



San Juan Catholic Community 04/11/21

Saint Joseph
Monte Vista

Tuesday: 5pm
Wednesday: 7am
Thursday: 5pm
Adoration Thurs: 7:00pm
Friday: 7am
Adoration Fri: 9:00 am
Saturday: 5pm
Sunday: 10am

Saint Francis Jerome
Center

Sunday: 10am (English)
12 pm (Spanish)

Holy Name of Mary
Del Norte

Adoration Fri: 7:30 am
Sunday: 8:00 am

Immaculate Conception

Mission Creede
Saturday: 4:00 pm

Holy Family Mission
South Fork

Saturday: 5:30 pm

**The Church office is closed to walk-in visits.
Please call in advance to make an appointment.**

**Office Hours : Tues—Thurs 8:00 am - 4:30pm
Closed for lunch 12:00pm —1:00pm**

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- Deacon. Ray Torres RCIA
- Lori Hathaway Office/Business Administrator Ext. 1000

Emergency Priest Call
(719) 852-0644

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monte Vista: Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm or by appointment

Center: Confessions Sunday 11:00 am

Del Norte: Confessions Sunday 7:30 am till 7:50 am

South Fork: Confession Saturday after mass until 6:30 pm

Creede: Confession Saturday 3:30 pm till 3:50 pm

Marriage:

By appt with Priest or Deacon six months prior to your wedding date.

Baptism:

Please call Office for information on this Sacrament.

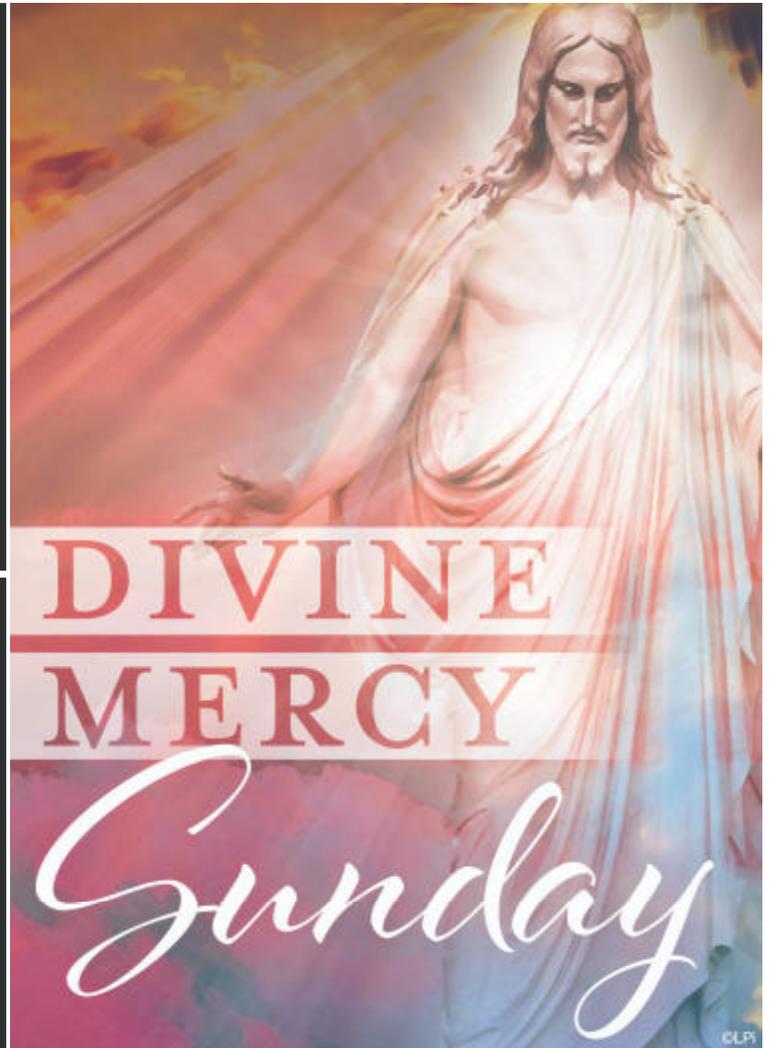
On-line Baptism Classes now available

Quinceañera:

Enrolled in Rel. Ed, Quinceañera Classes & fees paid to book date.

Sacramental Anointing:

By appointment or upon request.



Upcoming Events and Observances

Every Wed: Exposicion del Santisimo on FB 7:00 pm

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

Tuesday: St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr

Thursday: Tax Day

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter

Reminder

All Masses are first come first serve.

A Mask, Parish Event Sign Up Sheet and a temperature check will need to be completed before entry into the Church

Please do not attend if you are filling ill or have come in contact with someone who tested positive for COVID

All Church Attendance is subject to change do to updated

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE
Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)**

What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. "Mercy is the heart of God," Pope Francis tells us. The image of a heart has been used to point to the very life source of a person as it is the organ that allows life to flow through our veins and sustain us. Mercy is the heart of God. Imagine this dynamic, powerful, compassionate, piercing, embracing, loving, propelling, penetrating, absorbing, and enveloping, transforming presence of God flowing into the very depth of our souls. It is God's mercy that allows blood to flow through our veins. It is God's mercy that forms every atom of our being and leads us to what is true. God's mercy reveals all superficiality and falsehood, and lays bare all distortions, empty promises, weakness, and sin.

"Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope," Pope Francis continues. God's all forgiving, compassionate love is with us. When we finally believe and accept that Christ's resurrected transfigured presence resides with us, we then find within us a strong confidence to accept life's imperfections and disappointments and move on. Every day is a new adventure in new life. God leaves the past behind and opens doors to the future. It doesn't matter how many mistakes we made yesterday. All that matters is what we do tomorrow and what we learn along the way. It is so easy to remain tethered and mired in the past, but there is no need to do so. God is all about tomorrow and the work God has yet to do in our lives.

Mercy gives birth to hope. Hope for the greatest of sinners and hope for the worst of disasters. There is nothing God cannot do and nothing God cannot fashion. After all, everything we know and treasure was once nothing, and look what God did with the nothing God had! The resurrected Christ stands before us with nail marks in his wrists and wounds on his body as a testament that not even injustice, suffering and death can trample over and destroy God's mercy. What have we to fear? Why do we keep ourselves from peace? Our lack of faith prevents us from going forward and fully receiving the holiness God desires to breathe upon us. Breathe in God's mercy, allow the wind of God's presence to kiss all of your sins and caress all of your fears. *Exhale Peace.*



**Mass intentions
April 13 - April 18, 2021**

Tuesday April 13:

St. Joseph 5:00 pm
+Norbert & +Helen Beiriger by Family

Thursday April 15:

St. Joseph 5:00 pm
+Theresa Duran by Anita Mondragon

Saturday April 17:

St. Joseph 5:00 pm
+Phillip & +Gabriela Samora, +Rachel Perea &
+Max & +Clara Valdez by Charlie & Loretta Valdez
Health & Healing of Will Medina & Diego Servantez
by Esther Espinosa
Holy Family Mission 5:30 pm
+Charlie Velasquez by Pat Velasquez

Sunday April 18:

Holy Name of Mary 8:00 am
+Ricardo Velasquez by Cora Velasquez & Sisters
+Eddie, +Margie & +Chuck Martinez by Cathy Chavez

St. Joseph 10:00 am
Rose Ellen Broll by Cindy Beauregard
+Orlando & +Josee Lujan by Nick & Ona Gonzales

St. Francis Jerome 12:00 pm
+Mario Rodriguez & +Transito Gonzales by Villalobos Family



UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTIONS

April 25: Catholic Home Missions

May 9: Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa

Please make checks payable to :

The San Juan Catholic Community with charity name in the memo. The San Juan Catholic Community sends one check for each collection to the Diocese. Any checks made out to a National Collection Name will not be accepted for deposit.



March 28th

St. Joseph 3734.06
Budget Needs 2592.00 per week

Holy Name of Mary 630.00
Immaculate Conception Crede 310.00
Holy Family 1655.00
Budget Needs 2228.00 per week

St. Francis Jerome 1598.00
Budget Needs 1897.00 per week

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 11, 2021

- SUN** Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3
- MON** Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8
- TUE** Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15
- WED** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21
- THR** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36
- FRI** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15
- SAT** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21
- SUN** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48



Why are priests transferred from one parish to another? How is that decided?

Bishops take the appointment of pastors to parishes very seriously and the decision to assign or transfer priests is one of the most important decisions bishops can make, effecting the lives of everyone in the parish community.

In 1984, the bishops of the United States implemented a six-year term limit for pastors (which can be renewed by bishop); term limits for associate pastors vary from diocese to diocese. Sometimes a particular priest is assigned to a parish or chaplaincy to respond to specific issues (such as a parish merger, a fundraising campaign, or because he has special qualifications that make him a good fit for the community). In the case of new or recently ordained priests, the vibrancy and diversity, the presence of a school, or certain social programs offer invaluable training and ongoing formation.

In making their decisions regarding the placement of priests, most bishops rely on a priest personnel committee or a council of priests. There is also a period of dialogue with the priest(s) who will be moved, sometimes even including an extended period of discernment and self-assessment, helping to be as sure as possible that the assignment of a priest to a particular community will truly benefit the people and be a healthy one for the priest himself.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Eye Has Not Seen

They say seeing is believing. But if you've ever ordered a pair of pants online, you know that's not always the case. Whatever the photos promise us, what looked like a perfectly nice shade of navy blue on our computer screens comes in the mail as an unusual shade of blue green that only appears in the giant box of Crayola crayons.

The Apostle Thomas, who couldn't bring himself to accept that Jesus had risen from the dead without seeing him, is such an utterly relatable figure in the Gospels. Thomas is still reeling from a loss — not only of his good friend but his Lord, who was taken prisoner and crucified before his eyes. Thomas is guarding himself. He's not believing the hype. He's going to be the only judge of what is real and what is fiction.

Would any of us be any different? We've all had those thoughts. Can we believe it all — Jesus, salvation history, the Eucharist — when we haven't seen it with our own two eyes?

That's when we need to remember that those two eyes were absolutely positive they had ordered a pair of navy blue pants.

It's easy for us to sit back stroking our chins in judgment at Thomas, "you didn't believe the testimony of your friends!" But do we accept the testimony of our friends? The saints, the popes, the Church fathers themselves?

Sometimes the things that are most worthy of believing can't be seen with the naked eye.

Tracy Earl Welliver

LIVE THE LITURGY

Alleluia! Forgiveness has risen from the grave! What a wonderful joy fills us today as we ponder the inexhaustible mercy of God. When experienced, we are moved to do all in our power to avoid sin and embrace the loving presence of our risen God. God stands ever ready to receive us and wants nothing more than for us to come home. How reluctant we are to believe this truth! We want proof, tangible evidence and absolute assurance that what we have been told is true. Jesus has risen from the dead and brings us peace. It is the gift of wholeness and holiness that is breathed upon us by God's life-giving and healing mercy. May the rays of love that flow from the heart of Christ pierce ours!

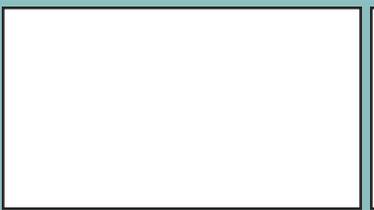
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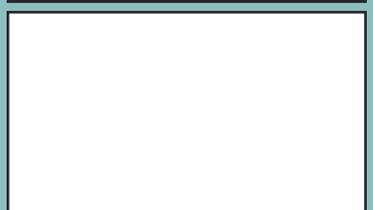
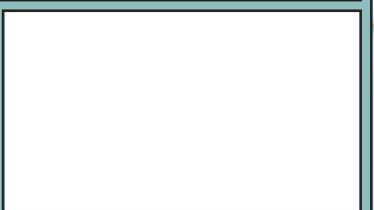
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