

# St. Thomas More Catholic Church

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
April 9, 2017

*We are St. Thomas More Parish,  
members of the living Body of Christ,  
born again in Baptism  
and strengthened through the Eucharist  
to promote the Gospel values of our Catholic faith.*



## Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil Mass) - 5:30 pm  
Sunday - 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 1:00 pm in Spanish  
Monday & Thursday - 6:00 pm Tuesday & Friday - 7:00 am  
**Reconciliation** Thursday 5:30 - 6:00 pm & Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm  
**Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration** - Works of Mercy Chapel

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Most of us know today as Palm Sunday, although officially in the Church it is called Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, and to many Church leaders it is simply Passion Sunday, which comes from the Latin name for it, *Dominica Passionis*. We have reflected on this day previously how the liturgy begins with great joy and becomes more and more somber with the reading of the Passion.

During the procession of the palms Jesus arrives in Jerusalem to great tumult and rejoicing as the people cry out "Hosanna... blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest." As the Mass progresses we get an overview of what is to occur during this holiest of weeks, including the institution of the Eucharist, the passion and death of the Lord, the prediction of His Resurrection, and then His Resurrection itself.

Imagine the confusion of the Twelve Apostles. Jesus has been spending time with them in the recent weeks prior to the Passion trying to get them to understand that His time of suffering was near and approaching, and that is the reason He must go to Jerusalem. And here is the crowd welcoming and praising and laughing and celebrating His presence.

We are not much different in many ways, but now is the time for us to really embrace and understand the sacrifice the Lord made for each of us, and the incredible gift He has given us. In the coming days it is our final chance to truly rededicate ourselves to being His disciple.

**MASS**  **SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, April 8**

**5:30 pm** Our Parish Family

**Sunday, April 9** *Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

**9:00 am** Susan Wurth (d)

**11:00 am** Dennis & Buna Lowry (d)

**1:00 pm** *Mass in Spanish*  
All Souls

**Monday, April 10**

**6:00 pm** Mary Lois Hagan (d)

**Tuesday, April 11**

**7:00 am** Wilfred Lee Hagan (d)

**Wednesday, April 12**

**12:00 pm** *Lourdes Chapel ~ Fr. Brad Whistle*  
Charlie Wilson (d)

**Thursday, April 13** *Holy Thursday*

**7:00 pm** Bob & Audrey McKeown (d)

**Friday, April 14** *Good Friday*

**7:00 pm** Good Friday Service

**Saturday, April 15** *Easter Vigil*

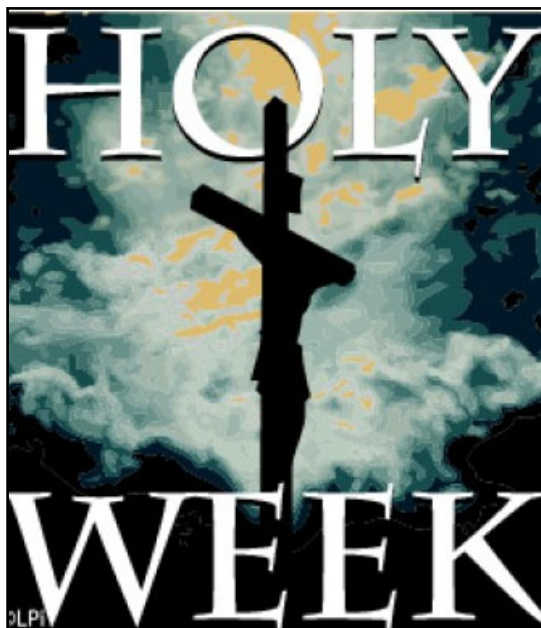
**7:00 pm** James E. Curtsinger (d)

**Sunday, April 16** *Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord*

**9:00 am** Zoe Bartolo (d)

**11:00 am** Our Parish Family

**1:00 pm** *Mass in Spanish*  
Jerry Mason (d)



<b>Liturgical Ministers Schedule April 15/16</b>			
	<b>7:00 PM Easter Vigil</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
Sacristan	Diana Black	Camilla Shumaker	Tim Whitelock
Euch. Ministers			
Lectors			
Servers			
Greeter Families			
Ushers			
Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

*What's Happening*

**Sunday, April 9**

- 10:00 am** Coffee & Doughnuts (Parish Hall)
- 10:00 am** BP Checks (Hospitality Room)
- 12:15 pm** Stations in Spanish (Church)
- 3:00 pm** Baptism Class (Hospitality Room)
- 4:00 pm** Middle School Youth (Parish Hall)
- 7:00 PM** Tenebrae (Church)

**Tuesday, April 11**

- 7:30 am** Rosary (Chapel)
- 9:00 am** Bible Study (Sacred Heart Room)
- 10:00 am** Bible Study (Hospitality Room)
- 6:00 pm** Hispanic Confirmation (Sacred Heart Room)
- 6:00 pm** Boy Scouts (Parish Hall)
- 6:30 pm** Chrism Mass (Owensboro)

**Wednesday, April 12**

- 9:00 am** Mother's Day Out (Nursery/Library)
- 6:15 pm** Faith Formation (SMES)
- 6:15 pm** Stewardship Committee (Sacred Heart Room)
- 7:00 am** Choir Rehearsal (Church)

**Thursday, April 13**

- 7:00 pm** Holy Thursday Mass (Church)
- 10:00 pm** Night Prayer (Chapel)

**Friday, April 14**

- 12:00 pm** Stations of the Cross (Church)
- 7:00 pm** Good Friday Service (Church)
- 9:00 pm** Stations in Spanish (Church)

**Saturday, April 15**

- 7:00 pm** Easter Vigil Mass (Church)
- 9:00 pm** Reception (Parish Hall)

**Sunday, Sunday, April 16**

- 9:00 am** Easter Sunday Mass (Church)
- 11:00 am** Easter Sunday Mass (Church)
- 12:00 pm** Easter Egg Hunt (Church Grounds)
- 1:00 PM** Easter Mass in Spanish (Church)

**Hour of Prayer**

<b>Monday:</b> Theresa Owens & Pat Cvengros	<b>Thursday:</b> Ray & Amy Lane
<b>Tuesday:</b> Skip & Lillie Grief	<b>Friday:</b> Cecelia Farrell & Frances O'Bryan
<b>Wednesday:</b> Tamara Jones & Jim Garrett	<b>Saturday:</b> Bret & Maria Avra

**Vocation Awareness**

*"Take and eat; this is my body"*  
 Today's Gospel shows Jesus at the "Last Supper" with His disciples. In this moment, Jesus institutes the sacrament of the Eucharist, by blessing and transforming the Bread and Wine into His own Body and Blood for the salvation of the World. From then on priests have acted accordingly in doing likewise by offering up the sacrifice of the Mass for the salvation of humanity everywhere. If you have ever felt that God is calling you to serve as a Catholic priest, contact the vocations office:  
 270-683-1545, [www.owensborovocations.com](http://www.owensborovocations.com), [jason.mcclure@pastoral.org](mailto:jason.mcclure@pastoral.org).  
**Intercession:** For young people, that they may find a joyful faith in their families, and encouragement to respond to a life of ministry and service  
 We pray to the Lord.

*But from this earth, this grave, this dust,  
 My God shall raise me up, I trust.*

—Walter Raleigh

**Altar Society Ministry for April**

Purificators: Jean Berry  
 Robes & Albs: Beth Walker

***Rice Bowl Reminder***

Please remember to return your filled Rice Bowls at the 7:00 pm Holy Thursday evening Mass.



***Good Friday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence***

**Abstinence** means eating no meat. (Milk, eggs, and fish are fine.)

**Fasting** means eating only one normal-sized meal and two small meals, with no snacks.

Those 14 and older are required to abstain from meat; those 18-59 are required to fast, except in cases of special medical conditions.

***Nursery Hours for Triduum***

Our church nursery will be open for the following services only:



**Holy Thursday 7:00 pm**  
**Good Friday 7:00 pm**  
**Easter Sunday 9:00 am**

***Open Adoration Hours***

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a great opportunity for quiet prayer time and also a great service to our community to help keep Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Unfilled Adoration hours are:

- Sunday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am  
3:00 - 4:00 am  
4:00 - 5:00 pm
- Monday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am
- Tuesday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am  
2:00 - 3:00 pm
- Wednesday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am  
4:00 - 5:00 pm
- Thursday:** Midnight - 1:00 am
- Friday:** 4:00 - 5:00 am  
Midnight - 1:00 am
- Saturday:** 1:00 - 2:00 am  
3:00 - 4:00 am  
4:00 - 5:00 am  
3:00 - 4:00 pm

To participate, please call:

**Claudia Smith** at 270-443-4913 or [claudia\\_stevesmith@comcast.net](mailto:claudia_stevesmith@comcast.net) or **Angie Nelson** at 270-210-6339 or [tnelson007@comcast.net](mailto:tnelson007@comcast.net).

***No 5:30 Saturday Mass Next Weekend***

**There will not be a 5:30 pm Mass next Saturday evening April 15.** The Easter Vigil Mass begins at 7:00 pm. The Saturday evening Mass will return to 5:30 pm the next week, April 22.

***No Coffee & Doughnuts Easter Sunday***

We will not have Coffee and Doughnuts on Easter Sunday morning. Coffee and Doughnuts will return at the regular time the next week Sunday, April 23.



***Office Closed***

The Parish Office will be closed on **Holy Thursday, April 13 and Good Friday, April 14.** We will reopen Monday morning April 17 at 8:00 am.

***Middle School Youth Group***

Join us for a FREE fun-filled night at church **this evening** from 4:00 – 5:30 pm, playing laser tag in the Parish Hall! Please wear comfortable clothes that you can run around in! We will have a snack afterwards. 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome! Contact Terry Sullivan at 270-519-1614 for more information.

***Congratulations!***



We have several young men at St. Thomas More who have recently earned their Eagle Scout Award.

The **Eagle Scout** is the highest achievement or rank attainable in the Boy Scouting program of the Boy Scouts of America. Only four percent of Boy Scouts are granted this rank after a lengthy review process. Requirements include earning at least 21 merit badges.

These young men are:

*Cody Browning, Cole McCoart, Isaac LaBarge and Kyle Rea*

***Job Opening***

Paducah Faith Formation is in need of a part time office assistant (10-15 hours/week). Previous experience preferred, but not required. Interested individuals must be a practicing Catholic, highly organized and competent, have the ability to perform duties with minimal supervision; possess knowledge of computers and programs especially Word and Excel; strong interpersonal skills, creative and dynamic, proficient in both oral and written communication skills. The office assistant is responsible to assist Director and volunteer catechists in program and class activities, takes care of registration records and office files, and shares info with parishes. Reply with cover letter, resume, and references to Ging Smith at 377 Highland Blvd, Paducah KY, 42003 or email to [paducahfaithformation@smss.org](mailto:paducahfaithformation@smss.org).

***Does Your Marriage Need Help?***

Visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org) or call: 270-683-1545 ext. 357

***Nomination Process for Pastoral Council***

The nomination process for four Pastoral Council positions has begun. Nomination forms are available in the pews during all Masses. Forms will also be available in the Parish Office. You may also submit nominations by phone or email to Lois Bell in the Parish Office at 270-534-9000 or [lois@stmore.org](mailto:lois@stmore.org). The deadline for submitting nominations is **Monday, April 24th**. St. Thomas More uses a Leadership Discernment process for selecting new Pastoral Council members.

***What is the Triduum?***

The Easter Triduum (Latin for “three days”) commemorates the essential elements of our salvation: Christ’s sacrifice, his burial and his resurrection. Each “day” begins in the evening, as was the custom in biblical times.

The Triduum observance begins **Holy Thursday** evening with the Mass of the Lord’s Supper. The liturgy’s Washing of the Feet recalls Christ’s example of loving service. As a whole, the liturgy celebrates Christ’s love for us made manifest in the Eucharist and in the sacrifice at Calvary.

A day of fast and abstinence from meat, **Good Friday** features the Adoration of the Cross in a solemn liturgy focused on Christ’s death and burial. This solemnity carries through Holy Saturday on which the Church silently prepares for the Easter Vigil celebration in the evening.

Beginning with the blessing of the new fire and the light ceremony, the **Easter Vigil** recounts our salvation history in an extended Liturgy of the Word, culminating in baptism and or the renewal of our baptismal promises. The Vigil culminates with the Liturgy of the Eucharist that unleashes our Easter joy for the next 50 days of the Easter season.

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***Triduum Retreat***

The Sisters of St. Benedict of Ferdinand are offering a “Triduum Retreat” from **April 13-16** at the Benedictine Hospitality Center on the grounds of Monastery Immaculate Conception in Ferdinand, IN. This silent retreat runs from 2:30 pm Eastern time on Holy Thursday, April 13, to 10:00 am on Easter Sunday morning, April 16. Cost \$250, includes meals and a private room. For more information call 800-880-2777 or visit [www.thedome.org](http://www.thedome.org).

***The Pontifical Good Friday Collection***

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday](http://www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday).

***Our Lady of Fatima Statue in Diocese***



The Diocese of Owensboro will be host to the traveling replica of the statue of Our Lady of Fatima on **Monday, April 24 through Wednesday, April 26**. This event is in celebration of 100 years since Our Lady of Fatima’s apparition to three shepherd children in Portugal in 1917.

The statue will arrive in Bowling Green at St. Joseph Parish at approximately 9:00 pm with a procession into the church. To learn more, visit

[fatimatourforpeace.com](http://fatimatourforpeace.com).

***Live the Liturgy ~ Inspiration for the Week***

Our liturgy, with its very dramatic and poignant readings, immerses into all of the raw emotions life can often bring. We hear of betrayal, fear, anger, disappointment, confusion, suffering, and even death. The veil of injustice is pulled over the life of the innocent Lamb and God, who walked with us, is called to face his death on the cross. Yet Jesus remains faithful and accepts the fate that is before him. In all of this, he never wavers from the truth and continues to speak of mercy, forgiveness, and a God who loves. When life gets the best of us and brings us to our knees, can we remain faithful to the truth and accept what we cannot control?

***Saints & Special Observances***

- Sunday:** Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord;
- Monday:** Passover begins at sunset
- Thursday:** Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum
- Friday:** Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence
- Saturday:** Holy Saturday; The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

***Readings for the Week***

- Monday:** Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
- Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
- Thursday:** Lord’s Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
- Friday:** Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
- Saturday:** a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; (b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10



**Remember in Prayer...**

**Parishioners:** Faye Alexander, Mary Gertrude Barkett, Trent Bongiolatti, Judy Bufford, Margie Bunte, Celine Crane, Teresa Davis, Pat Dotson, Francie Duncan, Dakota Durrett, Morgan Eggemeyer, Lance Fleming, Gina Fraser, Rose Freiseis, Margaret Hagan, Amy Harris, Jodi Hayden, Ann Heavrin, Joyce Holliday, Kay Hosbach, Alan Hughes, Sr. Kateri Kaufman, Stephen & Phyllis Kettler, David Kimble, Paul Kortz, Buzz LaGessee, Thomas & Janet Montgomery, Sandy Morrow, Cynthia Owen & her unborn babies, Charity Peters, Ronnie Reil, Gaye Robinson, George Shaw, John Shaw, Roscoe Shoulta, Nancy Stearns, Monty Thompson, Ann Vaughan, Ann Watkins, Linda Wilson, Katherine Wise

**Homebound:** Elizabeth Edwards, Randy Hand, Mike & Lorna Roper, Lucienne Willett, Gertrude Yopp

**Nursing Home:** Carol Baugh, Opal Cooper, Rose de Leo, Jeanette Elliott, Joe & Betty Falconite, Martha Floyd, Mary Galvin, Hester Geuss, Carl Harper, Bernie Herrmann, Vonnie Howard, Ken McCauley, Catherine McManman, John Metcalf, Delphine Operle, Mary Riedfort, Carolyn Webb, Charles Woods

**Non-Parishioners:** Matthew Shoulta, Holly Randall, Michael Curtis Hobbs, Margaret Whitney, Don Manning, Michael Sloan, Gwen Allen, Ada Cruce, Tom Butler, Carmen Mosier, Dennis Walsh, Rose Lowery, Virgen Ramos, Martha Hardin



Justin Lamb, Chris McCoy, Timothy Lowman, Kurtis McClain, Zachary Grimes, Kurt Bell, Jeremy Copeland, Eric Gast, Aaron Conover, Brian Clayton, Hannah Wilson, John Davis, Emily Lane Rockne, Corey Carnes, Clay Magers, Tyler Shumaker, Jeff Perry, Tyler Scott Dickson, Logan Hatton, Nathan Phipps, Sam Herrmann, Charles Soward, Kelly Scott-Nevenon, Greg Nevenon, Cameron Gruening, Michael Renfro, Jason Smith, Alec McMahan  
*"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. And give us peace. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen."*

**Bounty Basket Needs...**

**Our Bounty Baskets, located in the Gathering Space, are in need of:**  
**Cereal, shampoo & conditioner for St. Vincent de Paul, spaghetti for PCM and other non-perishable goods. Thank you for your generosity.**

**Non-parishioner names will be rotated off this list every SIX WEEKS unless a parishioner calls and extends the prayer request.**



**Saturday, April 8**

Sharlyne Dominguez, Grace Loyd-Webster, Justin Mason, Erin Mobley, Abby Powell

**Sunday, April 9**

Gary Kettler, Maddie Lynn

**Monday, April 10**

Cheryl Arboleda, Owen Dawson, Myrtle Dorris, Amy Lane, Celia Mahan

**Tuesday, April 11**

Cody Browning, Rob Browning, Aurora Carnona, Dennis Urhahn

**Wednesday, April 12**

Nalu Concepcion, Eric Long, Erin Newman, Ezekial Scarpino, Sam Whittaker

**Thursday, April 13**

Landon Duong, Roselyn Gonzales, David Jenks, Mary Ellen McKeown, Jacob Puschaver, Stephanie Sims, Lori Wiggins

**Friday, April 14**

Randy Teitloff, Conor Wheeler

**Saturday, April 15**

Ashley Brantley, Elena Galvan, Jose Posadas, Sharon Scheer

**Sunday, April 16**

Chris Bell, Nancy Burch, Mike Clark, Aaron Storey



**Saturday, April 8**

Ariel & Aris Tomes 12 yrs.

**Wednesday, April 12**

Nick & Sara Christiansen 9 yrs.

Hugo & Martha Hernandez 9 yrs.

**Thursday, April 13**

William & Robin Woods 32 yrs.

Brian & Krista Lea 10 yrs.

**Saturday, April 15**

Octavio & Alma Machaen 14 yrs.

**Sunday, April 16**

Jose & Maria Velazquez 12 yrs.

**Why Do We Do That? Catholic Traditions Explained**

**Question:**

What are the servant songs of Isaiah? How do they relate to Jesus' life and ministry?

**Answer:**

The four servant songs, Isaiah 42:1-4, 49:1-6, 50:4-9, and 52:13--53:12, are strategically placed in Second Isaiah to offer hope and consolation to a suffering Israel during its Babylonian Exile. This is the context in which Second Isaiah composes his powerfully poetic book of hope and consolation. A significant part of that message is the portrait of God's servant, who is called to be a source of hope and encouragement for the people. Each of the four poems emphasizes God's choice and election of the servant. The last poem stresses the suffering and rejection of God's servant, along with his eventual death. Isaiah is certain that God will use the servant's innocent suffering as a way to redeem and remove the guilt and sin of others. Thus the servant becomes a source of salvation for himself and for others. Who is this servant? Many suggest that Isaiah was referring to Israel herself, as she underwent exilic suffering that would ultimately prove to be redemptive. Jesus' followers understood Jesus' ministry in terms of Isaiah's suffering servant whose innocent suffering and death became the means of salvation for all.





# Palm Sunday

## *A little bit of Catholic History*



Palm Sunday is a moveable feast that falls on the Sunday before Easter. The feast commemorates Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, an event mentioned in each of the four Gospels. In each Gospel account, Jesus' entry into Jerusalem takes place about a week before the Resurrection.

Theologians believe the symbolism is captured prophetically in the Old Testament: Zechariah 9:9 "The Coming of Zion's King – See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey." It suggests that Jesus was declaring he was the King of Israel to the anger of the Sanhedrin.

According to the Gospels, Jesus Christ rode a donkey into Jerusalem, and the celebrating people there laid down their cloaks and small branches of trees in front of him, and sang part of Psalm 118: 25–26 – "... Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord..."

The symbolism of the donkey may refer to the Eastern tradition that it is an animal of peace, versus the horse, which is the animal of war. A king would have ridden a horse when he was bent on war and ridden a donkey to symbolize his arrival in peace. Jesus' entry to Jerusalem would have thus symbolized his entry as the Prince of Peace, not as a war-waging king.

In many lands in the ancient Near East, it was customary to cover in some way the path of someone thought worthy of the highest honor. The Synoptic Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke as well as the Gospel of John, report that people gave Jesus this form of honor. In the synoptics the people are described as laying their garments and cut rushes on the street, whereas John specifies fronds of palm.

In the Greco-Roman culture of the Roman Empire, which strongly influenced Christian tradition, the palm branch was a symbol of triumph and victory.



**LIFT UP • GIVE UP • TAKE UP**

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - April 9**  
 5:30 pm Vigil Mass and Procession (Saturday)  
 9 am Solemn Blessing & Procession of Palm  
 11 am Mass and Procession  
 1 pm Mass and Procession (Spanish)  
 7 pm Tenebrae  
*A Service of Light, Scripture and Music*

**Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper - April 13**  
 7 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
 10 pm Night Prayer (Chapel)

**Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord - April 14**  
 12 pm Stations of the Cross  
 7 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
 9 pm Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

**Holy Saturday: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night - April 15**  
 7 pm Mass of Vigil

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - April 16**  
 9 am & 11 am Mass  
 1 pm Mass (Spanish)

*Lent*

"Especially for Lent, Jesus calls us to 'take up our cross' and follow him." - Pope Francis

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 Tonight, Palm Sunday,  
 April 9 at 7 p.m.

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