



Transfiguration of Jesus Catholic Church

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Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 26, 2026

On the HORIZON

May 3	First Sunday Breakfast Crowning of Mary
May 9 9 am – 1 pm	First Communion Retreat
May 10	Change for Life Baby Bottle due
May 16 10 AM	First Communion Celebration
May 24	Confirmation (8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 1:00 PM)

Background of the Gospel

This fourth Sunday of the Easter season is sometimes called Good Shepherd Sunday because in each of the three lectionary cycles, the Gospel reading invites us to reflect on Jesus as the Good Shepherd. In each cycle the reading is from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel. This chapter sets the framework for Jesus' teaching about himself as the Good Shepherd.

Today's reading falls between the stories of Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the raising of Lazarus. Both of these stories were proclaimed in the Gospels found in this year's season of Lent. Following the controversy that ensued when Jesus healed the man born blind, Jesus directs his allegory about the sheep and the shepherd toward the Jewish religious leaders of his time, the Pharisees.

Throughout John's Gospel the Pharisees fail to accept Jesus' ministry and teaching. They show themselves to be "robbers and thieves" because they try to lead the sheep without entering through the gate, Jesus. Through these metaphors, Jesus is telling his listeners that those who follow him and his way will find abundant life. He identifies himself both as the shepherd and the gate. The shepherds who are faithful to him are the ones whom the sheep (Jesus' disciples) should follow.

The relationship between the sheep and their shepherd is based on familiarity. Sheep recognize their shepherd and will not follow a stranger. At the end of the day, shepherds lead their sheep from pastures to a common gated area called a sheepfold. There, one shepherd protects all of the sheep until the next day when each shepherd returns to lead his own sheep to pasture. As shepherds move among the sheep, the sheep follow only their shepherd.

Today's Gospel also gives us the opportunity to reflect on Christian leadership. Jesus' words suggest to us that those who will lead the Christian community will be known by their faithfulness to Jesus. The leaders will recognize that Jesus is the gate for all of the sheep and that having a good relationship with Jesus is the primary characteristic of a Christian leader. Jesus' allegory also suggests that faithful Christian leadership requires a good relationship with the community: the shepherd knows his sheep, and they know him. Christian leaders follow the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, by being faithful to him and by being a good shepherd.

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Our Mission

To love and know more profoundly our Catholic faith, worship the Lord, minister to our members and to further spread our faith in the community.

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Office Hours

Mon. 9-6 PM (Wallace)

Tue. Day-off

Wed. 9-12 NN (Wallace)

Wed. 2-6 PM (Magnolia)

Thur. 9-12 NN (Wallace)

3-6 PM (Wallace)

Fri. 9-12 PM (Wallace)

Call to make an appointment

Adoration

Mon. 6:00 – 7:00 PM (Wallace)

Wed. 6:00 – 7:00 PM (Magnolia)

Thurs. 9:30-10:30 AM (Wallace)

Reconciliation

Mon. during Holy Hour

Thur. during Holy Hour

Sat. 4:30 PM or by appointment

Weekend Mass Schedule

Transfiguration of Jesus

Saturday 5:00 PM English

Sunday 8:30 AM English

10:30 AM Spanish

Santa Clara Mission

Sunday 1:00 PM Spanish

Weekday Masses

Mon, Thurs-Fri 9:00 AM (Eng.)

Mon 7:00 PM (Esp.)

Wed (Santa Clara) 7:00 PM (Esp.)

The Pope's Monthly Intention (April):

For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Prayer Tree Requests should be sent to all three committee members. This is to ensure that no prayer request goes unanswered. Also, please make sure that permission is given by the person or family needing prayer, to send out the request.

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Dear Jesus, we turn to You in the time of illness. O dearest Comforter alleviate our worry with your gentle love. We place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge whatsoever you do, you do for the love of us.

April Brings a Chance to Strengthen the Church at Home

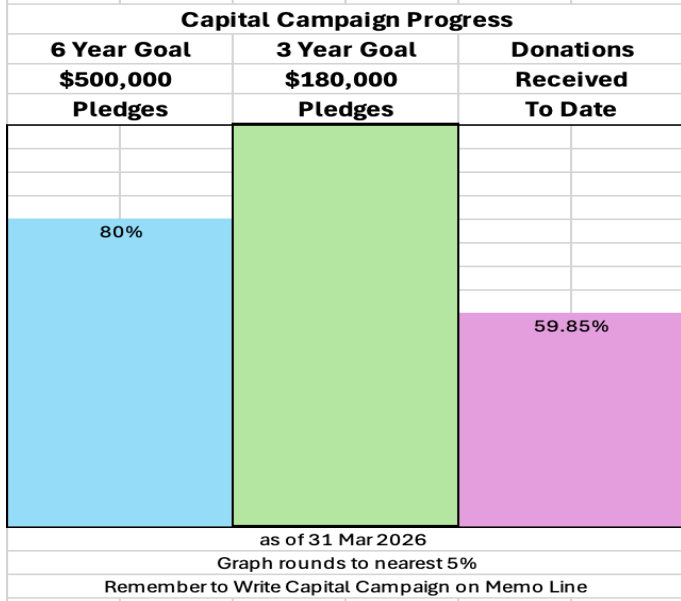
Nearly 40 percent of the dioceses in the United States and its territories are “home mission territory,” where small Catholic populations face isolation due to geographic challenges and economic hardship. These dioceses serve communities, many in rural areas, that cannot sustain their core ministries without outside assistance. That assistance comes through contributions to the annual **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**, taking place this year in many dioceses on April 25-26.

Your support for this annual appeal enables home mission dioceses to sustain parishes in remote areas, support formation for priests and deacons, and train leaders in faith formation and family ministries that strengthen new generations of faithful Catholics. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal also supports eparchies of the Eastern Catholic Churches in the United States, helping them meet the unique pastoral and cultural needs of their members, including those who have come to the United States from lands affected by war and terrorism.

Please **Strengthen the Church at Home** by giving to the Catholic Home Missions Appeal at Mass. If you are unable to give in your parish but wish to make a donation online, please visit [#iGiveCatholic](https://www.givecatholic.com).

Parish Ministries & Committees

Capital Campaign Progress Report



Finance Committee (Monthly Financials)

	Mar Budget	Mar Actuals	Mar Expense
Offertory	\$19,890	\$21,065	
Maintenance	\$4,959	\$5,451	
Others			
Total	\$24,849	\$26,516	\$18,099
Net Revenue			\$8,417

*Includes the Rectory Loan Payment of \$333.00

First Sunday Breakfast May 3, 2026

We warmly invite everyone to bring a dish to share as we gather in fellowship as a parish family. Let us enjoy good food, meaningful conversation, and the joy of being together in community. All are welcome—come and share in this time of friendship and blessing!

**May 2 & 3
after all the masses**

MAY
CROWNING

Mark your calendar:
June 2, 2026 at 6:30 PM



Dedication and Blessing of the New Altar

When Do We Say “Host” and When Do We Say, “Body of Christ”?

In the Catholic Church, both terms are used—but **they are not used in the same way or at the same moment.**

Use **“host”** when speaking about the external element (before or in practical terms). The word “host” refers to the bread used at Mass, especially in its visible form. Use “host” when: **Talking about preparation. Here, the focus is on the appearance or material (bread form).**

Use **“Body of Christ”** after consecration (in liturgy and faith). After the consecration, the host is no longer just bread. **It is truly the Body of Christ. Use “Body of Christ” when:**

- **During Communion – The Body of Christ.**
- Visting the Sick – Father, I’ll be getting the **Body of Christ** (NOT HOST) later this week for the sick.

A simple way to remember

- Before consecration / practical talk → “host”
- After consecration / liturgical & devotional talk → “Body of Christ”

Weekly Schedule April 25 – May 2

Saturday 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Confessions Vigil Mass (English) Michael and Chris Kriwer – Birthdays Requested by Ed and Donna Schulz +Michael Lynch requested by Frank and Cheryl Partyka	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers:	Saint Mark, Evangelist 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20 R Ciuccoli M Francis C Partyka, J Hodgson J Ciuccoli, D Schuzl, Deacon Mike M McCarthy
Sunday 8:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 1:00 PM	Mass +Dave Smith requested by the Women of Transfiguration Faith Formation Sunday Mass (Spanish) Sunday Mass (Santa Clara)	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers: Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10 M Russell, C Russell M Masinick J Couch, P Jasowski R Hirshkind, J Couch, M Orlowski Janet, Adrian, Bro, Moses Jorge, Tino, Jorge, Elias, Valentin, Alberto Jorge, Tino, Jorge Vivian, Emelina Tino, Hilda, Joseph Dorian, Jose, Bro. Moses
Monday 10:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Memorial Mass: Dave Smith Adoration Online Rosary: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3836517593 Mass		Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday			Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Adoration Mass		Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday 9:00 AM 9:30 AM	Mass Morning Prayer/Adoration		Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
Friday 9:00 AM	Mass / Anointing of the Sick		Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Confession Vigil Mass		Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14