



PARISH

COLLECTION FOR	MARCH 16 & 17, 2024
Church Collection:	\$.....11,157.00
Building Fund:	\$.....205.00
School Fund:	\$.....128.00
ACA:	\$.....902.00
Catholic Relief Svcs:	\$.....265.00

 Schedule recurring/offertory gifts or make one-time donations. Go to our church website to sign up today! www.hcccsantacruz.org.

On Line Giving Statistics — February 2024

Church	\$9,361.00
Building Fund	470.00
School	410.00
Catholic Radio	70.00
St. Vincent de Paul	180.00
Annual Catholic Appeal	155.00
Total	\$10,646.00

 By using your envelopes, you indicate your attendance at Mass. What you put inside the envelope is between you and God. **Parishioners** are asked to include first and last name as well as your mailing address on your supplementary envelopes.

SANCTUARY & LINEN CLEANING

MARCH 2024

TEAM 3 — Marie Castañeda - Adela Quintana
Feliz Esparza - Maria Quintana
Judy Martinez - Nicole Castañeda

BIBLE STUDY: On Thursday, March 28th at 6:30 pm at Marian Hall, Robert Romero will be leading these weekly Bible Studies.



3'x3' SQUARE PIECES OF HISTORICAL WOOD FROM HOLY CROSS CHURCH: Contact the parish office if you are interested in purchasing. They are available by donation.



IT ASSISTANCE: The parish office is looking for a volunteer to assist with IT stuff. Contact Noelle at the parish office.



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL CARMEL

Monthly meeting: 1st Sunday of each month

Sunday, April 7, 2024 at 10:00 am
at the Carmelita Chapel

If you are interested or have any questions, contact
Zelda Jaramillo at 505-927-8957



WEDNESDAY MARCH 27TH

English at 6:30 pm in Church
Spanish at 6:30 pm in the Meeting Room
Call the office to pre-register.



THE LANDSCAPING PROJECT IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH HAS GOTTEN STARTED ONCE AGAIN. We need to clean bricks, waterproof planters, install weed barriers, install gravel, transplant trees and cap light pillars. Call Dennis Duran at 505-690-3135 if you would like to assist with this project.

SURVEILLANCE COMMITTEE — We are needing volunteers to patrol the church/parking lots during the following Masses:

Saturday at 5:30 pm
Sunday at 12:30 and at 7:00 pm

Contact **Larry Martinez at 234-525-8293** or **Tony Martinez at 505-423-0372** if you would like to assist with this ministry. People are asked to be vigilant and to avoid leaving valuables visible in your vehicles during Mass times.

MEETINGS FOR MARCH 2024



St. Vincent de Paul — Monday, March 25th
at 6:00 pm in Meeting Room

MEETINGS FOR APRIL 2024

ACTS — Wednesday, April 10th at 6:30 pm
in Marian Hall

Altar & Rosary Society — Thursday, April 18th
at 6:30 pm in the Church

Catholic Daughters — Monday, April 15th
6:00 pm Mass with Meeting at 6:45 pm in Meeting Room

St. Vincent de Paul — Mondays, April 8th & 22nd
at 6:00 pm in Meeting Room

Fiesta de La Iglesia de Santa Cruz de la Cañada — Sunday, May 5th


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| 1st Prize: \$5,000 | 6th Prize: \$100 Gift Card |
| 2nd Prize: \$2,500 | 7th Prize: \$100 Gift Card |
| 3rd Prize: \$1,000 | 8th Prize: \$50 Gift Card |
| 4th Prize: \$500 | 9th Prize: \$50 Gift Card |
| 5th Prize: \$500 | 10th Prize: \$50 Gift Card |



\$5.00 per ticket or \$50.00 for 11 tickets, however by selling 10 to family, friends or others, you are free to keep the 11th for yourself. Additional tickets may be picked up at the church or parish office. **The individual who sells the most books of tickets will receive a surprise gift valued over \$100.** Need not be present to Win

MINISTRIES

Date & Time	Extraordinary Minister	Usher/Greeter	Lector/Commentator	Choir
Holy Thursday at 6pm	Acolytes	Gerald Romero Joseph Martinez	Diego Martinez, Frances Castellano & Audrey Mtz	Frances Castellano
Good Friday at 3pm	Acolytes	Jerry & Jeannie Abeyta	Chris & Renee Fresquez Narration—Deacons	Hermanos
Holy Saturday at 8pm	Acolytes	Steve, Pres Tony & Roger	RCIA	Jessica Pacheco
Easter Sunday at 7 am	Elena Gomez	Roman Martinez Mike Garcia	Diego & Audrey Martinez	Carlos Trujillo
Easter Sunday at 8:30 am	Janet Ortiz	Jose Perez	Angelica & Christopher, Jr.	Evelyn Juarez
Easter Sunday at 10:30 am	Mary Alice Molina Susie Trujillo	Gerald Romero Joseph Martinez	Shirley Herrera Erika Pavon	Delores Medina
Easter Sunday at 12:30 pm	Sylvia Williams	Tim, Michael & Tony	Jason Archuleta Julie Gonzales	Carlo Cala (Filipinos)

 **PRAYER LIST** — Small miracles born to addicts, the end to abortion, all persons suffering from any virus and all struggling with addictions. The Homebound, Elderly and their Caregivers. First Responders and Essential Workers.
Fr. Ron Carrillo, Fr. Luis Picazo, Monsignor Jerome Martinez y Alire, Sr. Thomas Estelle, Sr. Angie Gonzales, Maria Plans, Bishop Berg, Ronnie Lucero, Penny Salazar, Charles Stover, Natividad Manzanares, Anna Verley, Louie, Helen, Pete & Lydia Fresquez, Treah Jaramillo, Gonzalo Medina, Paul Redman, Max Martinez, Diego, Michael & Judy Salazar, Angela, Steven & David Montoya, Gertrude Calvert, Eloy, Isaac & Noelle, Tracy Thomas, Elisa Valdez, Nelson Cournoyer, Emma Rose Valdez, Sherry, R. Baca, Divina Torres, Loretto Garcia, Zachary & Matthew Salazar, Patricia & Joshua Garduño, Yvonne, James & Antonio Salazar, Zulema Martinez, Thomas Martinez & Family, Debbie Montoya, Tim & Theodora Valdez, Ernie Medina, Marek Trujillo, Matthew Maestas, Kohen Roybal & Family, Debbie Gurule, Elmer Lucero Jr., Teofilo & Amelia Martinez, Matthew Montoya, Debbie Vigil, Leonard Chavez, Ryan Maestas, Maria Carmen Sandoval, Rita Porras, Jeanette Ramos, Isabel Torres, Judy Perez, Amy & son, Tony Sanchez, Silviano Quintana, Manuel Quintana, Alice Martinez, Carmela Martinez, Dawn Gallegos, Dollie, Sherry, Peggy Valdez, Nicholas J. Lopez, Armando Montoya, Fidel Duarte, Bryant Romero, Amiel Elizio, Daisy, Gladys, Nora Archuleta, Jacqueline Montoya, Anita Olivas, Andrea, Terrance Padilla, Terry Martinez, Tonita Chacon, Margie Martinez' Family, Suzie Coriz, Charlotte Garcia, Fredrick Trujillo, Amanda Salazar-Gallegos, Armando (Hack) Lucero, John Arriola, D. Herrera, Carla Montoya, Kat Fishmen, Anthony Bustos, Eddie Pacheco, Judy Perez, Amy Sanchez, Stacia, Lillian Lucero-Montoya, Angela P. Trujillo, Mabel Jaramillo, Frances Hoover, Cynthia Martinez, Esther Velasquez, Gary Archuleta, Estrella C., Gracelyn Danielle, Harold & Vangie Archuleta, John & Jordan Foster, Robert Olguin, Nichole Paña, Doris, Robert Griego, David Maestas, Suzan Roybal, Tim Gonzalez, Pearl Gutierrez, Rudy & Annette, Michelle Rason, Reyecita Viarrial, Harold Archuleta, Evangeline Bustos-Archuleta, John Naranjo, Cindy Baca, Yolanda & Michelle Romero, Steve Mullins, Steven Sanchez, Jeanette, Joseph, Delfin & Steve Montoya, Neri Reynolds, Jacob Eyon, Gavina Velarde, Susie, Cruz & Jerome Gonzales, Xavier Trujillo, Tommy Ryan, Adrianna Duncan, Richard Cardena, Erica Baca, Michelle Romero, James Dunnaway, Efrain Carranza, Sofia Chavez, Gladys & Roy Mares, Vicente Valdez, Rogelio Aravalo & Joseph (Joe) Montoya.
We pray for physical and spiritual healing and safety.

RCIA *“Blessed is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world . . .”* We pray this at every Liturgy of the Eucharist in Mass. It is a powerful prayer acknowledging what John the Baptist first prophesied when he saw Jesus coming toward him: *“Look, there is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world . . . I saw the Spirit come down on him like a dove from heaven and rest on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptize with water had said to me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is to baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ I have seen and I testify that he is the Chosen One of God.”*

John’s testimony has been given to us so that we may know that it is Jesus who is our healer, our savior, our redeemer. A beautiful teaching on the *Lamb of God* will be presented in RCIA by Manuel Gonzales. We meet Wednesday at 7 pm in the Religious Education Center. Attending RCIA each week are those preparing for Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist along with their Sponsors and members of Holy Cross who want to continue growing in their faith.

Jesus, as the *Lamb of God*, came to offer his life as a suffering Messiah. No longer would there be any need for the annual sacrifice of unblemished lambs offered at Passover for the forgiveness of sins . . . Jesus would be the final sacrifice offered for our salvation, once and for all. Jesus made the most difficult sacrifice anyone could or would ever make. He did this for us! He did this for our salvation! His passion, death and resurrection would bring us the most glorious *Pass-over* from death to life forever! **As Catholic Christians, we stand in awe recognizing the sacrifice he made for us on the cross!**

Jesus gave his life so that we could be free—free to love God, to love others, and to love ourselves. In the sorrowful mysteries of the rosary, we remember five events in Jesus’ life where his suffering was greatest:

The agony in the Garden of Gethsemane where he went to pray.
The scourging at the pillar where Jesus is whipped and beaten.
The crowning with thorns where Jesus is mocked as king, thorns pressed deeply.
The carrying of the cross where Jesus carries the heavy weight of the wood.
The crucifixion where Jesus is nailed to the cross and dies.



And in each of these sufferings, **Jesus asks us to be with him.** The prayer of the rosary is so powerful for us because we share with Mary the events in Jesus’ life which led from his birth to his suffering . . . to his death . . . to his life!

Today our Elect and our Candidates will go through the Third Scrutiny at the 6 pm Mass. They will hear the story of the raising of Lazarus to understand the transformation of life over death. This Scrutiny helps the Elect and all of us undergo this transformation as we retell the Easter event. Please pray for our Elect, our Candidates and their Sponsors that they may continue preparing well to receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil.



NOVENA OF DIVINE MERCY

Good Friday — after 7:00 pm Stations and procession
Holy Saturday — 7:30 pm in church
Easter Sunday through Easter Saturday — before each mass

HOW TO RECEIVE THE GRACES OF DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

To receive these graces, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil celebration) by making a good confession beforehand and staying in the state of grace (it is freedom from attachment to sin) and trusting in His Divine Mercy.

By these conditions, our Lord is emphasizing the value of confession and Holy Communion as miracles of mercy. The Eucharist is Jesus, Himself, the Living God, longing to pour Himself as Mercy into our hearts.

In addition, if we want to receive mercy we must be merciful. Our Lord told Saint Faustina:

“Yes the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be acts of mercy” (742).



Friday, March 29, 2024 FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (Good Friday)
6:00 A.M. Church open for personal prayer & morning prayer with Las Palmas
7:00 A.M. Pilgrimage to Santuario
3:00 P.M. Liturgy of the Cross — Live streamed
5:15 P.M. Live Stations of the Cross — Live streamed
7:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross with procession — Live streamed
Novena of Divine Mercy to follow with Hermanos



Saturday, March 30, 2024 Holy Saturday — EASTER VIGIL
7:30 P.M. Novena of Divine Mercy in church
8:00 P.M. Easter Vigil — Live streamed



Sunday, March 31, 2024 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
7:00 A.M. Living & deceased Family of Elena Gomez by Elena S. Gomez
†Alfred Roybal by Robert & Peggy Suazo-Romero
†Joseph & †Wilbert Salazar by Mom & Dad
†Eustavio (Gus) & †Sergen Martinez by Martinez Family
†John L. Garcia by Michael & Lucille Garcia
8:30 A.M. Transmisión en vivo
†Luis L., †Frances T. y †Peter L. Atencio intención Familia Atencio
†Maria F., †Rafael y †Anna Maria Atencio intención Familia Atencio
†Eugene L. Garcia y †Jacob Martinez intención Familia Atencio
†Biterbo, †Zulema y †David Quintana intención de la Familia
†Ricardo Lucero intención de la Familia
10:30 A.M. Live streamed
For the People of the Parish
Healing of the People & Land of our Community
†Joseph, †Roland & †Brandon Garcia by Mark, Angela & Girls
†Waldo, †Faye Martinez & †Connie Abeyta by Jerry, Jeannie Abeyta & Family
†Odila, †Matias Montoya & deceased Family Members of Angela Montoya
†Arsenio & †Angela Martinez by Marie Castañeda & Family
†Mary Lou, †Joseph & †Jennifer Salazar by Brian, Noelle Maestas & Family
12:30 P.M. †Richard Lucero by Pres & Marie Garcia
†Don, †Andrilita & †Guadalupe Espinoza by Dennis & Margaret Trujillo
†Louisa Martinez, †Rosendo Salazar & †Joey Romero by Dennis & Margaret Trujillo
†Helen Finch by Elmer & Alice Lucero
†David Velasquez by Brian, Noelle Maestas & Family
6:00 P.M. No Mass



SERVICES AT LA MORADA DE NUESTRO PADRE JESÚS NAZARENO IN SANTA CRUZ

The Hermanos of the Morada of Santa Cruz (Nuestro Padre Jesús Nazareno) would like to invite everyone to the following Lenten Services:

Holy Thursday, March 28th at 10:00 pm — Tinieblas
Good Friday, March 29th at 10:00 am — Via Crucis (Stations of the Cross)



GOOD FRIDAY PONTIFICAL COLLECTION: Pope Francis has asked us to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines as well as provide humanitarian aid to refugees. **Please be generous!** For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday.



Monday, March 25, 2024 Monday of Holy Week

7:00 A.M. En acción de gracias al Santo Niño de Atocha intención Familia Quezada
Holy Souls in Purgatory and birthday blessing to David by Mom & Dad
†Jimmy Serrano (1yr) by Gilbert & Carmen Serrano
†Gilbert Atencio by Cecilia Lujan
†Danny Cournoyer (27yrs) by Nelson & Family

5:00 P.M. Patriotic Rosary

6:00 P.M. Live streamed
†Cordilia Martinez (2yrs) by Sam, Debbie & Andrea Montoya
†Candice Velasquez by Monica Naranjo & Family
†Aaron Gallegos (10yrs) by Modesto & Mickie Gallegos
†Jeanette Lucero
†Josie & †Charles Cortez by Glorianna & Willie Atencio

6:30 P.M. RCIA Confessions



The Parish Office
will be closed on
Good Friday

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00 A.M. †Grace, †Miguel A. & †Cordelia Atencio by the Family
†Cecilia Lujan (17yrs) by Elma Leyba & Sylvia Fernandez
†Gilbert Atencio by Alma Hirkala
†Jeanette Lucero by Fofó & MaryAnn Abeyta
†Mr. & †Mrs. Joe Love by Chiello Family

8:30 A.M. Holy Cross Catholic School — Stations of the Cross

5:30 P.M. Transmisión en vivo
Estaciones de la Cruz seguidas de Misa a las 6:00 pm
Salud, buen estar y seguridad de Judy Perez intención Manuel & Erlinda Quintana
Familia, Padientes y Amigos, vivos y difuntos de Manuel y Erlinda Quintana
†Lolo y †Alice Maestas intención de la Familia
†Ramon y †Clorinda Fresquez intención Familia Naranjo
†Gilbert Atencio



Confessions
Holy Thursday
2-4:00 pm



Wednesday, March 27, 2024 Wednesday of Holy Week

7:00 A.M. †Rosemary Wilson (birthday remembrance) by Liz Martinez
†Andrew Ceballes by the Family
†Gilbert Atencio by Guillen Family
†Jeanette Lucero by Don & LaVerne Martinez
†Mr. & †Mrs. Salvatore Chiello by Chiello Family

5:15 P.M. Latin Rosary

6:00 P.M. Live streamed
Health & well being of Cynthia Martinez by Mark, Angela & Girls
Birthday blessing to Geraldo Anaya by Anaya Family
Living & deceased Family Members of Gustavo & Marina Romero
†Michael Torrez by Beverly Torrez
†Jenny Raes (2yrs) by Brenda
†Rosemary Wilson (birthday remembrance) by Vallo Family



Thursday, March 28, 2024 HOLY THURSDAY — MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

9:00 A.M. Holy Cross Catholic School — Washing of the Feet — Live streamed

2-4:00 P.M. Confessions

6:00 P.M. Mass in English — Live streamed
The People of the Parish
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 pm



SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

THURSDAY OF THE LORD’S SUPPER: Memory. As time goes on, as we age, memories fade. We establish memorials so that we forever remember significant events and extraordinary people. On Memorial Day, we remember those who lost their lives in war. The Lincoln Memorial honors one of our greatest presidents. Turning to this evening’s readings, the Lord tells Moses and Aaron that the Passover meal is to be celebrated perpetually, a memorial feast passed from generation to generation. Therefore, Jews celebrate a Seder meal every Passover to this day. Paul writes that on the night before he died, Jesus offered his body and blood to his disciples around the table, instructing them to eat and drink in remembrance of him. For this reason Christians celebrate the Eucharist to this day. But John tells us that Jesus did something else that night: He washed his disciples’ feet. Their teacher and master performed an act of extreme servitude. Then he made his intention explicit, telling them that they were to do the same. Therefore, both our celebration of the Eucharist and our service to others memorialize our Lord. By doing each, we forever remember what it truly means to be Christian.



What do you do to always keep in mind the meaning of being a Christian?

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD — GOOD FRIDAY: The religious and political authorities in Jerusalem expected that nailing Jesus to a cross would bring his disruptive influence to an end. They figured that his public execution on a cross in prominent place would make him an object of ridicule and provide a warning to all his followers. But they could not have been more wrong. By accepting it, by dying on behalf of us all, Jesus transformed the cross from a symbol of ignominy and death to one of triumph and salvation. He became the innocent scapegoat Isaiah had prophesied, “raised high and greatly exalted” (52:13). By obediently submitting himself to be nailed to a cross, he could stretch out his arms to embrace the whole of sinful humanity and carry us to glory with him. So for nearly two thousand years, the cross has been perhaps the most fundamental symbol of our faith. We make the sign of the cross with our hand, we hang a crucifix in our homes, and in this liturgy we venerate the cross, recognizing its essential role in allowing our Lord to save us.



How do you yourself take up the cross,
revealing God’s glory by dying to self and reaching out in selfless love to others?

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD — EASTER VIGIL: Darkness enveloped the land as Jesus died on the cross. While his body lay in the tomb, his disciples must have felt a darkness in the world akin to that which had covered the abyss before the world was created. The light of the world had gone out. We may feel that darkness as well when grieving the loss of a loved one, when suffering from a terrible illness or injury, or even when watching the news. This evening’s liturgy begins in literal darkness, but this darkness is overcome by the light of the Easter candle, much as the metaphorical darkness of our life, the sin of the world, is overcome by the light of Christ. Tonight, we gradually spread that light as we pass it on to those around us, making our world brighter, joyful, hopeful. Alleluia! On that first Easter morning, when the women went to the tomb after the sun/Son had risen, the angel told them to pass the amazing news on to the other disciples. Much as we pass the light on to our neighbors in this place, much as we and others have passed the light on to those who will be baptized today, much as the light was passed on to us years ago, we continually pass the light of the world on to our corner of the world, for the true light of the world ever overcomes the darkness.



How will you pass on the light to overcome the darkness you see in the world?

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD — MASS DURING THE DAY: Today we celebrate Jesus’ ultimate victory over sin and death. We encounter the empty tomb in today’s Gospel, this glorious sign of the power God has over the grave. But the Gospel reminds us that this was not so apparent to his disciples, on that first Easter morning. Mary Magdalene assumed someone had taken his body. Peter and the other disciple were confused; they couldn’t understand. Undoubtedly, they were devastated by Jesus’ death and still couldn’t think clearly. His crucifixion, they could see. *That* they could understand . . . or so they thought. Today’s first reading shows how much Peter’s understanding grew. After the risen Lord appeared to him and the other disciples, after they received the Holy Spirit, after Jesus commissioned them to preach and baptize and make disciples, Peter could stand in front of a group of Gentiles and confidently testify to Jesus’ resurrection and all that had happened before and after. Now, as baptized Christians, this is *our* commission. Through words and action, through the charity we do and the prayers we offer, through our works of mercy and love, we bear witness to the Easter message: He has been raised. He is with us always.



How can you give witness to our Easter joy, today and always?