaconó Roger y su servidor, les deseamos felicidades y muchas bendiciones a todas nuestras madres!

*Sincerely / Sinceramente
Fr. Wojciech*



**2024 High School Graduates
Annual Graduation Mass**

We remind all of our youth lectors, altar servers and "Life Teen" youth group graduating juniors and seniors and all other graduating members of our Parish to call the office at 722-1231 to register for the annual Graduation Mass to be celebrated in your honor on **Sunday, June 2nd at 12Nn.** We ask that you call and register by **Friday, May 31st.**



Birthday Wishes...
and many blessings to all those celebrating a birthday or anniversary this week. Please contact the parish office at 722-1231 to add your name or the name of a family member our birthday list.

Carlos Alvarez	14-May	Kimberly Ann Martinez	17-May
Juan E. Lara	14-May	Ramiro R. Rendon, II	18-May
Cynthia Ramon	15-May	Happy belated birthday	
Bertha Valdez	16-May	Linda Hein	5-May
Vanessa Reed	16-May		



Weekly Collections

Sunday Collection May 4 & 5, 2024, Mail & Deposit Box

Envelopes	\$7,556.50	Online Giving: April 30-May 6, 2024
Loose	\$1,461.38	\$1,352.28
School Mass	\$257.15	
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