

Queen of Apostles Parish (Queen of Angels & St. Matthias) First Holy Communion

Saturday, May 3, 2025 at Queen of Angels Church

11:30 a.m. Mass:

Victoria "Vicky" Alcántar	Nancy Martinez Evaristo
Anthony Avila Alanis	Noah Mendoza
Dylan Benitez	Henry Meza
Stella Bennett	Damian Mondragon Monterrosas
Anthony Bucio	Natalia Mondragon Monterrosas
Samantha Bucio	Alisson Naula Guaman
Amalia Carachure	Evelyn Nguyen
Nathalia Carrete	Camila Perez-Zetina
Natalia Cordero	Scarlett Perez-Zetina
Yaritza "Yari" Diaz	Ethan Rodriguez
Jaileen Galvez	Melanie Rodriguez
Aaliyah Hernandez	Henry Rokos
Ethan Hernandez	Audrey Schiltz
Ashley Ibarra	Jonathan "Alexander" Serrano
Lucas Johnson	Viviana Servin
Lorenzo Kotvasz	Esmeralda "Esme" Soto
Ollie Kotvasz	Nayeli Tucto
Natalia Lobato	

2:30 p.m. Mass:

Max Bugarija
Gracelynn "Gracie" Chet
Owen Erl
Liam Fay
Donald "Scooter" Gillingham
Dylan Hornstrom
Charles "Charlie" Johnson
Zachary "Zach" Johnson
William Kellogg
Matthew Mazik
Liam McKenzie
Lillian McKenzie
Celia Nordquist
Aldous Pederson
George Peterson
Nora Summers
Oisin Walsh
Sandina "Andie" Weiland

10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 4, 2025 at St. Matthias Church

Olive Aceves	Tadhg Hurley	Aiden Schweska
Emily Bessenbacher	Lincoln Kaiser	Scarlett Springer
Emilia Deraedt	Leo Nikolovski	Thomas Stimler
Jonas Hercule	Isabella Portillo	Calvin Volanakis
	Noah Roman	

Sunday, May 11, 2025 at Queen of Angels Church

9 a.m. Mass:	11 a.m. Mass:	Misa de las 12:30 p.m.:
Noah Ramirez	Luna Diaz	Christian Mondragon
Edward Ruiz	Owen Vezo	Max Orellana

First Holy Communion

Queen of Apostles Parish
Queen of Angels School, St. Matthias School,
and Sunday Religious Education Program



"Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is my Body, which will be given up for you."

Queen of Apostles Parish

worshipping at Queen of Angels Church & St. Matthias Church

First Holy Communion

2:30 p.m. Saturday, May 3rd, 2025

at Queen of Angels Church with Queen of Angels School

10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 4th, 2025

at St. Matthias Church with St. Matthias School

Rev. Jason A. Malave, Pastor (*10:30 a.m. Celebrant*)

Rev. Michael C. Mehringer, Associate Pastor (*2:30 p.m. Celebrant*)

ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Rachel Hohner, Coordinator of Religious Education

Mrs. Monica Hohner, Consulting Catechist

Mrs. Susana Briones and Ms. Reina Oviedo, Volunteers

Mr. Tom Houlihan, Principal of Queen of Angels School

Mrs. Nicole Pacholski, Principal of St. Matthias School

FIRST COMMUNION CATECHISTS

Ms. Tammy Brasic

Ms. Claire Immonen

Mrs. Karina Chan

Mrs. Karyn McGovern

Mr. Kurtis Chan

Ms. Kayla Placencio

Ms. Rachel Hohner

Ms. Janet Ross

MUSIC AND LITURGY

Ethan Valentin, Music Director

Emily Wright, Cantor

Karyn McGovern (*10:30 a.m.*) & Marisa Pickard (*2:30 p.m.*), Pianists

Cathy Decker (*10:30 a.m.*) & Carol Drehobl (*2:30 p.m.*), Sacristans

Mary Pat Dillon & Jim Robinett (*2:30 p.m.*) and

Pascale Larre Vargas & Karen Smith (*10:30 a.m.*), Communion Ministers

William Baltrukonis, Samuel Mezik & Patrick Stimler (*10:30 a.m.*), and

Dominic Gorgis, Mae Hartman, & Gavan Mazik (*2:30 p.m.*), Altar Servers

Out of respect for the solemnity of the Mass, please silence your phones, turn off your camera flash, and do not chew gum.

Enjoy taking pictures or videos from your seat.



INTRODUCTORY RITES

Welcome

Entrance Song & Procession

“At the Lamb’s High Feast” # 595 in We Celebrate

**At the Lamb’s high feast we sing / Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide / Flowing from his wounded side;
Praise we Christ whose love divine / Gives his sacred blood for**

wine,

Gives his body for the feast, / Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

**Where the paschal blood is poured, / Death’s dark angel sheathes
the sword;**

**Israel’s hosts triumphant go / Through the wave that drowns the
foe.**

**Praise we Christ whose blood was shed, / Paschal victim, paschal
bread;**

With sincerity and love / Eat we manna from above.

**Mighty Victim from the sky, / Hell’s fierce pow’rs beneath you
lie;**

**You have conquered in the fight, / You have brought us life and
light;**

**Now no more can death appall, / Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened Paradise, / And in you the saints shall rise.**

**Easter triumph, Easter joy, / Have the pow’r of sin destroyed.
From the pow’r of sin set free, / Newborn souls in Christ are we.
Hymns of glory, songs of praise, / Father, unto you we raise;
Praise to you, our Risen Lord, / And the Spirit we accord.**

Greeting

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers & sisters...

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Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.** Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Glory to God

“Mass of Creation” # 377 in We Celebrate

**R/. Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give
you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly king, O
God, almighty Father. **R/.**

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son
of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on
us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer, you
are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. **R/.**
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are
the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of
God the Father. Amen. Amen. **R/.**

Collect Prayer **R/. Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

(10:30 a.m.) First & Second Reading & Gospel missal pp. 192-196

(2:30 p.m.) Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians
I received from the Lord what I handed on to you, namely, that the
Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, gave thanks to
God, broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you. Do this in
remembrance of me.” In the same way, after the supper, he took the
cup and said, “This cup is God’s new covenant sealed with my blood.
Whenever you drink it, do so in remembrance of me.” Every time,
then, when you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the
Lord’s death until he comes.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 118
“*This Is the Day*” (Hommerding) # 469 in *We Celebrate*

**R/. This is the day the Lord has made, let us
rejoice and be glad; this is the day the
Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!**

O tell the Lord how thankful you are, for love which lasts forever.
Let the house of Israel shout, “God’s mercy will last forever!”
The Lord’s right hand is mighty and strong, to win the victory.
I am saved, so I shall tell what mercy God shows to me!
The stone the builders set aside is now the cornerstone.
This is the work, the work of the Lord, amazing to our eyes!

Gospel Acclamation
“*Alleluia*” (Chant Mode VI) # 397 in *We Celebrate*
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! **R/. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live forever.

Gospel John 6:51-58
The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** A reading from the
holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
Jesus said to the crowds: “I am the living bread that came down from
heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I
will give is my flesh for the life of the world.
The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, “How can this man
give us his flesh to eat?” Jesus said to them, “Amen, amen, I say to
you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood,
you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks
my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my
flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh
and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living
Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one
who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that
came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still
died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.”
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily
The Communicants will be called up to the sanctuary during the Homily.

Profession of Faith - (*Sat. 2:30 p.m.*) Nicene Creed missal p. 22
- (*Sun. 10:30 a.m.*) Re-lighting of Baptismal Candles
and Renewal of Baptismal Promises **R/. I do.** missal p. 174

Prayers of the Faithful

Please respond as we are led in prayer by the First Communicants.
After each petition, please respond: “Lord, hear our prayer.”
For the Church, our bishop Cardinal Cupich, and all our leaders in
faith: that we may grow in love as one family. We pray to the Lord...
R/. Lord, hear our prayer.
For Fr. Jason, Fr. Michael, and our parish family at Queen of
Apostles: may we grow closer to each other and to Jesus. We pray to
the Lord... **R/.**
For all our families, godparents, teachers, and catechists who have
helped and supported us as we have grown as disciples of Jesus. We
pray to the Lord... **R/.**
For all who hunger to be near Jesus: may they come to the table of the
Lord to receive their fill in the Body and Blood of Christ. We pray to
the Lord... **R/.**
For the sake of the poor, the sick and the suffering: may we be
inspired to act like Jesus and reach out to help in whatever way we
can. We pray to the Lord... **R/.**
For our Holy Father Pope Francis and all families who have lost a
loved one: let us remember them in our prayers and give them hope in
Jesus who rose from the dead. We pray to the Lord... **R/.**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

During the song, the Communicants bring forward flowers, bread & wine.

Preparation of the Gifts

“*Pan de Vida*” (Hurd/Moriarty) # 672 in *We Celebrate*
**R/. Pan de vida, cuerpo del Señor; cup of blessing,
blood of Christ the Lord. At this table, the last
shall be first; poder es servir, porque Dios es amor.**

We are the dwelling of God, fragile and wounded and weak.

We are the body of Christ, called to be the compassion of God.
You call me Teacher and Lord; I, who have washed your feet.

So you must do as I do, so the greatest must become the least.
There is no Jew or Greek. There is no slave or free.

There is no woman or man, only heirs of the promise of God.

Prayer Over the Gifts

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father. **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

- Preface

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just.**

- Preface Acclamation

"Mass of Creation" (Haugen) # 378 in *We Celebrate*
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

- Memorial Acclamation

"Mass of Creation" [Acclamation B] # 380 in *We Celebrate*
**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

- Doxology and Amen

"Mass of Creation" (Haugen) # 382 in *We Celebrate*
R/. Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Deliver us, Lord,...
...Jesus Christ. **For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

Rite of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And with your spirit.**
The community exchanges a sign of peace.

Breaking of the Bread

"Mass of Creation" (Haugen) # 383 in *We Celebrate*
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (x2)
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion *"I Am the Bread of Life"* (Toolan) # 691 in *WC*

I am the Bread of Life. / You who come to me shall not hunger; / and who believe in me shall not thirst. / No one can come to me / unless the Father beckons.

**R/. And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.**

The bread that I will give / is my flesh for the life of the world, / and if you eat of this bread, / you shall live forever, / you shall live forever. **R/. And I will...**

Unless you eat / of the flesh of the Son of Man, / and drink of his blood, / and drink of his blood, / you shall not have life within you. **R/. And I will...**

I am the resurrection, I am the life. If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live forever. **R/. And I will...**

Yes, Lord, I believe / that you are the Christ, / the Son of God, / who has come / into the world. **R/. And I will...**

Prayer after Communion **R/. Amen.**

Act of Thanksgiving

Please respond as we are led in prayer by the First Communicants.

Thank you, Jesus, for coming to me on my First Holy Communion Day! I love you and I adore you. You have been so good to me all through my life. Thank you for showing me how to talk to you when I pray. Even when I speak to you in the quiet of my heart, I know that you will hear me. Thank you for my mother and father and my brothers and sisters. I love them very much and I know they love me

too. Thank you for my grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. You have given me a wonderful family. Thank you for my godparents who teach me to follow you. Thank you for my home and my neighbors. Thank you for the world and all the wonderful people and beautiful things that you have put in it. Thank you for the food I eat, the air I breathe, the books I read and the games I play. Thank you for this church where I can worship you and receive you as often as I want. My parish helps me know who you are and how you want me to live. Thank you for all the people who have prayed for me and helped prepare me to receive you today. I promise to pray for them too. I love you so much, Jesus. My heart is so full of love today. Help me to feel this joy in receiving you for many years to come. **Amen.**

(10:30 a.m.) Song of Thanksgiving “I Wanna Do Right” (Alayra)

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

Solemn Blessing **R/. Amen.**

Dismissal **R/. Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**

Closing Song

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” # 814 in We Celebrate

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

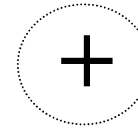
R/. In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

*After the Closing Song, the celebrant will return up the center aisle to **bless any gift items** such as rosaries, cross pendants, prayer books, Bibles, candles, etc. The First Communicant sitting next to the center aisle should at this time be holding the items ready for the blessing.*

***The First Communicants will then be invited to the altar for the group picture.** The photographer and other teachers will arrange them. **Parents and other guests, please stay in your pew** until the official pictures have been taken. You may take your own pictures afterwards.*

Congratulations!



Special thanks to all the families, parents, grandparents, godparents, friends, volunteers and staff of Queen of Apostles Parish, Queen of Angels School and St.

Matthias

School

who, in

ways

great and

small, have helped prepare the children for this special day.

Thank you all for your support!

