

Queen of Peace Parish



Welcome!

We, the Catholic community of Queen of Peace Parish, centered in the Eucharist, strive to grow in our faith and our relationship with God as a welcoming people, working for peace and justice through service to others.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

HOSANNA!

MARK 11:9

OUR LADY,

MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

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Monday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Tuesday: 7:00 am
Thursday: 7:00 am
Sunday: 10:00 am

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Monday: 9:00 am
Wednesday: 9:00 am
Friday: 9:00 am
Saturday: 8:30 am
Sunday Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am
11:30 am

CONFESSIONS 3:30 pm on Saturday

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday: 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Benediction: 5:45 pm

March 24th, 2024



From the desk of Father Rich Yanos



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thanks be to God we are an Easter people! That means that the Resurrection of Jesus Christ – the very fact that He lives today – guides every aspect of our lives. For us, Easter isn't simply a day of remembrance – it is a way of life. And we have a mission, given by Jesus to the apostles and handed down to us in our own time, to invite others into that same way of life.

Your Easter gifts are an important part of bringing our shared mission to life. In fact, contributions shared during the Easter season constitute a significant portion of our annual budget and our ability to fund vital ministries and areas of operation for our parish.

I humbly ask that you make an Easter gift of any amount to ensure that our parish ministries and operations can continue. You can send your gift to our parish office, or online by going to our website www.st-eugene.org and click on the Give Central picture located in the middle of the welcome page. Clicking this link will take you directly to St. Eugene's Give Central page. If you are able to increase your weekly contribution, you may do so through our webpage, as well.

I also invite you to give of your time. As we renew our local Church, our Lord invites each of us to discern how to offer our gifts of time and talents so that our community is enriched by our mutual participation in the life of the parish. Looking to our future new efforts at being better evangelizers of our faith as well as increased emphasis on strengthening our existing hospitality ministries and creating new ones will be one of our priorities. Please consider being a part of these future endeavors.

If you are unable to make a financial gift currently or to serve in other capacities, please continue to pray for our Queen of Peace family and know that I am praying for you.

You are a gift to our Queen of Peace family and your mere presence in the pews on Sundays and Holy Days to worship our Lord and gather around the Eucharistic table means more to our local Church than you might realize.

Just a reminder that our Palm Sunday weekend Masses will remain the same as our normal weekend schedule, but Easter Sunday Masses will not. Easter Sunday Masses are as follows:

7:30 am, 9:00 am, and 11:30 am at St. Eugene

9:00 am, and 11:00 am at Our Lady Mother of the Church

Please take note of these changes for Easter Sunday. As you know there will be many more people coming to church these weekends. We ask that everyone please move to the center of the pews to allow for the seating of our parish members and visitors/guests. We have churches that seat over 1000 and 500 people comfortably. Let's allow for each possible seat to be used. I realize everyone like to sit in their "usual" spots, but this year let's do our best to accommodate everyone. Thanks so much as we roll out the welcome mat to all who choose to join us for our Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter celebrations.

Also, our Holy Week Masses and services will all be at 7:30 p.m. and be held at St. Eugene Church for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

On Good Friday, Stations of the Cross will be held at both St. Eugene and Our Lady, Mother of the Church at 3:00 p.m.

The Blessing of Easter baskets and foods will take place on Holy Saturday - 12:00 Noon at Our Lady Mother of the Church and 1:00 p.m. at St. Eugene Church.

An abundance of graces upon you and your loved ones during this joyous Easter season!

God Bless,

Fr. Rich Yanos

An important reminder:

Some important news that effects all our parishioners... Although it has been over a year that our three parishes united under the new name of Queen of Peace, it was not until this past November that we were able to merge our three data bases. This meant that every parishioner now has a new envelope number. Our bank has asked us to remind our parishioners that all checks should now be made out to our new parish name: Queen of Peace. No longer should you be making checks out to St. Eugene, Our Lady, Mother of the Church or Divine Savior as very shortly our financial institution will not be accepting them. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Lent & Easter 2024

Stations of the Cross

Good Friday, March 29 at 3 pm **SE & OLMC**

Holy Week Schedule

The Triduum Services

Holy Thursday, March 28 Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30 pm **SE**

Good Friday, March 29

Stations of the Cross - 3:00 pm **SE & OLMC**

Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 7:30 pm **SE**

Holy Saturday, March 30

Blessing of Easter Baskets - 12:00 pm **OLMC** and 1:00 pm **SE**

Easter Vigil Mass - 7:30 pm **SE**

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday, March 31 7:30 am, 9:00 am & 11:30 am **SE**

9:00 am & 11:00 am **OLMC**

QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH - MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 23, 2024

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass - Mass at St. Eugene Church

People of the Parish,
Juan Diaz,
Angeline Komperda,
Domenico Lobello

Sunday, March 24, 2024

8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Poor Souls in Purgatory & the dying,
Concetta Cardella,
S. I. for Chmiel Family,
Robert J. Brun,
Mariano Lising Jr.,
Mazur Family,
S.I. Rita Rogers,
Martha & Alex Wrobel

10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Salome Castor Balinos,
S.I. Greg Knurek - healing,
Maria Knurek,
Tadeusz Knurek,
Jan Kulon,
Pietro Pisello,
Roman Placzek,
Duane Thurber,
Calogera Caterina Vivaqua

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Anthony & Aurora Barone,
Paula 'Nana' Hughes,
Chester Kolakowski & Family,
Donato Donald Parente,
Robert Seliga,
Vittorio Verrecchia
S.I. Form Matthew

Monday, March 25, 2024

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Souls in Purgatory,
Pat Andrews,
Ron Potempa,
David J. Rogers,
S.I. Konrad Sniezek,
Maria Walker

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Edith & Jim Gibbons,
Josephine Miller,
Vito Nardi B-Day Blessing,
Msgr. Bernard Rank

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Dorothy & Elmer Chanski,
Antonia Daniello,
Giacomo & Maria Daniello,
Jadwiga & Wacław Godlewscy,
Harriet Mucek,
Rose Marie Nardi,
Sammy Vizzini



Thursday of the Holy Week, March 28, 2024

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Eugene Church

Friday of the Passion of the Lord, March 29, 2024

3:00 pm Stations of the Cross at St. Eugene Church

3:00 pm Stations of the Cross at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

7:30 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St. Eugene Church

Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024

7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass at St. Eugene Church

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, March 31, 2024

7:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Donald Feist,
Stanislaw Godlewski,
John Kula & Fam.,
Ruben Purificacion,
S.I. Konrad Sniezek

9:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

John Bastian—B-Day Blessing,
Juan Diaz,
Wieslawa Karczmarczyk,
Josephine Miller,
Pietro Pisello

9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Robert J. Brun,
Hillard (Mike) Michalek,
Michael Michalek,
Anna Scola,
Emidio & Elvira Spinelli

11:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Daniel Anciano,
S.I. Matthew, Nicole, Damian & Family

11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Domenico & Anna Battista,
Frank & Carmela Esposito,
Michael & Josephine Magnine,
Michael Vito,
Mike Sr. & Anna Parente,
Frank Scalise

SCHEDULE OF LITURGICAL MINISTERS

DATE	CELEBRANT	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	LECTORS
HOLY THURSDAY, 03/28 7:30 PM - SE	Rev. Rich Yanos	L. Feist - WB F. Klus - B J. Nardi - C M. Unger - O G. Bermas - WO	TBA	Celebrant (Christ) J. Mroszczak
GOOD FRIDAY 03/29 7:30 PM - SE	Rev. Ed Pacocha	L. Feist - WB J. Kolaski - B R. Sparacino - C G. Bermas - O M. Unger - WO	TBA	Celebrant (Christ) J. Mroszczak (Narrator) S. Sparacino (Voice/Speaker)
HOLY SATURDAY 03/30 7:30 PM - SE	Rev. Jacek Dada	J. Nardi - WB C. Paulini - B Open - C M. Pollowy - O G. Bermas - WO	TBA	J. Mroszczak J. Sclafani J. Magnuson C. Giacalone
EASTER SUNDAY 03/31 7:30 AM - SE	Rev. Rich Yanos	R. Kennedy - WB L. Feist - B J. Kolaski - C J. Noronha - O G. Bermas - WO	TBA	J. Imburgia
EASTER SUNDAY 03/31 9:00 AM - OLMC	Rev. Greg Rom Dcn. Chris Virruso	G. Henderson - C M. Marszalek T	D. Flynn	W. Kaczmarczyk -1st C. Capps - 2nd
EASTER SUNDAY 03/31 9:00 AM - SE	Rev. Ed Pacocha	G. Fornek - WB B. Czubek - B J. Cardella - C J. Horn - O J. Fornek - WO	TBA	M. Egan
EASTER SUNDAY 03/31 11:00 AM - OLMC	Rev. Greg Rom	E. Aspi - C R. Catalano - T R. Molas - T	G. Pilch J. Pilch	P. Vega - 1st J. Molas - 2nd
EASTER SUNDAY 03/31 11:30 AM - SE	Rev. Jacek Dada	L. Feist - WB T. Moore - B M. Holder - C J. Nardi - O M. Zurek - WO	TBA	L. Vasich



ETHIOPIA



People fast from all meat products for Fasika, the 55 days leading up to Easter Sunday in Ethiopia. They break their fast at Easter Supper, a feast even more popular than Christmas dinner there!

POLAND



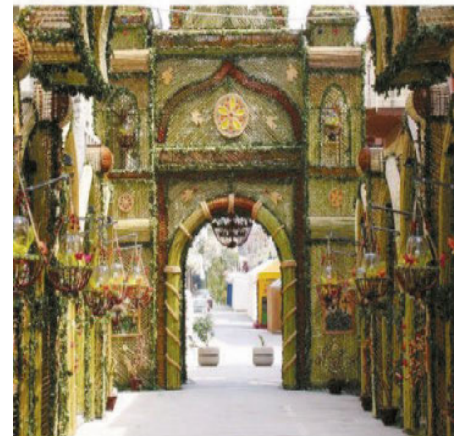
On Easter Monday, some Polish people celebrate Śmigus-Dyngus or Wet Monday. People will sneak up on and drench each other with water using glasses of water or even squirt guns!

EASTER



Easter Traditions Around the World

SICILY



In the city of San Biagio Platani, people build Archi di Pasqua or Easter Arches. These are large, building-like structures people can walk under made entirely of bread and other foods.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that You restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. We thank You and praise You through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Pat Apida
Annabella Amato
Ralph J. Amelio
Victoria Amelio
Peter Badagliacca
Patricia & Lawrence Basili
Judy Bauer
Ludwika Bialo
Bronislaw Bialo
A. & V. Bischof
Gabriella Bongiorno
Virginia Bongiorno-Lawrence
Johnmar Castillo
Gracie Carey
Karen Cazolas
Mary Ciliak
Jerome Compell
Mark Corrado
Sharon Crowley
Susan Curtin
Angela & Rocco D'Alessandro
John Dahlquist
Joseph Duna
Tony Fiore
Bob Gasioerek
Harry Gelardi
Patricia Gelfond

Susan Hennessy
Jeff Herden
Renee Holm
Ryszard Jablonski
Terry Katz
Arthur Kopeck
Harry Krawczyk
Thomas Landeck
Abigail Lim
Allie Lim
Frank Lizak
Rose Mary Maratto
Mickey Margelewski
Stanislaw Mazek
Azucena & Jazmine Melendrez
Dolores Michalek
Patrick Misciniscinski
Linda Morton
Norman Mosk
Michael C. & Virginia Muscarello
Michael J. Muscarello
Rodney Niewinski
Joey Notaro
Anthony Notaro
Victoria Nudo
Rev. James J. O'Brien
Donie Odulio

Catherine O'Hara
Blanca Pacia
Robert Pankow
Camille Pavlis
Karen Pavlis - Karasawa
Anthony Parisi
Kay Phelan
Rita Rogers
Diane Rizzuto
Pat Schippers
Shirley Schindler
Peter Schroeder
Robert Shelton
Dolores Scorza
Maria Slomski
Daniel Staniec
Emily Steckiewicz
Rachael Stowe
Mae Stryker
Lavergne Suchor
Bob Schu
Tom Szczech
Dave Tudron
Ernesto Vergara
Genowefa Wawronowicz
Dolores Wilk

We pray for our loved ones who are serving in any branch of the Armed Forces during this time of conflict.



Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families
for the selfless acts they perform for us
in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus
our Lord and Savior. Amen

Major Adamczyk
Joseph Antosh, Jr.
Ghaleb Azroui
Matthew Calderisi
Timothy Emmett Carolan
Melissa Rose Cortese
James Vincent Degrazia
Patrick Edward Dillon
Zbigniew Dudkowski
Matthew Scott Forrest
Dominic John Guerrieri, Jr.
Major Dirk Haller
Andrew Hopkins

Christopher Jenkins
Bernard Edward Kusinski
Lt. Radoslaw Korzeniak
Antonio James Lim
Payne Manczko
Chris Marchiori
Daniel Meaney
Keith Miller
Michael Morales
Mike Mroszczak
Thomas Neuhengen
Eric Norwood
Elliott O'Claire

Vincent Page
Chad Pritchard
Nicholas Ranch
Adam Roberts
Joseph Saineghi, Jr.
Holly Schippers
Michael Schippers, Jr.
Sean Sherlock
Sharon Sherlock
Phillip R. Simonsen
Tony Strzalka



**Queen of Peace Parish
Mission with
Fr. Tom McCarthy, OSA**

April 28, 29 & 30, 2024

**At Our Lady,
Mother of the Church
7:00pm**

**Evening 1 -- The Saints – How are they the heroes of our faith?
Am I a saint in training?**

**Evening 2 – Prayer – Is it worth it? Does God listen to me?
Answered or unanswered prayers – which do I believe in?**

**Evening 3 – The Family of Faith –
Do I consider my Parish a family?
How do I build up my family of faith?
I want to belong – how do I do it?**

BIOGRAPHY OF REV. THOMAS R. MCCARTHY, O.S.A.



Father Tom is an experienced teacher, administrator, retreat director and parish mission preacher.

He is a native of the South Side of Chicago. He grew up in St. Adrian Parish in Marquette Park. He received his elementary school education at St. Adrian School and high school education at St. Rita of Cascia High School. He graduated from Villanova University with a B.A. in Communication Arts. He also has a Master of Arts in Educational Administration from Lewis University.

Fr. Tom entered the Midwest Province of the Augustinian Order in 1987. After completing his novitiate, he attended Catholic Theological Union in Chicago and graduated with a Master of Divinity degree.

In 1993 he made his solemn vows as an Augustinian Friar and in 1994 he was ordained to the priesthood.

He did a pastoral internship at St. Clare of Montefalco Parish in Grosse Pointe Park, MI, and taught theology at Providence Catholic High School in New Lenox.

Fr. Tom ministered for 21 years at St. Rita of Cascia High School in Chicago as a teacher, campus minister, Principal, President and Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Fr. Tom ministered for nine years as the Vocation Director for the Our Mother of Good Counsel (Midwest) and five years for St. Thomas of Villanova (Eastern) Province.

Fr. Tom spent two years as the Augustinian Advisor to the Office of First- and Second-Year Initiatives - Office of Student Life at Villanova University.

Fr. Tom ministered in Rome as part of the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization where he was named a Papal Missionary of Mercy by Pope Francis in 2018.

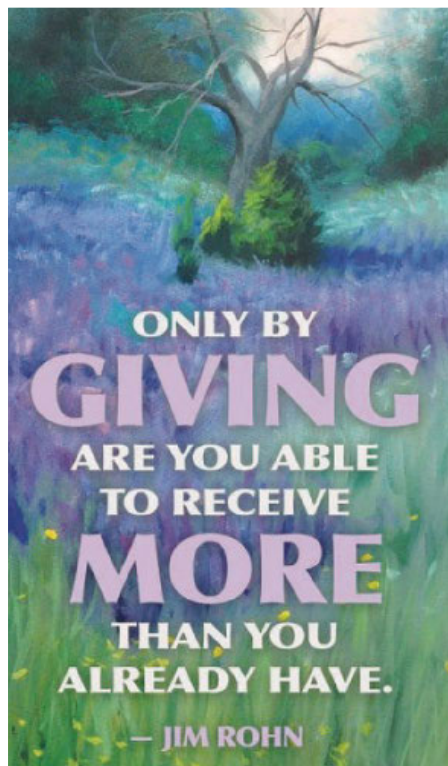
Father Tom spent two years as the Director of the Augustinian Marylake Shrine in King City, Ontario, and the Prior of the Marylake Augustinian Monastery.

Fr. Tom is currently in his 14th year as Vocation Director for the Midwest Province.

Father Tom is the Director of St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel in Chicago, IL, and the Director of Community Relations at St. Rita High School in Chicago. Father Tom is also the Prior of the Pre-Novitiate Community of St. Clare of Montefalco Friary in Chicago.

Father Tom continues to preach parish missions and lead retreats.

You can find more information on his website www.frtommccarthy.com



Donation information not available.
It will be reflected
in the next available bulletin.

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE:

The combining of all three parish financial records was completed in late November.

It is most important that we make the following requests of our parishioners.

- ⇒ All checks must now be payable to **QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH**. No longer is our financial institution willing to accept Divine Savior/Our Lady, Mother of the Church or St. Eugene.
- ⇒ Please only use envelopes which are for Feb. and March of 2024. Any old envelopes will now have the wrong number and should be destroyed.

If you did not receive your Feb/March envelopes please contact the Parish Office.

Thank You
for your Attention to this matter.

This Weekend

Queen Of Hearts Raffle Tickets

Available After All Masses
In Rear Vestibule
(Tickets are Also Available
In SE Rectory Office)

Second Collections

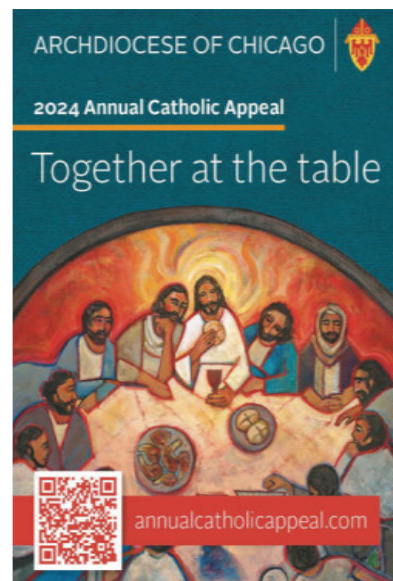
March 24
Easter Flowers

March 28
Holy Thursday

March 29
Good Friday/ Holy Land

March 31
Easter Sunday

Rectory Office
will be closed on
Holy Thursday, Good Friday
and Holy Saturday. We will
reopen on Easter Monday.



BULLETIN REQUEST

Bulletin Submissions:

Bulletin requests must be sent
two weeks prior to the desired
bulletin weekend to

mgeurtsen@archchicago.org

We reserve the right to edit.
Submissions will be placed in the
bulletin if space allows and
pending administration
approval. Please call the parish
office for the holiday schedule.

Thank you.

Please Pray for our Deceased Parishioners:

- † Rev. Dan Fallon -
Former Pastor OLMC
- † Rosina Schwager
- † Florence Treder



*May the souls of the faithful
rest in peace.*

BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday in St. Eugene School
room 110 from 10:00 to 12:00.
Questions or comments please
feel free to email Frank at
fjizak@comcast.net.
Hope to see you there!

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ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN FR. RICH YANOS ON OUR UPCOMING NORWAY and SWEDEN TRIP

12 Days... August 6 – 17, 2024

In a little less than seven months from now our next adventure will be taking us to Scandinavia. We will be touring the countries of Norway and Sweden. Some of the places we will be visiting are Bergen, Stalheim, Sognefjord, Flam, Borgund, Lillehammer, Oslo, Karlstad, and Stockholm among others. This promises to be an exciting getaway. Currently there are 20 signed up for this trip which means we only have room for 10 more! I'm letting you know about this trip, now, in case you might want to get on the list to receive the trip brochure or to sign up to hold and reserve your spot. If you might want to join us simply fill out the form below and mail/return it to the address below and I will email or mail you a copy of the trip brochure with all the details. These trips are filled in the order in which people sign up. I would love to have you join us along with your family, friends and /or fellow parishioners.

Whether you have been to Norway and Sweden before or not, no tour of these beautiful countries is ever the same. Sharing this experience with your family, friends and/or fellow parishioners helps to make it that much more enjoyable as we always have so much to talk about and share at the end of each of our days of sightseeing and touring. This trip is likely to draw a lot of interest and is sure to fill up by late spring, so if you would like a brochure or even think you might be interested in joining us this coming August be sure to get your reservation in soon.

REQUEST FOR FR. RICH'S NORWAY AND SWEDEN ADVENTURE BROCHURE

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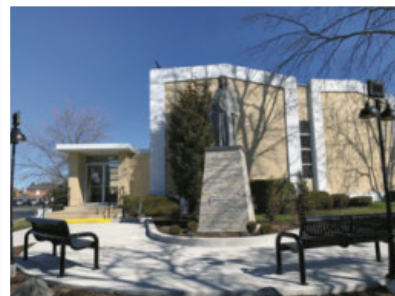
RETURN TO: Fr. Rich Yanos, 7958 W. Foster Ave., Chicago, IL 60656

OR Email at: ryanos@st-eugene.org

Prayer on Palm Sunday

Loving God,
I am just beginning to realize how much you love me.
Your son, Jesus was humble and obedient.
He fulfilled your will for him by becoming human and suffering with us.
I ask you for the desire to become more humble
so that my own life might also bear witness to you.
I want to use the small sufferings I have in this world to give you glory.

Please, Lord, guide my mind with your truth.
Strengthen my life by the example of Jesus.
Help me to be with Jesus in this week
as he demonstrates again his total love for me.
He died so that I would no longer be separated from you.
Help me to feel how close you are and to live in union with you.



Queen of Peace new benches.

onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent/hw-1st-4days.html#sun

Rosaries for an End to Human Rights Violations

Palm Sunday, March 24, is also the International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims. This yearly observance honors Saint Oscar Romero, who was assassinated on this day in 1980 for defending the rights of the people in El Salvador. This week's Rosary intention supports the protection of human rights for all. During Holy Week, please pray at least one Rosary for this intention, along with Rosary Guild members Emily A., Lori G., James H., John I., Lita J., Evelyn K., Terri K., Gilda M., Lonnie M., Mary M., Ted M., Josephine N., Emilie P., Stefania P., Jean R., Demi S., Shirley S., and Milabelle T.

Seven Sorrows Chaplet

There are different versions of this devotion. In this version, begin with an Act of Contrition. Then, for each of the seven sorrows, pray one Our Father, seven Hail Marys, and this prayer, "Holy Mother hear my prayers, and renew in my heart each wound of Jesus my Savior." The first sorrow is the prophecy of Simeon. The second sorrow is the flight into Egypt. The third sorrow is the Child Jesus lost in the temple. The fourth sorrow is when Mary meets Jesus carrying the cross. The fifth sorrow is when Mary stands at the foot of the cross. The sixth sorrow is when Mary receives the body of Jesus. The seventh sorrow is when Mary witnesses the burial of Jesus. At the end of the seven sorrows, pray three Hail Marys in honor of the tears of Our Lady.

Joyful Mysteries

Annunciation - Ted M.
Visitation - Barb R.
Nativity - Josephine N.
Presentation - Karen R.
Finding in the Temple - Mary M

Luminous Mysteries

Baptism of Jesus - Barb R.
Wedding at Cana - Mary M.
Proclaim the Kingdom - Ted M.
Transfiguration - Emily A.
Institution of Eucharist - Emily A.

Sorrowful Mysteries

Agony in the Garden - Jean R.
Scourging at the Pillar - Jean R.
Crowning with Thorns - Mary M.
Carrying of the Cross - Ted M.
Crucifixion - Demi S.

Glorious Mysteries

Resurrection - Lita J.
Ascension - Marsha G.
Descent of Holy Spirit - Camille C.
Assumption of Mary - Camille C.
Coronation of Mary - Camille C.

Living Rosary

Pray a decade or more of the Rosary daily for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and in honor of Saint Philomena, the patron of the Living Rosary. Thank you for praying a decade or more each day for these intentions.



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Fr. Tolton Pilgrimage

Sunday, May 19, 2024,
a Pilgrimage
to remember
the ministry of
Venerable
Fr. Augustus Tolton
here in Chicago.



Tentatively, we will drive by the Cardinal Meyer Center, participate in a Sunday Mass at St. Benedict the African Parish, and visit the grave of Fr. Tolton's mother, Martha Jane Tolton, at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

If you are interested in joining us, please e-mail youngadults@st-eugene.org.

Workshop for the benefit of widowed parishioners.

Joyful Again! is a spiritual program for widows and widowers who want to resolve the normal grief they feel after losing their spouse and who want to begin to start to live fully again.

What: Retreat/workshop for Widowed Men & Women
When: April 13 & 14
(2-day program-overnight encouraged)
Where: St. Mary's Retreat House,
Lemont, Illinois 60439
(Commute or stay overnight.)

For further information, call: 708-354-7211

or e-mail us at joyfulagain7211@gmail.com

website: www.joyfulagain.org

Divine Mercy Novena

Say the Divine Mercy chaplet for nine days for a selected intention each day. The novena begins Good Friday, March 29.

"Today bring to me all mankind, especially all sinners, and immerse them in the ocean of my mercy. In this way you will console me in the bitter grief into which the loss of souls plunges me." Most Merciful Jesus, whose very nature it is to have compassion on us and to forgive us, do not look upon our sins, but upon the trust which we place in your infinite goodness. Receive us all into the abode of your Most Compassionate Heart, and never let us escape from it. We beg this of you by your love which unites you to the Father and the Holy Spirit. Oh omnipotence of Divine Mercy, salvation of sinful people, you are a sea of mercy and compassion; you aid those who entreat you with humility. Eternal Father, turn your merciful gaze upon all mankind and especially upon poor sinners, all enfolded in the Most Compassionate Heart of Jesus. For the sake of his sorrowful Passion, show us your mercy, that we may praise the omnipotence of your mercy forever and forever.

Amen.

The second day of the novena is Holy Saturday, March 30.

"Today bring to me the souls of priests and religious, and immerse them in my unfathomable mercy. It was they who gave me the strength to endure my bitter Passion. Through them, as through channels, my mercy flows out upon mankind." Most Merciful Jesus, from whom comes all that is good, increase your grace in men and women consecrated to your service, that they may perform worthy works of mercy, and that all who see them may glorify the Father of Mercy who is in heaven. The fountain of God's love dwells in pure hearts, bathed in the sea of mercy, radiant as stars, bright as the dawn. Eternal Father, turn your merciful gaze upon the company of chosen ones in your vineyard – upon the souls of priests and religious; and endow them with the strength of your blessing. For the love of the Heart of your Son, in which they are enfolded, impart to them your power and light, that they may be able to guide others in the way of salvation, and with one voice sing praise to your boundless mercy for ages without end.

Amen.



St. Eugene School Registration is Now Open 2024-2025




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- ✓ Offering a \$1,000 New Family Tuition Discount
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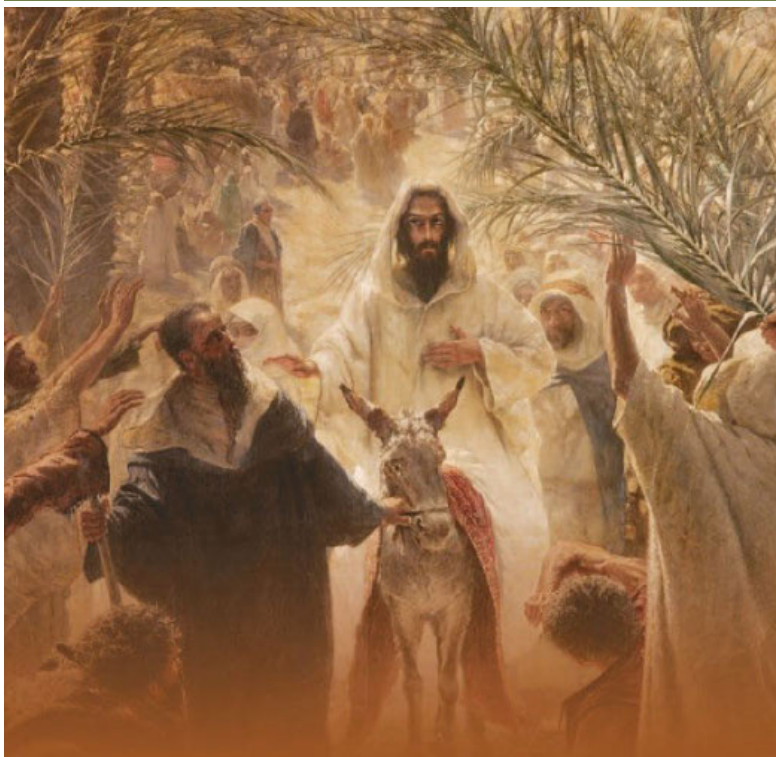
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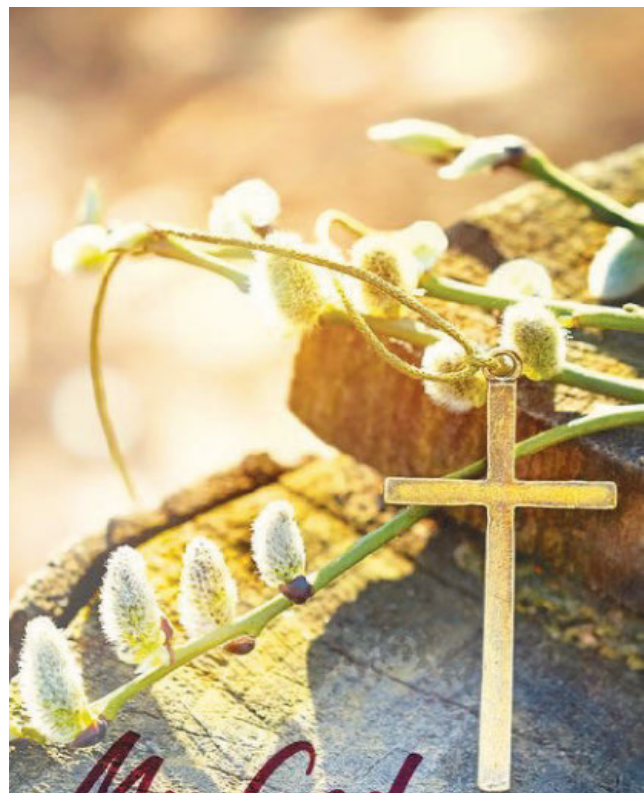
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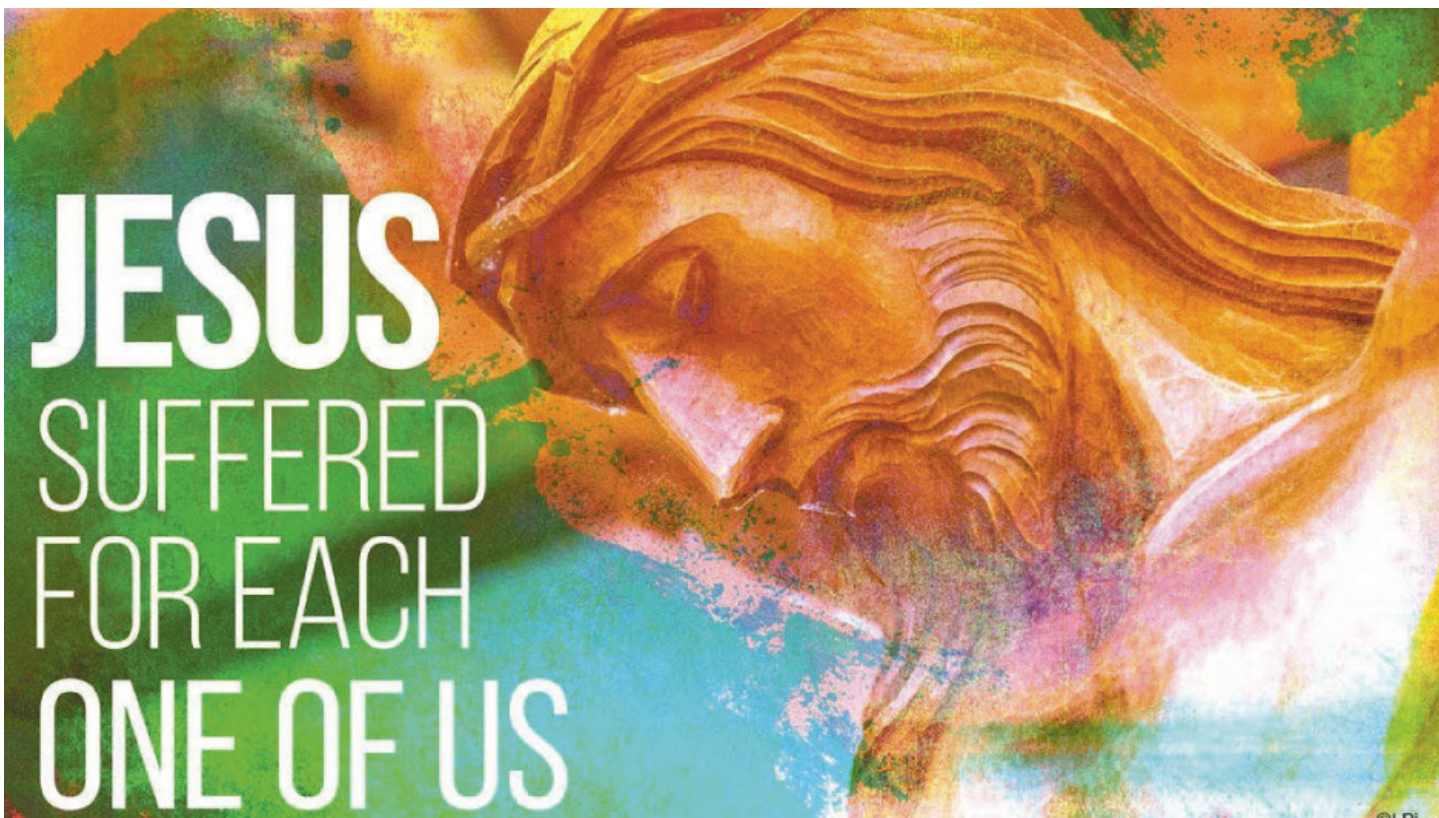


PALM SUNDAY

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8



My God,
why have you
abandoned me?



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I have set my face like flint,
knowing that I shall not be put to shame. (Is 50:7)

Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Ps 22)

Second Reading:

He humbled himself,
becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him. (Phil 2:8-9)

Gospel:

They brought him to the place of Golgotha
—which is translated Place of the Skull—. (Mk 15:22)

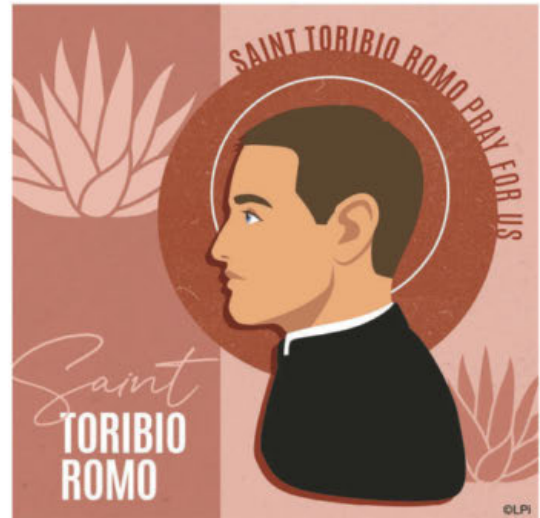
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The crowds of Jerusalem beautified the path of Jesus as he came into the city, offering their own cloaks in homage. Let us make way in our hearts for the King as we enter into Holy Week.

Observances for the week of March 24, 2024

- Sunday:** Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord,
Holy Week begins
- Thursday:** Holy Thursday
- Friday:** Good Friday
- Saturday:** Holy Saturday
- Next Sunday:** Easter Sunday



Saint of the week

St. Toribio Romo González was a Mexican priest and martyr from Jalisco in the early 1900's. He's known for his strong devotion to the Eucharist and catechesis to the poor. During a time of religious persecution in Mexico, government troops shot and killed him.

Prayer for Palm Sunday

Blessed be your name, oh Lord my God! As we enter this week of your Passion and Death, keep me in lockstep with you. Help me to be attentive to every word you would have me hear, every lesson you would have me learn. I want to journey with you. Amen.

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024 | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of March 24, 2024

Sunday:

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/
Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

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:

Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps
89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 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 (Lk 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/Mk 16:1-7

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 Mk 16:1-7

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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A few months before they married, my twenty-three-year-old sister and her fiancé planned a cross-country road trip to visit his family. My parents told them that they could only go if they slept in separate hotel rooms, offering to foot the bill. It might sound prudish, but my parents wanted the young couple to understand that their approaching unity was close, but not yet. Patience solidifies love.

What could this possibly have to do with Palm Sunday? It's usually overlooked, but the Gospels tell us that, after entering Jerusalem, Jesus **"looked around ... and since it was late, went out to Bethany with the twelve"** (Mk 11:11) for the night. Who cares? Why include this detail? Jews in those days believed that the new Davidic King would one day re-enter and "marry" the city. A new future marked by fidelity would begin for God's people. Israel's God would be in union with His people forever. Without over-sexualizing the metaphor, perhaps Jesus refused to sleep in Jerusalem to remind us of his marital purpose. He was entering Jerusalem as the bridegroom-king. It was almost time, but not yet. Soon he will sleep in Jerusalem in the tomb and then something new will begin: his one body, his Church.

Lenten challenge: This Holy Week, I challenge you to keep this image in your mind all the way until Easter Sunday: Jesus is the faithful bridegroom who patiently prepares his bride for their new life together. Go to the Good Friday liturgy and kiss the cross. When you do, let that gesture be the long-awaited "I do" to our faithful God, who always waits for us.

— Father John Muir

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024 | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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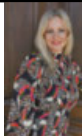
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