

<i>Mass Intentions:</i>		
14 April	Mon. 7:30 am	A special intention
15 April	Tues. 7:30 am	A special intention
16 April	Wed. 7:30 am	A special intention
17 April	Thur. 7:00 pm	Venette Verde +
18 April	Fri. 7:00 pm	A special intention
19 April	Sat. 8:30 pm	A special intention
20 April	Sun. 9:00 am Sun. 11:30 am	The people of the parish The people of the parish

Parish Activities:
Collection: March 2, 2025 \$ 2621.00

Guidelines for Lent: *Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence. All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.*

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.

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.

Seminarian Prayer Calendar: Please pray in a special way this week for seminarian Thomas Rajewski studying at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary.

Pray for Vocations: Please pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life for our diocese along with those who are attempting to discern their vocation.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
13 April 2025
Palm Sunday

CONFESSIONS: Sunday 8:30-8:50 am & after the 11:30 am Mass or by appointment

DAILY MASSES: Monday -Friday 7:30 am.

SUNDAY MASSES: Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:30 am (Español)

Parish Office Hours: No office hours due to Holy Week
 Phone Messages and email are checked daily.

NEWS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

Holy Week Schedule:
Thursday April 17th: Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm.
 Confession available after the Mass and the procession to the altar of repose. Adoration at the altar of repose until 10pm.
Friday April 18th: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 7pm. Confession available after the liturgy.
Holy Saturday, April 19th: Confession available from 9:30am- 10:30am.
 The Easter Vigil will begin at 8:30pm
Easter Sunday April 20th: 9:00 am English & 11:30 am Spanish

_ St. Joseph Prayer Chain:

- +For all the poor souls in Purgatory
- +For the end to abortion
- +For our Holy Fathers-Pope Francis, bishops, priests, sisters and brothers
- +For all seminarians, especially those at St. Gregory the Great Seminary
- +For our youth to accept and grow in vocations
- +For world peace, and our servicemen and women
- +For the Knights of Columbus prayer requests
- +For fallen away Catholics



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Brad Oschner	Juan Slazar	Emily Howard	Dennis Reddick
Cesaria Gabriel	Cecilia Martel	Erica Lauinger	Randy Schulte
Bill Kerber	Cathy Kamost	Salvador Palas	Shirley McCabe
Jordan Ortmeier	Fr. Allan Phan	Kelem Fabrice	Garry Veik
Sharon Reasland	Nancy Sapp	Randy Chloupek	Tony Stec
Diane Walz & family	Shirley Koenig	Andrea Ainsworth	Mary Verde
Jeff Weber	Joseph Verde	Kevin Chloupek	Wayne Alley
Jim Jackson	Greg Almond	Rita Mach	Shannon Tebo
Pete Bartels	Landon Van Boening		

If you have any intentions you would like to add to the prayer chain, call Elaine Almond (402-224-0732) or Shirley Koenig (402-984-0692).

Sacred Triduum

We celebrate in a most solemn way the Paschal Mystery during these holy days. What we do are not dramatic reenactments but rather a remembering that makes present the Lord’s work of Redemption that touches our hearts and transforms our lives here and now. Therefore let us celebrate by coming to church and participating in the liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday/Easter Sunday and live these Mysteries! What follows are a few questions and answers about the Sacred Triduum.

• When does the Triduum begin and end? The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday, reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes with Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday.

• Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord’s Supper, 7pm. May another Mass besides the Mass of the Lord’s Supper be celebrated on Holy Thursday? Ordinarily, no other Mass may be celebrated on Holy Thursday. The Chrism Mass at the Cathedral would normally be celebrated on Thursday morning however, in our Diocese it is celebrated earlier in the week on Monday because of travel time for priests. The bishop blesses the oils for catechumens and the sick and consecrates the Chrism that will be used in the Sacraments for the year in all the parishes of the Diocese. The priests also renew their promises that they made on the day of their ordination.

• Good Friday Celebration of the Lord’s Passion, 7pm. When should the Good Friday Celebration of the Lord’s Passion take place? Normally it should take place in the afternoon, at

about 3:00 PM. To enable people to assemble more easily, however, pastoral discretion may indicate a time shortly after midday, or in the late evening, though never later than 9:00 PM. By ancient tradition, Mass is not celebrated today. • The Liturgy of the Passion is the primary celebration of the Church for Good Friday. • This Liturgy is celebrated in three parts: The Liturgy of the Word with its climax being the reading of the Passion according to Saint John, the veneration of the cross, and Holy Communion. • Confessions will follow the Liturgy until completed. • Good Friday is a day of fast (only one full meal and two smaller meals for Catholics between 18 and 59) and abstinence (no meat for those over the age of 14).

• Does the Church encourage any other liturgical celebrations on Good Friday? On this day the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer could appropriately be celebrated with the participation of the people in the churches. Do devotions have a particular importance on Good Friday? The central celebration of this day is the Good Friday Celebration of the Lord’s Passion. In no way should manifestations of popular piety substitute for this solemn liturgical action. Though, the Stations of the Cross, beginning the Divine Mercy Novena & Chaplet, the Rosary, and other devotions that help us meditate on the Lord’s Passion are encouraged at other times during the day. • Remember Fasting and Abstinence . Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind (Sacrosanctum Concilium, 110).

• Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter, 8:30pm on the night of April 19. The Vigil, by its very nature, must take place at night. It is not begun before nightfall and should end before daybreak on Easter Sunday. This hearkens to the Jewish tradition that the new day begins after sunset. No earlier Mass is allowed on this day. It is a nocturnal vigil, retaining its ancient character of vigilance and expectation, as the Christian people await the Resurrection of the Lord during the night. Fire is blessed and the paschal candle is lighted to illumine the night so that all may hear the Easter proclamation and listen to the word of God proclaimed in the Scriptures. This is the “greatest and most noble of all solemnities” during the Church’s year. This Easter Mass (which fulfills the obligation) is arranged in four parts: 1) The Lucernarium (or the Liturgy of Light with the Easter Proclamation) 2) The Liturgy of the Word (with readings that meditate on the wonders God has done for his people) 3) The Baptismal Liturgy (when new members are received into the Church and all recall their own baptism) 4) The Liturgy of the Eucharist. Those who have been preparing to enter the Church are Baptized, Confirmed, and receive Holy Communion on this night. Please join us!