

Our Lady of Sorrows

Traditional Catholic Mission Central Texas

Mass Location:

Vintage Villas Hotel & Events - Travis Room 4209 Eck Lane Austin Texas 78734 Austin, TX

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, April 10th, 2021 Mass – 6:00pm, Confessions – 5:30pm

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Note From Father

Dear Faithful,

This past week saw us celebrating three Solemn High Masses. The first was on Tuesday for our former maintenance man, Eldon Neukam. Eldon was a quiet and pious man, who took care of the many odds and ends around the property, until he wasn't able to physically do so. Fitting that this imitator of St. Joseph should have his funeral in the same week as the great saint and also in his month of March.

The other two Solemn High Masses were on Wednesday and Friday, the feasts of St. Patrick and St. Joseph, respectively. On St. Patrick's Day, there was a nice parish meal in the social hall. The priests, teachers, students, and people who attended were all able to enjoy a nice meal together. On Friday, after the Solemn Mass, there was the traditional blessing of hot crossed buns. That evening, we had a very good crowd come for Mass, stations, and our other Lenten Friday devotions. It is so wonderful to see so many take advantage of these spiritual opportunities.

Every Friday of Lent we have a parish dinner our social hall. There are so many devotions, we needed a way to feed the people who came for the Mass and had fasted for communion so they could make it through all the rest of the evening's devotions. What started as a potluck soup dinner years ago, has now become an event, in which different people volunteer to prepare the meal each Friday. This past Friday provided a great treat. In Massachusetts, it was always customary for the Italians to serve zeppole as a treat for St. Joseph's feast day. These are Italian pastries which are filled with either custard or sweet ricotta cannoli filling. They were unbelievable. However, since leaving Massachusetts for the priesthood, I have never been able to find a place that makes zeppole...between seminary and priesthood, it's been almost 15 years since one has crossed my lips. Well, one of the parishioners finally

made zeppole for the Friday night dinner and I was simply over the moon! Hopefully it is the beginning of the tradition out here in Cincinnati...but given our mostly German population...it's not likely.

Bp. Dolan was a last-minute replacement of Fr. McGuire in Milwaukee for this weekend. One of our long-time parishioners, Helen Kalian, there died. He had said the funeral for her husband, Hani, so many years before and was asked to say her funeral now.

Tomorrow, I begin my day here at St. Gertrude's, saying the 7:30 AM Mass and hearing the confessions for the 9:00 AM before then heading to the airport to fly to Dallas and say an evening Mass at St. Anthony's mission.

In Christ,

Fr. McKenna

<u>Daily Prayers of Reparation for Lent</u> Join St. Gertrude's in praying these prayers each day of Lent for Our Country and the World

Prayer to the Eternal Father for our Country

Eternal Father, we offer Thee the adorable Face of Thy well-beloved Son, for the honor and glory of Thy Holy Name and for the salvation of the United States.

The Golden Arrow Prayer

May the most holy, most sacred, most adorable, most incomprehensible and unutterable Name of God be forever praised, blessed, loved, adored, and glorified in heaven, on earth, and under the earth, by all the creatures of God, and by the Sacred Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ, in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. Amen.

Indulgenced Prayer in Honor of Our Lord's Passion

O my Lord, Jesus Christ! Who, to redeem the world, didst vouchsafe to be born amongst men, to be circumcised, to be rejected, and persecuted by the Jews, to be betrayed by the traitor, Judas, with a kiss, and as a lamb, gentle and innocent, to be bound with cords and dragged in scorn before the tribunals of Annas, Caiphas, Pilate, and Herod; who didst suffer Thyself to be accused by false witnesses, to be torn by the scourge and overwhelmed with opprobrium; to be spa upon, to be crowned with thorns, buffeted, struck with a reed, blindfolded, stripped of Thy garments; to be nailed to the cross and raised on it between two thieves; to be given gall and vinegar to drink, and to be pierce with a lance; do Thou, O Lord, by these Thy most sacred pains, which I, all unworthy, call to mind, and by Thy holy cross and death, save me from the pains of hell, and vouchsafe to bring me whither Thou didst bring the good thief who was crucified with Thee. Who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignesst, God for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father, etc. Five times

(Indulgence of 300 days, once a day—Pius VII, Aug. 25, 1820; plenary indulgence on any one of the last three days of the month under usual conditions.)

The Sorrowful Mysteries

I. By that stress and struggle there
In the agony of prayer;
By the sweat of blood that fell
For that woe unspeakable,
Sin upon the Sinless laid,—
Jesus, hearken! Mary, aid!

II. By the scourge that rent and tare
Flesh divine in shame laid bare;
By the blood that drenched the ground;
By the body one vast wound;
By the stripes our healing made,—
Jesus, hearken! Mary, aid!

III. By the crown of plaited thorn;
By the robe of purple scorn;
Reed for scepter, mocking knees,
Blows and spitting,—by all these,
Liege defied and King betrayed,—
Jesus, hearken! Mary, aid!

IV. By the cross they laid on Thee;
By Thy way to Calvary;
By that fellowship of woe
Only Mary's heart could know;
Shepherd, seek and save Thy strayed,
Jesus, hearken! Mary, aid!

V. By Thy crucifixion dread;
By redemption finished;
By the priceless gift decreed
For Thy mourning children's need,
Mother of God our Mother made,—
Jesus, hearken! Mary, aid!

- Emily Hickey

The Angelus

- V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
 - R. And she conceived of the Holy Ghost.
- **Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.
 - V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
 - R. Be it done unto me according to thy word. **Hail, Mary etc.
 - V. And the Word was made Flesh.
 - R. And dwelt among us. **Hail, Mary etc.
 - V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
 - R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen