



My Favorite Easter Memory

I would like to share one of my cherished memories from Easter while growing up with my family.

As the youngest of seven children, Easter, much like Christmas, held a special place in our hearts as a time for family gathering and celebration. We observed the entire season of Lent with great anticipation for Easter Sunday. Attending Mass on Sundays, particularly during Lent, was non-negotiable for us.

Participating in the Stations of the Cross every Friday at the church, and also praying the stations at home each evening during Lent were integral parts of our faith life.

In our small village, we had only one Mass scheduled for Easter Sunday, and it began at 3:00 am. I often wondered why the Lord chose to rise from the dead in the middle of the night instead of during the day, which would have been more convenient for us to attend Mass.

Nevertheless, on the night before Easter right after dinner, our whole family would gather for prayer and adoration at church to prepare ourselves for the early morning Easter Mass.

One Easter stands out vividly in my memory—the year was 1986.

That particular year, I decided to stay with friends overnight and planned to attend Mass later with them at 3am. Unfortunately, we all slept through the early morning Mass, missing it entirely. For our family, missing Easter Mass was unthinkable, and with no other Mass available on our island, we would have to travel to the mainland for the 9:00 am Mass, which was an hour's walk away.

My parents were understandably disappointed that I had overslept, but they decided to accompany me to the mainland for Mass. Our plans for a leisurely Easter breakfast were replaced by a hurried journey to the church. By the time we returned home after Mass, it was already time for lunch. Missing our traditional Easter breakfast with the family was a regrettable consequence of my late awakening.

Reflecting on this experience, I am reminded of the importance of the Easter celebration and the sacrifices we are willing to make to attend the Mass of our Lord's Resurrection. I am grateful to my family for their willingness to adjust plans and ensure that I could partake in the Easter Mass that year.

How significant is the Easter celebration for you? Would you make sacrifices to attend the Resurrection Mass and offer gratitude for the gift of eternal life bestowed upon us by our risen Lord? This cherished Easter memory continues to hold a special place in my heart, reminding me of the blessings of family and faith. May you and your loved ones be blessed abundantly with the joy and grace of our risen Lord this Easter. Wishing you and your families a blessed and joyful Easter.

Fr. Angelos Sebastian

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GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

- Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good for his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."
- "The right hand of the Lord has struck with power, the right hand of the Lord is exalted.
 I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord."
- The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory. Lector: The Word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: John 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

Priest/Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (bow your head through "and became man") and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

ALL: May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again. (OR) Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free. (OR) When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

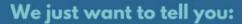
ALL: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into Hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Celebrant: The Mass has ended. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God.



THANK YOU!

Our Fish Fry Fridays were a great success!















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Rectory



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July 15 - 19 9:30a - 12:30p



Registration opening in late April.

Prayer Requests

Requests should be made by email to office@stkilianchurch.org by Monday to appear in the upcoming bulletin, and have permission for publication. Names will appear for four consecutive bulletins. If you are interested in a Mass intention, please contact the office to schedule a Mass.

Those who are sick

Zoe Hays Joseph Wilchinsky Virginia Matthews Chelsea Schlueter Bert Susanka Andrea Alonso Carol O'Connell Erin Estabrook **Donald Hopkins Gladys Newton** Russ Finnegan Linda Lenning Christina Grady Pulver Judy Hanell Pam Hrad James Scheuer Roger Thompson Mary Thompson Peter S. Carr Madeline Macartney Ellie Macartney Casey Garritano Annalie Fernando Michael Pezzaniti Alex Freyre Carol Krushefski Chet Krushefski Nicholas Eberle Robert Berschauer

Those who have recently died

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 1, 2024

6:30 am Kerry Campbell † 9:00 am Louis Picard †

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

6:30 am Marie Hanson † 9:00 am Frank Kezmoh †

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

6:30 am Intentions of Richard & Paul Gougeon

9:00 am Josip Milek †

Thursday, April 4, 2024

6:30 am Renee Origel † 9:00 am Arthur Bellaus Jr. †

Friday, April 5, 2024

6:30 am Intentions of Gabriel Ferrucci

9:00 am Ramona Myers †

Saturday, April 6, 2024

8:00 am Joel G. Itac † 4:30 pm Gus Hogan †

Sunday, April 7, 2024

7:00 am Patty Vera, Mr & Mrs Jesus Kawile,

Edna Fernando, Jina Sia, Frank Kezmoh,

Thomas Fenton and Patsy Ann Rand †

Intentions of Bert Susanka,

Martha Chambers, Kimberly Moriarty

8:30 am Parishioners of St. Kilian

10:30 am Earl C. Santy †

12:00 pm Patrick Barnard, Albert & Sandy Spano,

Filimon & Bernadeta Adam, John Rhett,

Gil Del Prado, Patricia Canty,

Elizabeth Neely, Jerry O'Connell and

Manuel Reyes Alegre †

Intentions of Danuta Zakzewski

1:30 pm Lucero Martinez †

5:00 pm Pham Doan Tru & Pham Thi Gung †



What do you do during adoration of the Blessed Sacrament?

- · Pray the Psalms or the Liturgy of the Hours.
- · Meditate using Scripture.
- · Read the life of a Saint and pray with him.
- · Pour out your heart to Christ.
- Ask for forgiveness and pray for others.
- Pray the Rosary.
- You really don't have to "do" anything during Adoration.
 You can just sit there and be with Jesus!

Weekly Readings

Week of April 1

Monday Acts 2:14, 22-33

Psalm 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11

Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday Acts 2:36-41

Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22

John 20:11-18

Wednesday Acts 3:1-10

Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9

Luke 24:13-35

Thursday Acts 3:11-26

Psalm 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9

Luke 24:35-48

Friday Acts 4:1-12

Psalm 118:1-2, and 4, 22-24, 25-27a

John 21:1-14

Saturday Acts 4:13-21

Psalm 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21

Mark 16:9-15

Sunday Acts 4:32-35

Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31

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DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET ROSARY BENEDICTION

APRIL 7, 2024 - 3 TO 4 PM IN THE CHURCH

What Is Divine Mercy Sunday?

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.



What is the message of Divine Mercy?

The message of The Divine Mercy is that God loves us - all of us. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others.

The Divine Mercy message is simple:

- A Ask for His Mercy.
- B Be merciful.
- C Completely trust in Jesus.

9-DAY NOVENA CONTINUES TO NEXT SUNDAY - PICK UP A PAMPHLET IN THE CHURCH

Truth with Handles

a video series from Walking with Purpose



Women of St. Kilian... Please join us for this video series that explores relevant topics for women today while discussing our faith.

Join us for 5 monthly sessions beginning with Monday, April 15th 6:45 to 8pm in parish hall.

- No commitment
- No need to sign-up
- · Come to as many as you can
- · Bring a friend!

Mondays, 6:45 to 8pm April 15, May 20, June 10, July 8, August 19 Questions?

Elsa or Ivonne at stkilianwwp@gmail.com



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ST. KILIAN YOUTH

Happy April to the youth of the church!
For youth ministry, this month brings so much excitement as we celebrate our risen King!
Confirmation sessions are wrapping up as we prepare for Confirmation in May. Registration will soon open up for our SKY summer retreat in Catalina - join us June 7th-9th! As always, follow us on Facebook and Instagram @stkyouth to stay in the loop. As always, ALL YOUTH ARE WELCOME, so bring a friend!

EDGE: MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

April schedule for EDGE (6th-8th Grade Ministry)

- 2nd: Mercy
- 9th: Discernment
- 16th: FFF Tuesday
- 23rd: Game Night
- 30th: Dia del Niño



SKY: HIGH SCHOOLERS

April schedule for SKY (9th-12th Grade Ministry)

- 3rd: What's Divine Mercy Sunday?
- 10th: Vocations Continued
- 17th: Making Cents: Morality of Money
- 24th: Shark Tank

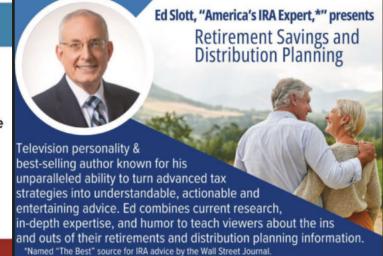
CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Registration for 24-25 Confirmation 1 is open! If you have an 8th grader right now, get them signed up so they can be ready to start after beginning high school!

YOUTH CONFIRMATION

YEAR 1 candidates 14th Final Session 10: My Purpose Details about your 2nd year of Confirmation is on the website!

YEAR 2 candidates April 7th Session 9: Mass & Eucharist Last class is April 21st Session 10: Evangelization



TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 8:00PM EST

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YOUTH CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



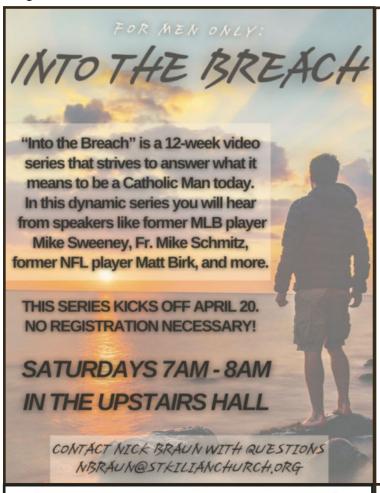
It's time to get ready for next year's Confirmation Class, registration is open!

All 9th, 10th, and 11th graders are welcome to sign up for the two-year program to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

You can find details, the schedule, and register on the Confirmation page of the parish website (hit the QR Code below). Please contact Matt Jennerson at 949–586–7803 or confirmation@stkilianchurch.org for more information.

This is only for 1st year students. 2nd year students need not apply again. We are already expecting you!





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Iglesia Católica de San Kilian

31 de Marzo 2024

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Sagrada Misa Dominical en español a la 1:30 pm

Lunes - Viernes
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BAUTISMOS

Bautismos en Español, si está interesado en bautizar a su hijo por favor llame a la oficina.

ADOLECENTES

es todos los Martes de 6:30pm a 8:00pm

SKY (High School) es todos los miércoles de 7:00pm a 8:30pm

Noticias EN EL HORARIO



Quiero extender mis más sinceros deseos por todas las bendiciones y alegrías de esta sagrada ocasión. Sirviendo como su pastor ha sido un profundo privilegio, caminar junto a usted en nuestro viaje hacia nuestro destino celestial. inquebrantable apoyo a mí y a nuestra comunidad de San Kilian ha sido una fuente de inmensa gratitud. Su amor, oraciones, amistad y generosidad han tocado profundamente mi corazón.

Como pueblo de Pascua, el "Aleluya" resuena en nuestro interior como nuestro himno. La resurrección de nuestro Señor nos ofrece consuelo, recordándonos que las pruebas y tribulaciones de este mundo son temporales, y que un día participaremos en la gloria de la resurrección. ¡Que esta Pascua rejuvenezca nuestros espíritus con esperanza y abundantes bendiciones!

Con mucho cariño y oraciones,

Fr. Angelos Sebastian



24 Horas de Adoración al Santísimo

El viernes 5 de abril el Santísimo estará expuesto por 24hrs. Se les invita a pasar un tiempo con nuestro Señor. La hora Santa en español es a las 9:pm ¡Él nos espera!

SCHEDULE at a glance TUESDAY THURSDAY SUNDAY MONDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY 3 2 4 6 **MAR** 31 APR 1 7 - 9am 7 - 9am 7 - 9am 7 - 9am 7am Adoration Adoration Adoration Adoration Men's Formation series 9:30am 9:30am 10am-12pm PARISH Families of Food Prayer Shawl CENTER Ministry Nazareth Pantry CLOSED 8:45am 1st Friday 1:30pm Confessions 24-Hour Bethany 9:30am Adoration Sisterhood Schedule of Ruth 9am-12:30pm 6:30am Food 8:30am 9am - 1pm 9:45am Pantry Church & Hall VITA tax prep SoulCore 10:30am 6:30pm Church & Hall Confessions 12noon 7pm RCIA 11am-4pm 6:30pm Church & Hall **Blood Drive** Knights 6:30pm 7pm General 1:30pm EXCE SKY Meeting Spanish 7 8 9 11 12 13 10 7 - 9am 7am Adoration Adoration Adoration Adoration Adoration Men's Formation 9am-12:30pm 9:30am 9:30am series 9am Prayer Shawl Food Families of Cornerstone 10am-12pm Pantry Ministry Nazareth Bible Study Food meeting Pantry 8:45am 1:30pm Confessions Bethany 9am MOPS & 9am - 1pm 6:30pm MomsNext NAMI Family VITA tax prep 10:30 Mass 6pm Support RCIA for Rosary & 11am Chaplet Children & CCW 6:30pm Class Luncheon Confessons 7pm RCIA 6pm to 8pm 7pm 7pm Confirmation Adult 6:30pm 7pm Holy Hour Year 2 Class Confirmation FXGE SKY

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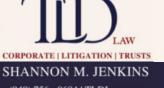
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Parents:

We invite you to spend some time discussing this weekend's readings with your children. By helping them understand God's word, you will help build a strong foundation of faith!

Theme: Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!

Reading (Acts 10:34a, 37-43)

In our first reading, Peter shares the news about Jesus rising from the dead with some people gathered in the home of a Roman soldier. As we listen, let's pretend that we are hearing the news of Jesus' Resurrection for the first time as well.

Gospel (John 20:1-9)

Today's Gospel begins on the very first Sunday after Jesus died. In those days, people were put into caves after they died. On that first Easter Sunday, Jesus' friends expected to find his body in the cave, but they were very surprised when they reached the cave.

Discussion

- Who goes to the cave where Jesus is buried on the first Easter Sunday?
- What do they think happened to Jesus?
- What happens when Peter and John reach Jesus' tomb?
- Today we celebrate Jesus conquering death and rising to live forever.
- Jesus promises all of us everlasting life if we believe in Him and follow Him truly a reason to celebrate. Alleluia!





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Bake Resurrection Cookies with your family tonight.

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