



# ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday

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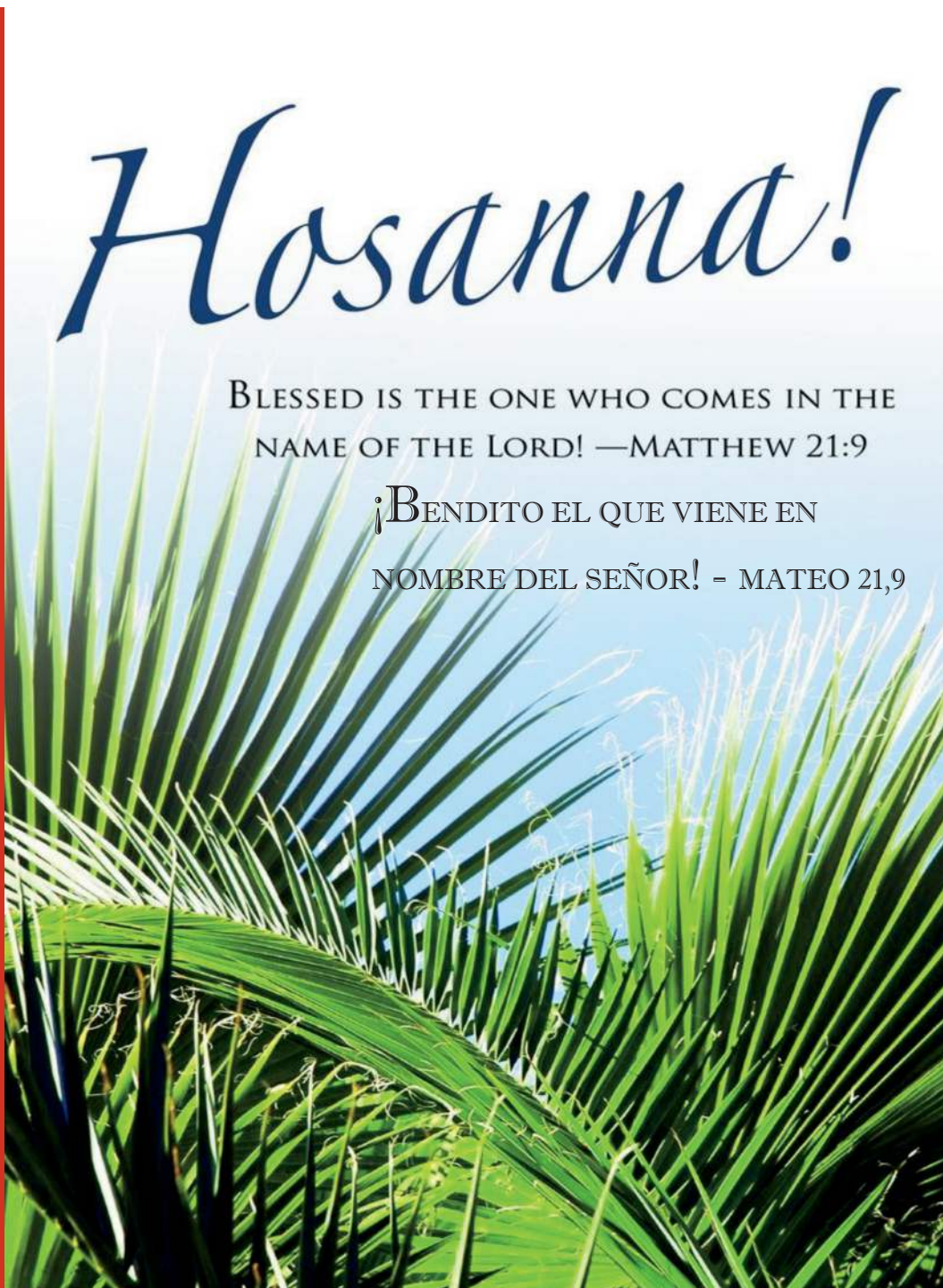
Thank you for joining us today!

¡Gracias por acompañarnos!

# Hosanna!

BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE  
NAME OF THE LORD! —MATTHEW 21:9

¡BENDITO EL QUE VIENE EN  
NOMBRE DEL SEÑOR! - MATEO 21,9



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## MASS SCHEDULE



*Parishioners are invited to come  
celebrate with us the real presence of  
Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.*



**Monday-Friday** 9:00 AM - Eng.  
**Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday** 4:00 PM - Eng.  
**Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday** 6:00 PM - Sp.  
**Sunday** 8:00 AM - Eng. 10:00 AM - Eng.  
12:00 PM - Sp. 6:00 PM - Sp.

### Confessions:

**Saturdays 2:00-3:30 PM, English & Spanish,  
or by appointment.**

**Call the Parish Office at (863) 422-4370.  
Thank you!**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, March 28, 2026

4:00 PM †Liam Rincón  
6:00 PM (Sp.) †Williams Mujica

### Sunday, March 29, 2026

8:00 AM †Rosie Díaz  
10:00 AM †Jason Beardslee  
12:00 PM (Sp.) †Rusmelis de Prieto & Casto Prieto  
6:00 PM (Sp.) †Mariela Álvarez

### Holy Monday, March 30, 2026

9:00 AM †Nam Van Nguyen

### Holy Tuesday, March 31, 2026

9:00 AM Pro Populo (For the people of St. Ann)

### Holy Wednesday, April 1, 2026

9:00 AM †Memorial Mass Association

### Holy Thursday, April 2, 2026

9:00 AM Lectio Divina  
7:00 PM (Bl.) Last Supper

### Holy Friday, April 3, 2026

9:00 AM Lectio Divina  
3:00 PM Passion of the Lord  
6:00 PM (Sp.) Passion of the Lord

### Holy Saturday, April 4, 2026

8:00 PM (Bl.) Easter Vigil

### Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

6:30 AM †  
8:00 AM †Anna Muffi  
10:00 AM †Yasmin Gallarza Morgon  
12:00 PM (Sp.) †Marlon A. Mendoza (**Inside**)  
12:00 PM (Sp.) Samir Castro Birthday (**Outside**)  
6:00 PM (Sp.) †José Luis Gonzalez Cruz



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## PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

### March 21 & 22, 2026

Regular Offertory: \$16,916.50  
Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$1,827  
50/50: Winner has been notified - \$208  
Faith Direct February 1-28: \$4,117  
Miscellaneous: \$7,274



### OCA 2026 Update:

*Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.*

Goal: \$209,695  
Pledged to Date: \$83,043  
Cash received to Date: \$59,996  
Still needed in Pledges: \$149,699

*While we have made a lot of progress in pledges,  
there is an amount in pledges that needs to be covered.*  
**Thank you for helping to spread the good news of salvation!**



**Due to the Lenten Schedule,  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
will take place all day on **Fridays** in the church  
from **9:30 AM-5:00 PM.**

**\*First Friday Mass in Spanish will be suspended.**

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



To receive offertory envelopes, you must be a registered member of St. Ann Church. You may register by filling out a registration card at the desk in the Narthex. You can then drop it in the offertory basket or take it to the church office. Please be patient as you wait for your envelopes to arrive in the mail. They are sent out every 1-2 months, depending on the time of year.

## LISTENING ASSISTANT APPLICATION



The "ListenWIFI App" is now available at our church to support those with hearing difficulties. Simply scan the barcode, download the app, and follow the on-screen instructions.

Connect to WiFi:  
ST Ann Hearing Assist  
Password: Listen1311

## OUR LEGACY CONTINUES

### Parish Construction Project: Week 32 Update

We are pleased to share another positive update on our construction project!

At the Old Office Building, the ADA parking space has been completed. However, the adjacent driveway was damaged during construction and is currently being repaired.



At the Fr. Anderson Building, the HVAC condenser installation has been completed, and the millwork and countertops are now finished.



*"Whoever sows generously will also reap generously."  
(2 Cor. 9:6)*

## A FAITHFUL HEART

On this Palm Sunday, we contemplate a contrast: Jesus is joyfully acclaimed as He enters Jerusalem, but just a few days later, He will be led to the cross. This invites us to ask ourselves whether our faith is firm or only momentary.

The crowd in Jerusalem was looking for a liberator, someone to break the chains of Roman oppression with the strength of an army. They shouted “**Hosanna,**” which literally means “**Save us, we pray!**” But Jesus arrives not on a warhorse, but on a borrowed donkey.

Palm Sunday challenges us to look at the two different versions of “victory” presented to us:

- **The World's Victory:** Built on status, shouting the loudest, and conquering others.
- **The Gospel's Victory:** Built on humility, silence, and the willingness to give oneself away.

Jesus does not come with power, but with humility and self-giving love, teaching us that the true path is love that gives itself to the very end.

Today we raise our palms, but the Lord asks for something more: a faithful heart that follows Him even to the cross.

May this Holy Week be an opportunity to walk with Christ, not only in moments of joy, but also in sacrifice and conversion.

**Fr. Alfonso Cely**  
Pastor

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

2026-2027  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM  
REGISTRATION BEGINS

**TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026**

FOR SPECIFIC REGISTRATION INFORMATION  
INCLUDING FEES FOR  
THE 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR:

**CHECK THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BOARD IN  
THE NARTHEX**

**OR**

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**DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS**

**Monday & Wednesday: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**  
**Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM**  
**Friday: Office Closed**

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**(863) 438-2700**

### LIVING HOLY WEEK

## Preparing for Holy Week Celebration

Renew your spiritual commitments and prepare  
your heart for the Passion of Christ.

*Participate fully in Holy Week liturgies  
&  
Embrace the Joy of Christ's Resurrection.*

*Heavenly Father,  
Prepare our hearts, O Lord, to walk with  
Jesus through His Passion, Death, and  
Resurrection. Help us to  
grow in faith, repentance, and love,  
May we be renewed and  
transformed by  
the power of Your grace.  
Amen.*

# THE LAST SUPPER OF THE LORD

IN THIS SACRED CELEBRATION

INSTITUTION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST, PRIESTLY ORDER, AND THE COMMANDMENT OF LOVE.

EN ESTA SAGRADA CELEBRACIÓN

INSTITUCION DE LA SAGRADA EUCARISTÍA, EL ORDEN SACERDOTAL Y EL MANDAMIENTO DEL AMOR.



*Holy Thursday, April 2  
7:00 PM (Bilingual)*

*Jueves Santo, Abril 2  
7:00 PM (Bilingüe)*

*Join us for this special celebration! / ¡Únete a esta celebración especial!*

## RECEPTION OF THE HOLY OILS



The reception of the Holy Oils: Oil of the Sick, Oil of Catechumens, and the Holy Chrism, which Bishop John Noonan blesses during the Chrism Mass, will be presented by our Deacons to Fr. Alfonso and our congregation before the Mass of the Last Supper of the Lord.

The oils will be reserved in a suitable repository in the presbyterium or near the baptismal font.

## THE PLACE OF REPOSE (HOLY THURSDAY)

A procession is formed in which the Blessed Sacrament, accompanied by torches and incense, is carried through the church to a place of repose prepared in a part of the church or chapel suitably decorated.

The faithful are invited to continue adoration before the Blessed Sacrament for a suitable length of time during the night, according to local circumstances. After Midnight, the adoration should take place without solemnity.



April 2  
After Holy Thursday Celebration -  
Midnight  
(Monument in our gardens)  
See more information in this bulletin  
insert.

## LECTIO DIVINA

Join us for  
*Lectio Divina*

Holy Thursday, April 2  
9:00 AM (in Church)

Good Friday, April 3  
9:00 AM (in Church)

There will be NO 9:00 AM mass on  
Holy Thursday & Good Friday

*Acompañanos a la reflexión del  
Lectio Divina*

este Jueves Santo, Abril 2  
8:00 AM (en la Iglesia)

Viernes Santo,  
8:00 AM (en la Iglesia)



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS / VIACRUCIS

This Holy Friday join us  
in prayer and reflection for  
*the Stations of the Cross (Church)*

12:00 noon (English)

*Este Viernes Santo* acompañanos en  
oración y reflexión al *Viacrucis*  
(Haines City High School)

3:00 PM (Spanish)

3:00 PM (English)  
*Passion of the Lord*

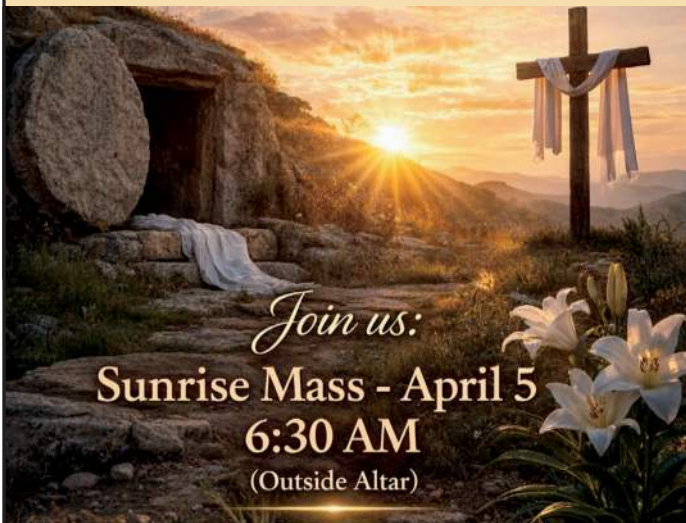
6:00 PM (Spanish)  
*Celebration of the  
Passion of the Lord*



## SUNRISE MASS

In the Gospel narrative, **Jesus rises from the dead early on Sunday morning**. There is no mention of the exact time when Jesus rose, but he had already left the tomb by the time some of his disciples came there.

The symbolism of this tradition is very clear, as it **celebrates the rising of the Son**, the true **Light of the World**, at the moment when the rays of the sun begin to shatter the darkness of night.



*Join us:*  
**Sunrise Mass - April 5**  
**6:30 AM**  
(Outside Altar)

## EASTER VIGIL MASS



The rubrics of the Roman Missal remind us that this “mother of all vigils” is “the greatest and noblest of all solemnities, and must be unique in each Church.”

On this holy night, the Church keeps watch, celebrating the resurrection of Christ in the sacraments and awaiting his return in glory. It is the culmination of the Triduum, the Easter of the new covenant, marking Christ’s passage from death to life.

We invite everyone to join this special celebration.

As a reminder, there will be **NO**

**4:00 PM Mass on Holy Saturday (April 4)**

**THE EASTER VIGIL MASS (April 4)**  
**AT 8:00 PM (Bilingual)**

## EASTER EGG HUNT

We are excited to announce that our traditional Easter Egg Hunt will return this year! We kindly encourage our parishioners to donate bags of candy, baskets, small toys, and plastic eggs for this fun event.

**Sunday, April 5**

*(after the 12:00 PM Mass)*

There will be a collection box in the Narthex where you can drop off your donations.

Thank you in advance for your generous support in making our Easter Egg Hunt a success!



## UN CORAZÓN FIEL

En este Domingo de Ramos, contemplamos un contraste: Jesús es aclamado con gozo al entrar en Jerusalén, pero tan solo unos días después, será conducido a la cruz. Esto nos invita a preguntarnos si nuestra fe es firme o meramente momentánea.

La multitud en Jerusalén buscaba un **liberador**, alguien que rompiera las cadenas de la opresión romana con la fuerza de un ejército. Gritaban «¡Hosanna!», que literalmente significa: «¡Sálvanos, te rogamos!». Pero Jesús no llega montado en un caballo de guerra, sino en un asno prestado.

El Domingo de Ramos nos desafía a contemplar las dos versiones diferentes de «victoria» que se nos presentan:

- **La victoria del mundo:** Construida sobre el estatus, el gritar más fuerte y el conquistar a los demás.
- **La victoria del Evangelio:** Construida sobre la humildad, el silencio y la disposición a entregarse a sí mismo.

Jesús no viene con poder, sino con humildad y un amor que se entrega, enseñándonos que el verdadero camino es el amor que se da hasta el final.

Hoy alzamos nuestras palmas, pero el Señor nos pide algo más: un corazón fiel que lo siga incluso hasta la cruz.

Que esta Semana Santa sea una oportunidad para caminar con Cristo, no solo en los momentos de alegría, sino también en el sacrificio y la conversión.

P. Alfonso Cely  
Párroco

### EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

2026-2027

**INICIO DE INSCRIPCIONES PARA EL PROGRAMA DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA**

**MARTES, 14 DE ABRIL DE 2026**

**PARA INFORMACIÓN ESPECÍFICA SOBRE LA INSCRIPCIÓN INCLUYENDO LAS CUOTAS PARA EL AÑO ACADÉMICO 2026-2027:**

**CONSULTE LA JUNTA DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA EN EL NÁRTEX**

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**Martes y jueves: 10:00 AM a 5:00 PM**

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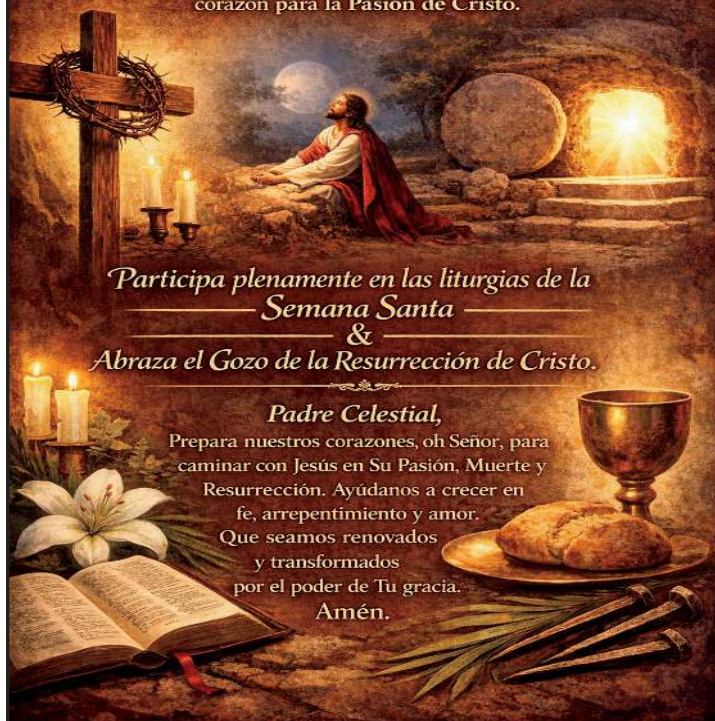
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### VIVIENDO LA SEMANA SANTA

**Preparámonos para la Celebración de la Semana Santa**

Renueda tus compromisos espirituales y prepara tu corazón para la Pasión de Cristo.



*Participa plenamente en las liturgias de la Semana Santa & Abraza el Gozo de la Resurrección de Cristo.*

*Padre Celestial,*

Prepara nuestros corazones, oh Señor, para caminar con Jesús en Su Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección. Ayúdanos a crecer en fe, arrepentimiento y amor.

Que seamos renovados y transformados por el poder de Tu gracia.

*Amén.*

## RECEPCIÓN DE LOS SANTOS ÓLEOS



La recepción de los Santos Óleos —el Óleo de los Enfermos, el Óleo de los Catecúmenos y el Santo Crisma—, que el Obispo John Noonan bendice durante la Misa Crismal, será realizada por nuestros diáconos ante el Padre Alfonso y nuestra congregación, antes de la Misa de la Cena del Señor.

Los óleos serán reservados en un lugar adecuado dentro del presbiterio o cerca de la pila bautismal.

## EL LUGAR DE REPOSO (JUEVES SANTO)

Se forma una procesión en la que el Santísimo Sacramento, acompañado de antorchas e incienso, se lleva por la iglesia hasta un lugar de reposo preparado en una parte de la iglesia o capilla debidamente decorada.

**Se invita a los fieles a continuar la adoración ante el Santísimo Sacramento durante un tiempo adecuado durante la noche, según las circunstancias locales. Después de la medianoche, la adoración debe realizarse sin solemnidad.**



**2 de abril  
Seguido a la celebración del  
Jueves Santo — Medianoche  
(Monumento en nuestros  
jardines)**

Le invitamos a leer el inserto de este boletín.

## MISA DEL ALBA

En la narración del Evangelio, Jesús resucita de entre los muertos el domingo por la mañana temprano. No se menciona la hora exacta en que Jesús resucitó, pero ya había salido de la tumba cuando algunos de sus discípulos llegaron allí.

El simbolismo de esta tradición es muy claro, ya que celebra la resurrección del Hijo de Dios, la verdadera Luz del Mundo, en el momento en que los rayos del sol comienzan romper la oscuridad de la noche.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Do you know a high school student or adult who needs scholarship assistance? The St. Vincent de Paul, St. Ann Conference is offering TWO \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors and/or adults attending a college, trade school, or completing certification testing! Go to <https://svdpstann.org/scholarship/> for more information. The deadline to submit the application for the fall semester is April 30, 2026. As always, we thank you for your generous food donations to our pantry. Because of you, we were able to help 766 families, totaling 3,342 people, in February. **GOD BLESS YOU!**

## VIGILIA PASCUAL (SÁBADO SANTO)



Las rúbricas del Misal Romano nos recuerdan que esta “madre de todas las vigiliass” es “la más grande y noble de todas las solemnidades, y ha de ser única en cada Iglesia”.

En esta santa noche, la Iglesia vela, celebrando la resurrección de Cristo en los sacramentos y esperando su retorno en gloria.

Es el punto culminante del Triduo, la Pascua de la nueva alianza, que marca el paso de Cristo de la muerte a la vida.

Invitamos a todos a unirse a esta celebración especial.

Como recordatorio, **No habrá**

**Misa de 4:00 PM el Sábado Santo (Abril 4).**

En su lugar celebraremos la **Misa de Vigilia Pascual (Abril 4) a las 8:00 PM (Bilingüe).**

## BÚSQUEDA DE HUEVOS DE PASCUA

¡Nos complace anunciar que nuestra tradicional Búsqueda de Huevos de Pascua regresará este año! Cordialmente invitamos a nuestros feligreses a donar bolsas de dulces, canastas, juguetes pequeños y huevos de plástico para este divertido evento.

**Domingo, 5 de abril**

(después de la Misa de las 12:00 PM)

Habrà una caja de recolección en el Nártex donde podrán depositar sus donaciones.

¡Gracias de antemano por su generoso apoyo para hacer de nuestra Búsqueda de Huevos de Pascua todo un éxito!



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