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Call 9-1-1 in an emergency.

The Diocese of Tyler is committed to **respecting the dignity** of all persons and to helping anyone who may have been hurt or abused by a priest, deacon, religious, or anyone working in the name of the Church. Any current or past cases of abuse involving Church personnel should also be reported to civil authorities and the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (903) 266-2159 or vac@dioceseoftyler.org

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Welcome to Our Parish

Saturday / Sabado
5:30 p.m. – English

Sunday / Domingo
7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. - English
11:30 a.m. – Español

Tuesday / Martes
5:30 p.m. - English

Wednesday / Miércoles
8:00 a.m. - English
7:00 p.m. - Español

Thursday / Jueves
6 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 p.m. – Spanish Mass

Friday / Viernes
8:00 a.m. - English
7:00 p.m. – Español

Online Donations To Sacred Heart , please visit the following:
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Office Hours / Horario de la Oficina

Monday – Friday / Lunes – Viernes
1:30-5:30 p.m.



With Joyful Hearts, We Welcome You into Our House of Prayer.

Visitors: Thank you for celebrating the Most Holy Eucharist with our faith community. We pray you will have a safe journey home.

Con Corazones Gozosos, Les Damos la Bienvenida a Nuestra Casa de Oración

Visitantes: Gracias por celebrar la Santísima Eucaristía con nuestra comunidad de fe. Oramos para que tenga un buen viaje a casa.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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Most Reverend Gregory Kelly Bishop – Diocese of Tyler
Fr. Selvan Melkias, Parish Administrator



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
April 13, 2025

“My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?”
– Psalm 22



"This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me."



Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión del Señor
13 de abril de 2025

“Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿Por qué me has abandonado?”
– Salmo 22

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

El Via Crucis

Every Friday up until Holy Week.

5:00pm – English Mass
5:30pm – Stations of the Cross - English
7:00pm – Misa en Español seguida por El Via Crucis

Cada Viernes hasta la Semana Santa.

During Lent Only, First Friday Exposition of the Holy Sacrament will start at 8:30am and remain until 4:45pm.

Solo durante Cuaresma, la Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento del Primer Viernes comenzará a las 8:30am y durará hasta las 4:45pm

Confessions / Confesiones
Saturdays 4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. or by appointment.

Baptism Formation / Formacion de Bautizo
Please call the office to schedule & fill out forms before attending classes.

Spanish Classes: 3rd and 4th Monday of the Month with: Laurencio Velásquez (903) 434-2904
Jesus Verduzco (903) 285- 1746

English Classes: 3rd and 4th Monday of the Month with: Amanda Angel (903) 807-9349

Marriage Formation / Formación De Matrimonio
Couples should contact the office 9-12 months before marriage formation.

Anointing of the Sick / Unción De Los Enfermos
By appointment or emergency.
Con cita previa o urgencia.

Bible Study (English) - New Members Welcome!
Monday’s 5:30 P.M. - David Rice (817) 713-5905

Choir (English)
Stephanie Hyman – Music Director

Choir (Spanish)
Monday’s @ 7:00 P.M
Corazón González – Directora de Música

Jóvenes Y Adultos Para Cristo Grupo De Evangelización
Sundays 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fridays 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Juan and Betty Guerrero (469) 438-1061

Secretary / Bookkeeper – Marisol Hernandez

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
Instruction in the Catholic Faith for Adults:
English: Greg Leitheiser (972) 444-0776

Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (RICA)
Instrucción en la Fe Católica Para Adultos:
Spanish: Cristina Narvaez (903) 204-0099
Classes start in October.

Religious Education for Children
Faith Formation Classes:
Wednesdays 6:30p.m. – 8:00p.m.
Start in September.

Sacramental Prep Classes:
Sundays 10:30a.m. – 11:20a.m.
Start in October.

Faith Formation Coordinator:
Cristina Narvaez (903) 204-0099

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

We sing some of the saddest words in all of scripture in the psalm today: "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?" Isaiah resisted this despair as he was struck and spat at, professing his confidence in God. Paul testifies that Jesus was willing to empty himself, to humble himself, accepting even death on a cross. In the Passion, we hear Jesus pray to the Father, "not my will but yours." May today's readings reassure us that even in our worst despair God will never truly abandon us.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The Suffering Servant speaks to the weary. (Isa 50:4-7)

Psalm – “My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?” (Psalm 22)

Second Reading –Jesus emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness ith exaltation. (Phil 2:6-11)

Gospel – The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Lk 22:14-23; 56 or 23:1-49)

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Offerings & 2nd Collection Schedule

April 5-6:

1st Collection: \$ 1,993.00

2nd Collection: \$ 811.00

2nd Collections:

April 18th – Good Friday - Holy Land Collection

April 20th – Caring for Priests of the Diocese

2da Colectas:

18 de abril - Viernes Santo - Colecta de La Tierra Santa

20 de abril – El Cuidado de los sacerdotes de la diócesis



Pray for ... Oremos Por...

Ernie Snapka, Peter Vella, Susan Marchionda, Dudley & Sally Salisbury, Henry Russell, John Dillon Lauren Herman, Philip Smith, Elizabeth Mckenzie – Smith, Elizabeth Mckenzie, Ray Banning, Julianne Pinto, Davi Morais, Blanca Padilla, John Wrinkle, Marta Sandoval, Alex Patiño, Javier Navarro





Saturday Mass 5:30pm - Repose of the Soul of Robert Wrinkle

Sunday Mass ~ 11:30am ~ 40-day Presentation of Catalina Arabella Mendez

- Blessing for Quince Años – Alexander Soto

Mass Cancelled - Tuesday, April 15th

Fr. Selvan will be attending the Diocesan Chrism Mass on Tuesday, April 15th, therefore the 5:30pm mass is cancelled.



Children’s Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 20th

We plan to have an Easter Egg Hunt after the 9:30am and 11:30am mass. To have enough treats and eggs for the children, we are asking the community for donations of plastic eggs and candies. There is a plastic bin at the front of the altar where you can drop off your donations. We hope to see our parish children with their easter baskets in hand and a big smile on that joyous day! Thank you for your donations!



Live Stations of the Cross – Good Friday

Portrayed by Faith Formation Students

As our faith formation children bring to life the “Stations of the Cross”, we stand with them in prayerful solidarity. Their dedication and reverence remind us all of Christ’s journey and the profound love He showed through His sacrifice.

Let us surround them with our love, encouragement, and spiritual support as they share this powerful reflection of Jesus’ Passion. May their efforts deepen their own faith and inspire our entire community to walk more closely with Christ during this Lenten season.

Please join us around 5:30pm, after the English service on April 18th, Good Friday.



National Blue Sunday Day of Prayer for Abused Children

April is Child Abuse Awareness Month. Every year the Church spreads awareness by participating in the National Blue Sunday Day of Prayer for Abused Children on the last Sunday of April. Blue Sunday is on **April 27, 2025**.

To learn more visit: <https://www.bluesunday.org/blue-sunday-day-of-prayer>. To learn more about the Safe Environment Program in the Diocese of Tyler visit: www.dioceseoftyler.org/safeenvironment.

Catholic Relief Services – “Rice Bowl”

Thank you for picking up a CRS “Rice Bowl”. Seventy-five percent of gifts support CRS’ international humanitarian programs. The other 25% of gifts remain in each U.S. diocese where they are given to hunger and poverty alleviation efforts in those communities.

Please return the “Rice Bowls” to the Parish Office by April 23rd.

Sacred Heart’s Goal - Bishop’s Appeal

Goal	\$16, 000.00	Raised	\$ 12,763.90
% of Goal.....	80%		(Under \$3,236.10)
Donors	27		

Scan to give online or go to www.dioceseoftyler.org/baa2025

For more information or to donate:
DIOCESE OF TYLER
1015 ESE Loop 323
Tyler, Texas 75701 (903) 534-1077



Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión del Señor

En el salmo de hoy, cantamos algunas de las palabras más tristes de toda la Escritura: «Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has abandonado?». Isaías resistió esta desesperación mientras lo golpeaban y escupían, profesando su confianza en Dios. Pablo testifica que Jesús estuvo dispuesto a despojarse de sí mismo, a humillarse, aceptando incluso la muerte en la cruz. En la Pasión, escuchamos a Jesús orar al Padre: «No se haga mi voluntad, sino la tuya». Que las lecturas de hoy nos reafirmen que, incluso en nuestra peor desesperación, Dios nunca nos abandonará del todo.

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — El Siervo Sufriente habla al cansado. (Isaías 50:4-7)

Salmo — “Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿Por qué me has abandonado?” (Salmo 22)

Segunda lectura – Jesús se despojó de sí mismo, y Dios llenó este vacío con la exaltación. (Fil. 2:6-11)

Evangelio — La Pasión de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. (Lc. 22:14-23; 56 o 23:1-49)

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Holy Week Mass Schedule

Horario de misas de Semana Santa

Holy Thursday / Jueves Santo

April 17 / 17 de Abril

5:30pm – Mass of the Lord’s Supper – English

7:00pm – Misa de la Cena del Señor – Español

Adoration continues until 3pm on Friday

Good Friday / Viernes Santo

April 18 / 18 de Abril

3:00pm– The Stations of the Cross – English followed by The Passion of the Lord – English

(After English Service)

Around 5:30pm - Live Stations of the Cross-bilingual

Outside the church premises

(Después del servicio en inglés)

Alrededor de 5:30pm - Via Crucis Viviente - bilingüe

En seguida La Pasión del Señor – Español

Fuera de las instalaciones de la iglesia

Holy Saturday / Sabado de Gloria

April 19th / 19 de Abril

8:30pm– Easter Vigil – Bilingual

Vigilia Pascual – Bilingüe

Easter Sunday / Domingo de Pascua

April 20th / 20 de Abril

9:30am- English

11:30am – Español

Misa cancelada - Martes 15 de abril

El Padre Selvan asistirá a la Misa Crismal Diocesana el martes 15 de abril, por lo que la misa de las 17:30 queda cancelada.



Búsqueda de Huevos de Pascua para Niños

Domingo, 20 de abril

Planeamos tener una búsqueda de huevos de Pascua después de las misas de las 9:30am y las 11:30am. Para tener suficientes golosinas y huevos para los niños, solicitamos a la comunidad donaciones de huevos de plástico y dulces. Hay una caja de plástico frente al altar donde pueden depositar sus donaciones. ¡Esperamos ver a los niños de nuestra parroquia con sus canastas de Pascua en la mano y una gran sonrisa en ese feliz día! ¡Gracias por sus donaciones!



Vía Crucis en Vivo – Viernes Santo

Representado por Estudiantes de Formación en la Fe

Mientras nuestros estudiantes de formación en la fe dan vida al Vía Crucis, nos solidarizamos con ellos en oración. Su dedicación y reverencia nos recuerdan el camino de Cristo y el profundo amor que Él mostró a través de su sacrificio.

Rodeémoslos de nuestro amor, aliento y apoyo espiritual mientras comparten esta poderosa reflexión de la Pasión de Jesús. Que sus esfuerzos profundicen su fe e inspiren a toda nuestra comunidad a caminar más cerca de Cristo durante esta Cuaresma.

Únase a nosotros alrededor de las 5:30 p. m., después del servicio en inglés el 18 de abril, Viernes Santo.



Domingo Azul Nacional de Oración por los Niños Abusados

Abril es el Mes de la Concientización sobre el Abuso Infantil. Cada año, la Iglesia promueve la concienciación participando en el Domingo Azul Nacional de Oración por los Niños Abusados, el último domingo de abril. El Domingo Azul se celebra el 27 de abril de 2025.

Para obtener más información, visite <https://www.bluesunday.org/blue-sunday-day-of-prayer>. Para obtener más información sobre el Programa de Ambiente Seguro de la Diócesis de Tyler, visite: www.dioceseoftyler.org/safeenvironment.

Servicios Católicos de Ayuda – “Plato de Arroz”

Gracias por recoger un “Plato de Arroz” de CRS. El 75% de las donaciones apoyan los programas humanitarios internacionales de CRS. El 25% restante se destina a cada diócesis de EE. UU., donde se destina a iniciativas para combatir el hambre y la pobreza en esas comunidades.

Por favor, devuelva los “Platos de Arroz” a la Oficina Parroquial antes del 23 de abril.

Meta del Sagrado Corazón – Promesa al Obispo

Meta	\$16, 000.00	Fondos Recaudados	\$ 12, 763.90
% de Meta	80%		(Abajo \$3,236.10)
Donantes	27		

Escanea para dar en linea o vaya a www.dioceseoftyler.org/baa2025

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