

**Holy Family Catholic Church**  
**Iglesia Católica de la Sagrada Familia**

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Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 18, 2018

Missionary Pastor	Fr. (Padre) Mike Kerin, Glenmary 229-723-3339 land line/rectory
Glenmary's Missionary Team	Bro. Levis Kuwa, 270-244-0698 cell Bro. Jason Muhlenkamp 229-359-0065 cell Residence: 341 North Main St., Blakely, GA Land line: 229-724-7150 Mr. Charles Osewe Aketch: see below.
Weekend Masses	Saturday, 6:00 pm at St. Luke's, bilingual Sunday, 10:00 am in English Sunday, 12:30 pm en Español
St. Luke's Church	304 Court Street PO Box 491, Cuthbert, GA 39840
Pastoral Associate for St. Luke's	Glenmary Seminarian, Mr. Charles Osewe Aketch, 812-430-7204 cell Residence: 533 Arlington Avenue, Blakely GA
Emergencies	Please call the Rectory first. If no answer, leave a message. Then call Fr. Mike's cell phone: 229-726-6228. The cell is for emergencies.
Pastoral and Financial Council Members:	Tommy Holloman, Mary Murkerson, Mary Netheron, Amos Sheffield, Teresa Organista, Rafael Valles, Karla Valles
Daily Mass or Word and Communion Services at 8:30 am unless otherwise indicated	Mon 3/19: 8:30 am Mass (with Glenmary District) Tues 3/20: 8:30 am Word and Communion Weds 3/21: 8:30 pm Word and Communion Thurs 3/22: 8:30 am Mass Fri 3/23: 8:30 am Mass
Collections	March 4, Spanish Mass \$ 18.00 March 11, English Mass: \$255.00 <b>Your GENEROSITY is appreciated!</b>
Attendance: 10 am	Mar 4: 26

**Palm Sunday is Next week:** We will have the distribution of blessed palms at Mass. Weather permitting, we will begin outside. Also, Lorraine Vancamp, from Glenmary's Office in Nashville will be with us.

**Holy Week Invitation:** on a yellow sheet, is an invitation that you can hand to family, friends, co-workers, classmates, etc. Please extend an invitation to as many as possible to join us for Holy Week. This is a great opportunity to spread the faith – which is an essential part of being a Christian. We continue to witness that Jesus is alive and in our midst!

**Easter Lilies and Other Flowers:** If you would like to donate for Easter lilies, we will take up a second collection today. If someone is willing to purchase the flowers, please see Fr. Mike.

**Easter Pot-Luck Celebrations:** after each of the Easter Masses, you are invited to bring a pot-luck dish and a beverage to share. We will celebrate Jesus' Resurrection by sharing food and fellowship.

**Lenten Program to Help with Your Prayer Life:** Our last class will be March 24. From 10 -10:30, we will do Chi Kung (gentle exercises to help us be balanced and centered) and from 10:30 – 11:00 we will do *Lectio Divina* (prayerful listening to Sacred Scripture). All are welcome.

<b><u>HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:</u></b>	<b><u>HOLY FAMILY:</u></b>	<b><u>ST LUKE:</u></b>
Holy Thursday (3/29)	7:30 pm	5:00 pm
Good Friday (3/30)	7:30 pm	5:00 pm
Easter Vigil (3/31)	8:00 pm English	-----
Easter Sunday (4/1)	11:30 am Spanish	9:00 am Eng/Sp.

**Good Friday Ecumenical Service at Holy Family at Noon:** The Early County Area Ministerial Association is hosting services during Holy Week starting at noon. We will post the schedule as we get closer to Holy Week. But, we are hosting on Good Friday. Which means we provide a simple lunch for all who will attend.

**Religious Education classes** meet today,

**Youth Group meets on Wednesday** from 5:30 – 8:00 pm.

**The Last Stations of the Cross** will be prayed on Fridays, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm, with some light food afterwards. The following week is Good Friday.

**Fr. John Brown is hoping to visit us** on the weekend of April 28-29.

**Liturgical Ministries: for March 25:**

Readers: Brother Jason and Brother Levis  
Servers: Angelina Panamthottam  
Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Netherton and Charles Osewe  
Offertory: The Jacob Panamthottam family  
(If you cannot serve, please contact a substitute. Thanks.)

**Lenten Abstinence and Fasting:** The Fridays of Lent are days of abstaining from meat (red meat, chicken, turkey, pork, lamb, etc.) and any soups or gravies made with meat. Cheese, butter and eggs are permitted. We may eat fish, although it is not required to eat fish on Fridays. Good Friday is also a day of Fasting; which means only one full meal and two smaller meals are permitted. Liquids may be taken throughout the day. Fasting is for those from ages 14 to 59. Those with health conditions or work conditions which may be harmed by the practice are exempt, as are pregnant women. These practices are meant to help us to remember the suffering and death of Jesus. We join our efforts with Catholics worldwide who share this Lenten journey.

**Please Pray for the Sick:** Fr. John Brown, Dan Staib, Mary Wright, Fr. Cliff Marquis, Jimmy Griffin, Peggy Grimes, Debra Hutto. Bob Sharpe's brother, David Roman-Reyes, Tracie Murkerson (cancer), all those in the hospital and in our nursing homes.

**Future Dates:**

Thurs, March 22: Early County Area Ministerial Association  
Sat., March 24: Chi Kung and Lectio Divina Class  
Peanut Pride in Blakely  
Sun, March 25: Palm Sunday, Lorraine Vancamp is here.  
Tues, March 27: Chrism Mass at the Cathedral in Savannah  
Sun., April 1: Easter  
Sun., April 8: BAA Appeal  
Sat/Sun, April 28/29 Fr. John Visits with us

**Un breve resumen en Español**

**Flores y Comida por Pascua:** si deseas donar para flores de Pascua, puedes hacerlo hoy. Y, despues de la Misa de Pascua, sea una oportunidad de compartir comida. Por favor, traiga algo para compartir. Gracias.

**Las clases de educación religiosa** se reúnen hoy.

**El grupo de jóvenes** se reúne el miércoles de 5:30 – 8:00 pm.

**Las estaciones de de la Cruz** serán rezadas los viernes a las 6:00 PM, con algo de comida ligera después. Todos son bienvenidos

<b>HORARIO DE LA SEMANA SANTA:</b>	<b><u>S. FAMILIA:</u></b>	<b><u>S. LUCAS:</u></b>
Jueves Santo (3/29)	7:30 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
Viernes Santo (3/30)	7:30 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
Vigilia Pascual (3/31)	8:00 pm Inglés	-----
Pascua (4/1)	11:30 a.m. Esp.	9:00 a.m.

**Programa de Cuaresma para ayudar con su vida de oración:** La ultima clase es Sabado, 24 de Marzo a las 10:00.

**Servicio Ecuménico del Viernes Santo en la Sagrada Familia al Mediodía:** la Asociación Ministerial del Área del Condado de Early ha planeado servicios durante la Semana Santa a partir del mediodía. Publicaremos el programa a medida que nos acerquemos a la Semana Santa. Pero, somos anfitriones en Viernes Santo. Lo que significa que ofrecemos un almuerzo simple para todos los que asistirán

**Abstinencia cuaresmal y ayuno:** Los viernes de Cuaresma son días de abstenerse de la carne (carne roja, pollo, pavo, cerdo, cordero, etc.) y cualquier sopas o salsas hechas con carne. Queso, mantequilla y huevos están permitidos. Podemos comer pescado, aunque no es obligatorio comer pescado los viernes. El Viernes Santo también es un día de ayuno; lo que significa que solo se permite una comida completa y dos comidas más pequeñas. Líquidos pueden tomarse durante el día. El ayuno es para las personas de entre 14 y 59 años. Las personas con condiciones de salud o de trabajo que pueden verse perjudicadas por la práctica están exentas, al igual que las mujeres embarazadas. Estas prácticas están destinadas a ayudarnos a recordar el sufrimiento y la muerte de Jesús. Nos unimos a nuestros esfuerzos con los católicos de todo el mundo que comparten este viaje Cuaresmal.

**Padre John Brown espera visitarnos** el fin de semana el 28 y 29 de Abril.