



# IT IS THE LORD

**May 4/Mayo 4**

**Third Sunday of Easter/3 Domingo de Pascua**

**Sacrament of  
Reconciliation  
Horario de  
Confesiones**

**Wednesday/Miércoles**  
6:15 - 6:45 p.m.

**Thursday/Jueves**  
7 - 8 p.m.

**Saturday/ Sábados**  
4 - 4:45 p.m.

**Sunday/Domingos**  
7:45 - 8:15 a.m.

**Office Hours**

**Mon. - Thurs.**

8:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Fri.** 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**Oficina de Ministerio Hispano**

**Lunes– cerrado**

**Martes a Viernes:**

12:30pm.-3pm.

**Saturday: cerrado**

**Domingo: 9:30-11am**

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**Saturday, May 3**

5:00 p.m. Laurie Anderson &  
Diane Simmons

7:00 p.m. David & Joanne Crowley  
(at the Jekyll Island United Methodist Church)

**Sunday, May 4**

8:30 a.m. Diane Lott & Norm Singleton

11:00 a.m. Alfredo Hernandez (int.) &  
Sonia Lopez (int.)

6 p.m. Cirilo Ramirez, Delores Sosa, &  
Victor Manuel Lemus Sosa

**Monday, May 5**

Noon Norm Singleton &  
Aurora Hernandez (int.)

**Tuesday, May 6**

Noon Norm Singleton &  
Aurora Hernandez (int.)

**Wednesday, May 7**

8 a.m. Donna & Joe Kujat Stillwell (int.) &  
Aurora Hernandez (int.)

7 p.m. Delfina Galindo Lopez &  
Margaret Bradley

**Thursday, May 8**

8 a.m. Dorcas-Ehlman Families,  
Aurora Hernandez (int.), Charles Lennon

**Friday, May 9**

8 a.m. Aurora Hernandez (int.)

**Saturday, May 10**

5:00 p.m. Aurora Hernandez (int.) &  
Oscar del Mundo

7:00 p.m. Allan Morgan  
(at the Jekyll Island United Methodist Church)

**Sunday, May 11**

8:30 a.m. Elaine Knight

11:00 a.m. Manuel & Manuela Rocha, & Maria,  
Yolanda & Caridad Tuya

6 p.m. Carlos Galindo & Aurora Hernandez (int.)

**Entrance:** Morning has Broken, 627

**Offertory:** Come to the Water, 611

**Communion:** The Supper of the  
Lord, 338, In the Breaking of the  
Bread, 188

**Recessional:** Alleluia! Hymn to  
Joy, 190

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(OSV) on our website.

**Week of May 4, 2025**

**Sunday** Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-  
12, 13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or Jn  
21:1-14

**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** Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13,  
14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69

**Sunday** Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rev  
7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

**SUNDAY - Domingo**

8:30 am (inglés), 11:00am. (inglés)  
6:00 pm. ( español )

**MONDAY - Lunes**

12:00 pm (inglés)

**TUESDAY - Martes**

12:00 pm (inglés)

**WEDNESDAY - Miércoles**

7:00 pm (inglés)

**THURSDAY - Jueves**

8:00 am (inglés), 7:00 pm Hora Santa

\* adoración del Santísimo Sacramento

**FRIDAY - Viernes** 8:00 am (inglés)

Primer viernes de cada mes misa bilingüe a las 7:00 pm

**SATURDAY - Sábado** 5:00 pm (inglés)

Our **Youth Group** meets each Wednesday that school is in session and is open to all **rising 9th through 12th graders**. The youth rooms in the St. Joseph Family Center will be open at **3:30 pm** for homework or games, with an activity or sport beginning at **4:30 pm**, dinner is provided at **5:30 pm**, a spiritual lesson at **6:00 pm**, followed by Holy Mass at **7:00 pm**.

**Ministerio Juvenil, Grados 9 a 12. Nos Reunimos Todos Los Miercoles en los salones de la escuela de catecismo 3:30pm. A 7:30pm, los esperamos!**

**First Holy Communion** for our PSR and St. Francis Xavier Catholic School students will be on Saturday, **May 10**, at **10:00 am**.

**Primera comunión**, para nuestros estudiantes de la escuela dominical de catecismo y para los estudiantes de la escuela católica de san francisco Xavier, el sábado **10 de Mayo a las 10am**.

**Bishop Parkes** will join us to confer the Sacrament of **Confirmation** on our high school students at a special Mass on **Wednesday, May 28**, at **6:00 pm**.

**El Obispo Parkes** nos estará acompañando para conferir el sacramento de confirmación a nuestros estudiantes preparatoria, en una misa especial el **miércoles 28 de marzo a las 6pm**.

**St. Vincent de Paul requests** rice, chicken broth, black beans and canned fruit.

Our **Young Adult Ministry** meets for fun, faith and fellowship on most Friday evenings. The Young Adult Ministry consists of **college students, FLETC students and young adults (single and married) between the ages of 18-35**.

### **Third Sunday of Easter - “Smoting” or Non-“smoting”?**

Some times I get angry at things that frustrate me. I'm driving home and traffic slows to a crawl. The electricity goes out while I'm watching a favorite show. So I have to struggle with the line in our first reading, where the disciples were “rejoicing that they had been found worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name” (Acts 5:41). They weren't just frustrated; they were flogged for believing in Jesus. And still they rejoiced.

Imagine rejoicing over pain and suffering. These disciples had seen Jesus on the cross. When he rose from the dead, they began to see that his suffering was not a tragic loss, but a sign of his glory. They loved him so much that they took to heart his command to take up the cross. And when they suffered because they believed in him, as is recounted in today's reading, they saw that as a way to imitate Jesus on the cross. Those who had followed him in life could also follow him to the cross—and many did that literally, by dying for their faith.

Most of us today rarely have the chance to die for our faith. We may wonder if we even have the courage it would take. Instead, we usually find ourselves suffering because we have done wrong. God does not use special interventions to smite sinners. Think of the times we were punished as a child. Think of the times we lost a friend because of a cruel remark. Think of the times we got a ticket for speeding. These are the result of our actions. These are sufferings that we would rather avoid.

Jesus, however, suffered for our sins when he was totally innocent. If he could do that, could we not accept suffering for our own sins when it comes? We may not be ready to rejoice in that suffering, but we can at least try to learn from it. If we behave differently because of it, if we can grow to be better persons, then that suffering can be our way of accepting the cross.

Of course, not all suffering is caused by the sins of the person suffering. The suffering of the innocent is a great mystery, a cause for sorrow and a challenge to help where we can. But like growing pains, all suffering is a step to new life in Christ. And that is what Easter is about.

Tom Schmidt

### **Tercer Domingo de Pascua - ¿Aniquilar o no aniquilar?**

A veces me enojo por cosas que me frustran. Estoy manejando a casa y el tráfico se vuelve muy lento. Se corta la electricidad mientras veo mi programa favorito. Así que batallo con la línea en la primera lectura, donde dice que los discípulos estaban “felices de haber padecido aquellos ultrajes por el nombre de Jesús” (Hechos 5,41). No solo estaban frustrados; fueron azotados por creer en Jesús. Y aún así se regocijaron.

Imagina regocijarte por el dolor y el sufrimiento. Estos discípulos habían visto a Jesús en la cruz. Cuando resucitó de entre los muertos, comenzaron a ver que su sufrimiento no era una pérdida trágica, sino un signo de su gloria. Lo amaban tanto que tomaron en serio su mandato de tomar la cruz. Y cuando sufrieron porque creían en él, como se relata en la lectura de hoy, lo vieron como una forma de imitar a Jesús en la cruz. Los que lo habían seguido en la vida también pudieron seguirlo hasta la cruz, y muchos lo hicieron literalmente, muriendo por su fe.

La mayoría de nosotros hoy rara vez tenemos la oportunidad de morir por la fe. Tal vez nos preguntemos si tendríamos el valor que se necesitaría. En cambio, generalmente nos encontramos sufriendo porque hemos hecho algo malo. Dios no utiliza intervenciones especiales para aniquilar a los pecadores. Pensemos en las veces que fuimos castigados de niños. Pensemos en las veces que perdimos a un amigo debido a un comentario cruel. Pensemos en las veces que nos pusieron una multa por exceso de velocidad. Estos son los resultados de nuestras acciones. Son sufrimientos que preferiríamos evitar.

Sin embargo, Jesús sufrió por nuestros pecados cuando era completamente inocente. Si pudo hacer eso, ¿no podríamos nosotros aceptar el sufrimiento por nuestros propios pecados cuando llegue? Puede que no estemos listos para regocijarnos en ese sufrimiento, pero al menos podemos tratar de aprender de ello. Si nos comportamos de manera diferente debido al sufrimiento, si podemos crecer para ser mejores personas, entonces puede ser nuestra manera de aceptar la cruz.

Por supuesto, no todo sufrimiento es causado por los pecados de la persona que lo sufre. El sufrimiento de los inocentes es un gran misterio, un motivo de dolor y un desafío para ayudar en lo que podamos. Pero, al igual que los dolores del crecimiento, todo sufrimiento es un paso hacia una nueva vida en Cristo. Y de eso se trata la Pascua.

Tom Schmidt

The Council of Catholic Women will hold a bake sale on May 3rd and 4th after all Masses.



Our next meeting will be on May 13 at 6 p.m.

The **music ministry** is still looking to hire a pianist or organist (even just occasionally to fill in).

We are also looking for a choir director.

Please let one of the cantors, Priests, Deacons, or Ann on the office know if you are interested or would like more information.

**Keep in touch with us via text!** Holiday Mass times, weather cancellations, ministry updates, & more delivered to your phone. TO SIGN UP, TEXT **SFX150** TO **84576** SIGN UP ONLINE AT: [stfrancixaviercatholic2.flocknote.com](http://stfrancixaviercatholic2.flocknote.com)

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The SFX Community extends their **prayers and condolences** to the family and friends of **Norm Singleton, Vincent Schaefer, Virginia Ricks, & Gerry Kilroy**. May they rest forever in the peace of Christ!

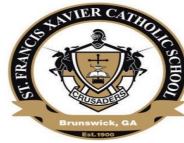


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Saturday  
May 17, 2025

# CRUSADER 5K & FUN RUN

### Event Details

7:30 A.M. - 5K begins

9:00 A.M. - Fun Run begins

8:30 A.M. to Noon - Family Fun Day

Race begins at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School and continues throughout historic downtown Brunswick, GA.

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you, Lord,  
for you  
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rescued  
me.**