

## Our Lady of the WAYSIDE PARISH

#### THE WAYSIDER

OUR LADY OF THE WAYSIDE CHURCH 432 So. Mitchell Ave., Arlington Heights, Ill. Rev. Harold T. O'Hara, Pastor Tele: CL 3-5353

High Masses for the week are as follows:

Monday - 7:30 - Special intention (Mr. and Mrs. John Jarecki)

Tuesday - 7:30 - Special intention (Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett)
Wednesday - 7:30 - Special intention (Mr. and Mrs. Raymond M. Sheridan)
ORDER OF SERVICES

MASSES -- Sundays: 8, 9:30, 11. Holy Days: 6 and 7. In South School auditorium. Week days: 7:30. In Rectory Chapel. BAPTISMS -- Sundays: 2:00 p.m. CONFESSIONS -- One-half hour before Sunday Masses.

PARISH REGULATIONS

BAPTISMS -- Arrangements made in Rectory during week previous. MATRIMONY -- Arrangements one month in advance et Rectory. The Church's highest gift is the Nuptial Mass FUNERALS -- Arrange for time of Mass before all else. SOCIAL UMITS -- The Holy Name Society; The Catholic Women's Club. REGISTRATION -- Stop at Rectory, weekdays: to register as parishioners; for Sunday envelopes; for arrangements to bless home.

This communication to you marks the official opening of our Building Fund campaign. In making this appeal for your extra-ordinary help I write with the full confidence that your determination parallels mine, in a conviction that we must do all in our power to hasten the day when we can complete our combination church/school project.

Like our forebears, we are again in a struggle for survival. There is all around us the growing mass of muddled thinking in basic facts of Faith and Morals. There has been the Barden Bill and all its nasty implications. There is the tangible fact in a beautiful new church/school, where under your eyes your monetary sacrifices are doing the work of Christ and will keep on doing it year after year -where your investment is producing abiding fruits of Truth and Guidance, credited to your record in the Book of Life.

There is hardly a more effective way of sanctifying ourselves than by genuine sacrifice -- of money that represents our talent and our labor, and thus our very selves, to forward our Parish plans for adequate Catholic educational facilities.

The immediate issue is that we start with a debt of \$28,000. Only when this is cleared can we get started on our church/school project. Our slogan is "Some help from everybody." Adequate facilities for all, is our aim.

I went you to make up your minds conscientiously with a view to the size of the job we have before us and its urgency for our Parish wolfare. I would like to have the average offering at \$150 per family per year. Some will do much better. Others cannot do this much. But a very important angle is this: I need your response as soon as possible. All the facilities we will build will be monuments to the generosity of our people.

The enclosed envelope should be used for your Building Fund offerings, to be made as suits your convenience, and similar envelopes will always be available at the ushers' tables. You may make your offerings weekly, monthly or in a lump sum.

Mey Gad abundently bless your loyalty and generosity, your sturdy faith and good will .

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April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

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# Celebrate Holy Week with Our Lady of the Wayside!

## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April 1 at 5:00 pm\* Sunday, April 2 at 7:30 am, 9:30 am\*, 11:30 am and 6:00 pm

## Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper

Thursday, April 6 at 8:30 am – Morning Prayer
Thursday, April 6 at 7:00 pm\*
Adoration until 11:55 pm

## Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

Friday, April 7 at 8:30 am – Morning Prayer Friday, April 7 at 12:00 pm\* – Stations of the Cross Friday, April 7 at 3:00 pm\* – Celebration of the Lord's Passion

## Easter Vigil, and Easter, The Resurrection of our Lord

Saturday, April 8 at 8:30 am – Morning Prayer
Saturday, April 8 at 12:00 pm – Blessing of Easter Baskets
Saturday, April 8 at 7:30 pm\*
Sunday, April 9 at 6:00 am, 7:30 am, 9:30 am\* and 11:30 am

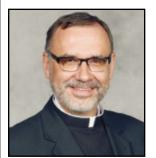
\* Live-streamed on OLW's YouTube and Facebook pages.





#### **ENCOUNTER CHRIST'S PASSION**

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion - Year A



Father Arthur Marat

Today we enter into the most solemn week of the liturgical year. We have been preparing for the past six weeks, and now we find ourselves in this Church today holding palm branches to joyfully greet and worship Jesus, our Lord, as He enters into the great mystery of His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Besides our greet-

ings and praise, Jesus desires from us our hearts and our love, prepared and purified through our Lenten observances of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

During this week, we will recall how Jesus gives us everything—His very life and body as an offering to God for our salvation. During this week, we are reminded that He endured the greatest humiliation, anguish, and suffering in order to free us from our sins and open the gates of Heaven. For this reason, as the spirit of the liturgy intensifies, so too should our longing to encounter and accompany Jesus to His Resurrection. Otherwise, it is as if Jesus' sacrifice is in vain.

I would like to invite each of you to set aside time each day this week to contemplate Jesus Christ and His Love.

In your imagination and your presence at the Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Vigil, and Easter Sunday liturgy try to accompany the Lord in His loneliness, His suffering, His anxiety, His death, and His resurrection. While it is true that we need God, God also needs us. He longs for and waits for our love.

Through our presence and devotion, let us show the Lord that we are grateful for all that He has done for us so that we may experience the true joy of Christ's resurrection at Easter, and cry out "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"

Yours in Christ, Father Arthur



## ETERNAL REST.

THE ART OF DYING WELL

Eternal Rest explores the mystery of death, the afterlife, and the powerful reality around the sacrament that ushers us into eternal life. Furthermore, the art of dying well is also the art of living well. By understanding who we are and what we are made for, we can order our lives and values according to God's design for our true fulfillment.

Join us in the Gathering Place on Monday, April 24, and Monday, May 1, from 7–8:30 pm, to watch the series and experience the art of living well.

For additional information email: Deacon Peter Le-Tourneau at pletourneau@archchicago.org, or Kathy O'Neill at parishnurse@olwparish.org, or call 847-253-5353. **No need to RSVP, all are welcome!** 

To find Eternal Rest and more great media, register for a free FORMED account at **signup.formed.org**.

## **FORMED**



The Multi Parish
Feast of Divine Mercy
Sunday, April 16th at
Our Lady of The Wayside

1:30 PM
Adoration and Reflection by Fr. Marat
2:00 -3:00 PM
Confession and Pealm Recitations

Confession and Psalm Recitations

3:00 PM

Chaplet of Divine Mercy & Benediction

The Divine Mercy Novena begins Good Friday, April 7th Hosted at 3 pm each day by Our Lady of The Wayside Reflection by Deacon Paul Onischuk





#### Schedule for Divine Mercy Novena

April 7th, following the Good Friday Liturgy of the Word April 8th, Easter Vigil/ Saturday, at 3 PM April 9th, Easter Sunday at 3 PM April 10th, Easter Monday at 3 PM April 11th through the 15th at 3 PM

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## **VBS 2023**

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

June 19-23; 9:30 to 11:45

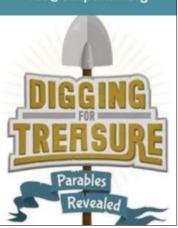
Adult Volunteers are NEEDED!

Registration opens in April



#### **QUESTIONS?**

Contact Elizabeth Malone at vbs@olwparish.org



## OUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



Sunday Collection for March 26, 2023

	This Week	Budget	Variance
Sunday Masses	\$9,024		
Mail and Walk-up	\$3,415		
eGiving	\$10,031		
Total Sunday	\$22,470	\$34,135	(\$11,665)
	Total	Budget	
Easter	Total \$2,925	Budget \$70,000	
Easter School Support			
	\$2,925	\$70,000	

Thank you for your generosity!

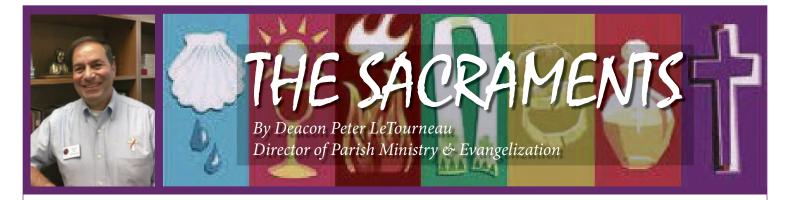


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The third and final sacrament of initiation is **Confirmation**. When we talk to parents and godparents at Baptism, we say that today they are accepting the faith on behalf of their child, and at Confirmation their child will accept the faith on their own. However, there is more to Confirmation than simply restating commitment to the Catholic faith - Confirmation brings an increase and deepening of baptismal grace (CCC 1303).

As Catholics, on the day of Confirmation we receive the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. When the bishop lays his hands on the confirmandi (person being confirmed) he ends his prayer with "Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their helper and guide. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen." Then, the bishop makes the sign of the cross with the Sacred Chrism (same oil as Baptism) on the confirmandi's forehead, and says, "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."

So many gifts! Let's take a look at what each one provides:

**Wisdom**: Gives us the ability to view the world through God's perspective. With this gift we are able to see and evaluate all things — joy and sorrow, success and failure — through the eyes of God. Walking through life with God's wisdom helps us make all of our decisions and to see others as God sees them.

**Understanding:** Grants us the ability to comprehend the Scriptures, the messages and the meaning of Christ's teachings. The more we understand the teachings of the church, the more our faith is strengthened.

**Counsel/Judgment**: Gives us the ability to judge what is good and evil and to act accordingly. It helps us to assess a situation quickly and correctly so that we always live our life according to God's will. Not only does counsel provide solutions to difficult and unexpected situations in our own lives, but it helps us to assist others.

**Fortitude/Courage:** In our daily battle against temptation and sin, we need the gift of courage to see us through. This gift provides the mental and emotional strength given to us by the Holy Spirit to face adversity, danger, or temptation - helps us persevere throughout our time in this world so that we may reach our goal of being united with Christ in the afterlife.

Piety: Pope Francis explained the importance of this gift when he addressed his general audience in June 2014, saying,

"Piety is not mere outward religiosity; it is that genuine religious spirit which makes us turn to the Father as his children and to grow in our love for others, seeing them as our brothers and sisters, members of God's family."

**Knowledge:** Here we are not talking about scientific or historical facts. Rather, we are speaking about spiritual knowledge. This gift helps us determine if we have all of our spiritual facts in order such as: are material objects and idols keeping us from putting God first? Are we doing anything that is creating a roadblock between us and God? Where do we need to change?

**Fear of God:** This gift is often misunderstood because of the word "fear". Are we supposed to be afraid of the Lord? No! Our relationship with the Lord is based on love, not fear. What this gift means is that we should fear how sin separates us from the Lord. We should fear living, speaking, or acting in any way that offends the Lord. We should live in wonder and awe of God's perfection and fear ever hurting Him.

**Are You Using Your Gifts?** 

For answers to these commonly asked questions about Confirmation...

- Why is the dove used as a symbol of Confirmation?
- Is the Bishop the only one that can provide the sacrament of Confirmation?
- Why do the confirmandi choose a confirmation name representing a patron saint?

visit: http://bit.ly/42G4XCM

Our Lady of the Wayside Arlington Heights, Illinois



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

## REP Schedule for the Weeks of April 2 & 9, 2022

#### Tuesday, April 4

- 4 pm, 1st through 4th grade classes meet
- 7 pm, 7th and 8th grade classes meet last class for the REP year!

#### Tuesday, April 11

- 4 pm, 1st through 4th grade classes meet last class for the REP year!
- 7 pm, 5th and 6th grade classes meet last class for the REP year!

#### PALM SUNDAY



#### **Prayers and Processions**

Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem to celebrate Passover before his death. In the fourth century, the Church in Jerusalem re-enacted this event with a celebration during which the people sang Hosanna and carried branches to various holy sites. In medieval times, the processions became quite elaborate.

#### Why Palm Branches?

Although palm branches are most common, no law specifies what kind of branches must be used. Olive branches are often used and, especially in colder regions, box, yew, spruce and willow branches are common. Since the palms we receive are blessed, they should always be disposed of reverently, either by burning or burial. Generally, the leftover palms are burned and the ashes used for the next year's Ash Wednesday celebration.

#### Palms at Home

Place palms in a place of honor in your home. Weaving your palms into crosses and other designs is a traditional way to preserve them. The woven designs can be used as a bookmark in the family Bible, hung above doorways or placed behind a wall cross. Visit Catholic Icing for more ideas and instructions.

From: Palm Sunday celebrations - Teaching Catholic Kids

#### SAINT MARK'S FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

Due to the Easter Holiday, food collection for St. Mark's will be April 16th.



**Bible Study will not meet on Good Friday.** Sessions will resume in person and online Friday, **April 14**.

THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR at St. Joseph's Home for the Elderly

present:



**SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023** 

STONEGATE BANQUET CENTRE, HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL

Find More Information at LittleSistersofthePoorPalatine.org or call 847-358-5700

The proceeds will benefit the elderly Residents and Little Sisters at St. Joseph's Home

## RESPECT LIFE CORNER

Check here to learn about life brought to you by Our Lady of the Wayside's Respect Life Ministry.



## FROM POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II

Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him. For this reason, direct attacks on human life, such as abortion and euthanasia, are always unacceptable. Yet, sadly we see new and expanding threats to human life emerging on an alarming scale. These new threats to life are often justified, protected, and even promoted by our laws and culture.

Not only must human life not be taken, but it must be protected with loving concern. Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world. God made the human person with the capacity to love and reason and share in a relationship with the Creator. The human person bears an indelible imprint of God and is the pinnacle of all creation. The source of our dignity is not only linked to our creation by God, but to our final end and destiny to spend eternity with the Father...

Despite the grave threats to human life in the modern world, we, as the People of God, are called to place our faith in Jesus, the "Word of life" (1 Jn 1:1). As Christians, we have received the full truth about human life as proclaimed by the very person of Jesus. In sharing in the lowliest and most vulnerable conditions of human life—even death on a cross—Jesus shows us that life is always good. The true meaning of our lives is found in giving and receiving love. It is only through this understanding of a sincere gift of self that human sexuality and procreation reach their true and full significance.

God holds the lives of all people in his gentle and loving care, giving meaning and value to any sufferings that we may bear....

While the roots of violence against life go all the way back to Genesis, when Cain took the life of his brother Abel, our modern world is suffering under a culture of death. Scientific and technological advances and an increasingly secularized world have led to an eclipse of the value of human life. However, respect for life requires that science and technology should always be at the service of the human person and his integral development. We must reject systems of structuralized sin which value efficiency and productivity over human persons.

Governments and international institutions promote abortion and euthanasia as marks of progress and freedom. But this is a false and perverse understanding in which freedom is equated with absolute individualism. True freedom is inherently relational, recognizing that God has entrusted us to one another. As cultures and societies fail to recognize these objective truths, everything becomes relative and all principles are called into question—even the fundamental right to life.

However, the blood of Christ's sacrifice remains our constant hope. Christ's gift of himself on the cross reveals how precious life truly is and gives us the strength to commit ourselves to building a culture of life. Christ's blood, shed for us, promises that in God's plan death will be no more, and life will be victorious. Society as a whole must respect, defend and promote the dignity of every human person, at every moment and in every condition of that person's life. Our lives are a gift from God and ultimately belong to him. He has sole authority over life and death. We are therefore called to reverence and love every human person, loving our neighbors as ourselves. It is our responsibility to care for and protect human life, especially the lives of the most vulnerable among us.

Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world...

Taken from the encyclical Evangelium vitae (The Gospel of Life) by Pope St. John Paul II in 1995. You can find it in its entirety here: https://www.respectlife.org/gospel-of-life

Our Lady of the Wayside Arlington Heights, Illinois

Annual Easter Basket Blessing and Egg Hunt at OLW

April 8, 2023
Basket Blessing at 12 PM
Egg Hunt and Activities at 12:30 PM

Bring your family and friends for an Easter Basket Blessing, followed by an egg hunt and fun activities for children 10 and under.

Please bring donations for PADS

- Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, all sizes
- Razors and Shaving Cream
- Baby Wipes



RSVP, click here (requested)



## Easter 2023

Church Flowers in Memory of Your Loved One(s)

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

We invite you to honor the names of loved ones with flowers and decorations for our church at Easter.

Please clearly fill out the form below, attach a check made out to *Our Lady of the Wayside Church*, and drop it in the collection box in the rear of church or give it to Patricia at the parish office **no later than Monday, March 27**. Your loved ones name(s) will appear in the bulletin under "*In Memory Of*" or "*In Honor Of*."

**Suggested Donation:** \$20 per intention.

Please Print: First and Last Name Only
Donor's Name:
Phone:
In Memory Of (Deceased):
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In Honor Of (Living):

LORD, INCREASE OUR FAITH

JUNE 10-13

Join us for 4 days of adventure while we amplify our faith!



What

It's a 4 day, 3 night Catholic Summer Camp



When

Saturday, June 10 - Tuesday, June 13



Who

Students currently in 6th, 7th, or 8th grades



Lutherdale in Elkhorn, Wisconsin

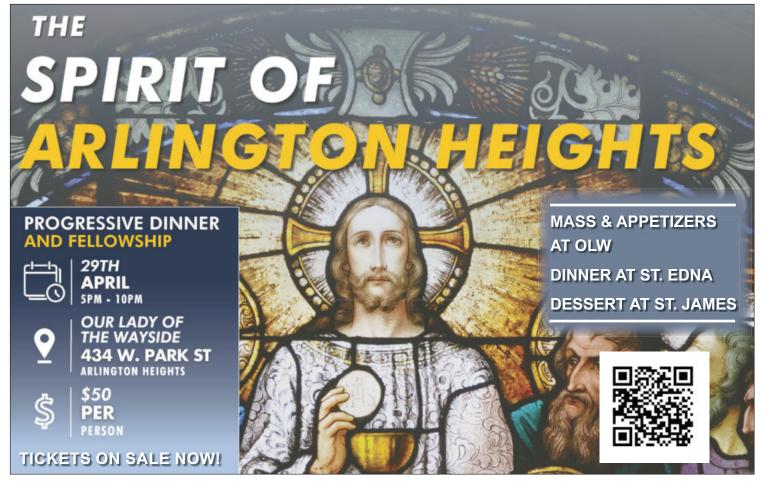


\$375 for campers

Questions?

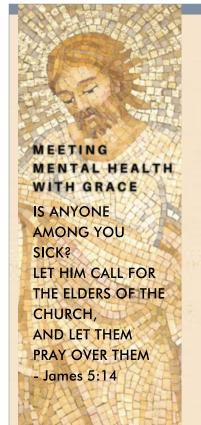
Contact Arielle: youthmin@olwparish.org











#### Introducing the

## Grace Prayer Circle

Do you or someone you love need prayers for a mental health concern? Often, when mental health is the issue, we hesitate in seeking prayer support. The Mental Health Ministry team would like to change that. We would like to pray for you and with you.

On the first Wednesday of each month, the Ministry Team will host a *Grace Prayer Circle*. You can join us as we pray or simply submit a name.

Prayer requests can be submitted to the ministry voicemail: 847-253-5390 or email: mentalhealthministry@stjamesah.org. Requests can be vague or specific. You could simply submit a person's first name.

All requests will be kept confidential.

All are welcome to join us as we pray: Wednesday, April 5th from 7:00 - 7:30 pm St. James School Chapel 820 N. Arlington Heights Road

Check out our Mental Health Ministry Webpage for resources and education at bit.ly/olwmentalhealth.

## KATHY O'NEILL, R.N. 😲 COORDINATOR OF PASTORAL HEALTHCARE

## Here's How to Stay Awake While Driving

Not getting enough sleep before setting off on a road trip or daily commute can be more dangerous than you think. Nearly 630 people died in drowsy driving crashes in 2020, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Therefore, it is crucial that you recognize when you're nodding off behind the wheel.

Drowsy driving can certainly elevate the risk of a crash. In fact, it can be considered a form of distracted driving. Similarly, to distracted driving, driving when overly tired causes your mental resources to be focused on things other than the road.

The signs of sleepiness while driving include increased blinking, longer blink period, swerving, delayed reaction time, slower eye movement and poor decision-making. Falling asleep at red lights or while stopped in traffic are dead giveaways that you are too tired to drive. If you can identify these signs in yourself, you should not be driving. Instead, take public transportation or ask someone else to drive.



If you must drive when you notice these symptoms in yourself, there are a few tactics you can employ to make yourself more alert behind the wheel. These include stopping to take a nap, drinking a cup of coffee or other caffeinated beverage, talking with passengers or adjusting the radio or air-conditioning. Although these strategies can help, they are not perfect solutions to prevent a potential crash.

"Stopping your drive to take a nap may be the safest and most effective solution to drowsy driving, since naps have been proven to cut

down on driving impairment in such situations," says Dr. Muhammad Hamadeh, medical director of the sleep center at Advocate Christ Medical Center in Oak Lawn, Ill. "Research has told us that in addition to curbing drowsiness, napping can be effective for maintaining prolonged attention and improving memory and learning."

According to Dr. Hamadeh, about seven hours of sleep is correlated with safe driving. However, many people are not lucky enough to catch this many z's each night.

A culture change when it comes to the importance of sleep could be the most effective solution to this dangerous issue. Too many people put sleep on the back burner to cater to their busy and demanding lives each day, disregarding the safety and health concerns that can come along with neglecting to sleep enough each night.

Understanding the dangers of sleepy driving is an important step to making the road a safer place for everyone.

Article contributed by: Advocate Health Center health enews Staff

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#### Sunday, Apr 02, 2023

#### **Duty calls**

Catherine de Hueck Doherty founded Friendship House to foster interracial understanding. Her spirituality was centered on the "duty of the moment," which she described as "what you should be doing at any given time, in whatever place God has put you. . . . If you have a child, your duty of the moment may be to change a dirty diaper. So you do it. But you don't just change that diaper, you change it to the best of your ability, with great love for both God and that child. . . . [T]he duty of the moment is the duty of God." This Passion Week, do your duty.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD TODAY'S READINGS: Procession: Matthew 21:1-11 (37); Mass: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Matthew 26:14—27:66 (38). "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will."

#### Monday, Apr 03, 2023

#### Final accounting

The seventh corporal work of mercy is to bury the dead. Everyone deserves a dignified burial, and anyone who has lost a loved one knows how many arrangements go into caring for the body of the deceased until they are interred and making sure their soul is commended to God. The process is an act of love. It can go beyond the burial too—ongoing prayer for the deceased, visiting the gravesite, and even disposing of their material things. If you're skilled with numbers and transactions then helping to sell a person's home and volunteering for the stressful task of settling their finances—which can take months or years—can be a special kind of charity. MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11 (257). "Mary took a liter of costly perfumed oil made from genuine aromatic nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and dried them with her hair."

#### Tuesday, Apr 04, 2023

#### Practice extreme love

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. died this day in 1968. On the night before his assassination, King gave his famous "I Have Been to the Mountaintop" speech. But it's King's words in "Letter from Birmingham Jail" that provide a lens to the Lord's Passion this week. "Though I was initially disappointed at being categorized as an extremist," King wrote, "I gradually gained a measure of satisfaction from the label. Was not Jesus an extremist for love: 'Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you." How will you acknowledge God's extreme love this week?

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38 (258). "Jesus answered him, 'Where I am going, you cannot follow me now, though you will follow later."

#### Wednesday, Apr 05, 2023

#### Keep moving toward justice

On this day in 1968, the Catholic mayor of Chicago, Richard J. Daley, infamously authorized his police department to use lethal force in the riots following the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. the previous day. The event would lead to a national uproar and also to the founding two weeks later of the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus, an organization that persists to the present day. The organization's leaders would play a pivotal role in what is now known as the "Black Catholic Movement," integrating black spirituality into

their liturgies and practice of the faith. As we remember the life and legacy of Dr. King and so many other freedom fighters, let us also make use of our faith in the holy struggle for justice and solidarity.

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Matthew 26:14-25 (259). "Who disputes my right? Let him confront me. See, the Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong?"

#### Thursday, Apr 06, 2023

#### Break bread together

The Eucharist, instituted at the Last Supper, which we commemorate today, is called the "source and the summit of Christian life" (*Lumen Gentium* 11). The idea is that we become what we eat, that we take on the characteristics of Jesus by consuming his body. Because of the centrality of the Eucharist—and to uplift its unifying force—the U.S. bishops have organized a Eucharistic Revival that includes a Eucharistic Congress this July, to be followed by a "year of mission." As these sacred days unfold, allow the Eucharist to unite you to Christ and your sisters and brothers.

THURSDAY OF HOLY WEEK (HOLY THURSDAY); EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-15 (39). "If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet."

#### Friday, Apr 07, 2023

#### Words count

"It is finished" is among the final phrases of Jesus found in the four gospels, collectively known as the "Seven Last Words." The others are "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." "Truly, I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise." "Woman, behold your son. [Beloved disciple], behold your mother." "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" "I thirst." "Father, into your hands I commend your Spirit." Taken together these words tell us everything about who Jesus was, why he lived and died, and what he calls his disciples to do. "Who will we be if we listen to the lessons of the Last Words of Jesus?" Alice Camille asks and answers in her brilliant little book *Seven Last Words*. "People of love and joy, ready to forgive, buoyed by hope." May we be such people.

FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION (GOOD FRIDAY); DAY OF ABSTINENCE

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 52:13—53:12; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1—19:42 (40). "When Jesus had taken the wine, he said, 'It is finished.' And bowing his head, he handed over the spirit."

#### Saturday, Apr 08, 2023

#### Silent emptiness

Christ has died. The church is empty. The altar is bare. The tabernacle is vacant. The Real Presence feels like the Real Absence. Following an ancient tradition, the church does not celebrate the sacraments on this day. For that reason, Holy Saturday is a great time to visit your church and meditate on the emptiness and silence of the building. Our experience of God often seems empty and silent, with no outward sign of the divine help we always need. All we have is our faith, hope, and trust in God's abiding attendance in our lives.

**HOLY SATURDAY** 

TODAY'S READINGS: Vigil: Genesis 1:1—2:2; Genesis 22:1-18; Exodus 14:15—15:1; Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Isaiah 54:5-14; Isaiah 55:1-11; Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4; Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28; Romans 6:3-11; Matthew 28:1-10 (41). "His appearance was like lightning and his clothing was white as snow."

#### Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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#### MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY:

5:00 pm Saturday, April 8, 2023 (Easter, Vigil)

Presider: Father Arthur Marat

6:00 am Sunday, April 9, 2023 (Easter)

Presider: Father Arthur Marat & Deacon Peter LeTourneau

7:30 am Sunday, April 9, 2023 (Easter)

Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano & Deacon Peter LeTourneau

9:30 am Sunday, April 9, 2023 (Easter)

Presider: Father Arthur Marat & Deacon Don Grossnickle

**11:30 am Sunday, April 9, 2023 (Easter)** Presider: Father Gilbert Mashurano

\*There will not be a 6:00 pm Mass on Easter Sunday

#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION:**

#### April 2, 2023

#### Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

What's your car? Let's say it's a fancy silver Toyota. Now imagine you're having lunch in a restaurant and suddenly see two men outside attempting to steal it. You run outside and confront them. They respond, "The master has need of it." How do you respond? Would you just let them take it, and leave you without a car? I don't think I would.

Yet that is precisely what the owners of the colt on Palm Sunday do. Stunningly, and perhaps a little comically, Jesus instructs two of his disciples to commandeer a colt for him to ride. And when they hear the disciples say, "The master has need of it," they let them take it. Of course, Jesus knew they'd let it go. He gave them the grace to let go of what is rightfully theirs. The result? That colt became perhaps the most famous and important animal ever. The beast plays a role in the redemption of the world.

As Holy Week begins, Jesus perhaps will send people to you to ask for something valuable to you. Perhaps it's your car. More likely it's something like your attention, time, or energy. It's natural to resist at first. We've got things to do, after all. But if the interruption is from Jesus himself, listen to that voice which calmly says, "The master has need of it." And simply let it go. You'll be amazed what the master will do with it.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

#### Pray for the Sick

Mary Ruth Bolda, Helene Bottalla, Susan Cardinale, Marie DeSanto, Mary Joan Dobson, Bob Finch, Fione Hergenreder, Ken Kramer, Bill Lohmeier, Valerie Lund, Evelyn Macam, Tim Mauren, Daniel McCloy, Delores McCloy, John McGuinness, Melvin Rotor, Marianne Saas, Stacey Scott, Sue Sloma, Rev. John Topper, Mary Sloan Weidner



#### Pray for the Deceased

Robert Kelley, Josephine Nagy, Laverne Paul Semrau

#### **SACRED LITURGY:**

#### Monday, April 4, 2023

8:30 am - Ray Shields

#### Tuesday, April 4, 2023

8:30 am - Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

#### Wednesday, April 5, 2023

8:30 am – For the Living and Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

#### Thursday, April 6, 2023

8:30 am – Morning Prayer

7:00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration until 11:55 PM

#### Friday, April 7, 2023

8:30 am – Morning Prayer

12:00 pm – Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm – Celebration of the Lord's Passion

4:00 pm – Divine Mercy Novena

#### Saturday, April 8, 2023

8:30 am – Morning Prayer

12:00 pm - Blessing of Easter Baskets

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena

7:30 pm - Easter Vigil Mass

#### Sunday, April 9, 2023

6:00 am – For the Living and Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

7:30 am - Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

9:30 am – For the Living and Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

11:30 am – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside 3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Novena

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 26, 2023**

**Sunday:** Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 16-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/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 (Luke 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday (Easter Vigil): Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/ Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

**Next Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10



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Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am and 6:00 pm

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#### **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic faith in order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation, please call the parish office.

#### **Pray the Rosary**

Monday through Saturday at 8:00 am – preceding 8:30 am Mass.

#### **Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick**

Homebound or ill wanting to receive this Sacrament and the Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Contact Deacon Peter LeTourneau at the parish office to schedule a baptism. A baptismal preparation session is required for your first child.

#### **Sacrament of Marriage**

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