

Living the Gospel



"We believe that every human being is unique and priceless. We hold that human life must be respected at every stage of its development from the first mysterious moment of conception to the declining days of advanced age."

– Archbishop Philip Francis Pocock,
A Declaration on Behalf of Life, March 19, 1976

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HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 21 - 5:00 PM

†Filemon Aguilar

†Severine Mendes, †Eddie Mendes

†Aurea Beley

Thanksgiving for St. Patrick

Thanksgiving for St. Joseph

Sunday, March 22 - 7:30 AM

†Francis Xavier Lac

Thanksgiving for Feliciano Coroza

Sunday, March 22 - 9:00 AM

†Filemon and Aquilino Rivera

†Tomas Rovelo Sr. and †Rosita Rovelo

Sunday, March 22 - 11:00 AM

†Avelino and †Mericia Vaz

†Junifer Paculaba

†Mariano and †Fatima Cabral

†Seraphina and †Luis Cabral

†Victor Manalo Sr.

Sunday, March 22 - 12:30 PM

†Rosemary and †Luigine D’Mello

†Deodith and †Santan Fernandes

†Phyllis and †Paul D’Mello

†John and †Ann Braganza

†Peter Paul and †Rosie D’Mello

Monday, March 23 - 7:00 PM

†Milagros and †Junaito Umlai

†Evelyn and †Ruel Macalagam

†Maria Corazon Sideco

† For the Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, March 24 - 7:30 AM

Pro Populo

Wednesday, March 25 - 7:00 PM

†Joseph & †Mary Joseph

Special Intention for Gerard D’Souza

Thursday, March 26 - 7:30 AM

†Filemon Aguilar

Special Intention for Marsh Almond

Special Intention for Jincy Joseph

Friday, March 27 - 7:00 PM

†Danny Hernandez

†Severine and †Edward Mendes

†Joseph D’Mello

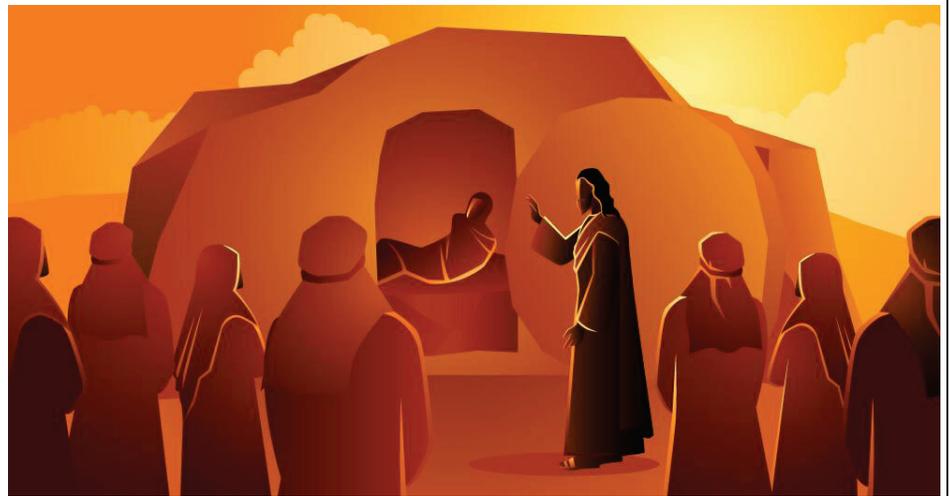
†Souls of the D’Mello, Braganza &

Fernandes Family

Saturday, March 28 - 9:00 AM

OPEN

*Mass Intention requests received after **Tuesday at 5:00pm** will be mentioned at Mass but may not be printed in the bulletin.



As we draw closer to Holy Week, today’s readings shift our hearts toward hope and new life. The prophet Ezekiel speaks to a people who feel lost and lifeless, promising that God will open their graves and breathe His Spirit into them again. It is a powerful reminder that no situation is beyond God’s restoring love.

In the Gospel, we encounter Jesus at the tomb of Lazarus. He does not remain distant from human suffering, He weeps. Yet He also reveals His authority over death itself: **“I am the resurrection and the life.”** With a simple command, He calls Lazarus out of the tomb.

This moment invites us to reflect: what “tombs” might we be living in? Fear, sin, grief, discouragement? Jesus calls each of us by name, inviting us to step into the light of new life.

As we continue our Lenten journey, may we open our hearts to His voice, trust in His mercy, and allow Him to lead us from death into life.

2026 Parish Lenten Retreat



Retreat will begin after the 7:00pm Mass

Day 1: March 30th

Day 2: March 31st

Day 3: April 1st

His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins

This week the Sanctuary Candle is offered for

Thanksgiving for all favours received & family souls

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

All Altar Servers are requested to attend the weekly training during Lent on Mondays.

March 23rd at 4:00 PM

Sanctuary Candle Offering is \$100 per week. Please contact the Parish Office to sign up.

~Schedule for Lent & Easter Triduum~

Lenten Retreat

March 30, 31, April 1 after the 7pm Mass

Parish Days of Confessions

March 23, 24, 25 from 5:00 – 6:45 pm

March 27 from 2:00 – 6:45 pm

Palm Sunday

March 28th – Sunday Vigil at 5:00pm

March 29th – Holy Mass at 7:30am,
9:00am, 11:00am and 12:30pm

Holy Week: March 30th – April 2nd

All Masses will be in the evening at 7:00pm

Holy Thursday – April 2nd, 2026

Holy Mass at 7:00 pm.

*Church will remain open until midnight for
Gethsemane Watch.*

Good Friday – April 3rd, 2026

Parish Office will be closed.

Church will open at 10:00am.

Holy Mass at 12:00pm and 3:00pm.

Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm.

Divine Mercy Novena

Starts on Friday, April 3rd after each Mass until
Divine Mercy Sunday

Easter Vigil – April 4th, 2026

Holy Mass at 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday – April 5th, 2026

Holy Mass at 9:00am, 11:00am and 12:30pm

Easter Monday – April 6th, 2026

Holy Mass at 7:30am

Church and the Parish Office will be closed

Pray for the Sick

Rowena Dolor, Jose Abad Santos III, Alex & Elsa Quijalvo, Reynaldo Quijalvo, Annie Liem, Antonio Dungo, Christine S. Villavicencio, Corra Del Rosario, Malou Azanon, Cynthia Chinonso, Edita Lucila, Edna O'Malley, Emma Mendoza, Antonio Mendoza, Fr. Joseph Rodrigues, Gerald Ivor, Joseph Jeyarajah, Joanne Flammini, Joanne Taylor, K. Joseph, Kevin Noronha, Maria Guinci, Patricia Florente, Rodrigo Ruiz, Rojamma Onteddu, Silvia Uanes, Olivia Soltero, Jose Luis Palacios, Susan Resendes

Please contact the Parish Office to submit the names of your loved ones, who are ill, so our community may lift them up in prayer.

Flowers for Easter

If you would like to help support the purchase of flowers for our worship space, please use the envelopes available in the Narthex. Donations may also be made online through our parish website under Special Projects. Any gift is sincerely appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

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