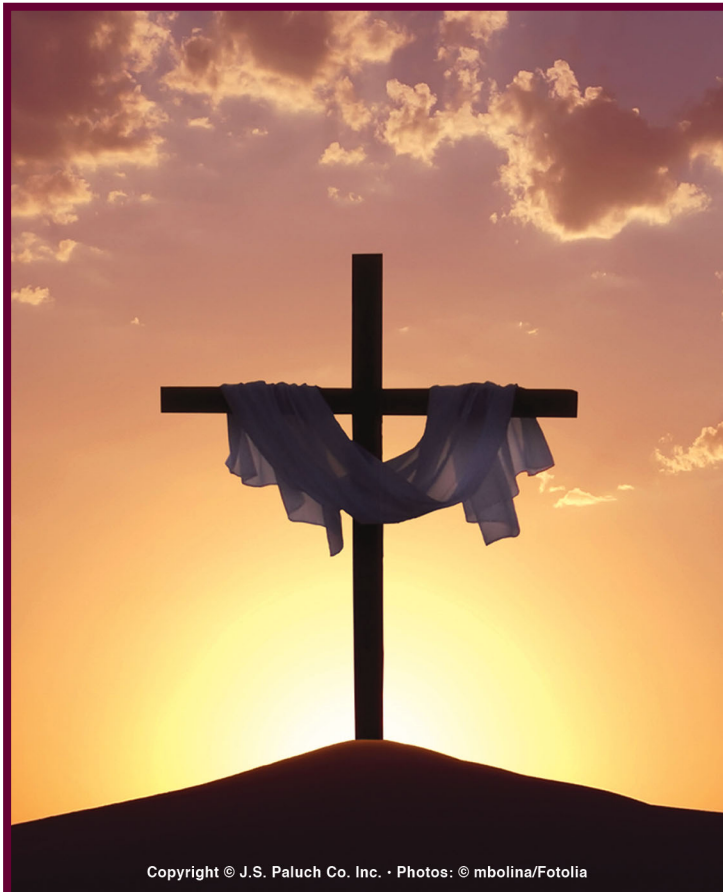


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Easter
SUNDAY

APRIL 1, 2018

Our paschal lamb, Christ,
has been sacrificed.
Therefore, let us
celebrate the feast.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

MASSES:

WEEKDAYS: Mon-Fri: 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM
Saturdays: 8:00 AM

WEEKENDS: Saturday (Vigil): 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9, 10:30 AM, 12 & 7:30 PM

HOLY DAYS:

HOLY DAY VIGIL MASS: 6:00 PM
HOLY DAY: 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, & 6:00 PM

RECONCILIATION:

Wednesday: 6:15 to 6:45 PM (During the Divine
Mercy Devotion)
Saturday: 3:30 - 4:45 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Every first Saturday of the month from 8:30 AM to
9:30 AM and all Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:00 PM

CHURCH HOURS:

OPEN: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and
Friday: 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Wednesday: 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Saturday: 7:30 AM — Closed after 5:00 PM Mass.
Sundays: 7:00 AM — Closed after 7:30 PM Mass

DEVOTIONS:

MIRACULOUS MEDAL Monday, following the 8:00 AM
Mass

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET Wednesday 6:00 PM

ROSARY: Recitation of the Rosary takes place after
every 6:30 and 8:00 AM Mass during the week.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Fridays, During Lent,
at 6:00 PM



This Week: Saturday, March 31st, 2018 / Sunday, April 1st, 2018

ESTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Reflections on Today's Readings:



FOCUS: Is it fact or fiction? The totality of our faith hinges on our fervent belief that the tomb is empty. It all comes down to this. Jesus being raised from the dead gives purpose to his cross and ours. Without the Resurrection, all suffering is absurd, death is the end and we are lost.

LITURGY OF THE WORD: Saint Peter gives a summary of the Paschal Mystery in our reading from Acts. In the reading from Colossians, Paul reminds us that being raised in Christ calls us to a higher standard. In the Gospel, Mary Magdala does not go into the empty tomb right away. Instead, she seeks out Peter and the Beloved Disciple.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER ~ For those who are ill, and those in need of our prayers...

Agnes Mocsny	Elizabeth Hauser	Manuel Villalobos
Albert Gonzalez, Jr.	Eve Andelin	Maria Magyar
Aldo Ruaro	Fr. Lancy Pereira	Margaret Stearns
Amy Harms	Gary Young	Mary Ann Kwinn
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Angie Alvarado	Ging Savares	Manuel Villalobos
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Baby Colton Smith	Guillermo Alvarado	Michlene "Mimi" Hébert
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Daisy Lezcano	Josephine Sullivan	Stuart Liebman
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PLEASE HELP US KEEP THIS LIST ACCURATE AND UP TO DATE:



Family members! please contact the Parish Office to let us know about the condition of those for whom we pray 310-670-2243.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Birthday ★ Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial †

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

SUN. 4/01
 7:30 AM PRIEST INTENTIONS
 9:00 AM PRIEST INTENTIONS
 10:30 AM PRIEST INTENTIONS
 12:00 NN PRIEST INTENTIONS
 7:30 PM PRIEST INTENTIONS

MON. 4/02
 6:30 AM STAN BIRCH †
 8:00 AM MARIE MARTIN ♦

TUE. 4/03
 6:30 AM SPECIAL INTENTIONS ♦
 8:00 AM CONAL HARRIS †★

WED. 4/04
 6:30 AM CHRIS WYATT †
 8:00 AM MARTHA LEPE ♦

THUR. 4/05
 6:30 AM HENRIETTA PETOSKEY †
 8:00 AM DAVID MOORE †

FRI. 4/06
 6:30 AM SPECIAL INTENTIONS ♦
 8:00 AM FRANKLIN LOHN †

SAT. 4/07
 6:30 AM NANCY ALBIN ★
 8:00 AM ESPERANZA DALAND †



**Alleluia!
 Christ
 is
 risen!**

"Peace be with you."

Dear Parishioners,
What a wonderful time of year! New life is "springing" up all around us as Spring begins to overwhelm the winter!
Even for people in warmer areas, like for us, who may not have to deal with shoveling snow or cold temperatures, there is something wonderfully encouraging about more sunshine as the days become longer.

On a far grander scale, we know that Jesus Christ came to bring light and life to a world darkened by sin and rebellion for so many years. When Jesus came, darkness and despair had to flee away from His presence, and I believe He is still the same Jesus today as He's always been. He is still coming into the hearts and lives of people all over this community, our nation and planet, providing tremendous freedom, light and peace.

The stone was rolled away on that first Easter Morning, yet it has been said it was not rolled away so Jesus could get out; it was rolled away so that we could look in!

Let us thank God for the gift of the risen Jesus given once again to us. This Resurrected Jesus gives us his message of peace as he gave to all the disciples every time he met them. Today as we celebrate his rising from the dead he gives the same message of peace. We pray that this peace will remain in our hearts always to make us his messengers in the world of today.

*On behalf of Msgr. Vadakin, Msgr. Cox, Fr. King,
and our parish staff, I want to wish you a Happy Easter.
Fr. Leszek Semik*



CONFESSIONS:

Wednesday:

6:15 TO 6:45 PM

Saturday:

3:30 TO 4:45 PM



TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION:

(For those who are sick, hospitalized, or home bound).
Please call the parish office. 310.670.2243

FAMILY VISITATION MINISTRY :

The Family Visitation Ministry offers spiritual support to those in need. Please call Sr. Teresita at 310-216-2001, or the Church Office at 310-670-2243.

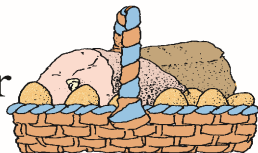
CHURCH HOURS:

- The Church is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 6 AM—6 PM (closing time).
- On Wednesdays, Divine Mercy is from 6-7 pm. There is Confession from 6:15-6:45 pm. (During Devotion). Church will be closed at 7 pm. (Only on this day.)
- The Church will be closed on Saturdays after the 5:00 PM Mass.
- The Church will be closed on Sundays after the 7:30 PM evening Mass.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

The Parish Office is open Monday through Friday; from 8:30 am to 4 pm. Phone hours are: 9 am to 3 pm—310-670-2243. Email: parish@st-anastasia.org.

**Blessing
of Easter
Food**



CELEBRATING OUR FAITH

~ Next Week ~

**Saturday, April 7th &
Sunday, April 8th, 2018**

**2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER
or DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Masses:

Sat: 8:00 PM
Sun: 7:30 AM
Sun: 9:00 AM
Sun: 10:30 AM
Sun: 12:00 PM
Sun: 7:30 PM

Celebrants:

Fr. Semik
Msgr. Vadakin
Fr. King
Fr. Semik
Msgr. Cox
Fr. Semik



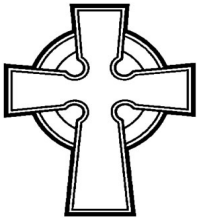
***We encourage all to read
and reflect on the Biblical
passages that will be proclaimed
at Masses on next week.***

First Reading -- The community of believers was of one heart and mind (Acts 4:32-35).

Psalm -- Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading -- Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God (1 John 5:1-6).

Gospel -- The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. (John 20:19-31).



Saint Anastasia was born in 281 A.D. and became a perfect symbol of peace, humanity, and solidarity. Her Feast Day is December 25th. She is a symbol of dialogue and collaboration. In her spirit, and in the spirit of love, we welcome all to the Catholic Community of St. Anastasia Catholic Church.



BUNDLES FOR BABIES

Bundles for Babies Delivers!

Thank you again for your generosity of clean gently used baby items. They were greatly appreciated by three local pregnancy centers.

We collected 3 vehicles full of baby items and \$500. A special thanks to the 12 confirmation students who helped in the drizzly weather. Anyone interested in providing support for women pregnant in difficult circumstances please contact Teressa Syta 310-670-0285 or TeressaSyta@gmail.com.

Calling all Saint Anastasia School Alumni. Come join fellow alumni as we build our alumni group. A table is set up on the courtyard after all the morning Masses this Easter Sunday. Please stop by and sign up.



COME AND JOIN US ON A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY A PILGRIMAGE TO

**Poland - Czech Republic— Austria - Hungary
September 4-16, 2018 with Fr. Semik!**

This coming autumn, join us as we travel, on a spiritual journey, to Poland, a strongly religious country dotted with places of deep spiritual devotion. Follow in the footsteps of St. Pope John Paul II in Krakow and Wadowice, visit the Divine Mercy Sanctuary, the final resting place of St. Faustina in Lagniewniki, and other beautiful places throughout Poland. We will also visit gorgeous churches and famous places in Vienna, Austria; Budapest, Hungary, and Prague, Czech Republic. Tour cost - \$3899- includes: Round trip airfare, 4-star hotels, hearty breakfasts, some dinners, deluxe coaches, travel guides, admissions, porter services, etc. For brochures, call the office at 310.670.2243 or contact Ely at St. Lawrence Martyr 310-944-3355.

PROCLAIM THE RISEN CHRIST

On Easter morning everything--the spring weather, the flowers, birds and butterflies, the people around us in their finery, the beautiful liturgy and music--everything seems to bear witness that Jesus Christ is risen today! Like the eyewitness accounts in today's scriptures, the glorious and joyful life all around us helps us to believe the good news of the Resurrection and sing "Alleluia!"

In the scriptures today we hear from Peter and Paul and John. All three speak with conviction about witnessing the resurrected Christ. John's Gospel account includes Mary of Magdala, who also was privileged to witness the Resurrection and tell others the good news. On this glorious Easter Sunday can we ourselves give eyewitness accounts that Jesus Christ is risen today, alive and active in our lives? Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Faith For Kids - Palm Sunday



Julie Brasington

FACT OF LIFE:

CHICAGO, April 29, 2016 ([LifeSiteNews](http://lifesitenews.com)) – Life begins with a spark – literally. Researchers at Northwestern University have documented the striking event in a new video that accompanies a study published this week. At the moment of conception, the egg releases massive amounts of zinc, which creates a spark that can be seen with the aid of a microscope. "It was remarkable," said Teresa Woodruff, a professor of obstetrics and gynecology at Northwestern University's medical school. "To see the zinc radiate out in a burst from each human egg was breathtaking..." "All of biology starts at the time of fertilization," Woodruff said, "yet we know next to nothing about the events that occur in the human." One of the researchers, Northwestern chemistry professor Thomas O'Halloran, explained the science behind the process in 2014. "The egg first has to stockpile zinc and then must release some of the zinc to successfully navigate maturation, fertilization and the start of embryogenesis," he said. "On cue, at the time of fertilization, we see the egg release thousands of packages, each dumping a million zinc atoms, and then it's quiet..." **The study may have far-reaching consequences the research team did not intend, such as strengthening public belief in the longstanding scientific consensus that life begins at the moment of conception/fertilization.** Many of those who saw the Northwestern video said it testifies to the beauty of life and the shallow lies that buttress the argument of abortion-on-demand. For the entire article and to see the video: lifesitenews.com.

DID YOU KNOW? It can be difficult for parents to gauge when they should stay at or leave another child's birthday party. Once kids reach a certain age, they may no longer want their parents tagging along with them, but others may have fears about being on their own. Find out what activities are planned – will the kids be staying in one location or are they going multiple places? Who is the adult in charge? Assess your child's readiness – does he or she understand the rules? For a copy of the complete VIRTUS® article "Before you drop your child off at a birthday party..." visit <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

Ministry equips us to deepen our love for God and share our faith...

EASTER SUNDAY

At Easter, the Church resumes singing Alleluia at Mass. Our Alleluia celebrates the central events of the Christian faith, and the central turning point of human history. The resurrection of Jesus first revealed the victory of Jesus on the cross. Jesus fulfilled God's promises to rescue Israel and all of humanity from the effects of sin and death. Easter reveals that God's new creation has now been launched, with Jesus' resurrected body as its first demonstration. This new creation will be completed upon Jesus' return, when heaven and earth are fully joined. Right now, in this new Reign of God in Jesus, the Holy Spirit empowers us to join God's project, to renew all of God's beloved creation. And Easter reminds us that wherever we are in life, in whatever difficulties or messes we find ourselves, God offers us a new beginning. Alleluia indeed!

FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT

Today's Gospel begins in darkness. Mary of Magdala comes to the tomb before dawn. She, then the two disciples, see the empty tomb, and are amazed and terrified. The passage stops before Jesus first appears, which allows us to pause and more fully notice their disorientation and confusion.

John's Gospel has many images of the passage from darkness to light and from blindness to sight. When Jesus cured the blind man in John 9, and raised Lazarus in John 11, their transition to the light was gradual and difficult. The disciples, too, were often slow and resistant to understanding what Jesus was saying and doing, both before and after the Resurrection.

THE LIGHT OF EASTER

In the first reading, Peter boldly and clearly proclaims the good news of Jesus' resurrection. Here it's important to observe that Peter, in the verses just before his speech, was profoundly disoriented by a vision. The vision, contrary to assumptions from his heritage, suggested that the Holy Spirit is inviting Gentiles, without obstacles, into the Jesus community. It began to dawn on Peter that the gospel is for everyone, without exception. The barriers between peoples were being blown open by the Spirit. Peter began to see a new and brighter world.

Most of us, most of the time, try hard to protect ourselves from being disoriented. Our traditions and past experiences keep us grounded and secure. However, often we grow in maturity and insight precisely because we are knocked off balance. God disrupts us enough to open us to what God wishes to teach us. We move from blindness to sight when we are first disoriented by the light, let go of the comfortable darkness, and open our eyes to new insight. As we begin the Easter season, the light of Easter is indeed bright. Easter reveals a world of opportunities to care for others and an abundance of grace to guide and sustain us.



A Prayer for Easter Eyes

My Lord Jesus,
You have risen to new life!
Give me new eyes with which to
recognize your presence in the
world around me.

Sharpen my vision so that I see
beyond the ordinary events of
each day and into the
extraordinary reality
of your grace.

Brighten my view of the world
with renewed hope in the
coming of your Kingdom.
Soften my gaze so that I view
others with the kind of
tenderness and compassion
you showed to so many.
May each day of this Easter
season provide
glimpses of your glory.

In your sacred name,

I pray.
Amen.

(Sadlier Religion)

Next Sunday, the Second Sunday of Easter, we also celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 8th, Divine Mercy Sunday, from 3 to 3:30 pm,
here at St. Anastasia: *Recitation of the Divine Mercy
Chaplet, Prayers, Adoration and Benediction.*
All are welcome!

What is the Divine Mercy? The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.



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