

# Saint Joseph Church

✠ ROMAN CATHOLIC ✠

PRE-VATICAN II - TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

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## Easter Sunday

April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026

*Rev. Carlos A. Ercoli - Rev. Héctor L. Romero*



*The Resurrection of Christ*

*“You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified:  
he is risen, he is not here.” (Mark 16, 6)*

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\* **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK** \*

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Sunday, April 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> Easter Remembrance Envelopes	<b>5:30 P.M.</b>
Monday, April 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>EASTER MONDAY</b> In thanksgiving ( <i>Mrs. Lan Hoang</i> )	
Tuesday, April 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>EASTER TUESDAY</b> ✠Special Intention ( <i>Fr. Ercoli</i> )	
Wednesday, April 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Easter Wednesday</b> ✠Agnes Awai -birthday ( <i>Mrs. Joan Pang</i> )	
Thursday, April 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Easter Thursday</b> Safe travels ( <i>Ms. Ivy Vu</i> )	
Friday, April 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Easter Friday</b> Mr. John Wittman ( <i>Mrs. Joan Pang</i> )	
Saturday, April 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Easter Saturday</b> ✠Most forgotten souls ( <i>Mrs. Thérèse Blanchet</i> )	
Sunday, April 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>LOW SUNDAY</b> My family ( <i>Mrs. Yvonne Neer</i> )	<b>5:30 P.M.</b>

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\* **ANNOUNCEMENTS** \*

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\* *A Blessed Easter to all of Our Parishioners* \*

- **A SPECIAL THANK YOU:** to all the parishioners who attended the sacred ceremonies during the Holy Week, and helped with their preparation. In particular, our compliments to the members of the Choir and the Altar Servers. May God reward your generous effort. Blessed & Happy Easter to all!
- **EASTER OCTAVE REMEMBRANCE ENVELOPES:** are offered today until Low Sunday.
- **EASTER POTLUCK AT ST. JOSEPH.** You are all invited to join us today to celebrate Easter.
- **EASTER DUTY:** all parishioners are reminded of this serious obligation to be performed between the *First Sunday of Lent* and *Trinity Sunday*. Negligence of this precept constitutes a mortal sin.

*Resurrection of Christ*

*"...Now since you are celebrating the holy Pascha, you should know, brethren, what the Pascha is. Pascha means the crossing-over; and so the Festival is called by this name. For it was on this day that the Children of Israel crossed over out of Egypt, and the Son of God crossed over from this world to His Father. What gain is it to celebrate unless you imitate Him Whom you worship; that is, unless you cross over from Egypt, that is, from the darkness of evil-doing to the light of virtue, from the love of this world to the love of your heavenly home?" —St. Ambrose of Milan*

**L**et us rejoice at seeing in His risen glory our Saviour, our Father, the best Friend we possess. Let us rejoice, too, for our own sakes, because the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is for us a sure pledge of our own resurrection and of the glory we hope one day to have in Heaven in our soul and body.

• Jesus came into the world not only to redeem us, but by His example to teach us all virtues, and especially humility, and holy poverty which is inseparably united with humility. For this it was, He chose to be born in a cave; to live as a poor man in a workshop for thirty years; and at last to die, poor and naked, on a Cross, seeing His garments divided amongst the soldiers before He breathed His last; while, after His death, He receives the winding-sheet for His burial as an alms from others.

Let the poor be consoled at seeing Jesus Christ, the King of Heaven and earth, thus living and dying in poverty in order to enrich us with His merits and gifts. *For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that being rich he became poor for your sakes, that through his poverty you might be rich* (2 Cor. 8, 9). For this cause the Saints, in order to become like unto Jesus in His poverty, despised all earthly riches and honors, so that one day they might go to enjoy with Jesus Christ the riches and honors prepared by God in Heaven for them that love Him. And speaking of these blessings the Apostle St. Paul says *that eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, nor hath it entered into the heart of man what things God hath prepared for them that love him* (1 Cor. 9).

• Jesus Christ, then, rose from the dead with the glory of possessing all power in Heaven and on earth, not only as God, but as Man. All the angels and all men are therefore subject to Him. Let us rejoice in thus seeing in glory our Savior, our Father, and the best Friend we possess.

And let us rejoice for ourselves, because the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is for us a sure pledge of our own Resurrection, and of the glory that we may hope one day to have in Heaven in our soul and in our body. This hope gave courage to the Martyrs to suffer with gladness all the evils of life, and the most cruel torments of tyrants. We must rest assured, however, that none will rejoice with Jesus Christ but they who are willing to suffer in this world with Him; nor will he obtain the crown who does not fight as he ought to fight. *He that striveth, for the mastery is not crowned except he strive lawfully* (2 Tim. 2, 5). At the same time let us be assured by what the same Apostle says: *that all the sufferings of this life are short and light in comparison with the boundless and eternal joys we hope to enjoy in Paradise* (2 Cor. 4, 17). Let us labor the more to continue in the grace of God, and continually to pray for perseverance in God's friendship. Without continual prayer we shall not obtain perseverance, and without perseverance we shall not be saved.

*O sweet Jesus, worthy of all love, how hast Thou so loved men that, in order to show Thy love, Thou hast not refused to die wounded and dishonored on an infamous tree! O my God, how is it there are so few among men who love Thee with their whole heart? O my dear Redeemer, I wish to be one of these few. Miserable that I am to have forgotten Thy love in the past, and given up Thy grace for miserable pleasures! I know the evil I have done. I grieve over it with my whole heart and would wish to die of grief. O my beloved Redeemer, I love Thee now more than myself and am ready to die a thousand deaths rather than lose Thy friendship. Jesus, I thank Thee for the light Thou hast given me. O Jesus, my Hope, leave me not in my own hands. Help me until death.*

*O Mary, Mother of God, pray to Jesus for me.*



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\* A NOTE TO NEWCOMERS \*

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Welcome to the traditional Latin Mass, and to the unchanged Catholic Faith. The priests and parishioners of St. Joseph Church reject the changes of Vatican II. They want to preserve the Roman Catholic Faith by maintaining everything that was taught and done by the Church prior to Vatican II. In order to receive the sacraments here, it is therefore necessary that you attend exclusively the traditional Latin Mass, and avoid the new Mass and reformed sacraments. We also invite you to take our booklet entitled *The Traditional Latin Mass*, which is very informative. We encourage you to visit our bookstore for some additional reading & information about the present crisis in the Church.

\* PLEASE, OBSERVE OUR DRESS CODE \*

**For Men:** A shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes on Sundays and holy days of obligation. No earrings. **For Ladies:** A dress or skirt is required; no pants. The skirt must at least cover the knee, and should not be tight or otherwise revealing in any way. Immodest slits are forbidden. Clothing should be loose and not form-fitting. A head covering is also required. See-through blouses are forbidden, as well as clothing which is low-cut. **For Everyone:** No tennis shoes, sandals, denim, even on weekdays. The standards of Catholic modesty must be observed.

\* APPOINTMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION \*



If you wish to make an appointment with the priest, please call the rectory at **(206) 299-1522**. **Baptisms** are by appointment. At least one of the **Parents & Godparents** must be practicing Catholics in good standing who reject the changes of Vatican II. If you are contemplating **Matrimony**, catechism instructions may be needed; depending on the case, you may need to contact the priest as early as one year in advance of your wedding. When making arrangements for **Funerals**, please contact the priest before contacting the funeral director. **Extreme Unction & Sick Calls**, please do not put off making arrangements until the last moment. Let us know if a member of the Chapel is sick, hospitalized or in danger of death. For any emergency, please call **Fr. Ercoli** at **(586) 215-3251**.

- **Confession Schedule:** Sundays & Holydays, 30 minutes before Mass. Saturdays after Mass.
- **Blessing of Religious Articles:** Every First Sunday of the month at the communion rail.
- **Mass Intentions:** For your Mass requests there are Mass Intention envelopes available in vestibule.
- **Building Fund:** A 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection is taken on the *First Sundays* of each month. This Special Collection will go toward remodeling and building expenses.
- **St. Lawrence Poor Box:** Donations will help the poor and needy. *“He who gives to the poor suffers no want, but he who ignores them shall suffer indigence.”* (Prov. 28:27)
- **Purgatory League:** Holy Mass & Prayers for our deceased parishioners are offered on the First Sunday of each month. *May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*
- **Registration at St. Joseph Church:** If you intend to attend Holy Redeemer Chapel regularly, please complete the Registration Card in the vestibule.