

Readings and Mass Intentions



SUN, MAR. 22

Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/
Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45

8:00 a.m. Mass.....**Brenda Scallon** †

10:30 a.m. Mass.....**Richard Andrews** †

MON, MAR. 23

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

TUE, MAR. 24

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/
Jn 8:21-30

WED, MAR. 25

*Solemnity of the Annunciation
of the Lord*

Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/
Heb 10:4-10/Jn 1:14ab

9:00 a.m. Mass.....**Bea Hilbrecht**

THU, MAR. 26 - St. Rebecca Ar-Rayes

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

9:00 a.m. Mass..... **Kendall Wrobel** †

FRI, MAR. 27

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/
Jn 10:31-42

9:00 a.m. Mass.....**Holy Souls
in Purgatory** †

SAT, MAR. 28

Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/
Jn 11:45-56

5:30 p.m. Mass.....**Joyce Ford**

Blessed Among Us

Oscar Romero

Archbishop and Martyr (1917-1980)

The selection of Oscar Romero as archbishop of San Salvador in 1977 delighted the country's oligarchs. Previously known as a traditional and conservative prelate, there was nothing in Romero's background to suggest he was a man to challenge the status quo. No one could have predicted that in three short years he would be recognized throughout the world as a "voice for the voiceless". Nor could one foresee that he would arouse such hatred on the part of the rich and powerful that he would be targeted for assassination.



What caused this change? Within weeks of his installation Romero was shaken by the assassination of his friend Rutilio Grande, a Jesuit dedicated to social justice. In the following weeks, Romero increasingly took on the cause of justice. His weekly sermons cast the glaring light of the Gospel on the realities of the day. He came to embody the Church's "option for the poor". As he said, "A church that does not unite itself to the poor...is not truly the Church of Jesus Christ".

On March 23, 1980, he appealed to members of the military to refuse illegal orders. "I beseech you, I beg you, I command you, stop the repression!" He was shot the next day, while saying Mass—the first bishop slain at the altar since Thomas Becket in the twelfth century.

"If God accepts the sacrifice of my life then may my blood be the seed of liberty...A bishop will, die, but the church of God—the people—will never die."—
Archbishop Oscar Romero

What determines the date that we celebrate Easter Sunday?

According to the Bible, Jesus' death and resurrection occurred around the time of the Jewish Passover, which was celebrated on the first full moon following the vernal equinox.

This soon led to Christians celebrating Easter on different dates. At the end of the 2nd century, some churches celebrated Easter on the day of the Passover, while others celebrated it on the following Sunday.

In 325 AD the Council of Nicaea established that Easter would be held on the first Sunday after the first full moon occurring on or after the vernal equinox. From that point forward, the Easter date depended on the ecclesiastical approximation of March 21 for the vernal equinox. Easter is delayed by 1 week if the full moon is on Sunday, which decreases the chances of it falling on the same day as the Jewish Passover.

HOLY REDEEMER'S PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

Please continue to remember and pray for all those listed in the prayer intention book and those listed below.

Remember in Prayer

Recuerde en Oración

Sandra Martinez, Joe Coleman,
JoAnn Hall, Tom Moore,
Jr., Zareno Camilleri +

**Returning our Treasure
in Thanksgiving**

**Financial Information thru the
week of March 7th & 8th:**

Weekly Need:.....\$11,350.00
Weekly Actual:.....\$12,319.15
2nd Collection
(Catholic Relief Services):.....\$1,913.50
Attendance:664
Church Debt
Loan Balance:\$582,714.21
Property Loan Balance:.....\$464,413.09
(as of 2/4/15)



Easter Flowers

If you would like to make a \$15 donation for Easter flowers and décor in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact the parish office.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Mar 22:	CCD Classes Resume	Mar 25:	Youth Group 6:30
Mar 23:	Rosary Making 10:30	Mar 25:	RCIA 7:00
Mar 23:	Lenten Penance Service 7:00	Mar 27:	Fish Fry 5:30
Mar 24:	Bea's Quilting Group 9:00	Mar 27:	Stations/Benediction 7:00
Mar 24:	Men's Group 6:30		
Mar 25:	Wednesday Morning Ladies 9:30		



The RE classes are holding a Lenten food drive to benefit the Center of Hope.

If you would like to contribute, the following items are requested: Cake mix (K), cans of fruits/veg (1st), brownie mix (2nd), box of pudding/jello (3rd), hamburger helper (4th), rice mix (5th), potato mix (6th), hamburger helper (7th), rice or potato mix (8th).

Children's Choir Rehearsal Mar. 22nd and 29th 9:00-9:15

In choir room
All children 1st thru 6th
are invited to participate
We will be singing on Mar. 29th for Palm
Sunday at the 10:30 Mass

A Biblical Walk Through the Mass

Adult Bible Study
Begins Monday, May 4th -June 8th
Cost \$25, registration Mar. 21-29
Call parish office for more details

Save the Date VBS

June 22-26
10:00-12:30

**Holy Redeemer Lenten
Penance Service
Monday, March 23rd 7:00 pm**

**Additional
Lenten Penance Service
St. Thomas the Apostle/
Holy Trinity Mission
on March 26th @ 7:00pm**

Fish Fry

Hosted by the Men of Holy Redeemer
Friday, Mar. 27, @ 5:30pm
Tickets on sale
in the Narthex after Mass
\$7.00 /person

COMMUNITY NEWS

Faustina:

Messenger of Divine Mercy

A live production presented by
St. Francis of Assissi, Grapevine
Mar. 25th @ 7:30
St. Patrick Cathedral
Mar. 29th @ 7:00
For tickets and info visit
www.fwdioc.org/faustina

DIOCESE NEWS

Patriotic Rosary

St. Patrick Cathedral
Monday, Mar. 30th
7:00 PM

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Lenten Schedule

**Mar. 23 Lenten Penance
Service 7:00pm**
**April 2 Holy Thursday
Mass 7:00pm**
**April 3 Good Friday Service
7:00pm
Adoration
8:00pm-midnight**
**April 4 Easter Vigil 8:30
No 5:30 Mass**
**April 5 Easter Sunday Mass
8:00am & 10:30am**

SAT, MAR. 28 • 5:30 PM

ALTAR SERVERS

PS - Carson Fronk PS - Kate Mayer

LECTORS

Shawn Parks Cindy Williams

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Bobby Zeigler/Steve Weaver
Elizabeth Weaver Shawn Parks
Karen Marsh

USHERS

Monica Knesek Dave Knesek
Bobby Zeigler

SOUND BOARD

Larry Mask

SUN, MAR. 29 • 8:00 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS

PS - Libby Clements PS - Brian Slabbekoorn

LECTORS

Tim Schauf Kandi Smith

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Clay Melton WR Alexander
Betty Alexander Barbara Anderson

USHERS

Jeff Hensley John Brown
Wayne Mohr

SOUND BOARD

Robert Florance

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ALTAR SERVERS

PS - Clark Crawford PS - Clayton Crawford

LECTORS

Edmund Gutierrez Marc Pierel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Arturo Sandoval Maria Sandoval
Marc Pierel Carolyn Pierel
Chris Lane Sandy Moore
Monica Collins Maureen Munson
Rick Zilar Maureen Gabarino

USHERS

Sheila Hill Nathan Garner
Regina Grammer Savannah Grammer

SOUND BOARD

Noah Murphey