



Dear friends in Christ,

I pray this letter finds you well and in good health with blessings of our Almighty God!

A number of reminders as we enter our 40-days of Lent:

First, our Parish Penance Celebration will be held on Thursday, March 5th at 6:30pm in Christ the Servant Church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is one of the most unique and beautiful aspects of Catholicism. It *washes us clean* and renews us in Christ. Come and experience God's overflowing love and mercy through the Sacrament!

Secondly, we humbly request your donation of Flowers for Easter. You may choose to donate them in memory of a loved one who passed away. Easter lilies signify rebirth and new beginnings. It is said that beautiful white lilies sprang up in the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus wept in the last hours before he was betrayed. Please drop them off at the church during the Holy Week. Thank you in advance!

Lastly, we encourage you to come and join us in the Stations of the Cross on Fridays. The Way of the Cross tells the story of Jesus' suffering and death. May we take this time to journey together with Jesus on his way to the crucifixion and thereby experience in our lives his overflowing love and mercy for all of us. More information about its time and place is on the back of this letter.

Again, thanks for your love, kindness and generous support to our parish family. On behalf of our Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Committee, I wish each of you and your families a most blessed and meaningful Easter celebration. May we truly be people of the resurrection, where people can see God in us, alive and visible, generous and kind, loving and forgiving!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Rex M. Velmonte

EASTER 2026

CONFESSIONS SCHEDULE:

March 5 th	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Parish Penance Celebration (CTS @ 6:30PM)</i>
April 2 nd	<i>Holy Thursday</i>	8:30PM – 9:30PM (CTS)

FRIDAY'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS (7pm):

February 20 th	Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Committee (STM)
February 27 th	Religious Education/Young Adults Group (STM)
March 6 th	CND Associates & Prayer Group (STM)
March 13 th	Catholic Women's League (both councils --- CTS)
March 20 th	Outreach Ministry & Adoration Group (CTS)
March 27 th	Knights of Columbus (CTS)

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 28th & 29th:

Saturday	5pm (CTS)
Sunday	9am (CTS) and 11am (STM)

HOLY MONDAY

MARCH 30th: 9AM MASS (STM)

HOLY TUESDAY

MARCH 31st: 9AM MASS (STM)

HOLY WEDNESDAY

APRIL 1st: 9AM MASS (STM)

HOLY THURSDAY

APRIL 2nd: 7PM (CTS --- NO 9AM MASS)

Mass of the Lord's Last Supper... followed by procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose...then **ADORATION UNTIL MIDNIGHT**. Parishioners are encouraged to stay, and pray for world peace and for more vocations to the priesthood!

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 3rd: (Day of Fasting and Abstinence)

11AM (CTS)

Stations of the Cross

3PM (CTS)

Reading of the Passion

Veneration of the Cross

Holy Communion

----special collection for the Holy Land

EASTER VIGIL

SATURDAY, APRIL 4th: (STM --- NO 5PM MASS in CTS)

8PM Easter Vigil Mass begins with **Blessing of Fire, Easter Candle, Scripture Readings, etc...**

People are encouraged to bring any **BELLS** you have at home to be rung during the **Gloria**.

We encourage parishioners to attend this celebration as it is the most important one of all.

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 5th:

RESURRECTION SUNDAY

9am	Christ the Servant
11am	St. Mary's
5pm	St. Eugene Reserve Church

THE LORD HAS RISEN INDEED, ALLELUIA!!!