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## Vicar

Vicar..... Rev. Scott Mansfield

## Mass Schedule

Saturday..... 4:00 pm  
Sunday ..... 8:00 & 10:00 am

## Holy Rosary

20 minutes before each mass.

## Sacrament of Confession

Saturday..... 3:00-3:45 pm

## Adoration

Wednesday ..... 9:00 am-12:00 pm  
Thursday..... 9:00 am-12:00 pm

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# No Easter Vigil Mass

## From the Desk of Father Scott

Friends in Christ,

This weekend we celebrate the glorious entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem. This "entrance," as you know, was soon followed by an act of violence history had never witnessed--the passion and crucifixion of the incarnate God. But to show humanity the immensity of His power, our Lord came "forth from the tomb on the third day." We also see in these events--and very clearly too--the power of our Lord's love. As He was being nailed to the cross, our Lord prayed for His executioners. If He prayed even for His enemies, how much more does He pray for His friends? "You are My friends," He said, "if you keep My commandments." It follows that we must keep His commandments and His precepts, all of which are safeguarded and passed on from one generation to another by the teaching authority of the Catholic Church. Remember this: Jesus Christ died for you and for me. You and I must live for Him.



Have a blessed Holy Week.

Fr. Scott Mansfield.  
Mansfield

## Mass Intentions For This Week

**Saturday 4:00PM**

†Marilyn M. Lynfoot by the Lynfoot family

†Josefina Zaldivar by Rosa Ledesma

**Sunday 8:00AM**

Abram Apodaca by daughter Liz and family

**Sunday 10:00AM**

For all the souls in Purgatory

## Upcoming Events

- Friday 6PM Stations of the Cross
- June 16th, 11AM-1PM Mother/Daughter Tea.
- 1st Sunday of every month Food Collection for St. Felix Pantry.

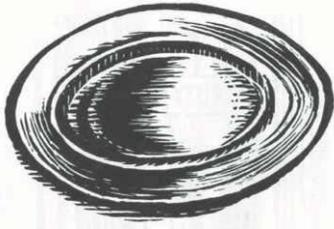
## Happy Birthday Father Mansfield

# 50<sup>th</sup> birthday

## New Great Adventure Bible studies will be starting!

Title: **Exodus: Called to Freedom**  
Day/Time: **Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00 p.m.**  
Starting: **10 April 2012**  
Location: **St. John Vianney Mission**  
Facilitator: **Brenda Vogsland**

## Materials and Objects for Mass



**Paten:**  
The plate that  
holds the host(s)  
to be consecrated.

Palm Sunday 2012

**Ramblings** by Carl Beyer and Friends

Our family is now down to four dogs and three cats, which means we lost a dog. In November we rescued a young dog, under two years of age, and this is the one we lost. She was in pretty poor shape when we found her and we believe she died of septic shock. We were with her until her last breath and made every attempt to keep her comfortable. Although we had not had her long enough to have become TOO attached, it was quite sad for our family.

This experience made me think about what our ancestors must have faced before we had "modern medicine." In centuries, even decades, ago it was not uncommon to lose children before the age of five. The heartbreak those families endured is overwhelming to ponder. I am sure, just as today, some families who suffered losses grew closer to God, while others became bitter. We would all like to believe that in such a difficult circumstance we would turn to God, but just as Jesus knew that Peter, who became our first pope, would deny him repeatedly, so too will we lesser men and women. Yet, like Peter, we lesser humans receive His forgiveness.

Can you imagine Jesus' mother, Mary, and her pain as she watched her Son being flogged, scourged and then crucified? I imagine she would have freely traded places with her Son to save him from the anguish, even though she understood God's plan. How often do we, as parents, wish we could take on, and take away from our children, their pain? Logically, we know our children have lessons to be learned, but how we wish they did not have to endure the pain in the process!

Now, let us take it one step further and remember that we are The Children of God. How He must suffer, seeing us in pain, but realizing that our growth is dependent upon our experiencing pain along with joy. How can we appreciate the JOY if we do not feel the suffering? I know I never feel better than I do after I have gotten over being sick. We can walk around every day in perfect health without appreciating our health, until it is taken away from us.

Of course I am not advocating nor encouraging

suffering and pain, but simply acknowledging that it is a part of human life. On the scale of history, we are so fortunate to live in the times we do. Our lives are relatively easy compared to those folks living in previous centuries, but on the flip-side that means that most of us probably do not appreciate the ease of our lives. If I had to walk in the shoes of our ancestors I might have a very different perspective. Seriously, can you compare our lives with those who suffered through the Spanish Influenza of 1918 that killed as many as 25 million people in its first 25 weeks....a million souls lost in a week? Or the plague of the 17th century in Germany and Europe which inspired the Oberammergau Passion Play, or the great Potato Famine of Ireland in the 1800's which brought many Irish Catholic immigrants to the U.S....or the Great Depression....I pray we never have to experience anything like these again.

This coming week is Holy Week, during which Jesus' enormous suffering for us resulted in his Resurrection on Easter. We would all do well to do MORE than attending Sunday Mass. We might take extra time to learn about Our Faith, to realize WHY we celebrate Easter and the events of Christ's life leading to it, and to Pray. While Our Lord's Resurrection on Easter Sunday is The Big Event and very important to our Faith, no less important is the Suffering He endured for ALL of Us.

Happy Palm Sunday. Go forth and live your faith.  
God Bless You All.

Dear Everyone,

The only way to start this letter is to thank everyone for all you've done for me. All the thoughts and prayers, cards, gifts, flowers, and all the other things I can't remember right now. They all helped me get through my surgery.

I saw the doctor on Tuesday, and he confirmed everything that I had had hoped for. The cancer was contained in the left kidney and he says there is a 91% chance it won't return. Because it was contained, I don't have to do any chemo, radiation or any medication, I just need to see him in six months and for the next five years.

Once again, thank you to all for your letters, cards, phone calls, kind thoughts and concern. Take care and keep in touch.

Pinky and Ron

**Volunteers needed for laying out the Easter Eggs after 8AM Mass on Easter. Please see Edwina if you are able to help.**

**Want to Read the Bible in 4 Years?**

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**Happenings at our Mother Church - St Thomas Aquinas**

- ◆ NEW GREAT ADVENTURE BIBLE STUDY GROUPS FORMING, James, Thursdays, 7:30-9:30 p.m., beginning 4/19/12, St. Thomas Aquinas Church/Religious Education Center.
- ◆ ALPHA IS HERE! The new Alpha began in Fr. D'Arco Hall on Tuesday, 3/20/12, at 6:00 p.m., and will continue to meet on Tuesday nights.
- ◆ A Divine Mercy study group will start on Wednesday, 4/18/12. We will meet every Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Religious Education Center.
- ◆ NEW STUDY GROUP FORMING. Saints with a Past, will begin 4/13/12, 7:00 p.m., in the St. Lucy Filippini meeting room at St Thomas Aquinas Church.

Please read St Thomas Bulletin or visit <http://www.stanm.org> and click on Publications, Bulletins for more information.

The next **Baby Quilting Bee** will be Saturday, March 31st, at 9 AM until approximately noon. Men, boys and girls are welcome, as well. *Julie*

**\*\*\* Vacation Bible School 2012 Surfin with the Holy Spirit \*\*\***

Please mark you calendars - Vacation Bible School 2012 will be July 9-13th

We are starting to collect donations for the kids T-shirts again this year. If your business, organization, or even an individual would like to donate so that the kids can have T-shirts again this year it would be greatly appreciated. VBS at St John Vianney is free for the kids and so we need help from the community with supplies and T-shirts.

This year the kids will be learning about the Holy Spirit and His role in our lives... the shirts will carry your business and or organization name on the back... please contact Jennifer Coca at 505-469-1400 to make donations or with any questions. Thank you in advance for your support of VBS 2012 and our kids. God bless.



**Theodore Roosevelt**  
**26th President of the United States**

**Nickname:** T.R.; Teddy  
**Born:** October 27, 1858; New York  
**Religion:** Presbyterianism  
**Political Party:** Republican  
**Term of Office:** 1901-1909  
**Vice President:** none (first term); Charles Warren Fairbanks (second term)  
**Historical Facts:**

- During the Spanish-American War, Roosevelt recruited a number of cowboys, football players, Native Americans, and police officers to form the "Rough Riders" - a group that gained fame for their victorious charge in Cuba.
- As President, Roosevelt won the Nobel Prize for his role in negotiating an end to the conflict between Russia and Japan.
- T.R. survived an assassination attempt during his 1912 Presidential campaign. Luckily, his metal eyeglass case and folded copy of his speech had slowed the path of the bullet.

**Flash Fact:**

- Roosevelt had the teddy bear named for him after he spared the life of a bear cub during a hunting trip.



Liturgical Roles	Sacristans	Ushers	EM of Holy Communion	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors	Snackers
Sat Mar 31st 4:00PM	Gloria B	Mike P Bill D Avery M Andrie H	April M Jeremy M Esther W	Judith C	Robert H Victoria P Isaac P Brandon V	Annette O Vicky H	
Sun Apr 1st 8:00AM	Julie B	Tom A James D James S Juan S	Harlan H	Sheila H	Chris S Dan S Vincent V	Andrew R Gloria R	David S Seveda S
Sun Apr 1st 10:00AM	Carrie J	Tony Q Brian P Gary V Sr Gary V Jr	Ana P John J Jennifer C	Rebecca E	Sammi G Angela J Ariana J Eden J	Michael T Rochelle Q	Rico G
Thu Apr 5th 7:00PM	Carrie J	Tony Q Isaiah L Mike P Carl B	John J April M Jeremy M	Rochelle Q	Dan S Chris S Vincent V Dominic O Isaac P	Annette O Rosie R	
Fri Apr 6th 7:00PM	Donna M	Bill D Juan S	John L	Judith C	Shane H Robert H Scott H Chase M Emilio C	Rosie R Julia S	
Sun Apr 8th 8:00AM	Julie B	Tom A James D Vince V John C	Ana Marie H David S Jose G	Jose G	Chris S Dan S Dominic O Vincent V	Julie B Julia S	Andrie H
Sun Apr 8th 10:00AM	Donna M	Tony Q Brian P Ed U John V Savannah P	Coz M Eddie C Loretta T Janis C	Rochelle Q	James U Christopher P Emilio C Joseph M Tyler P	Amanda V Ana P	Rico G

**Prayer Corner**

Let us join as a community in prayer for our fellow parishioners and/or their family members.



- For Marie Montoya for a complete recovery from return of Leukemia. (04/01)
- For Pam McCarty recovery from Lungs and Brain Cancer.(01/09)
- For radical prayers to have our Blessed Mother Mary appeared to all terrorist to change their hearts to see the Love Of God.
- For our country leaders to make the right decision for the well being of our country.
- For the removal of the stain of abortion from our country.
- For all our brave men and women of the world keeping the world free.

Email prayer needs to [prayers@sjvnm.org](mailto:prayers@sjvnm.org) or leave a written request with an usher. Prayers are kept on the list for a month then need to be resubmitted.

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