

Palm Sunday of The Lord's Passion



**“Crucify him!
Crucify him!”**



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Mass Intentions
 for the Week
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**THE PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
 APRIL 10, 2022**

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

The Mass of Anticipation for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
 5:00PM Joan "jenny" McLaughlin—Memorial

SUNDAY, APRIL 10

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
 7:30 AM Evelyn & Michael Simon—Memorial
 9:00AM Charles Mansolillo—Month's Mind
 10:30AM Marion Gillcrist—Memorial
 5:00PM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

MONDAY, APRIL 11

Monday of Holy Week
 7:30AM Carol Millmather—Memorial
 12:05PM Special Intention

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

Tuesday of Holy Week
 7:30AM Hans G. & Hans F. Loeffler—Memorial
 12:05PM Joseph & Theresa Salvatore—Memorial

SPY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

Wednesday of Holy Week
 7:30AM Special Intention
 12:05PM Fr. Raymond P. Luft—Memorial

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 14

The Mass of the Lord's Supper
 7:00PM The Deceased Bishops & Priests of Providence

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 15

3:00PM Stations of the Cross
 7:00PM The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 16

Easter Vigil
 7:30PM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17

Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection
 7:30 AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
 9:00AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church
 10:30AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Church





Dear Parishioners:

On Palm Sunday, Christians commence Holy Week, to culminate on Good Friday and Easter Sunday. This year the war in Ukraine overshadows this holiest of weeks as we pray ever more intensely for peace in our world.

The late Cardinal Augustin Mayer, O.S.B., once wrote that *"Nothing great is ever achieved without suffering."* How appropriate his words are this year during Holy Week. They remind us that discipleship always has a cost. No Christian ever lives the Gospel without eventually encountering the Cross.

During the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, the Church invites us to remember that sin is real and only Christ's blood can redeem it. God loves us so deeply that he sent his only Son to offer himself for our deliverance.

In giving his life for us, Jesus asks us to live our lives for others. He asks us to share in his work of redemption. The Gospel is never merely a call to be "nice" to others. There's nothing sweet about Golgotha. Life in Jesus Christ is a call to heroic virtue and self-sacrificing love. If we want to rise with Jesus on Easter, we also must share his work of salvation on Good Friday.

The great Christian writer C.S. Lewis wrote that *"Christianity is a thing of unspeakable joy. But it begins not in joy, but in wretchedness, and it does no good to try to get to the joy by bypassing the wretchedness."*

We all have routines that dull us into self-absorption at work, at play, in our families, and in our religious faith. Even the broken body of Christ on the Cross can become mere routine piety, an object of devotion that doesn't touch our hearts.

These days of Holy Week, the most sacred time of the year, must help us wake up from our routines and shake off daily life's distractions. With deep devotion, we must concentrate on the One in whom we anchor our hope.

This Holy Week, listen to the word of God and make room for silence and prayer. Read and pray over the Gospel accounts of the crucifixion. Venerate the Cross. Remember the price paid for our redemption. Understand how much God loves us!

Holy Thursday marks the end of Lent and the beginning of the most sacred time in our liturgical year: the Paschal Triduum. On this night, we as a Church gather in the evening. Our attention is directed to the Holy Priesthood and the Holy Eucharist. This night we process with the Eucharist to the Altar of Repose, where we adore Christ and keep watch with him.

Join us on Holy Thursday for the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM. Following the Mass, we take up the Lord's call to "stay here and pray with me" as we kneel and adore Him at the Altar of Repose.

On Good Friday, we fix our gaze on the Cross. Join us as we pray the Stations of the Cross at 3:00PM. And then, at 7:00PM, come celebrate the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion with the adoration and veneration of the Cross. We not only behold the wood of the

Cross on Good Friday, but we also unite ourselves and our crosses to our Savior.

The high point of the Triduum is the Easter Vigil, which St. Augustine calls the "Mother of all Vigils." On Saturday after sundown at 7:30PM, the Vigil begins in darkness with the Easter fire and the Paschal candle lighting. They recall that Christ banished the darkness of sin by his death and Resurrection. The readings recall the history of God's salvation. And we baptize new members of our Church.

At the Easter Vigil and the Easter Sunday Masses, we as a Church celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. He conquered death itself and opened the gates of Heaven to all of us, his believers and witnesses. This week change up the routine and enter into the mysteries of our faith.

St. Josemaria Escriva reminds us: *"The tragedy of the passion brings to fulfillment our own life and the whole of human history. We can't let Holy Week be just a kind of commemoration. It means contemplating the mystery of Jesus Christ as something which continues to work in our souls."*

May we pray for each other during this sacred time, and may God grant you and your family, and all of us, a blessed Holy Week and a holy and joy-filled Easter!

Be well. Stay safe. Do good. God Bless!

Father Healey



April 16 – Feast of St. Drogo

We highlight St. Drogo, patron saint of coffee, whose feast day is celebrated on April 16. This Flemish saint lived in the early 12th century, and very little is known about his life. He was born to nobility, and his father died before he was born. At twenty, he sold all his belongings and hired himself out as a shepherd. After his life as a shepherd, he sold his few possessions and spent the rest of his life making pilgrimages to holy sites around modern-day Europe. As his body broke down, he built himself a hermitage alongside a local church. He lived out his life in prayer there until he died at 81. There is no real explanation as to why St. Drogo has been named the patron saint of coffee. Coffee did not enter the region of the world where he lived until over 400 years later!

Ingredients

- 4 – 6oz duck breasts
- 1 Tablespoon ground coffee
- 1 1/2 teaspoons brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 Tablespoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- Zest of 1 Lemon

Instructions

Combine all the spices together in a bowl and set aside. With a sharp knife, score the duck's skin by cutting at a diagonal, but make sure not to cut too deeply. You only want to cut through the skin, not into the meat. Coat the meat side of the duck breast with the spice mixture. Place a medium pan over medium heat and add 1-2 tablespoons of vegetable oil. When the oil is hot, place the duck skin-side down in the pan. Let cook for about 6-7 minutes, until it has a deep brown color. Remove the duck from the pan and drain the oil. Return the pan to the stove and heat over low heat, and place the duck back in the pan skin side down for six more minutes to render out as much fat as possible. The skin should be very crispy. Raise the heat to medium, turn the breast over, and cook for 2-3 minutes until browned. At this point, you can set the duck aside and let it rest or place it in a 350-degree oven for 3-4 minutes more if you want it more done and then rest for 5 minutes. While the duck is resting, zest lemon. Once rested, thinly slice the breast and sprinkle with lemon zest before serving. Serve and enjoy!!

Weekly Collection

April 3, 2022

Weekly.....	\$10,948.00
EFT.....	\$3,750.00
	Total=\$14,698.00
Outreach.....	\$4,512.00
Building & Grounds.....	\$2,366.00

April 3, 2021

Weekly.....	\$18,453.00
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Second Collections

This Week: Operation Rice Bowl
Next Week: Easter Collection



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2022 OLM Parish Goal=\$190,000
OLM Total to Date= \$155,967
OLM Total Donors to Date=294
Average Gift=\$530

2021 OLM Parish Goal=\$190,000
 2021 OLM Total Raised=169,851
 2021 OLM Total Donors=336

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Religious Education
NEWS

RE Calendar of Events

Palm Sunday, April 10:
Mass at 5:00PM, No Class

Easter Sunday, April 17:
No Mass and No Class! Happy Easter!!!!

Sunday April 24:
Mass at 5:00PM & Class -1st Communion only
Both Parents & Students must attend Mass & Class

Important Dates:
Saturday, May 7: OLM School 1st Communion at 10:00am
Saturday, May7: OLM RE 1st Communion at 12Noon

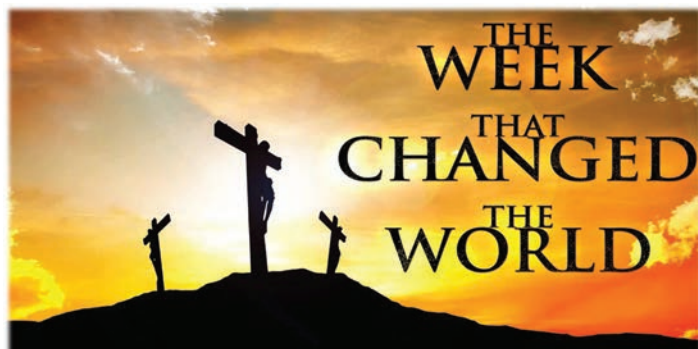


Outreach
Update

• OLM Food Pantry is always in need of food items and paper goods for the members of our local community. **Please place all donated NON-EXPIRED AND non-perishable food items only and paper goods in the box in the vestibule of Church or the box on the porch of Mercy House.** Please do not leave medical supplies. Thank you for your support!

• **OLM Bereavement Group: Next Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 4:00PM** in Mercy House. All those who are grieving are invited to join with us.

• For information about our Outreach Office or Food Pantry, please contact the OLM Outreach Director, Doug Green at 401-884-4410 or via email at outreach@olmparish.org



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Schedule of Events

- **Thursday, April 14** : Holy Thursday; Half-Day with early dismissal, Easter Vacation begins.
- **Monday, April 24:** Easter Vacation ends & Classes resume

We wish all our OLM School faculty, staff, students, families, alumni and benefactors a Prayerful, Joyful Faith-filled and Blessed Holy Week and Easter!

Patrick H. McNabb
OLM School Principal

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*Hosanna to the
Son of David*



In your charity please pray for the happy repose of the souls of the faithful departed most especially **Walter R. "Dick" Donahue, Jr.** whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated last week.

Resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia! He has risen as He said, Alleluia!

A Blessed Easter!

HOLY WEEK AT OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH



MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK, APRIL 11, 2022

Masses at 7:30am & 12:05pm

Confessions 11:45AM-12:00PM & 6:00PM with 2 Priests

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK, APRIL 12, 2022

Masses at 7:30am & 12:05pm

Confessions 11:45AM-12:00pm

SPY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2022

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Solemn Morning Prayer at 8:00am

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Solemn Morning Prayer at 8:00am

Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Veneration of the Cross at 7:00pm

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2022

Solemn Morning Prayer at 8:00am

Easter Vigil Mass at 7:30pm

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2022

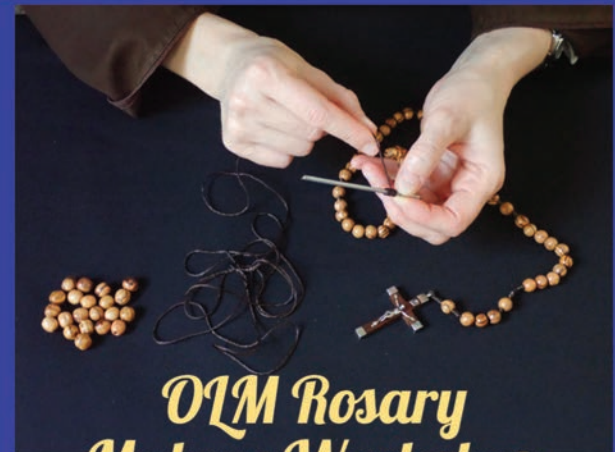
Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am & 10:30am

No 5:00pm Evening Mass on Easter Sunday

**Monday of Holy Week
April 11, 2022
Confession 6:00PM-6:45PM**

*"The confession of
evil works is the first
beginning of good
works." -St. Augustine*

**Two Dominican Friars from
Providence College
will be hearing
Confessions**



OLM Rosary Makers Workshop

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

2:00pm - 4:00pm

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