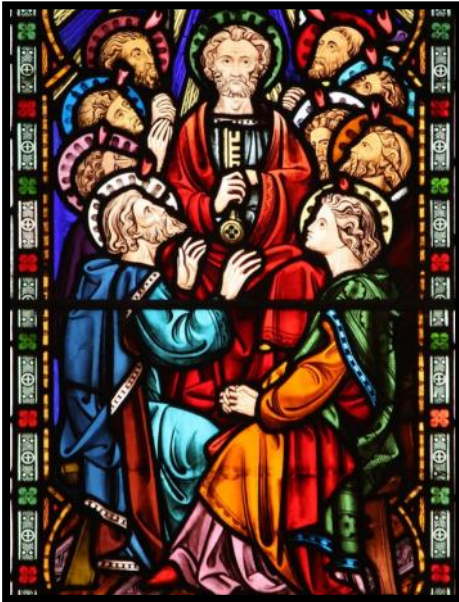

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH

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NATIONAL SHRINE OF ST. PHILOMENA

THE SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X

April 21, 2024 A.D. – Third Sunday After Easter



Hospitality

“Let the charity of the brotherhood abide in you and hospitality do not forget; for by this some, being not aware of it, have entertained angels.” (Heb. 13, 1-2)

“Wherefore receive one another, as Christ also hath received you unto the honor of God.” (Rom. 15, 7)

Gregorian Latin liturgy

Until 1969, the various Catholic liturgies were all of apostolic origin. The Gregorian Latin liturgy, celebrated in this church, follows the tradition of Saint Peter, the first Pope, and has never undergone any essential change till the present time. Every gesture, every word has been weighed and measured with the assistance of the Holy Ghost for the greatest glory of God and the salvation of souls.

Welcome Visitors!

We thank you for coming. Whether you are just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a spiritual home, are returning to the practice of the Catholic faith or are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church; we are happy to have you here, as you are.

Please take time to read this bulletin, to meet with the priest after Mass and to socialize. Enter the Holy Temple of the Good Lord to worship Him. *Pax vobis!* Peace be with you!



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News and Announcements

Today is the Third Sunday after Easter. The Church rejoices because Christ is risen and had delivered us (Alleluia); so she sends up cries of joy (Introit), and sings the praises of God (Offertory). When the Apostles beheld our Lord again they experienced this joy which still overflows into the Easter liturgy. And just as Easter is a type of the external Pasch, so this is the same joy which will be felt by the Church when, having with sorrow begotten souls to God, she sees her Lord once more, triumphant in Heaven, at the end of time; but a short season compared with eternity. He will change our sorrow into joy which no man shall take from us (Gospel). As St. Peter tells us, we should follow the precepts, positive and negative of the Gospel (Epistle), that professing ourselves Christians, we may “reject those things which are contrary to that name, and follow such things as are agreeable to the same” (Collect).

Today sacred items will be blessed after each Holy Mass and the second collection will be for the St. Thomas More Priory.

► The time is here! **Join us today for our Spring Market Day!** Handmade and handcrafted products by our very own Parishioners are on sale! **The market will be open after every Holy Mass.** Cash, check and credit cards are accepted and all proceeds go towards the new church building fund! **Please come support the church and check out our very talented parishioners!**

► **Easter Duty:** All Catholics have the grave obligation binding under pain of sin to worthily receive Holy Communion at least once each year between today and Trinity Sunday.

St. Mark, the disciple of Peter, is one of the four Evangelists who wrote under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, and abridgement of the life of Jesus. He is represented with a lion lying at St. John the Baptist's feet because the lion, one of the four symbolical animals in the vision of Ezechiel, makes the desert re-echo with its roaring. He was one of the seventy-two disciples and went to Egypt where he was the first to announce Christ at Alexandria. His body was taken to Venice, Italy, whose patron he is since the 9th century. Let us profit by the teaching of St. Mark who wrote the Gospel of Christ and preached it, and let us have recourse to his prayers.

Saint Anselm of Canterbury (*Anselmus Cantuariensis*) lived from 1033 to April 21st, 1109. He was a Benedictine monk, abbot, philosopher and theologian, who held the office of Archbishop of Canterbury from 1093 to 1109. He was canonized by Pope Alexander III at the request of St. Thomas Beckett. St. Anselm was proclaimed Doctor of the Church by Pope Clement XI in 1720 and 800 years after his death, on 21 April 1909, Pope St. Pius X issued the encyclical "*Communium Rerum*" praising St. Anselm, his ecclesiastical career, and his writings. His feast day is April 21st.

Are your last wishes going to be honored? Consider these questions:

In what church will your funeral take place? What will be the liturgy? Who will make the correct moral decisions for you if you not be able to do so? Did you wish to bequeath to your church?

Do not leave your final arrangements to strangers! Make a Last Will, appoint an Attorney, and make your final desires known!

*“The LORD is in his Holy Temple;
let all the earth keep silence before Him.”* (Hab. 2, 20)



ON THE VALUE OF TIME by St. Alphonsus Liguori (Adapted)

“A little while, and now you shall not see me.” JOHN xvi. 16.

There is nothing shorter than time, but there is nothing more valuable. There is nothing shorter than time; because the past is no more, the future is uncertain, and the present is but a moment. This is what Jesus Christ meant when He said: “A little while, and now you shall not see me.” We may say the same of our life, which, according to St. James is but a vapor, which is soon scattered for ever. “For what is your life? It is a vapor which appeareth for a little while.” (James iv. 15.) But the time of this life is as precious as it is short; for, in every moment, if we spend it well, we can acquire treasures of merits for heaven; but, if we employ time badly, we may in each moment commit sin, and merit hell.

“Son,” says the Holy Ghost, “observe the time.” (Eccl. iv. 23.) Son, learn to preserve time, which is the most precious and the greatest gift that God can bestow upon you. St. Bernardino of Sienna teaches that time is of as much value as God; because in every moment of time well spent the possession of God is merited. He adds that in every instant of this life a man may obtain the pardon of his sins, the grace of God, and the glory of Paradise. *“Modico tempore potest homo lucrari gratiam et gloriam.”* Hence St. Bonaventure says that “no loss is of greater moment than the loss of time.” (Ser. xxxvii. in Sept.)

St. Bernardino weeps over the blindness of those negligent Christians who squander the days of salvation, and never consider that a day once lost shall never return. *“Transcunt dies, salutis et nemo recogitat sibi perire diem ut nunquam rediturum.”* (Serm. ad Scholar.) At the hour of death they shall wish for another year, or for another day; but they shall not have it: they shall then be told that “time shall be no more.” What price would they not then give for another week, for a day, or even for an hour, to prepare the account which they must then render to God?

You now have it in your power to acquire, in each moment, eternal treasures; and will you, notwithstanding, misspend your time? Do not say, that what you can do Today you can also do tomorrow; because this day shall be then lost to you, and shall never return. You have this day; but perhaps tomorrow will not be given you.



To receive Holy Communion :

- You must be a **baptized Catholic**, having made a good confession since the last committed mortal sin - if any - in order to hopefully be **in the state of Grace**.
- You must believe in the doctrine of **Transubstantiation**. *“For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself”* (1 Cor. 11:29).
- You must observe one hour of **Eucharistic fast** (*except water and medicine. However, we advise to abstain from food and alcohol for three hours and one hour for other liquid before Holy Communion*).
- One must not be a **public sinner** (*public adulterer, concubine, public homosexual*), or excommunicated, or interdicted.

- **The most important requirement** is to have a **great desire** to receive the Body, the Blood, the Soul and the Divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ. You can humbly approach the Communion rail at any time after the Communion of the priest. Then, open your mouth wide and extend smoothly and horizontally your tongue. There is **no special order**, so that nobody should feel compelled to follow a general movement. Do not judge your neighbor who abstains from receiving Holy Communion, as there is no obligation to receive it daily. However, *“Live in a manner to be able to receive communion every day?”* (St. Augustine)
- In this Church, the faculty to absolve sins is directly granted to the priests by the Holy Father.

“I urge you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.” Rm 12:1

Out of respect for Our Lord Jesus Christ and for the edification of our neighbor, we beg all to appear in Church decent in deportment and modest in dress.

However, no one has the right to question others, especially visitors. It belongs to the parish priest alone to instruct the laity when they repeatedly dress or deport below expectation.

For gentlemen and lads: Neither shorts, T-shirts nor sneakers meet the norms of modesty.

For ladies and girls: Neither shorts, slacks, sleeveless, short nor low-cut dresses meet the norms of modesty.

Furthermore, according to apostolic custom or Church law, gentlemen are bareheaded in church; and ladies are requested to cover their heads.

Thank you for your charity.

Mass Times and Feasts from April 21 to April 29

Date	Time	Devotion	Chapel	Feast Day
Sunday, 21 st	7:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Low Mass† Low Mass† Sung Mass† Sung Mass	Davie Davie Davie W Palm Bch	III SUNDAY AFTER EASTER St. Anselm, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor
Monday, 22 nd	—	—	—	Sts. Soter and Caius, Popes & Martyrs
Tuesday, 23 rd	—	—	—	FERIA St. George, Martyr (Comm.)
Wednesday, 24 th	—	—	—	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Martyr
Thursday, 25 th	—	—	—	Greater Litanies (Procession) St. Mark, Evangelist
Friday, 26 th	5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Confessions Low Mass	Davie Davie	St. Cletus and Marcellinus, Popes & Martyrs
Saturday, 27 th	9:00 am 10:00 am 9:30 am	Confessions Low Mass Low Mass	Davie Davie W Palm Bch	St. Peter Canisius, Confessor & Doctor
Sunday, 28 th	7:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Low Mass† Low Mass† Sung Mass† Sung Mass	Davie Davie Davie W Palm Bch	IV SUNDAY AFTER EASTER St. Paul of the Cross, Confessor
Monday, 29 th	—	—	—	St. Peter of Verona, Martyr

† Confessions available **1/2 hour prior** to Holy Mass