

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

MARCH 29, 2026



Hosannah! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord

## Holy Mass Intentions This Week

Mon	30	7:00 a.m. Communion Service (SL)
Tue	31	No Mass at St. Lawrence
Wed	1	7:00 a.m. Hox & Saylor Families 8:45 a.m. Bert Jagodzinski by Family
Thu	2	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b> 5:30 p.m. +Mary Lou Glaza by H Zubella 7:00 p.m. Those in OCIA & RCIC
Fri	3	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> 12:30 p.m. Service 1:00 p.m. Service
Sat	4	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> 8:00 p.m. +Roseann Konkol by A Stashek 8:30 p.m. +Greg Kujawa
Sun	5	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 8:30 a.m. +Rich Hamus by M & B Skytland 10:30 a.m. Parishioners in Fr. Barry's Care (SL)



## LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS – April 4-5

Lectors:	8:00 p.m. Keith Wirtz/Becky Engstrand 8:30 a.m. Veronica Elmhurst
Servers:	8:00 p.m. A Adamski-Elliot O'Shasky 8:30 a.m. Jenna & Jonah O'Shasky
Ushers:	8:00 p.m. John Van Asten-Jerry Rybicki 8:30 a.m. Sue & Howie Nigon
Eucharistic Ministers:	8:00 p.m. Sue Reber-Joan Kelnhofer Nellie Larsen 8:30 a.m. Pat Hoffmann-V Elmhurst Terry Moscinski



# Lent

## PROJECT MILK

**DONATIONS** are still being accepted. Milk is purchased

from Wisconsin farmers and turned into powder and shipped to Casa Hogar Orphanage in Lurin, Peru. Casa Hogar works with 19 other local orphanages to trade powdered milk and share resources. They also donate milk to soup kitchens and families in the community. It costs about \$100 to send one bag of milk to Peru. That is enough milk for the 72 children of Casa for one week. **Let's support Father Hirsch and the children of Casa Hogar.**

**ADULT ESSENTIALS, BABY ITEMS & TOWELS** can still be left in the back of church. Thank you for your generosity.

**RICE BOWLS** with your Lenten offerings should be returned to church next weekend.

**THE DEANERY LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE** will be held today, Sunday, March 29, 12:00-4:00 at Saints Peter & Paul with many priests available for confessions.

**EASTER TRIDUUM...**Please make time to attend the Triduum on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, the most holy days of our Catholic church.

**LITTLE WHITE BOOKS FOR EASTER** are available in back of church.

**THE DIVINE MERCY NOVENA** begins on Good Friday, April 3. See the insert in today's bulletin. Sacred Heart in Nekoosa will host the observance of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12, beginning at 1:15 with Exposition/Confessions, 2:45 Reflection on Divine Mercy, 3:20 Benediction.

**DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED...**Please mark your envelope "Flowers." Thank you.

## MASS INTENTIONS

There are open dates for Mass Intentions for weekdays and weekends. Contact Kathy 435-3797 if you would like to schedule a Mass for any intention.

**MINUTES OF THE RECENT PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ARE AVAILBLE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH.**

**Good Friday is a day of abstinence from meat and also a day of fasting from food for all Catholics ages 18-59. A person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals. No snacking in between.**

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...**

Gerri Laška, Charlie Pulchinski

**CHURCH SUPPORT – MARCH 23**



**ST. PHILIP WILL BE HOSTING A BLOOD DRIVE** on Monday, May 11 in Wagner Hall from 1:30-6:00 p.m. Please consider donating this life saving gift. You can schedule an appointment by calling 1-877-232-4376 or by visiting [www.versiti.org/WI](http://www.versiti.org/WI).



Adult Envelopes	\$2255.00
Offertory	\$ 386.00
Stations of Cross	\$ 161.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 150.00
Parking Lot Donation	\$1000.00

**Please remember St. Philip Church when making out your will or estate planning.**

**PICNIC NEWS...**It's that time of year again to begin thinking about the cash raffle. Anyone interested in donating cash or gift cards, please contact Sue Polum 715-340-1272. Actual donations do not need to be submitted until June/July. The deadline to commit to a donation is Monday, April 27.

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**A PICNIC MEETING** will be held on Thursday, April 9, 6:00 in the Welcome Center. All overseers and interested parishioners are asked to attend. It will be here soon!!

**NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. PHILIP. CURRENT PARISHIONERS SHOULD CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE WITH ANY ADDRESS OR PHONE CHANGES. 435-3286.**

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**PCCW MEETING – Wednesday, April 15,** 6:00 in the Welcome Center. Mark your calendar.

**THE FRIENDS OF ST. PHILIP YOUTH** will hold their Annual Rummage Sale on April 24-25 in Wagner Hall. **Please do not bring your donated items to church before April 19 as our storage space is limited.** Thank you.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:** Each Sunday we're invited to be fed by the Risen Life of Jesus. How can we keep this truth in our minds and hearts? In what way can each Sunday be a celebration of His Resurrection particularly during the fifty days of the Easter season? This week we studied John 12:24 "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." Children had the sensorial experience working with planted wheat seeds (showing varying growth) to go deeper into the Mystery of Life & Death. Over the bread, Jesus said: "This is my Body, given for you," and over the wine: "This is my Blood, shed for you." The Bread and the Wine become Jesus who wants to give himself to us and to all people. That night, Jesus found a way to remain, giving the gift of himself to all people of all times.

**COMING UP:**

- **St. Michael, Junction City Drive-Thru Grilled Pork Chop Dinner** – Sunday, March 29, 10:30-12:30 - \$14
- **St. Peter, Stevens Point Pancake Breakfast & Basket Raffle** – Sunday, March 29, 8:00-12:00
- **Bingo at Assumption** – Sunday, March 29, Doors open at 12. Play starts at 1.
- **Fish Fry at St. Mary, Auburndale,** Friday, April 3, serving 3:30-7:00
- **Fish Fry – St. Patrick, Halder,** Friday, April 3, Serving 4:00-7:30.
- **Sunday Brunch at Bethany Lutheran** – April 12, serving 10:30-1:00.
- **Pancake Breakfast – Our Lady Queen of Heaven** – Sponsored by Scouts Troop 111, Sunday, April 12, 8:00-12:30.

**TENEBRAE – A Service of Light and Lamentation – Holy Wednesday, April 1, 7:00 p.m. at Ss Peter & Paul.**

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR AN END TO ABORTION**

## Join Us! The Holiest Week of the Year

During Holy Week, we remember and walk with Jesus through His triumphant entry into Jerusalem, and His suffering, death and Resurrection. Through these events, **Jesus gave His life for each one of us and rose again in victory over sin and death.**

### PALM SUNDAY

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday. We are invited to enter Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem, where crowds welcomed Him with palm branches and praise. At the beginning of Mass, we take up blessed palm branches. We also hear the **Passion of the Lord**, the story of Jesus suffering and death, where we see the depth of Christ's love. He freely embraced the cross **for the salvation of each one of us.**

### PREPARATION DAYS

The early days of Holy Week are a time to quiet down and prepare our hearts for the saving events of the **Paschal Mystery—Jesus' suffering, death, and Resurrection.** Don't miss the opportunity to receive the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** to fully enter into the events of Holy Week.

On Tuesday of Holy Week, **March 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:30 a.m., Bishop Battersby will celebrate the Chrism Mass at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse.** All are welcome to attend. The holy oils used in the Church's Sacraments are blessed and consecrated and the priests of the Diocese renew their priestly promises.

### HOLY THURSDAY – The Lord's Supper

On Holy Thursday, we recall the Last Supper where Jesus gave us two great gifts:

- **The Holy Eucharist**, His true Body and Blood

- **The priesthood**, as ordained men act *in the person of Christ* and give us the Eucharist to this day.

In imitation of Christ, who washed His Apostles' feet at the Last Supper as a sign of His love and call to service, the washing of feet takes place during Mass.

### GOOD FRIDAY – The Passion of the Lord

Good Friday is a solemn day when we commemorate the death of Jesus on the cross.

We gather to

- hear **the Gospel of the Passion** recalling Jesus' suffering and death
- **venerate of the holy Cross**
- **receive Holy Communion**

Jesus hung upon the cross for our salvation. Between **12:00–3:00 p.m.** quietly reflect on the depth of Christ's love for us.

### HOLY SATURDAY – The Easter Vigil

The Vigil is most beautiful and joyful, beginning in darkness and has four parts:

- The **Blessing of the Fire**, when the Paschal Candle – the symbol of the risen Christ – is lit and fills the church with light
- The **Liturgy of the Word**, hearing God's saving plan as recorded in Scripture
- The **Sacraments of Initiation** for new members of the Church
- The celebration of the **Eucharist**, as we rejoice in receiving the risen Christ in Holy Communion.

### EASTER SUNDAY – Resurrection of Jesus

Easter is the celebration of **Jesus Christ rising from the dead.** We know Jesus lives, and so, new life is possible for all who believe; hope drives out fear and love is stronger than death.

**Don't Miss It!**