

MISSION BASILICA SAN DIEGO DE ALCALÁ

APRIL 26, 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

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PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASS

Masses at Mission Church unless noted
SFC - Saint Francis Chapel

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

~FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER~

- 5:30 PM (SAT)** †John H. Keithly
- 7:30 AM** Francis Lee and Christina Choi
- 9:00 AM** For the People of the Parish
- 9:00 AM (SFC)** †Curtis Kalua
- 10:30 AM** †Rose Firster
- 10:30 AM (SFC)** †Pedro Espinoza
- 12:00 PM** †Tom Castonguay
- 5:30 PM (SFC)** †Joseph Yu

MONDAY, APRIL 27

~Easter Weekday~

- 7:00 AM** †John Branthoover
- 5:30 PM** Trisha Miki

TUESDAY, APRIL 28

~Easter Weekday~

- 7:00 AM** †Robert Dowd
- 5:30 PM** †Slyvia Molina

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

~St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin,
Doctor of the Church~

- 7:00 AM** Bombie Cabral Orbita
- 5:30 PM** Intention of the Priest

THURSDAY, APRIL 30

~Easter Weekday~

- 7:00 AM** Intention of the Priest
- 5:30 PM** Intention of the Priest

FRIDAY, MAY 1

~Easter Weekday~

- 7:00 AM** Joseph Brown
- 5:30 PM** For Priestly Vocations

SATURDAY, MAY 2

~St. Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church~

- 8:00 AM** †Araceli de Dios

SUNDAY, MAY 3

~FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER~

- 5:30 PM (SAT)** †Fred Rouch
- 7:30 AM** For the People of the Parish
- 9:00 AM** †James Bourbeau
- 9:00 AM (SFC)** †Rebecca Rodriguez Vasquez
- 10:30 AM** Intention of the Priest
- 10:30 AM (SFC)** Honorio Narciso
- 12:00 PM** †Joseph Meister
- 5:30 PM (SFC)** †Malcolm Barrack



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.” - Jn 10:2-3

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PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Tel: (619) 283-7319

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Open daily - 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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Tel: (619) 624-0900

MISSION HISTORY

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NAZARETH SCHOOL

Principal: Annalisa Burgos
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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>

Shepherds of Souls

BY ALICE CAMILLE



God has been the shepherd of souls for a long time, biblically speaking. “The Lord is my shepherd,” declares the psalmist.

“Like a shepherd he feeds his flock,” adds Deutero-Isaiah. There will be one shepherd whose authority is final, Ezekiel avows. This elevation of the shepherd to divine icon is odd, because the meandering herder was viewed with disdain by villagers and city-dwellers. Shepherds were dirty, uncivilized people more like the wilderness they inhabited than the genteel and governed citizenry.

Yet God is identified as an über-shepherd. Not in the same way the Lord is “king,” a title automatically conferring esteem. God is shepherd because of what the herder does: guide and guard. God is also shepherd because of the inauspicious nature of the sheep, identified with

us. Jesus adopts this title agreeably for both reasons: because he sees himself as the responsible, watchful shepherd and because he knows firsthand the low-functioning acuity and high vulnerability of his flock.

Jesus is also granted the title of king later, by no less an office than the Roman procurator. What’s noteworthy is that church leaders in the following generations, while they may suit up as kings and sit on throne-like chairs, will identify with the title episkopoi, “shepherd.” Before the end of the first century, Saint Paul’s farewell speech at Miletus as presented in Acts 20 will include the image of flocks protected from wolves by their appointed overseers. The crosier each bishop carries today is a reminder of this identification: The shepherd has risen from a despised laboring class to an ecclesiastical appointment. You can take the shepherd out of the field, but you shouldn’t take the herder’s humility

out of the episkopoi.

Today we intercede for our present shepherds and hope for their betterment, not to mention a swelling of their ranks. Despite the ceremonial robes, our shepherds share a task rich with humility, burdened by the care of souls still vulnerable to the dangers of the wilderness. Maybe the wolves are not the same packs prowling around Paul’s early flocks, but the need for sure guidance and vigilance is the same. All of us have responsibilities for church leadership: some to seek ordination or consecrated life, others to support the shepherds in prayer, attentiveness, and sharing of resources. But most of all we have to embrace the mutual humility of this relationship, whether as leaders or followers.

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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 **May 6**.
- A Pro-Life Rosary is prayed every first Thurs in the Mission Church at 5:00 pm. Next rosary: **May 7**.
- 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: **May 16**.



HAIL AND FAREWELL!

On April 15, Bishop Michael Pham announced a new assignment for **Fr. Dan Holgren**. Effective **July 1**, after two years of ministry here at the Mission San Diego as Associate Pastor, Fr. Dan will serve as Spiritual Director at the St. Francis Center for Priestly Formation as well as the Director of the Office for Liturgy and Spirituality at the Diocesan Pastoral Center. On that same date, **Fr. Miguel Romero Mozo, MSP**, will arrive to begin his assignment as Associate Pastor of the Mission San Diego. Fr. Miguel currently serves as spiritual director at the St. Francis Center for Priestly Formation.

GIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS

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



ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT AND FIRST SATURDAY MASS MISSION CHURCH

FRI, MAY 1

First Friday Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament (MBS)

7:00 am Mass followed by Exposition of the MBS

7:30 - 11:30 am Exposition of the MBS

11:35 am Benediction of the MBS with Nazareth School students

5:30 pm Mass for Vocations followed by Exposition of the MBS

6:00 - 6:30 pm Exposition of the MBS

6:35 pm Benediction of the MBS

SAT, MAY 2

8:00 am First Saturday Mass

SAVE THE DATE

The Festival of the Bells will be held from **July 17-19**.

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 April 9-15, 2026

Plate:	\$6,004.80
Envelope:	\$8,557.00
Online:	\$4,117.77
Total:	\$18,679.57
Easter Envelope	\$1,555.00

Thank you for your support of our parish!

BAPTISM

Welcome to the Christian Family!

Ghalia Helewa

Baptized on April 25

“You have become a new creation and clothed yourself in Christ...”

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 May, coin donations will go to Birthline of San Diego.

To support
Birthline Pregnancy Center
After all Masses, May 2 and 3, 2026

Please bring

NEW UNWRAPPED ITEMS ONLY

Clothing size 0-6 months
Blankets, Developmental Toys, Baby Wash Cloths and Towels,
Hats, Bibs, Baby Socks, Board Books, Diaper Rash Cream,
Diapers and Formula

Monetary Donations are Welcome and Appreciated
Checks should be made out to
Mission San Diego (Baby Shower in Memo)

Birthline is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping mothers in times of crisis. Our monthly diaper and formula collection benefits these mothers. This baby shower will help provide the needed layette given to each newborn.

For more info contact
Barbara Melkerson
(858) 736-4815

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

**Erin Dalton • Jose de la Garza • James Flynn • Bill Ipsen
Randy Little • Barry Nunns • Rick Randall
Nick Sokach • Mark Turner • Joey Umali • Christopher Wamsley**
**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.

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 Hutcherson at lissahutcherson@outlook.com. Go to missionsandiego.org/ocia for more info.

WEDDING COORDINATOR

If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity, becoming a wedding coordinator might be the perfect ministry for you. Responsibilities include working with the bride and groom regarding their wedding rehearsal and liturgy. For info, contact Jojo Randle at jrandle@missionsandiego.org.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

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

FLOCKNOTE

Keep in touch with parish events via text and email by signing up to receive our Flocknote. Sign up by texting the word “ALCALA” to 84576.

Mission-Aires

Welcoming New Members

The Mission-Aires promote goodwill and fellowship among parishioners of Mission Basilica San Diego de Alcalá. We are open to parishioners age 50+. Contact **Mary Blakemore**: mb92123@san.rr.com

HOLY MATRIMONY

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Karl Anderson and Madelyn O'Connor

who were married at the Mission San Diego on **Apr 25**.

May the Lord continue to bless you both with his life and love!

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.

MEN'S PERSPECTIVE GROUP

Join us in the Parish Office Conference Room from 4:00 to 5:00 pm. Next meeting: **Sun, May 3**. For more info, txt: Jerry Kwasek (619) 742-9591.

NAZARETH SCHOOL EVENTS

Nazareth School is fundraising with two upcoming golf events: 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.



Nazareth School Charity Golf Scramble

SUPPORTING EXCELLENCE IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION

EVENT AT A GLANCE

📅 DATE: **Friday, May 8, 2026**

📍 LOCATION: **Carlton Oaks Golf Club**



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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.

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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EXPIRES ON MAY 31, 2026

AROUND THE DIOCESE

- Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” Bring the peace of Christ into your marriage by taking part in a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience** on **May 1-3** at St. Charles Retreat Center. For more info go to: wwme.org

- **Beginning Experience**, an international ministry that helps the widowed, divorced and separated move beyond grief, will hold its next retreat during the **May 1-3** weekend at Prince of Peace Abbey in Oceanside. The weekend focuses on healing and moving beyond grief in a supportive and caring environment with others who are going through and have gone through the same experiences. For more information, email beginningexperiencesd@gmail.com or call (858) 748-2273.

- Our Mother of Confidence, 3131 Governor Dr, San Diego, will host a Festa! / Fiesta! Italiana/ Mexicana on **Thu, May 14**. Mass begins at 6:00 pm; dinner and a short program begin at 7:00 pm. The night will include an evening of prayer, music and food celebrating **Casa de los Pobres and the Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady of Peace**. All are welcome. RSVP by emailing: CasadelosPobresUSA@gmail.com.

- Bishop Michael Pham invites all families to join him in celebrating our Catholic faith as we are **“One Body in Christ”** on **Sat, May 23**, at Cathedral Catholic High School, 5555 Del Mar Heights Rd, San Diego. This annual event , which celebrates the mosaic of cultures and languages that bring our faith to life in our diocese, starts with Mass at 11:00 am followed by a festival where Catholic communities will share their history and culture with free food samplings and musical entertainment. Everyone is invited to this extraordinary celebration of the universality of our Church.

- Rachel's Hope is conducting a **Healing Retreat after Abortion** from **May 29-31** at St. Mary’s, 102 East 13th Ave. Escondido. This event is recognized by the Diocese of San Diego and confidentiality maintained. Group size is limited. Cost \$130; partial scholarships available. For info, call or text Andrea Finch, (619) 244-5021 or RachelsHope.org.

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@sdccatholic.org. Go to safeinourdiocese.org to read about efforts in the Diocese of San Diego to protect children, assist victims, and promote healing.

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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.



Scan the QR Code to see if you are eligible to participate in the study portion of Faith in Action.

ibach.faithinaction@sdsu.edu

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MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA

A Novena of Masses will be celebrated at the Mission San Diego **May 10-18** for both living and deceased mothers. Special cards and envelopes are available in the Mission Church and St. Francis Chapel. Completed envelopes may be returned to the Visitor Center and Gift Shop or by way of the usual collection baskets no later than **Sun, May 10**.

SINGERS WANTED

The Mission Choir is recruiting singers. Those interested must be committed to Thurs. night rehearsals and 12:00 pm Sunday Masses. If interested, contact Rebecca Pirtle at (619) 832-4917 or Gene Regard at generegard2@gmail.com.

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 crnmflcn2920@gmail.com.

IN MISSION, WE ARE ONE



2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

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

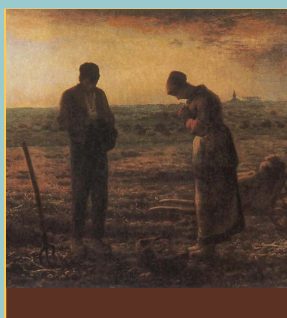
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Or, go to the ACA link on missionsandiego.org

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