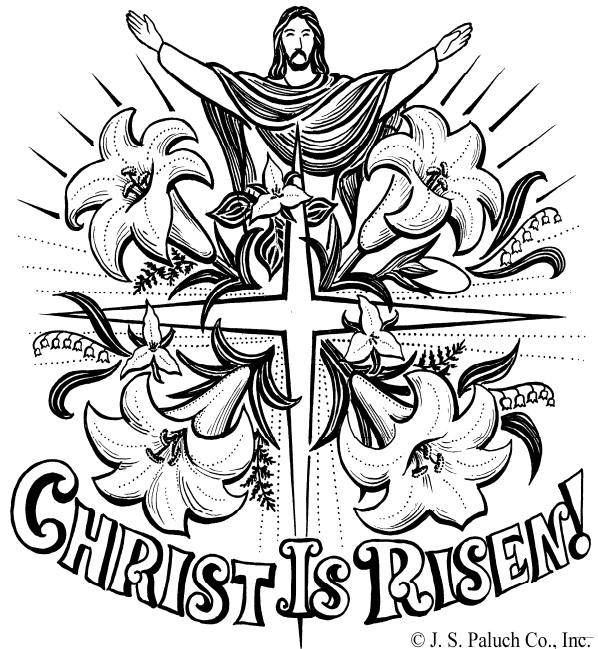


<b>Saturday</b>	Apr. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8:00pm	✠Luz D. Onofre - Wife & Family ✠Joe & Olvia Benavides - Family ✠Tina Garcia - Comadre & Louis Reyes
<b>Sunday</b>	Apr. 4 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am	✠Raul Dorado - Wife ✠Tommie Fonseca - Fonseca Family ✠Juan Silva - Wife & Family
		10:00am	For the People of our Parish Community ✠Alfonso & Aimee - Hernandez Family ✠Roman Zambrano - Ramirez Family
		12:00pm	✠Rodolfo Guevara - Family ✠Melida Garza - Marjorie Cooper ✠Tina Garcia - Rectory Staff
<b>Monday</b>	Apr. 5 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	For All Priests
<b>Tuesday</b>	Apr. 6 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	✠Herminia T. Cruz - Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	Apr. 7 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	✠Luis Rivas - Daughter, Vicky
<b>Thursday</b>	Apr. 8 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Services</b>
<b>Friday</b>	Apr. 9 <sup>th</sup>	8:15am	✠Tina Garcia - M/M Luis Duran
<b>Saturday</b>	Apr.10 <sup>th</sup>	5:00pm	Intentions for the Campos Family ✠Jose, Juana & Jesus Castillo - Family ✠Darrell Herrera - Mom
<b>Sunday</b>	Apr.11 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am	✠Andrea Valladares - Enriqueta Hernandez ✠Julia Flores - Josephine Guerra ✠Helen Ayala - Rosalinda Garza
		10:00am	✠Juan Chapa - Wife & Family ✠Violet Danino - Garcia Family ✠Albert P. Ruiz - Wife
		12:00pm	For the People of our Parish Community ✠Julian Gonzales - Family ✠Tina Garcia - Rectory Staff



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+Deceased      I.T.G. - In Thanksgiving      G.O.L. - Gift of Life

THIS WEEK		
<b>Mon. Apr. 5<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00pm	Ultreya (Church) - Share/Word (Cafe)
<b>Tues. Apr. 6<sup>th</sup></b>	6:00pm	Guadalupanas (Cafe)
	7:00pm	Light of the World (Chapel)
<b>Wed. Apr. 7<sup>th</sup></b>	6:30pm	Grief Group (Chapel)
<b>Thur. Apr. 8<sup>th</sup></b>	6:30pm	W-ACTS (Room 15)
	7:00pm	Mass on the Grass Meeting (Cafe)
<b>Sat. Apr. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00pm	Rummage Sale (Parking Lot)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
<b>Monday:</b>	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35
<b>Thursday:</b>	Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48
<b>Friday:</b>	Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14
<b>Saturday:</b>	Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

March 28, 2010 Collection			
Envelopes	\$4,296.60	5:00pm	\$1,080.90
Loose	\$1,582.31	8:00am	\$1,362.55
Mass on the Grass	\$ 609.00	10:00am	\$1,808.29
School	\$ 127.84	12:00pm	\$1,363.07
		Mail In	\$ 264.10

**H.E.B. GIFT CARDS**  
 We sell H.E.B. gift cards. The next time you get ready to go to the store please buy one of these cards from us. These cards are valid for all grocery and gasoline purchases. The church will get back 4% of what you spend. From July 2007 to June 2008 we got \$1,004.20 from H.E.B. Please consider purchasing your groceries this way and tell all your friends and neighbors about it. The more people that buy these cards from us the more money will be given back to the church.

**† PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH †**  
 Ray Almaguer, Cecilia Espinoza, Monica Younger, Ray & Anthony Pérez, Tommy Martinez, José & Lucila Flores, Hilda De La Zerda, Benito Agustín Perales, Connie Tenorio, Joe Julián Moreno, Rita Pérez, Catarina García, Joe Moreno, George Moreno, Amalia Moreno, Miranda Sanchez, Melanie Sanchez, Mary V. Garcia, María Espino, Lucy Clare Treviño, Jesse Mario Vega, Frances Ramirez, Edward Jiménez, Virginia Silva, George L. Hernandez, Raúl Tapia, Robert A. Gallegos, Elvira Moreno, Febronio Torres and Frank Barrera.

**APRIL NEWSLETTER**  
 Don't forget to get an April newsletter from the ushers as you leave mass today. Since Fr. Rudy cannot speak to each parishioner individually he uses this way to keep you informed about what is going on in our parish as well as his thoughts and feelings on certain subjects. If you want to respond to something he wrote please send him an email at fatherrudy@yahoo.com or call him at 434-3247.

**WELCOME TO THE COMMUNITY**  
 You are invited to register in the rectory office on Monday-Friday from 9:00am -5:00pm and 10:00am-2:00pm on Saturdays. You can register with the parish and obtain collection envelopes.

**† REST IN PEACE †**  
 We pray for the souls of our departed friends and relatives and those who were buried from our parish community, especially Carlos V. Garza.



**Easter Sunday**

**April 1, 2010**

**EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED**

We all know what to expect of Easter: lots of lilies around the altar, our "Alleluia" joyfully sung over and over, perhaps a tasty ham dinner later in the day, topped off by some chocolates from the Easter basket. But all of this began, as we hear in today's Gospel, with the "unexpected" when Mary Magdalene found the tomb empty. Indeed, Peter's speech from Acts in the first reading could insert the phrase "you might have expected" at a number of points . . . that Jesus would baptize John, not the other way around . . . that his healing and exorcising ministry would win him acclaim, not death . . . that his resurrection would place him in another dimension, not back at table with his followers. On a day like Easter, a day filled with traditions, customs, and expectations, we are called more than ever to keep looking for God's will in unexpected places, people, and events. In this way we can continue to give witness, like Mary Magdalene and Peter, that Christ is truly risen from dead, and continues to live among us. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

**THANKSGIVING**

Fr. Rudy is very grateful to all those who came to his birthday party in February. The total amount of money he received was \$ 6,942.13. All this money was given to the church and used for the work done to the parking lot which included repairing a 480 square foot area of asphalt, removing the concrete on the curb near the north west side of the church, repairing pot holes, putting two coats of sealer on 77,195 sq. feet of asphalt and stripping the parking lot. Total cost of this project was \$9,925.00. After deducting Fr. Rudy's birthday money the church paid \$2,982.87. May God bless all those generous individuals and families who helped to make this possible.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know in the Mass, after the intercessions, the Eucharistic Prayer is concluded and summarized with the final doxology, "through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit..." It is a solemn statement of praise and thanksgiving to which all in the assembly respond, "Amen". This "Great Amen" is the people's assent to the Eucharistic prayer for which they take ownership. Because of its great importance and to make it more effective, it is sung.

**THE LEGEND OF THE EASTER EGG**

Simon of Cyrene was walking to the market place in Jerusalem with a basket of eggs, when he came upon a crowd of people. A Roman soldier came over to Simon and said, "Follow me." Simon was told to help a man, called Jesus carry a heavy cross that Jesus would be crucified on later that day. Simon put his basket of eggs to the side and went to help Jesus. Along the difficult way, Simon became friends with the man who was going to die. Jesus shared with Simon some of His teachings. Before the soldiers nailed Jesus to the cross, He thanked Simon and whispered in his ear, "I will give you a sign that I have spoken the truth and you will know that I have risen from the dead." Later that day, Simon was saddened by the death of Jesus. He was hoping the promise that Jesus made would come true, but he received a sign. After two days went by, Simon suddenly remembered his basket of eggs. He ran to the marketplace to find them. When he looked in the basket, he saw the sign that Jesus had promised. Each of the eggs had changed. Some were brightly colored and others had beautiful designs on them. Simon knew that Jesus was alive! As he ran to tell his friends, shouts of "Alleluia" were heard all over Jerusalem.

**CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUND**

A donation to the Capital Expenditure Fund has been made by the Cena Family in honor of Natalie Cena. If you would like to make a contribution to the fund in memory of someone please contact Fr. Rudy.

**STEWARDSHIP**

GOD HAS GOOD WORKS FOR YOU TO DO DURING YOUR LIFETIME

**Think about, discuss or pray about the verses that relates most to your life:**

**EPH 2:10** For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.

**Matt 5:16** "Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father".

**1 Tim 6:18-19** Tell them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous, ready to share, thus accumulating as treasure a good foundation for the future, so as to win the life that is true life.

**Many people go to their graves, with God's unplayed music still inside of them.**

**Be all that God has called you and equipped you to be.**

**MASS ON THE GRASS**

Our annual festival is just four weeks away. In order to make it as profitable as possible we will need the help of as many people as possible. The next meeting will be on Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm in the school cafeteria. Everyone has something to offer. If we can come together and offer all these gifts for the good of our church and school we will be very successful and the festival will not be a burden to anyone. Please make plans to come to the meeting and make our up-coming festival the best one yet.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

On April 14<sup>th</sup> there will be a meeting for the parents and children who attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> year First Communion Classes. This meeting will be on a Wednesday from 6:30 to 8:30pm in the cafeteria.

**CHURCH BEHAVIOR**

The noise in the church at the 12:00 noon mass is extremely loud with many people talking and laughing and carrying on. We need to be respectful to others who want quiet time to pray and reflect. If you need to talk to someone please keep your voice down or else go outside. Every one is asked to do their part with this concern and help us restore the dignity to our worship space. Please dress appropriately and don't forget to bow your head prior to receiving the Eucharist. We do this as a sign of respect.

**GUADALUPANAS**

Our Guadalupana Society works very hard on their numerous fundraisers and uses most of their hard earned money for the parish. They pay for the host and altar wine we use at mass as well as any other item needed for our church. While these women never complain they could always use new members to help them with their good works. If you would like to know more about this group please come to the next meeting which will be on Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the cafeteria.

**100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

We will be celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a parish with a special mass celebrated by Archbishop Gomez and former priests of our parish on August 8, 2010 at 9:00am. To prepare for this we will need the help of as many people as possible. Besides the mass there will be a pictorial directory, dinner, opening of the time capsule, and many other fun things to plan for. If you would like to part of this once-in-a-lifetime event please come to the next meeting which will be on Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the cafeteria.

**SJB RUMMAGE SALE**

We will be having a rummage sale next Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00am-2:00pm. Cost for one space is \$15.00 dollars, without a table and is non refundable, all spaces will be by reservation only. If you would like to reserve a space or want more information please visit the rectory office Monday–Thursday 9:00am – 5:00pm or call Lydia Ramirez at 704-7837 or email her at svdp@stjohnberchmans.com. All the money made on this goes to our Capital Expenditure Fund.