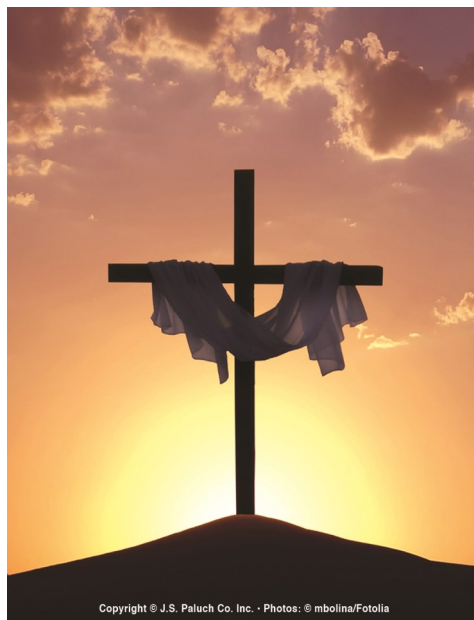


HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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



Welcome to Holy Spirit in Mims, the "Friendly Town!" Live and grow your faith in the little parish with the big heart. Help celebrate our Jubilee this year!

*"Come, Holy Spirit.
Come now.
Come as you wish!"*

View our color bulletin at holyspiritmims.com or by weekly delivery: thecatholicdirectory.com.

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 6:15pm to 6:45pm
Saturday 3pm to 3:45pm
By appointment, call the office, 269-2282.

BAPTISM, FIRST PENANCE, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Contact our Faith Formation Director, Chris McCormick, (321) 269-7785 or FaithFormation@holyspiritmims.com.

MARRIAGE/MARRIAGE CONVALIDATION
Call six months in advance to schedule meetings with Fr. Andrew and Angela. *If you weren't married in the Catholic Church, why not call to discuss Marriage Convalidation?*

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Fr. Andrew anoints the sick after the 11am Mass in the chapel on the third Sunday each month (**April 15**). Call the office for anointing at home, hospital or nursing home.

FUNERALS — DEATH/BEREAVEMENT
After a death, call Father Andrew, (321) 269-2282. Chris Doyon, our bereavement coordinator, will call you about funeral details. ♦

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!

Share the Divine Mercy information—*included in this bulletin*—with family, friends and acquaintances. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide them to the truth of the Eucharist and Christ's endless ocean of Mercy offered to them on this special feast.

An additional Mass is offered next Sunday, **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8**, at **2:30pm**. Father Andrew will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation before all Masses that weekend in support of the Divine Mercy requirements.

Saturday 3pm to 3:45pm

Sunday 8am to 8:15am; 10am to 10:50am and 1:30pm to 2:15pm

No insert? Find it at HolySpiritMims.com in the "Document" link. The insert and a plethora of Divine Mercy information can be found at DivineMercySunday.com and may be copied and reproduced without permission. ♦



Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion - inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

**MASS SCHEDULE
& MASS INTENTIONS**

Spiritual Work of Mercy:
PRAY FOR THE LIVING AND THE DEAD

† *Deceased* ♦ *Special Intention*

Holy Saturday, March 31
8:00pm For the parish ♦

Easter Sunday, April 1
6:30am Dick Adams †
8:30am For the parish
11:00am Josephine Streecher †

Easter Monday, April 2
5:30pm Cassielynn Morris & Family ♦

Easter Tuesday, April 3
8:00am Houck Family †

Easter Wednesday, April 4
7:00pm

Easter Thursday, April 5
8:00am Karen Reshel ♦

Easter Friday, April 6
8:00am Jim Trindle, Sr. †

Easter Saturday, April 7 *Homebound Mass*
4:00pm

PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY • APRIL 8 • DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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).

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PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH—Join us in welcoming *Vera Allas* to the Catholic faith during this year's Easter Vigil! Please pray for her during the Easter season! ♦

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN—Our monthly Corporate Mass is **Sunday, April 8** at the 11am Mass. HSCCW Members' next **monthly meeting** is **Tuesday, April 10, 6pm at Buffet Village, 3125 Columbia Blvd, Titusville.** ♦

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS!—Earn community service hours while doing helpful work at The Attic Shop Thrift Store this summer. Volunteers are needed to sort & stock donations in the store. Flexible hours, no experience needed. Call Mario, (321) 269-1699. ♦

ELIJAH CUP—Parishioners pray daily for an increase in vocations with the Elijah Cup displayed prominently in a place of honor in their home. *Sign up in the vestibule.*

This week: Sunday, April 1, 6:30am — Karen Adams

Next week: Saturday, April 7, 4pm — Don and Jackie Deschamps ♦

HOMEBOUND MASS—Being confined to home by illness or infirmity can bring about feelings of loneliness and separation from the body of Christ. Each year we invite families to make a special effort to bring their homebound loved ones to our 4pm Homebound Mass—**Saturday, April 7**, this year—to remind them (and us) of their value as members of the Church on earth. Do you know someone who needs help with transportation to the Homebound Mass? Call the office, (321) 269-2282. ♦

MANY THANKS!—Thanks to all who donated blood at our parish blood drive last month. The drive response was 10 units of whole blood to benefit multiple patients in the north Brevard area. For more information, visit oneblood.org. ♦

5K WALK/RUN SATURDAY, APRIL 21—Only 3 training weeks until the race. Walking the race is great; no need to break land speed records! Sign up at <https://runsignup.com/CatchTheSpirit5k>. Walk/run train with Monica, T/Th, 7am to 7:30am at Carpenter Hall parking lot then finish with some great stretches. ♦

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Fifty years or so ago, it was popular to teach that every Sunday is a "Little Easter." Today, after several decades of intense liturgical reform, it is more proper to think of today as a "Big Sunday." On every Sunday of the year, the Church is obliged to assemble, keeping the day holy. In most places, we hardly attain the goal of gathering all who are in Christ by baptism. Look around today and see what a Big Sunday looks like!

Our tradition speaks of remembering, anamnesis, as the antidote to "amnesia," the tragic forgetting of who God is and who we are as God's most beloved creation. On this Easter day, we are at our very best. We remember who God is, and we remember who we are in God's eyes: beloved sons and daughters, reborn to eternal life in baptismal waters. We rekindle our candles and reclaim our baptismal promises. As a "Big Sunday," today also reflects the character of festivity and leisure that should mark every Lord's Day. We wear "Sunday best" today, and we may take some time, especially in the northern states, to stroll through a budding garden. It is truly a "Big Sunday," and how different our lives would be if we took its values and traditions forward into all the Sundays of our lives. --Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co. ♦

Day of Reflection

Saturday April 14

8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Registration opens at 8 a.m.

Presented by

Father Bill Zamborsky

\$15 single/\$25 couple
includes materials, continental breakfast and lunch

Sponsored by

Holy Spirit Council of Catholic Women

For details, call Connie Allen, (321) 220-4718 ♦

Spiritual Work of Mercy:

PRAY FOR THE LIVING AND THE DEAD

The complete list is online at holyspiritmms.com/prayer-list (Faith in Action tab). New names are printed here for two weeks.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

**Caroline Grabowski • Todd Campbell
Trudy Prasky • Evelyn Trindle
Georgia Baxter**

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Emily Becker • Pat Williams



*Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon
them. May all the souls of the faithful
departed rest in peace. Amen. ♦*



EASTER SUNDAY

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, Paul, & John. All three speak with conviction about witnessing the resurrected Christ. John's Gospel account includes Mary of Magdala, who also witnesses the Resurrection & tells others the good news. On this glorious Easter Sunday do we ourselves give eyewitness accounts that Jesus Christ is risen today, alive & active in our lives?

"WE ARE WITNESSES OF ALL THAT HE DID"

The conviction & enthusiasm of eyewitness accounts gives them a ring of truth. The more eyewitnesses there are the more credible is their story. Different witnesses may have seen different things, or seen things differently, but they usually agree on the fundamental truth about what happened. The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John all give eyewitness accounts of the disciples discovering the empty tomb on the first Easter morning. Each Gospel records the scene a little differently, yet their credibility rests not on the precise details, but on the conviction of all the eyewitnesses. It is their belief in the truth that Christ is risen that convinces others to believe and to discover the truth for themselves.

The first reading throughout the Easter season is from the Acts of the Apostles, an eyewitness account showing the presence of Christ's Spirit acting within the community of believers after the Resurrection. Today Peter proclaims with conviction that Jesus was "raised on the third day" (Acts 10:40). He invites his audience to believe and experience the good news of God's saving love—for Jesus, for ourselves, and for all people everywhere.

CHRIST IS RISEN! RISEN INDEED!

"Christ is risen!" was once a common greeting on Easter morning. The expected reply, "Risen, indeed!" communicated the conviction of an eyewitness. In other words, the respondent was saying, "I myself have witnessed Christ's Spirit alive and active in my life and in the world." Like the eyewitnesses in today's scriptures, we are "witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead" (Acts 10:41). We are "commissioned . . . to preach to the people" (Acts 10:42) by giving eyewitness accounts of how the Spirit of the risen Christ is alive today. Our accounts may not agree in every detail, but the core truth will be the same: that Jesus Christ is risen! Risen, indeed!

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DIOCESE & COMMUNITY EVENTS

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER BREAKFAST—Honorary Chairman, Congressman Bill Posey, invites you to the 2018 Space Coast Prayer Breakfast for a time of county-wide prayer on the National Day of Prayer, **Thursday, May 3**, Hilton Rialto, 200 Rialto Place, Melbourne. Doors open at 7am. Our Keynote Speaker is Laura Wallace, CPA. She is an entrepreneur and passionate teacher of practical Biblical truths. Buy your \$25 ticket at SpaceCoastPrayerBreakfast.org. ♦

ST MARY'S COMMUNITY FAIR—Kids will be out of school for spring break the week following Easter Sunday. Consider taking them to the fair n Rockledge. For days, times, and ticket pricing, visit stmmaryfair.StMarysRockledge.org. ♦

FAITH FORMATION

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Persons ministering to children and/or the infirm are required to be fingerprinted (Diocese of Orlando) and pass the Safe Environment Training. Call the parish office for details, (321) 269-2282.

EDGE & LIFE TEEN—Happy Easter! Return Sunday, April 8. Your friends are always welcome to join us! ♦

FAMILY FORMATION—The next session is at 12:30pm in the chapel on **Sunday, April 8**. ♦

BIBLE STUDY—Discussion groups are off for Holy Week and Spring Break. Return the week of **April 9** (*with homework done*). ♦

SAINTS & VIRTUES—All ages are invited to learn about St. Louis de Montfort and the Blessed Virgin Mary. We'll discuss the virtue of **hope** - trusting in God's loving plan. The 1-hour session begins at 5:30pm, **Wednesday, April 18**, in Emmaus Hall. ♦

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