

# SAINT FAUSTINA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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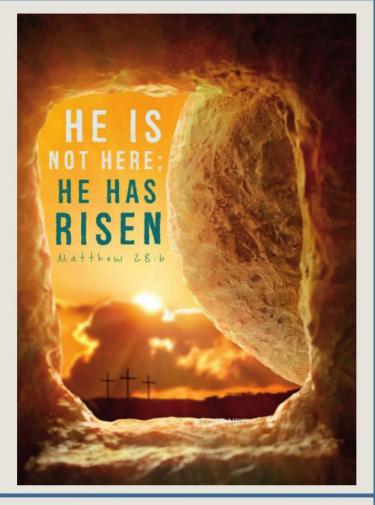
March 31, 2024

Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of Our Lord

Jesus, I Trust in You

Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas **Daily Mass** Monday to Saturday at 8:00 am Weekend Masses Saturday @ 4:00 pm Sunday @ 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am 5:00 pm en Espanol Wednesday Holy Hour 3:00 to 4:00 pm First Friday Exposition 8:30 am to 8:00 pm **Confessions** Saturday 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm or by appointment The Church is Open for Personal Prayer Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm





### Parish Office Hours / Horario de Oficina Parroquial 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday-Thursday / Lunes a Jueves — 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Friday / Viernes

Pastoral Team

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### A MESSAGE FROM FATHER CARLOS - UN MENSAJE DE PADRE CARLOS

#### My Dear Family of St. Faustina,

"This is the day that the Lord made our gladness and our gladness." In the celebration of Easter, there is nothing that better describes the life of a Disciple of Jesus than joy—the Joy of Easter. Today, everything in our lives should be joy and joy, even though we are in the midst of the storm. As a community of faith, as a Church, we manifest to the world Christ's victory over death. Thanks to our Baptism, we all die with Christ and rise with Him to new life.

The joy of Easter reminds us that through Christ's death and resurrection we have been freed from the chains of sin and death. And that is the reason for our joy, we celebrate the Lord's Passover. That joy is the joy of the Gospel that the world needs, that is the light that only we, disciples of the Risen Christ, can give. We share our joy with the new members of the Church, who received the Paschal Sacraments during our celebration of the Easter Vigil. This year there were 12 between young people and adults. Our parish is filled with joy for you. Congratulations!



I want to express my gratitude to those who contributed, helping us to joyfully celebrate the Glory of Easter in our liturgies in English and Spanish. To the members of the choirs, to the musicians, to the members of the Liturgical Commission, to the members of the Arts and Environment team, to the Proclaimers of the Word, to the altar servers, to the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, to the ushers, to the volunteers, to those who helped with the Stations of the Cross in English and Spanish, to Father John and Deacon Cris, the members of the parish staff, in short, to all those who collaborated in one way or another. It is a great blessing to be able to trust such a dedicated group of Christians, missionary disciples. Their joy and dedication to serving Christ and our St. Faustina Parish strengthens our community. May God bless you all! Animo...

St. Faustina... Pray for us...

In Christ,

Father Carlos

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Mi querida familia de Santa Faustina,

"Este es el día que hizo el Señor sea nuestra alegría y nuestro gozo". En la celebración de la Pascua de Resurrección, no hay nada que mejor describa la vida de un Discípulos de Jesús que la alegría—la Alegría de la Pascua. Hoy, todo en nuestra vida debe ser alegría y gozo, aunque estemos en medio de la tormenta. Como comunidad de Fe, como Iglesia, manifestamos al mundo la victoria de Cristo sobre la muerte. Gracias a nuestro Bautismo, todos morimos con Cristo y resucitamos con El a una vida nueva.

La Alegría de la Pascua nos recuerda que por medio de la muerte y de la resurrección de Cristo hemos sido liberados de las cadenas del pecado y de la muerte. Y esa es la razón de nuestra alegría, celebramos la Pascua del Señor. Esa alegría, es la alegría del Evangelio que el mundo necesita, esa es la luz que solo nosotros, discípulos del Cristo Resucitado podemos dar. Compartimos nuestra alegría con los nuevos miembros de la Iglesia, quienes recibieron los Sacramentos Pascuales durante nuestra celebración de la Vigilia de la Pascua. Este año fueron 12 entre jóvenes y adultos. Nuestra parroquia se llena de alegría por ustedes. ¡Felicidades!

Quiero expresarles mi agradecimiento a quienes contribuyeron, ayudándonos a celebrar con alegría la Gloria de la Pascua en nuestras liturgias en inglés y en español. A los miembros de los coros, a los músicos, a los miembros de la Comisión Litúrgica, a los miembros del equipo de Arte y Ambiente, a los Proclamadores de la Palabra, los monaguillos, los Ministros Extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión, los ujieres, a los voluntarios, a quienes ayudaron con los Vía Crucis en inglés y en español, a el Padre John y al Diácono Cris, los miembros del personal parroquial, en fin, a todos los que de una u otra forma colaboraron. Es una gran bendición poder confiar en un grupo de Cristianos, discípulos misioneros, tan dedicados. Su alegría y dedicación para servir a Cristo y a nuestra parroquia Santa Faustina fortalece nuestra comunidad. ¡Que Dios los bendiga a todos! Ánimo...

Santa Faustina... Ruega por nosotros...

En Cristo,

## Financial Stewardship

Weekly Collection Weekend of March 17, 2024

Offertory / Ofertorio: \$12,914.00 Mortgage Debt Reduction / Reducción de la deuda hipotecaria: \$5,526.00

#### Mass Attendance: 2,132

To donate through our parish website, please go to: https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z517/home

## MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, March 30, 2024

8:00 pm Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil, Bilingual No 8:00 am & No 4:00 pm Mass

#### Sunday, March 31, 2024, EASTER SUNDAY

- 7:30 am Living & Deceased St. Faustina Parishioners
- 9:30 am Living & Deceased St. Faustina Parishioners
- Living & Deceased St. Faustina Parishioners 11:30 am
- 5:00 pm Living & Deceased St. Faustina Parishioners

#### Monday, April 1, 2024

8:00 am Holy Souls in Purgatory Requested by: A Parishioner

#### Tuesday, April 2, 2024

+ Juan Javier Torres 8:00 am Requested by: Parents & Broders

#### Wednesday, April 3, 2024

+ Fr. Michael McGivneey 8:00 am Requested by: Knights of Columbus

#### Thursday, April 4, 2024

8:00 am SI Pete Kerrigan Requested by: Julia Costello

#### Friday, April 5, 2024

8:00 am Birthday Blessing Elsa Gomez Requested by: Melvin Gomez

#### Saturday, April 6, 2024

- 8:00 am Memorial Mass Association
- 4:00 pm + Robert Sarber
  - Requested by: K of C Msgr. Thomas J. Kilfoil Assembly

#### Sunday, April 7, 2024

7:30 am	+ Norman Johnson
	Requested by: Kathryn Johnson
9:30 am	+ Kevin M. Parrilla
	Requested by: Pam Blattner
11:30 pm	St. Faustina Parishioners
3:00 pm	Special Service Divine Mercy
5:00 pm	In Thanksgiving Gran Poder de Dios
	Requested by: Lissy Pacheco

## PRAYER REQUESTS

#### **Dear Parishioners and Friends.**

In order to properly update our parish "Prayer Request" section of the bulletin, we are asking you to resubmit names that you would like on our list by emailing: office@stfaustina.org.



Jessica Hiles, Lorgia & Pablo Pazmino, Gabriela Lantigua-Pazmino, Phillip Kilinski, Carol Gosart, Steven Syrkin, and Roger Jones, Frank T. Montiagnino, Kristey Nelson, David Egan, Robert Kolenc, Jan Nilsen, Brenda Brubaker, Roger Darnell, Sandy Darnell, Tina Cyr, Patrick J Cyr, Barb Nelson, Ed David, Jack Marchewka, David Venditti, Cecilia Fanelli, Arabella Zeglovskis, Felisa Parker-Gibson, Helen Capozzi, John Magnotti, Kay Bucci, Becky Oosterveen, Joseph Loughrey, Robert Kasper, Julie Sabon vanDyke, Michael Daniel Boglino, Mike McGee, Larry Wilson, Joseph Foster, Carmine Gallo, Elsa Gomez, Nancy Harrigan, Judith Crogman, Jean Conn, Carlos Corrales, Theresa Wentling, Paulette Sparlik, Lilian Hawkinson, Mark Thomas, David Bache, Zachary Birkholz, Jim Exnicios, Angela & Exevior Bojda, David Bartkus, Mary Ann Cunningham, Jeannie Burns, Linda Patrick, Michael Patrick, Anita Boyd, Julie Haley, Larry Brunke, Sr., Ron Henefer, Hadley Epps, Tina Audino, Daniel Cuttita, Patricia Dick, Lenise Shope, Marge Tagler, Mary Garl, Sue & Gene Plante, Donald & Trish Villeneuve



Please keep in your thoughts and prayers the Immortal Soul of Loretta Murphy, who joined her beloved husband, Jack, in the Kingdom of God on Wednesday, March 20. They were both founding

members of our parish.

There will be a Celebration of her Life Mass on Friday, April 5, at 10:00 am in the church.

**OUR MISSION** — St. Faustina is a parish family inspired by the Holy Spirit and called to reflect God's Divine Mercy through a responsible stewardship of time, talent and treasure in the context of ministry. NUESTRA MISION - Santa Fausti-

na es una familia parroquial inspirada por el Espíritu Santo y llamada a reflejar la Divina Misericordia de Dios a través de una administración responsable del tiempo, el talento y el tesoro en el contexto de ministerio.

# THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

	Daily Mass Monday thru Saturday at 8:00 am followed by the Holy Rosary
Saturday, March 30	Altar Server Practice for the Easter Vigil, 10:00 am in church Blessing of the Food 12:00 pm in church Bilingual Easter Vigil Mass, 8:00 pm (there is no 8:00 am or 4:00 pm Mass)
Sunday, March 31	Easter Sunday, regular Mass Schedule Easter Blood Drive, 7:30 am to 1:30 pm in parking lot
Monday, April 1	Rosary Makers, 9:00 am to 11:00 am in classroom
Tuesday, April 2	Bible Study, 8:30 am to 10:00 am in classroom Adult Choir Practice 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm in church Cantor Practice, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in church
Wednesday, April 3	Caring Crafters Leaders Meeting, 10:00 am to 11:00 am in classroom Holy Hour, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm in church Bell Ringers Practice, 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm in church Young Adults Ministry, 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm in classroom
Thursday, April 4	Divine Will Study, 9:00 am to 10:15 am in classroom Oracion y Vida, 10:00 am to 12:30 pm in classroom Rosa Mystica, 1:00 pm in church
Friday, April 5	Adoration, 8:30 am to 8:00 pm in church (please see schedule on page 5)
	Spanish Rosary and Bible Study, 7:00 pm in church
Saturday, April 6	Grief Support, 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm in classroom First Saturday Rosary, following the 8:00 am Mass in church Hospitality weekend following the 4:00 pm Mass
Sunday, April 7	Divine Mercy Sunday, regular Mass Schedule Divine Mercy Service, 3:00 pm in church Hospitality Weekend following all Masses
Reserve tour	<b>PLAN AHEAD, SPACE IS LIMITED</b> – Do you have a parish meeting or event coming up and need to reserve one of our rooms or the church? Simply click on the following link, fill out the form (in either English or Span- ish) and hit the submit button. You will receive a confirmation email and then, after your request has been re-

viewed, an email from our own Kelly Mucci to either confirm or explain why she had to deny your request. EVERYONE who would like to reserve space at our church, MUST complete the form at the following link: https://stfaustina.org/ministries/ministry-room-request-form/

Volunteer Needed for Information Technology Support — As our Parish and ministries continue to grow, we are seeking efficient ways to support parish and church activities. A current area for consideration is our computer supply and IT infrastructure. If you are an IT professional and are able to discuss IT setup and support, improvements, and cost-saving strategies and needs, please email Joe at: *jseddio(a)stfaustina.org*.





**HOSPITALITY WEEKEND IS BACK** — After taking the month of March off in celebration of the Lenten Season, our Hospitality Weekend returns in two weeks, April 6 & 7 after all Masses. Join your parish family for fun, fellowship, and .. of course ... goodies, Saturday's 4:00 pm Mass and after all the morning Masses on Sunday. If you would like to join this ministry, please go to their web page at: https://stfaustina.org/ministries/hospitality/

BEREAVEMENT/CONSOLATION MINISTRY-The Bereavement/Consolation Ministry is in need of English and Bilingual ministers. The primary goal of this ministry is to comfort and support those left behind. If you feel that you are being called to serve those in need and have compassion, patience, empathy, understanding and are a good listener, please reach out to kmucci@stfaustina.org or call her at: 352-525-9297 (ext. 102).





Calling all Cursillista's! Are you living your 4th day? Do you miss grouping, and would you like to begin grouping again? Is your heart burning inside, wanting to share the movement of the Spirit with others? If any of these questions resonate with you, please email your name, and contact information to: office@stfaustina.org and Dolly Matthews will be in touch with you.

# PARISH MINISTRIES & UPCOMING EVENTS



During this year of Eucharistic Revival, as declared by Pope Francis, our parish will be honoring our Lord, Jesus Christ, every First Friday, this month on April 5, with 12 hours of Eucharistic Adoration through June, 2024.

The schedule is as follows:

8:30 am	Exposition with the Rosary in English
9:00 to 11:30	Silent Adoration
11:30	The Wounds of Christ in both English and Spanish
12:00 pm	Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be
12:00 to 3:00	Silent Adoration
3:00	Chaplet of Divine Mercy in both English and Spanish
3:30 to 4:30	Silent Adoration
4:30	The Wounds of Christ in both English and Spainsh
5:00 to 7:00	Silent Adoration
7:00	Encounter Jesus through Eucharistic Adoration that
	includes praise and worship music with a message
8:00 pm	Benediction
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**OPPORTUNITES TO PRAY TOGETHER**—There are several opportunities for us to pray together as a parish family during the course of the day, the week, and the month. To see what is available, please go to our website home page at: Are you looking for a Catholic Church near Disney World? (stfaustina.org) and scroll down the right side of the page.

We cordially invite you to join us at St. Faustina Catholic Church on the first Thursday of FIRST SATURDAY each month, to our Maria Rosa Mystica ministry, from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. We pray for the Pope, priests, deacons, the religious, and for the increase of religious vocations. We look forward to seeing you and having you join us! Our next meeting is Thursday. April 4.





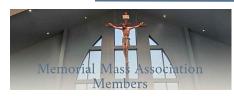
Join us in praying the "First Saturday Rosary", (Saturday, April 6, after the 8:00 am Mass, until 9:00 am) to pray for peace, understanding, comfort, and the healing of all people. Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on First Saturday is for peace in the world, and peace in the Church. The promise attached to the First Saturday of five consecutive months is for the individual. Our Lady promised to Sister Lucia to assist with the graces necessary for salvation, those who, on the First Saturday of five consec-

utive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary, and keep her company for fifteen minutes on the Mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to her. The fifteen minutes meditation is done individually on your private time with Our Lady.

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS is who we are as followers of Christ. Sometimes when something is repeated over and over again, it loses its meaning. Such could be the case with the Sign of the Cross. For us as Catholic Christians, it should be a reverent prayer, one to be reflected upon as we make the sign and say the most holy words: "In the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen"... (which means, "I Believe.")



To see a couple of articles on what Pope Francis says about the "Sign of the Cross", please go to: Pope on Sign of the Cross - Aleteia and/or The sign of the cross is our badge, Pope Francis says | Catholic News Agency



The St. Faustina Memorial Mass Association is an opportunity to honor loved ones. Every Saturday morning at the 8:00 am Mass, intentions will be for those listed in the Memorial Mass Association. The suggested donation to have your loved one remembered at Mass every Saturday morning, until the end of the year, is \$25.00. To see the current members, please go to:

https://stfaustina.org/ministries/memorial-mass-association-members/

For more information, please contact the office during regular business hours, call us at 352-515-9297, or email us at: office@stfaustina.org.

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<sup>®</sup> Knights of Columbus Update—Among the many highlights of the Knights' March 14 **NIGHTS** monthly meeting was the report that they raised \$590 for the Laps4Life event, held last March 2 2024. Grand Knight and his wife Gay, Gay walked 10 laps representing our St. March 2, 2024. Grand Knight and his wife, Gay, Gay walked 10 laps representing our St. COLUMBUS Faustina Knights.

The Council's annual Tootsie Roll fundraising event is tentatively scheduled on April 20 & 21 weekend. It will be at Publix Eagles Ridge on Saturday from 9am to 3pm and at all the weekend Masses at St. Faustina.

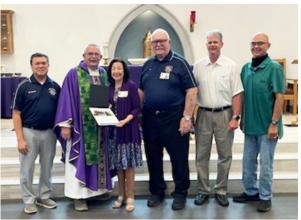
Our Knights will volunteer at Special Olympics on Saturday, April 13.

For more information of the Knights, including how to join, please go to: https://stfaustina.org/ministries/knights-of-columbus/

### **Knights of Columbus St. Faustina Council** Name Nora Ridolfi March "FAMILY OF THE MONTH" Recipient

Nora Ridolfi came to St. Faustina in 2014 from Ft. Lauderdale where she served in her parish for 20 years. She continued that service at St. Faustina when our church was located in Glenbrook Commons. She began her St. Faustina journey as an usher for the 11:30 am Sunday Mass. However, in the past 10 years, her services as a volunteer have expanded.

She is currently a member of the St. Faustina parish council and very active member in the Art And Environment, EMHC, Sacristan, Reader, Hospitality, Caring Crafters, Grandparents, and Holy Dusters ministries. Nora makes sure that the altar plants are watered and the alter candle holders are clean. She has also volunteered for the last three with our parish's annual Christ-



mas party. Nora also serves as an usher, sacristan, and reader at the Queen of the Universe Shrine in Orlando.

With all that she is, and has been involved with to serve our Lord and His children, it is indeed a testament that service is in Nora's DNA. (submitted by Ed Rabelas)

In the picture starting from left, GK Ed Rabelas, Fr. John McNalis, Nora Ridolfi, Bro. Michael Muller, Bro. William Donnelly and Brother Francisco Bulfango Jr,

### **God's Divine Plan** by Tommy Schultz Diocesan Publications Writer

"God, infinitely perfect and blessed in himself, in a plan of sheer goodness, freely created man to make him share in his own blessed life. For this reason, at every time and in every place, God draws close to man. He calls man to seek him, to know him, to love him with all his strength. He calls together all men, scattered and divided by sin, into the unity of his family, the Church. To accomplish this, when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son as Redeemer and Saviour. In his Son and through him, he invites men to become, in the Holy Spirit, his adopted children and thus heirs of his blessed life." -CCC 1

This is the first paragraph from the catechism and I think it perfectly sums up what we celebrate today on this beautiful Easter morning. In today's first reading we hear the entire Gospel story being preached by Peter. This is the same Peter who denied Jesus



three times just a few days before, and who we read about in the Gospel as not fully understanding what Christ was doing until he saw the empty tomb. Peter then knew the plans of God and could easily and succinctly proclaim them to all people.

The goal of the Lenten season is to bring us to a point where we can realize that our destiny is to share in the divine life of God. This isn't just a vague sentimental idea or ambiguous theology, but it is the entire point of our lives. Jesus loved you enough to die on a tree in order that you might receive adoption as his beloved. It seems simple enough, but do we really grasp the depth of the meaning? Easter morning is the good news that not only were you bought back at a price, but that the death of God was not the end. Rather, it was just the beginning. Christ rising from the dead defeated sin and death once and for all and claims us back as adopted children.

This is why Easter is the most important feast in our liturgical calendar. And God wants us to feast. We might be a little rusty after 40 days of fasting, but God wants us to pull out all the stops. I recommend making the nicest dinner you can within your means and celebrate as a family what Christ has done in conquering sin and death. The Easter egg hunts are fun and everybody likes baked ham, but let's not forget the reason for this season. That God desired for you to be saved and come to share in his divine life. This is enough to make even the worst of sinners or hardened criminals rejoice. As John Paul II said often, "We are an Easter people, and Hallelujah is our song." Now go feast!

### **CELEBRATING OUR SALVATION** By Marylu Mariniello

Today is Easter Sunday, which is the holiest day of the year for all Christians. We celebrate the Resurrection of Christ after the atrocities that were done to him on Good Friday and we are grateful for this sacrifice.

This holy day is observed at Mass, where the church is decorated with lilies and beautiful hymns are sung. Many people wear extra nice clothing to church in honor of the feast day. Then they go home for a holiday feast or visit family or go to brunch for a great meal, continuing to celebrate the day.

The Easter season also begins today, which ends at Pentecost. The Easter candle was lit at the Easter Vigil Mass and will continue to be present at Mass until Pentecost and is also lit for baptisms. The vestments and altar cloths will are white. Next week we will also celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, which honors Christ and St. Faustina.

All of the Catechists have prepared the children for Easter by incorporating lessons about Lent. The students were taught the significance of the liturgical colors, schooled in fasting, made the stations of the Cross, learned about the betrayal of Judas, the pains inflicted on Christ and the sorrow of his Mother.

To all of the teachers and students, our Parish thanks you for all of your hard work and preparation.





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