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PALM SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

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Saint Joseph Cathedral Parish is called to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ as a community. We are committed: to our urban neighborhoods, to being the Cathedral of the Diocese, and to fellowship, formation, sacrament, and prayer.

This Week

March 24 - 31, 2024

SUN 24 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for Janet Leib
8:00 am Mass for Frank Pasden
10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners
6:00 pm Vespers

MON 25 Monday of Holy Week

12:05 pm Mass for Dee DeMatte

TUE 26 Tuesday of Holy Week

12:05 pm Mass for Debra Sine
4:00 pm **Chrism Mass**

WED 27 Wednesday of Holy Week

12:05 pm Mass for Bartholomew Purpura

THU 28 Holy Thursday

9:00 am Morning Prayer
12:00 noon Confessions
6:00 pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper**
Adoration following Mass until Midnight

FRI 29 Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00 am Morning Prayer
9:30 am Confessions
12:00 noon Stations of the Cross
3:00 pm **Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

SAT 30 Holy Saturday

9:00 am Morning Prayer
9:30 am Confessions
8:00 pm **Easter Vigil**

SUN 31 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 am Mass for the Parishioners
10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners



From Father Sateesh

"Hosanna to the Son of David! Christ accepted it all unto death!"



Today is a mixed celebration as it is both Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday. While we are happy to proclaim Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, we are not too comfortable with the passion and death which he will soon undergo. We must remind ourselves that the cross and the crown go hand in hand in the life of Jesus and in our own. We also need to remind ourselves that this celebration is not only a recollection of the past but truly living in faith. Jesus was present then and Jesus is present in a new way today as we relive these sacred mysteries of our faith.

In the first part of today's liturgy, we remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem acclaimed by all the people. We could dwell on the thoughts of those who were present there. Firstly, there are the disciples and the crowds, which were growing in their admiration of Jesus the master. They must have been particularly happy to see their master thus publicly acknowledged by the multitude. Then there are the Jewish leaders who understood what was happening as the crowds proclaimed: "Hosanna to the Son of David." They wanted Jesus to silence the crowd, but he didn't. Then there is Jesus himself and his thoughts were very different from those of his disciples and the crowd. He did gratefully accept the praises of the people since they were sincere, but these praises did not make him proud. He remained humble and that is the reason he comes on a donkey fulfilling the prophecy of Zechariah.

The passion narrative starts with the betrayal of Judas Iscariot; in the face of this betrayal Jesus chooses to celebrate the Passover meal and give them his best gift: the gift of himself. When man is at his worst, God is at his best! Jesus' way of responding to hurt and betrayal can be ours only when love has become the very motive of our lives.

Sometimes we are like Judas, who betrays Jesus and comes to regret it. We are sometimes like Peter, who denies him, or like the disciples, who fell asleep during Jesus' darkest hour but then act rashly and violently at his arrest. Sometimes we are like Simon, who is pressed into service to help Jesus carry his cross. Sometimes we are like the leaders who fear Jesus or like Pontius Pilate, who washed his hands of the whole affair. The events of Jesus' Passion, death, and Resurrection are called the Paschal Mystery. No amount of study will exhaust or explain the depth of love that Jesus showed in offering this sacrifice for us. After we have examined and studied these events, we are left with one final task—to meditate on these events the price Jesus paid through which He won the salvation for us!

Collection

March 17, 2024

Envelopes: \$2355

Loose: \$598

Online: \$566

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Invite One Back Initiative

It's a familiar story: the family you used to see at Mass every week slowly stopped showing up when "life got busy." Or maybe there's an elderly parishioner you haven't seen since the COVID-19 pandemic a few years ago. Noticeable or not, we all have holes in our pews.

A 2014 PEW study found that 13% of all U.S. adults are former Catholics—and that was ten years ago! That means for every convert to the faith, there are at least 6.5 fallen-away Catholics. COVID-19 amplified this problem. A 2022 CARA study showed a 7% decline in Sunday Mass attendance compared with pre-COVID data. This significant portion of Catholics lost connection with their local parish during the shutdowns, and just never came back.

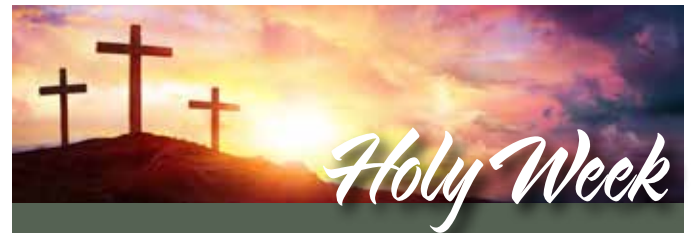
IT'S TIME TO BRING THEM HOME!

In this Year of Parish Revival, the USCCB National Eucharistic Revival recently launched an initiative called "Invite One Back." It is a renewed effort to personally reach out to parishioners that we haven't seen in a while for whatever reason and to invite them back to Sunday Mass.

The goal of this initiative is to fill the pews again. To do that, we all need to invite back everyone who has left in a way that makes sure they feel seen and desired as an individual member of our parish family. Whom are you called to invite home?

Over the next few weeks, we will be exploring different options to further this initiative within the Cathedral parish. **We need your help! As the beautiful events of Holy Week and Easter approach, we are asking you to reach out to someone you know and invite them back to Mass this Easter!**

How wonderful would it be during the Easter Season to witness people renewing their life in the Risen Christ by participating in the sacraments again!



PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Palms will be distributed at all Masses

Saturday, March 23

5-5:45pm Confessions
6:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, March 24

8:00am & 10:30am Mass
6:00pm Sung Vespers

Monday, March 25

12:05pm Mass

Tuesday, March 26

12:05pm Mass

4:00pm Chrism Mass

Wednesday, March 27

12:05pm Mass

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday, March 28

9:00am Morning Prayer

12:00 Noon - 1:00pm Confessions

6:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration at the Altar of Repose
following Mass until Midnight

Good Friday, March 29

The Passion of the Lord

Day of Fast & Abstinence

9:00am Morning Prayer

9:30am - 11:30am Confessions

12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross

3:00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday, March 30

9:00am Morning Prayer

9:30am - 12:00 Noon Confessions

8:00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

March 31, 2024

The Resurrection of Our Lord

Mass at 8:00am & 10:30am



Lenten Station Churches
OF ROME

Holy Week

Palm Sunday
Saint John Lateran

Monday
Saint Praxedes

Tuesday
Saint Prisca

Wednesday
Saint Mary Major

Holy Thursday
Saint John Lateran

Good Friday
Holy Cross in Jerusalem

Holy Saturday
Saint John Lateran

Fasting & Abstinence

Good Friday is an obligatory day of fasting and abstinence for Catholics.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. Members of the Eastern Catholic Churches are to observe the particular law of their own *sui iuris* Church. **If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.**

Holy Thursday Pilgrimage

There is an ancient Roman tradition to visit multiple churches after the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday night and to pray and "keep watch" before the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose in each of those churches. **In the spirit of this tradition, everyone is invited to join the faithful of the Wheeling area for a Holy Thursday Pilgrimage this year on the evening of March 28th. During the pilgrimage, the faithful will have the opportunity to visit six churches in the Wheeling area to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.** A special booklet has been created which allows the pilgrims to follow along the narrative of Jesus' time in the Garden of Gethsemane as well as provide opportunities for personal prayer and meditation.

For 2024, we will have two buses departing from the Cathedral but at different times. Bus #1 will depart from the Cathedral at 8:00pm and return at approximately 10:45pm. Bus #2 will depart the Cathedral at 9:00pm and return at approximately 11:45pm. If you are interested in riding one the buses, please sign up by contacting Mrs. Kim Stillion at 304-233-0880, ext. 261, or by e-mailing kstillion@dwc.org to reserve a seat by March 25th (please specify Bus #1 or Bus #2)

If you would like to visit the churches but would prefer to follow behind one of the buses in your own vehicle or go on your own, you can find the itineraries below.

Itineraries

Bus # 1 departs from the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 8:00 p.m.

- Stop 1 (8:15pm-8:30pm): St. Alphonsus (2111 Market St, Wheeling)
- Stop 2 (8:45pm-9:00pm): Our Lady of Peace (690 Mount Olivet Road, Wheeling)
- Stop 3 (9:15pm-9:30pm): St. Vincent de Paul (2244 Marshall Ave, Wheeling)
- Stop 4 (9:45pm-10:00pm): St. Michael (1225 National Rd, Wheeling)
- Stop 5 (10:15pm-10:30pm): Corpus Christi (1518 Warwood Ave, Wheeling)
- Stop 6 (10:45pm-Midnight): Cathedral of St. Joseph (1300 Eoff St, Wheeling)

Bus # 2 departs from the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 9:00 p.m.

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- Stop 4 (10:45pm-11:00pm): St. Michael (1225 National Rd, Wheeling)
- Stop 5 (11:15pm-11:30pm): Corpus Christi (1518 Warwood Ave, Wheeling)
- Stop 6 (11:45pm-Midnight): Cathedral of St. Joseph (1300 Eoff St, Wheeling)

PARISH GROUPS

Book Club

Sunday, April 7

9:15 - 10:15 am in Rectory

Our book club meets monthly to explore topics of the spiritual life, literature, and culture.

Women's Group

Tuesday, April 9

6:30 - 7:30 pm in Chancery Cantina

The women's group meeting for March is cancelled due to a scheduling conflict. We will meet next on April 9.



Some members of the Sons of St. Joseph, together with their spouses, got together recently for a showing of the outstanding movie "Cabrini." This excellent film portrays the life of St. Frances Cabrini, highlighting her remarkable journey as a missionary and her unwavering commitment to helping immigrants in America. May Mother Cabrini's tireless dedication to serving the marginalized inspire us to emulate her selfless love and devotion to others!



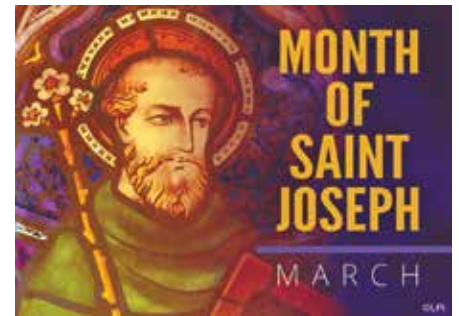
ProLife Corner

Come Grow with Us! Begin with Prayer

We are getting underway with exciting ministries to support parents (and others) raising children in challenging circumstances. Stay tuned for more information about these whole-parish ministries! We ask you to begin discerning how you might actively contribute to help struggling parents – mostly quite young, but not all.

As we accompany Jesus this week, starting with singing "hosanna!" (meaning 'save, we pray'), the last supper, and His extraordinary passion, let us pray about how we can accompany those in our midst who on their own challenging journeys, and how we can lead them to He who saves us.

First and foremost, we ask you to commit to praying for the people we will serve, the ministries themselves, and the people who are doing the ministries. The pro-life group is starting to build a Prayer Corp, so please consider if you can join this, and pray for specific needs as they arise. If you can just pray for this work in a more general way, we welcome that, too. Thank you, thank you, thank you!



The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph. We don't know much about him except what is mentioned in the Gospels. Joseph was the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster-father of Jesus. Holy Scripture proclaims him as a "just man," and the Church has turned to Joseph for his patronage and protection.

Pope Saint John Paul II, in his 1989 Apostolic Exhortation *Redemptoris Custos* (Guardian of the Redeemer), hopes "that all may grow in devotion to the Patron of the Universal Church and in love for the Savior whom he served in such an exemplary manner ... In this way the whole Christian people not only will turn to St. Joseph with greater fervor and invoke his patronage with trust, but also will always keep before their eyes his humble, mature way of serving and of "taking part" in the plan of salvation." St. Joseph is invoked as patron for many causes. He is the patron of the Universal Church. He is the patron of the dying because tradition holds that Jesus and Mary were at his death-bed. He is also the patron of fathers, of carpenters, and of social justice. Many religious orders and communities are placed under his patronage, including the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

Ways to Honor St. Joseph

- Ask St. Joseph for Help in Your Work
- Get a Statue of St. Joseph
- Pray the Novena to St. Joseph

Celebrating the Week That Changed the World

Holy Week is the week that changed the world. As we prepare to begin this most important week of the entire year, we invite you to reflect with us on the days of this special week.

Palm Sunday

On this day we gather as a Church and our celebration of the Eucharist begins with a procession of palms and includes the reading of the Passion of Jesus Christ. We turn our minds and hearts to Jerusalem, the Holy City, and shout with the crowds, "Hosanna!" Why? Because Christ entered this Holy City to suffer and die so that he could rise again. He entered Jerusalem as God's Son so that he could save us from our sins. Palm Sunday reminds us to always follow in his footsteps until we reach the new and eternal Jerusalem, Heaven, where he lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Chrism Mass

On Tuesday of Holy Week, Bishop Brennan celebrates the Chrism Mass, a Mass in which the oil of the sick, used in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, and the oil of catechumens, used in preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism, are blessed; the Sacred Chrism, used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders, is consecrated. At this special Mass, all priests in the diocese renew their priestly promises and their pledges to remain in communion with the bishop, our Chief Shepherd, the Vicar of Christ for and head of the Church of Wheeling-Charleston. The Chrism Mass reminds us all that we are anointed priests at our baptism and that, through the ordained men he chooses, Christ continues the ministry of his one High Priesthood, a ministry of word and sacrament.

Holy Thursday

Thursday of Holy Week marks the end of the season of Lent and the beginning of the most sacred time in our liturgical year: the Paschal Triduum, wherein the greatest mysteries of our redemption are celebrated.

On Holy Thursday night we as a Church gather and our attention is directed to the ordained priesthood, the Holy Eucharist with the washing of feet, the solemn celebration of the Eucharist, and the procession with the Eucharist to the altar of repose where we adore Christ and keep watch with him. Holy Thursday reminds us that Christ has given us a new commandment: to love one another as he has loved us. He himself showed his love to us by sacrificing Himself on the Cross. His love and the salvation he won for us are made new and present in our midst whenever the Holy Eucharist is celebrated.

Good Friday

On Good Friday we as a Church fix our gaze on the Cross. In the solemn ceremonies of Good Friday — the adoration and veneration of the Cross, the reading of the Passion, and the reception of Holy Communion — we not only behold the wood of the Cross, but we also unite ourselves and our crosses to our Savior. In doing so, we realize that in the Death of the Lord we, too, have died to sin.

Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday

The high point of the Paschal Triduum is the Easter Vigil, what St. Augustine calls the "Mother of all Vigils." This Vigil includes a service of light — the lighting of fire and the Paschal candle — which recalls that by his death and resurrection Christ banished the darkness of sin; the Liturgy of the Word — several Old Testament readings, a New Testament epistle, and Gospel — in which the history of God's salvation is proclaimed; the Liturgy of Baptism; and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, in which we remember, as always, the death and resurrection of the Lord until he comes again.

At the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday, we as a Church celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ in which he conquered death itself and opened the gates of Heaven to all of us, his believers and witnesses. And so we proclaim with great joy on this day: "The Lord is Risen. He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Holy Week

MONDAY

Isaiah 42:1-7
Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14
John 12:1-11

TUESDAY

Isaiah 49:1-6
Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17
John 13:21-33, 36-38

WEDNESDAY

Isaiah 50:4-9
Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34
Matthew 26:14-25

THURSDAY

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-15

FRIDAY

Isaiah 52:13—53:12
Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
John 18:1—19:42

SATURDAY

- (1) Genesis 1:1—2:2
Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35
- (2) Genesis 22:1-18
Ps 16:5, 8-11
- (3) Ex 14:15—15:1
(Ps) Ex 15:1-6, 17-28
- (4) Isaiah 54:5-14
Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
- (5) Is 55:1-11
(Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4-6
- (6) Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4
Ps 19:8-11
- (7) Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28
Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4
- (8) Romans 6:3-11
Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
- (9) Luke 24:1-12

NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9



DIVINE MERCY
SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Confessions
2:00 P.M.

Holy Hour
3:00 P.M.

"Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life
on this day will be granted complete
forgiveness of sins and punishment."
(Diary of St. Faustina, No. 300)

Rest In Peace

Please remember in your prayers:
Ruby Jean Murphy (d. March 11, 2024)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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|--|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Andrew Helfer | Chuck Fair | Kaitlyn Hanasky | Rachel Wade |
| Angela Niehart | David A. Kress, Jr. | Kermit Klosterman | R. J. Stocke |
| Archer Hatch | Dianna Albright | Kristin Smith | Richard Simon |
| Arthur Danehart | Doug Jones | Langan Family | Rick Burgy |
| Austin Cook | Eric South | Liam Barns | Ron Hickman |
| Barb Mazzocca | Eva Wood | Liam Manning | Rosalie Davis |
| Beth Jochum | Fr. Joseph Wilhelm | Lukie Brown | Rose Otey |
| Betty Teater | Frank Davis | Margaret Stocke | Sarah Hanasky |
| Bill Wilson | Frederick C. Schweizer | Marge Muecheck | Sarah Sargent |
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| Billy Hanasky | George Kirchner | Marie & Conner
Workman | Stanley Kyrk |
| Brian Hanasky | Gerri Adams Nagy | Mark Davis | Susan Graff |
| Brogan Gallentine | Hines Rotriga | Marshall South | Susan Mize |
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Youth Services System | Judy Pack | Pete Mack | Victoria Jeskey |
| Christina Helfer | Julia Sheets | Philippa Shores | Zoey Knight |
| | Kathy Cooley | | |

From the Diocesan Office of Safe Environment

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WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Communion Bread

Question:

Do Catholics always need to receive communion in wafer form, or can it be different kinds of bread?

Answer:

In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the most common form for the eucharistic bread is the small white communion "wafer" that is a ubiquitous part of the Catholic Mass. The instructions of the Church have been very specific regarding the make-up of the bread used in the Mass: "The bread used in the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharistic Sacrifice must be unleavened, purely of wheat, and recently made ... it follows therefore that bread made from another substance, even if it is grain, or if it is mixed with another substance different from wheat to such an extent that it would not commonly be considered wheat bread, does not constitute valid matter for confecting the Sacrifice and the Eucharistic Sacrament" (see *Redemptio-nis Sacramentum* by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, no. 48).

The Church's tradition of using a wheat-based bread is based on the bread that Jesus would have used at the Last Supper and is considered to be an essential part of the "matter" of the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

As we consider the question of whether a "wafer" — which is properly called a "host" — should be used, we also must keep in mind that in the Eastern Rites of the Catholic Church, leavened (i.e. "raised") bread is more often used. And so, while the thin, white "wafer" is most commonly used in the Roman Rite of the Church, the full expression of the Catholic tradition does allow for a more substantial form of bread to be used, but the tradition of using a simple wheat bread with no other additions or additives is considered essential.

The Cathedral of Saint Joseph



MASS TIMES

- SUNDAYS** 6:00 pm (Saturday)
8:00 am
10:30 am
- WEEKDAYS** 12:05 pm (Monday thru Friday)
9:00 am (Saturday)
- HOLY DAYS** Please consult the bulletin

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- FRIDAY** 11:15 - 11:45 am
- SATURDAY** 5:00 - 5:45 pm
or by appointment

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By appointment. Please contact the parish office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

Please call the parish office to arrange for anointing for someone who is seriously ill or preparing for surgery. If ill, homebound or hospitalized, a visit can be scheduled upon request.

MARRIAGE

Engaged couples who are members of the Cathedral parish should contact the parish office.

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