

March 28 (Palm Sunday) and April 4 (Easter Sunday)

"HOSANNA TO THE SON OF DAVID."

Look!
Before and after,
the crowds spread their cloaks
and crying, "Hosanna!
Hosanna in the highest!"

They cut down
leafy branches from the fields,
making the way for him to enter Jerusalem.

Hosanna! Jesus of Nazareth, eternal joy!
Our God, walking along beside us!
Our Lord who leads us to grace!
Our king crowned with thorns,
Our beloved, our hero!

Loving us all the way to the Cross!

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SANCTUARY LIGHT

March 28 – Timothy Walke
April 4 – Nancy Schmalenberg
April 11 – Bertha Wagner

MASS INTENTIONS

March 27 – Lucille Simon
March 28 – Wayne Schutte
April 3 – Thelma Grossman
April 4 – Martha Moorman
April 10 – Jeanne Schene
April 11 – Gary Stier

3/9/21-3/22/21 PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday & Holy Day Collection	\$4304.10
Catholic Relief Services Collection	\$ 423.00
Church in Africa Collection	\$ 241.00
Central & Eastern Europe Collection	\$ 20.00
Capital Improvement Donations	\$ 390.00
Black & Native American Collection	\$ 50.00
Religious Ed Collection	\$ 50.00
Church in Latin America Collection	\$ 20.00
Criterion Collection	\$ 20.00
Lenten Offering Collection	\$ 50.00

**May God Bless You For All the Ways You Serve
the Parish!**



HOLY THURSDAY

**"THEN HE Poured WATER
INTO A BASIN
AND BEGAN TO WASH THE
DISCIPLES' FEET."**

Jesus performs the role of a servant as he washes his disciples' feet, a humble and humbling act. We, too, are called to serve others. Yet we resist. We are lazy, too busy or too caught up in our world and interests. Jesus shows us the example. Wash the feet of others. Hold the door let someone go first, send a card. Just find a way to serve.

HOLY THURSDAY MASS AT ST. MAURICE, 6:00 PM.

GOOD FRIDAY

**"YET IT WAS OUR PAIN
THAT HE BORE,
OUR SUFFERINGS HE
ENDURED."**



Jesus paid the price for our sins on Good Friday. We did nothing to deserve it or to earn it. It was a completely free gift but a gift that cost his life. Good Friday is not only good for us. It is wonderful. Jesus died so that we may live with him.

PASSION OF THE LORD AT ST. JOHN, 4:00 PM.

Year of
ST. JOSEPH



JOSEPH MOST JUST – Joseph was first and foremost just unto God, rendering to Him what was His due. Since all things are due to God, Joseph was perfectly religious in prayer, in labor, and in love giving to God, even as an infant, the energy of his whole life.

"Redemption, salvation for every individual, consists in doing the will of God, no more and no less; 'Father,' said Christ at the moment of his supreme agony in the garden, 'not my will but thine be done.' Yet God will not, has not, asked us to bear any more than he himself has borne in his Incarnation and suffering and death, nor to experience anything he himself did not experience." ~ Fr. Walter Ciszek



HOLY SATURDAY
“GOING INTO THE TOMB”

Holy Saturday is the quiet day. Jesus died and is buried. His disciples gather in a room in fear. We are invited to be quiet as well. We are between the sorrow of Good Friday and the joy of Easter. Let us be quiet and prepare for the greatest feast – Easter! The world sits and waits for the Risen Savior.

EASTER VIGIL AT ST. MAURICE, 4:00 PM.



The Lord is Risen!

EASTER SUNDAY

God, our Father, we rejoice today. Your Son, Jesus, rose from the grave. It is not only good news, but it is the best news for us! We now know that death is not the end. We will live for eternity with our Lord. Christ has died; Christ has Risen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

EASTER CELEBRATION

***AT ST. JOHN ON SATURDAY, 6:00 PM,
AT ST. MAURICE ON SUNDAY, 10:00 AM.***

A GRAND SUCCESS – Our Drive-Thru Turkey Dinner was a wonderful success. Approximately 350 meals were served. Income from the meal was **\$6,525.00**; Expense was **\$2,040.67**; Actual Net was **\$4,484.33!** Thank you to all the workers and those who supported us by purchasing meals. Many people spoke of how organized the dinner was and how much they enjoyed the food.

CONFIRMATION – The candidates will meet on March 28, and their topic will be the Church calendar. April 11's topic is the Rite of Confirmation and the Trinity.

BLESSED SACRAMENT – Since April 2 is Good Friday, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for the month of April will be on the second Friday of April, the 9th. If you cannot come at your designated time, please find a substitute or call Laurie Husted. Thank you.

ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Classes on March 31 and April 7.

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Classes on March 28 and April 11, 8:30 AM.

RUMMAGE SALE – The Spring Rummage Sale is scheduled for **May 7 and 8**. Look for nice used items around your home to donate.

MEETINGS – The Finance Committee members will meet Thursday, April 8, 6:00 PM, to work on the budget for 2021-2022. Parish Council members will meet the following Thursday, April 15, 6:00 PM, to examine and approve the new budget.

AUCTION – The auction has been rescheduled for Saturday, September 11! The committee is asking for good items that you are willing to donate for this auction.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS – “You cannot give courage to yourself, but you can receive it as a gift. All you have to do is open your heart in prayer and roll away, however slightly, that stone placed at the entrance to your heart so that Jesus’ light can enter...With you, Lord, we will be tested but not shaken.” (Easter Vigil Homily, April 11, 2020)

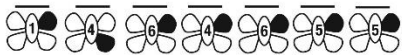
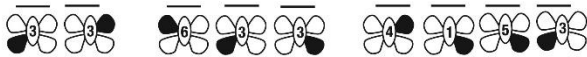
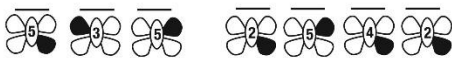
THE LORD’S LAUGHTER – Sign in Theo & Stacy's, a Greek restaurant in Kalamazoo, MI: “People who believe the dead never come to life should be here at quitting time.” (The Joyful Noiseletter)

Puzzle!

Use the code to uncover the angel's message in Matthew 28:7 (NIV).



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Answers: “He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.”

REFLECTIVE QUESTIONS

DO I TRUST IN CHRIST'S POWER, WHICH I CANNOT SEE, MORE THAN THE PROBLEMS THAT I CAN SEE?

DO I BELIEVE GOD IS A GOOD FATHER AND ONLY PERMITS THAT WHICH LEADS TO GREATER GLORY FOR BOTH OF US?

THE LITANY OF HUMILITY

O Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
Make my heart like yours.

From self-will, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire of being esteemed, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire of being loved, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire of being extolled, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire of being honored, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire of being praised, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire of being preferred to others, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire of being consulted, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire of being approved, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire to be understood, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the desire to be visited, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of being humiliated, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of being despised, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of suffering rebukes, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of being calumniated, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of being forgotten, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of being ridiculed, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of being suspected, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of being wronged, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of being abandoned, **deliver me, O Lord.**

From the fear of being refused, **deliver me, O Lord.**

That others may be loved more than I,

Lord, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be esteemed more than I,

Lord, grant me the grace to desire it.

That, in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I may decrease, **Lord, grant me the grace to desire it.**

That others may be chosen and I set aside,

Lord, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be praised and I go unnoticed,

Lord, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be preferred to me in everything, **Lord, grant me the grace to desire it.**

That others may become holier than I, provided that I may become as holy as I should,

Lord, grant me the grace to desire it.

At being unknown and poor, **Lord, I want to rejoice.**

At being deprived of the natural perfections of body and mind,

Lord, I want to rejoice.

When people do not think of me, **Lord, I want to rejoice.**

When they assign me the meanest tasks, **Lord, I want to rejoice.**

When they do not even deign to make use of me, **Lord, I want to rejoice.**

When they never ask my opinion, **Lord, I want to rejoice.**

When they leave me at the lowest place, **Lord, I want to rejoice.**

When they never compliment me, **Lord, I want to rejoice.**

When they blame me in season and out of season, **Lord, I want to rejoice.**

Blessed are those who suffer persecution for Jesus' sake,

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

(This is an expanded adaptation of the Litany of Humility by Rafael Cardinal Merry del Val as found in *The Power of Silence* by Robert Cardinal Sarah, p. 17-19.)