

MISSION BASILICA SAN DIEGO DE ALCALÁ

MARCH 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD

¡Siempre Adelante!



**HOLY WEEK
SCHEDULE**

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PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASS

Masses at Mission Church unless noted
SFC - Saint Francis Chapel

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

~PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD~

5:30 PM SAT †Michael Henry Felchlin

7:30 AM †Liam Bohanck

9:00 AM †Bud Cort

9:00 AM (SFC) For the People of the Parish

10:30 AM †Marian Benz

10:30 AM (SFC) †Antonia Cerrato

12:00 PM †Corazon L. Pascual

5:30 PM (SFC) The Fredman Family

MONDAY, MARCH 30

~Monday of Holy Week~

7:00 AM †John Branthoover

5:30 PM †Vincent and †Peggy McCarthy

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

~Tuesday of Holy Week~

7:00 AM †Victor V. Sacro

5:30 PM Intention of the Priest

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

~Wednesday of Holy Week~

7:00 AM Intention of the Priest

5:30 PM †Aunt Arlyne Draper

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

~HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER~

7:30 PM (SFC) For the People of the Parish

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

~FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD~

(GOOD FRIDAY)

No MASS

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

~HOLY SATURDAY~

No MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

~THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT~

8:00 PM SAT (SFC) For the People of the Parish

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD~

7:30 AM Intention of the Priest

9:00 AM Intention of the Priest

9:00 AM (SFC) †Hope Sanchez Ventura

10:30 AM Intention of the Priest

10:30 AM (SFC) †Luis Ernesto Morquecho

12:00 PM †Lena DiTrolio

5:30 PM (SFC) For the People of the Parish



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.”
- Mt 21:9

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
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BAPTISMS

Please call the Parish Office

MARRIAGES

Preparation with priest at least
9 months in advance.
Please call the Parish Office

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MISSION HISTORY

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NAZARETH SCHOOL

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

5:30 PM Saturday - Mission Church

7:30 AM Sunday - Mission Church

9:00 AM St. Francis Chapel
(Contemporary Music
Group every other week)
and Mission Church

10:30 AM St. Francis Chapel
(Spanish) and Mission Church

12:00 PM Mission Church
(Mission Choir)

5:30 PM St. Francis Chapel

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday, 7:00 am & 5:30 pm
in the Mission Church

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

8:00 am in the Mission Church

HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS

See bulletin

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm
in the Mission Church or by appointment.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month, 7:30 to 11:35 am
and 6:00 to 6:35 pm in the Mission Church

¡Siempre Adelante! is inspired by our founder, St. Junipero Serra,
whose desire to serve was expressed in his motto: Always Forward!

Bulletin submissions must be requested a week or more prior to the desired Sunday.
Please send requests via email to **Anthony Tarantino** at atarantino@missionsandiego.org.
All submissions are subject to approval.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Online: <https://bible.usccb.org>

Loyalty: Priceless

BY ALICE CAMILLE



Some of the brightest words in the Bible are about loyalty. “Wherever you go, I will go,” says Ruth to Naomi as she leaves her homeland for good. “As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord,” Joshua pledges before crossing the Jordan into the promised land. “A faithful friend is a sturdy shelter . . . beyond price . . . a life-saving remedy,” Ben Sira declares with exuberance. God repays the faithful with compassion, protection, salvation, and companionship, the psalms repeat like a mantra. “The faithful will abide with him in love,” the Book of Wisdom assures us.

Abraham’s loyalty to God was his finest trait, attributed to him as righteousness. David’s devotion to Jonathan—heir to the throne David was fated to claim—and David’s refusal to harm King Saul who wanted him dead

are also striking examples of a loyalty that confounds us. Jesus emphasizes the value of loyalty in parables that result in the master of the house declaring, “Well done, my good and faithful servant!” Luke also includes a fragile scene where Jesus wonders aloud: “When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on Earth?”

We tend to define faith as adherence to a system of beliefs. What Jesus means is: Will anyone still be faithful to me after I’m gone? He has good reason to wonder. The answer in the short run, in his own lifetime on Earth, is not promising. This night you will all have your faith in me shaken, Jesus tells his closest friends at the Last Supper. Never, Saint Peter replies. Not me. I will not deny you, even to the death. We know how that promise turned out. “All the disciples spoke likewise,” Matthew tells us—for all the good it did. If a faithful friend is indeed a sturdy shelter, a lifesaving remedy, that alone would spell destruction for Jesus.

Peter did follow Jesus after his arrest—“at a distance.” That may describe, without irony, our own discipleship. We keep our distance between the condemned and suffering Lord because those are places we don’t want to go. We’re willing to be faithful friends but only until the road veers south. We may feel deep regret after our betrayals, of course, as Judas did—although we rarely fling our coins away to prove it. For the most part we neither testify against Jesus nor participate in his trials, neither causing nor approving of his anguish. We only wait out the whole matter in a convenient hiding place, a snug upper room where we won’t be touched by his cross at all. But what if we chose to be another kind of friend? What if we dared to say: “Wherever you go, I will go”?

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Alice Camille is a religious educator, Scripture commentator, and author of many books including **This Transforming Word** and other titles found at alicecamille.com.

2026 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

All liturgies will take place in the Mission Church unless otherwise noted. SFC = St. Francis Chapel

MARCH 29

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

(Palms will be blessed and distributed at all Masses)

Masses: 5:30 pm (Sat); 7:30 am; 9:00 am; 9:00 am (SFC); 10:30 am; 10:30 am [Spanish] SFC; 12:00 pm; 5:30 pm (SFC)

MARCH 30, 31 & APRIL 1

MON, TUES AND WED OF HOLY WEEK

Masses: 7:00 am and 5:30 pm

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

APRIL 2

HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Mass of the Lord’s Supper: 7:30 pm (SFC)
The Mission Church will be open for prayer before the reserved Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 pm

APRIL 3

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)

A day of fast and abstinence
Morning Prayer: 8:00 am
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion: 12:00 pm (SFC)
Stations of the Cross: 2:00 pm
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion: 7:30 pm (SFC)

APRIL 4

HOLY SATURDAY

Morning Prayer: 8:00 am

THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT:

8:00 to 10:00 pm (SFC)

APRIL 5

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Masses: 7:30 am; 9:00 am; 9:00 am (SFC); 10:30 am; 10:30 am [Spanish] SFC; 12:00 pm; 5:30 pm (SFC)

UPCOMING ROSARIES

Make praying the rosary a part of your daily life.

- The Rosary is prayed immediately after the 7:00 am Mass, Mon - Fri, in the Mission Church.

- A Rosary for the Eucharistic Revival is prayed on the first Wed of each month in La Sala following the 5:30 pm Mass. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, next rosary is **Apr 1**.

- A Rosary for Peace is prayed every third Sat of the month at 9:00 am. Join fellow parishioners at Nazareth School's Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto to seek the intercession of Our Lady, Queen of Peace. Next rosary: **Apr 18**.

- A Pro-Life Rosary is prayed every first Thurs in the Mission Church at 5:00 pm. Next rosary: **May 7**.



CATHOLIC Q&A

QUESTION

Where do Palm Sunday palms come from and where should they go?

ANSWER

The Palm Sunday celebration has ancient origins. Beginning the liturgy “outside” the church, we symbolically reenact Christ’s entry into Jerusalem. The crowds in ancient Israel waved palm branches – a symbol of royalty – to welcome Jesus. These days, obtaining palms takes a lot of planning and coordination, as hundreds of thousands of churches worldwide need them on the same day! Here at Mission San Diego, palms are sourced from Mission grounds and cut by our maintenance crew. Others in the United States order palms from Florida, California, Texas, or Central America. Many companies stress the sustainability of their production and the just wages paid to their workers.

The palms used on Palm Sunday are blessed at Mass. This means they shouldn’t end up in the trash! Many people weave palms into crosses or families display them in their homes. If you do not plan on displaying your palms throughout the year, they should be burned, buried, or left at the church. In the final case, the palms are burned to provide the ashes for next year’s Ash Wednesday service.



FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Peter Kiesel

Funeral Mass on **Wed, Apr 1**, 10:00 am
in the Mission Church;
Interment at Holy Cross Cemetery

*May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

AN ALTERNATIVE TO OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



The Mission San Diego offers an easy-to-use contribution system for both one-time and recurring gifts. Powered by WeShare, electronic giving is safe, secure, and convenient. To learn more and get started,

please scan the QR code or visit our website missionsandiego.org and select the “Donate Now” link.

PARISH SUPPORT

Mar 12-18, 2025

Plate:	\$6,376.61
Envelope:	\$8,695.00
Online:	\$6,965.49
Total:	\$22,037.10

Thank you for your support of our parish!

HOLIDAY HOURS

The Visitor Center and Gift Shop will be open from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on **Good Friday** and will be open from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on **Holy Saturday, Easter Sunday, and Easter Monday**. The Parish Office will be closed **April 3-6**.

CLOTHING DONATION

The Mission San Diego serves as a host site for a Fr. Joe’s Villages donation bin, located in the courtyard, accepting new and gently-used clothing and shoes.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive the Holy Eucharist, a Homebound Minister can bring the Eucharist to you. Email Carmen Falcon at crmfnflcn2920@gmail.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Terry Baltes • Diane Cabrera • Elsie Duran
 James Flynn • Mike Gallivan • Roberta Levy
 Salvador Mendez • Barry Nunns • Baby Banks Griffin Ricci
 Mark Turner • Joey Umali
 Deployed personnel serving in
 our Armed Forces and their families

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed
 by contacting the parish office at (619) 283-7319.

GIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS

Our Visitor Center and Gift Shop is seeking volunteers.
 For info, contact Rhonda Sosa at rsosa@missionsandiego.org.

O.C.I.A.

If you are curious about what Catholics believe and are interested in learning more about the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church, the “Order of Christian Initiation of Adults” is for you! Interested persons are asked to contact Lissa Hutcheson at lissahutcheson@outlook.com. Go to missionsandiego.org/ocia for more info.

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

With increasing prices and cutbacks from governmental sources for the funding of food pantries, a crisis is growing. Our neighbor, the Stella Apartments and the food bank at Holy Family Parish in Linda Vista are having difficulty keeping food on their shelves. Your generosity in bringing a couple cans of soup, chili or other non-perishable foods to church on the weekend of the first Sunday of the month helps greatly. In April, coin donations will go to Catholic Worker San Diego.

MEN'S PERSPECTIVE GROUP

Join us in the Parish Office Conference Room from 4:00 to 5:00 pm. Next meeting: **Sun, Mar 29**. For more info, txt: Jerry Kwasek (619) 742-9591.

NAZARETH SCHOOL EVENTS

Nazareth School is fundraising with three upcoming golf events: Family Day at the Loma Club on **Mon, Apr 6**; Ball Drop on **Thu, May 7**; and a Golf Scramble on **Fri, May 8** (see below). For more information, email Jerry at jerrycolihan@gmail.com.

\$62
per ticket



CATHOLIC NIGHT

AT THE PADRES

FRIDAY, JULY 10TH
 PADRES VS. BLUE JAYS
 6:40 P.M.

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EVENT AT A GLANCE

DATE: **Friday, May 8, 2026**

LOCATION: **Carlton Oaks Golf Club**

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

<p>PLATINUM SPONSOR Includes Complimentary Foursome \$1250 Our most prestigious, top-tier partnership with max visibility throughout the event.</p> <p>GOLD SPONSORS HOLE-IN-ONE \$500 Seize the spotlight at the most exciting hole on the course! Only 1 spot available!</p> <p>UNDERWRITING SPONSOR \$500 Become an essential partner! Covers all event operating expenses. Gold Sponsor with Foursome \$900</p>	<p>SILVER SPONSORS HOLE SPONSOR \$250 Promote your business with a dedicated sign at one of 18 holes.</p> <p>PRIZE SPONSOR \$250 Help reward our top teams with exciting prizes.</p> <p>CONTEST SPONSOR \$250 High traffic contest hole with exclusive signage and interaction. Silver Sponsor with Foursome \$675</p> <p>BRONZE SPONSOR Family Sponsor \$100 Show your school spirit! Your family's gift directly supports our students and teachers. Bronze Sponsor with Foursome \$525</p>
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DISCERNMENT GROUP FOR WOMEN

Ever wonder if God is calling you? Would you like to walk alongside other women also discerning? Contact Sister Katia Chavez, SJS at (760) 562-2727.



AROUND THE DIOCESE

• **Children of the Immaculate Heart** will hold it's 13th Annual Gala on **Sat, Apr 11** at 6:00 pm, St. Therese of Carmel Church, 4355 Del Mar Trails Rd. in San Diego. The Gala and Silent Auction will help support survivors of sex trafficking in San Diego. For more info, and to purchase tickets, go to childrenoftheimmaculateheart.org/events.



CHILD / YOUTH PROTECTION

Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy, parish employee, or volunteer can be made by calling (858) 490-8353 or by sending an email to misconduct@sdcatholic.org. Go to safeinourdiocese.org to read about efforts in the Diocese of San Diego to protect children, assist victims, and promote healing.

VISITOR CENTER & GIFT SHOP

Are you looking for a special gift? Look no further than our own Visitor Center and Gift Shop complete with religious articles, t-shirts, hats, mugs, and more! Gift certificates are also available. Open daily from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Self-guided tours of the Mission grounds begin there as well.

For info, call (619) 281-8449.

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BABY CLOTHES NEEDED

Birthingline is in need of clothing, including those for children, women’s clothes, maternity clothes, baby food, and pacifiers. Items can be brought to the Mission on the first weekend of every month. For more info, call Birthingline at (858) 270-2491.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

Join our faith community by completing a registration form at missionsandiego.org or visit our Visitor Center during regular business hours.

Marriage Help!
April 17-19

Not willing to let go of your marriage?
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Retrouvaille is a program designed to help struggling marriages regain their health. It helps a husband and a wife rediscover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together.

For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, call 951-259-9474 or visit helpourmarriage-sandiego.org




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Are you interested in participating in a health program that includes free exercise classes at Mission San Diego de Alcalá?

SDSU is also conducting research on health and physical activity and need study participants.



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2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Our Diocesan-assigned goal is: \$94,000

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Or, go to the ACA link on missionsandiego.org

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