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APRIL | 2026  
Third Sunday of Easter

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekend

#### Saturday Vigil

7:00pm Spanish (organ & cantor)

#### Sunday

8:00am English (organ & cantor)  
9:30am Spanish (organ & cantor)  
11:30am English (organ & cantor)  
1:30pm Vietnamese (keyboard & choir)

### Weekdays

#### Monday - Friday

8:30am Spanish 12:00pm English

#### Thursday & Saturday

7:45am Vietnamese

## SACRAMENTS

### Confession, First Communion and Confirmation

Make contact with the coordinator of this area for information about the various programs available. Appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

### Baptism

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements.

### Confessions

Saturday 5:30-6:30 p.m. and at the parish office by appointment.

### Marriage

Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the wedding.

### Visits to the Sick

In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound who desire the sacraments.

# 2 PRAYER AND WORSHIP

APRIL 19, 2026

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, April 20

8:30 a.m. Tito Febres, Francisco Febres (D)

12:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, April 21

8:30 a.m. Josefina De Socorro Acosta (D)

12:00 p.m. Peace family

### Wednesday, April 22

8:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

### Thursday, April 23

8:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m. Ramonita Orta (D)

### Friday, April 24

8:30 a.m. Maria Escano (L)—100 años cumpleaños (D), Jose Aviles (D)

12:00 p.m.

### Saturday, April 25

7:45 a.m. Bartolomeo & Cac LH (D)

7:00 p.m. Henry Antonio Icaza (D), Manuel Herrera Soto & Ofelia Soto (D), Felix De La Cruz (D), Juan Pimentel (D), Rafaela Almonte (D), Henry Thomas Guzman (D), Felipe Mercado (D), Susana Tanco (D)

### Sunday, April 26

8:00 a.m. People of SNT

9:30 a.m. Angela Cabral & Juana Garcia (D), Jose Luis Marmolejo Martinez, Luis Rosado, Alberto Eizmendez (D)

11:30 am Acción de gracias al Sagrado Corazón de Jesus (D), Tommy Febles (D)

1:30 pm Gioanbaotixita Phi & Ana Khiem (D)

## READINGS

### First Reading:

"Exalted at the right hand of God,  
he received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father and poured him forth, as you see and hear." (Acts 2:33)

### Psalm:

Lord, you will show us the path of life. (Ps 16)  
Or Alleluia.

### Second Reading:

He was known before the foundation of the world  
but revealed in the final time for you. (1 Pt 1:20)

### Gospel:

Then they said to each other,  
"Were not our hearts  
burning within us  
while he spoke to us on  
the way and opened the  
Scriptures to us?" (Lk 24:32)

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## Readings for the week of April 19, 2026

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/ Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/  
Jn 6:30-35

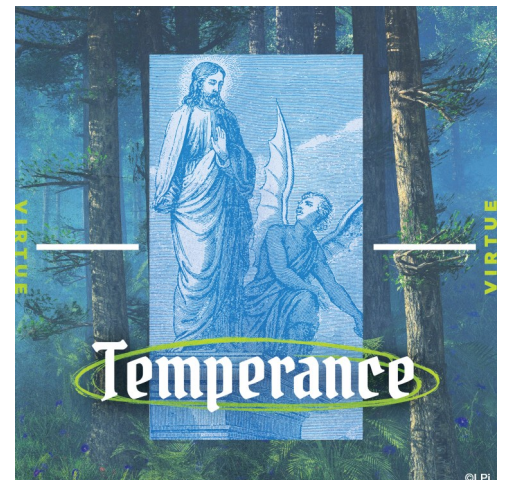
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/ Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/ Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/ Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/ Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10



**3rd Sunday of Easter**  
**Luke 24:13-35**

When I first read Homer's *Odyssey* as a teenager, one scene captured my imagination: Odysseus finally returning home after 20 years, yet no one recognized him. Disguised as a beggar, he speaks with his wife, his son, and even his enemies. He is fully present, yet hidden. Only at the right moment does he reveal himself, and everyone realizes he has been with them all along. I was struck by the mystery that he could be so close to his loved ones, and yet they simply could not identify him.

A similar mystery is at the heart of today's Gospel. Two disciples walk the road to Emmaus with Jesus, but **"their eyes were prevented from recognizing him."** (Luke 24:16) He listens, teaches, and eats with them, yet they remain blind until he breaks the bread. Suddenly their eyes are opened — and at that very moment, he vanishes. His disappearance is not absence. Rather, it is revelation. The Risen Lord is now present in a new way, in the breaking of the bread and in the life of His Church.

Faith is this shift of vision. Instead of searching for a visible Jesus as if he were absent, we learn to recognize him unveiled in hidden ways — in Scripture proclaimed, in the Eucharist, in the sacraments, in the very life of the Church.

And what is true of him is true of us. Just as he disappears into the mission of his Body, we too are meant to be hidden in him. When we live hidden in Christ, we are seen for who we really are.

— *Father John Muir*

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**Pilgrimage of St. Nicholas of Tolentine Parish**  
**Following St. Augustine's footsteps in Italy:**  
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**Sept. 21st- Oct 1st, 2026 Spir. Dir.: Fr. Luis Vera, OSA**

- 21-Sep** NY -Rome
- 22-Sep** Parish of St. Aurea in Ostia, Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls
- 23-Sep** Audience with Pope, St. Peter and St. Augustine Basilica, P. Navonna & Trevi
- 24-Sep** Bas. of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Roccaponera, St. Rita of Cascia Basilica
- 25-Sep** St. Rita of Cascia Convent, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Clare, and St. Carlo Acutis
- 26-Sep** St. Mary of Angels (Porziuncula), St. Gimignano
- 27-Sep** Holy Cross, Di Santo Spirito and St. Mary the Fiore Basilica. Piazza de la Repubblica, Porcellino market and Ponte Vecchio
- 28-Sep** San Pietro in Ciel d'Oro (skeletal remains of St. Augustine), Certosa di Pavia
- 29-Sep** Cassago Brianza
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