

St. Bernard Roman Catholic Church

We are called to proclaim and celebrate the Good News. Evangelizing and supporting for the faith journey of every age at every stage is our commitment.

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

April 13, 2025

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WEEKDAY MASSES: Mon—Sat 8:30 AM

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4PM, and 7PM (Neo-catechumenal way – In Grade School)

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 12:30 PM Spanish

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: FRIDAY 6:15 PM—6:45 PM during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sat 3:15—3:45 PM, or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Please call the office to arrange for a meeting with a priest 6 months prior to your wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Please call the office to arrange for a meeting with a priest 2months prior to the Sacrament. Baptism is celebrated every 4th Sunday of the month @ 10 AM & 12 Noon.

ANointING OF THE SICK: : Please call the office to arrange for an anointing.

For new parishioners, registration forms are available at our website & in parish office.





SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:00 pm Homebound of the parish

Palm Sunday of the Lord's passion , April 13

8:00 am People of the parish

9:45 am (Procession with Palms)

10:30 am People of the parish

12:00 pm (Spanish) Procession with Palms

12:30 pm People of the parish

MONDAY, April 14

8:30 am + Ken Kitto

TUESDAY, April 15

8:30 am Stephen Lauinger

WEDNESDAY, April 16

8:30 am + Kitto family &
Rosemary Kassekert

HOLY THURSDAY, April 17

7:00 pm The Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, April 18 (Fast & Abstinence)

12:00 pm Stations of the Cross in Karenni

3:00 pm Stations of the Cross in Spansih

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross in English

7:00 pm Veneration of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY, April 19 (Easter vigil)

8:00 pm + People of the parish

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

8:00 pm People of the parish

EASTER SUNDAY , April 20

8:00 am People of the parish

10:30 am Sam & Nick Thompson

12:30 pm Eliana Ramirez

REMEMBER ST. BERNARD'S IN YOUR WILL

Do you have a will? A wonderful way to help our parish and to save taxes is to remember St. Bernard's in your will. There is still plenty of work to be done in our church and also in the other buildings.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Palm Sunday is here with us and so is Spring, finally. We hear today of the suffering servant of Isaiah written many centuries before Jesus Christ came and yet speaking prophetically of him and his passion that we enter today. Even though Jesus Christ was disfigured and broken he knew he would not be put to shame. He came as the true Lamb, led to the slaughter before his shearers and he opened not his mouth. He offered not a word to those who accused him of false charges and he took on the sins of the whole world, yours and mine. This is the true Lamb of God, as his cousin John the Baptist called him. Jesus is the Lamb that saves us from all kinds of death, especially the death of sin, fear and anxiety.

So let us use today and this Holy Week to enter into the passion and death of Jesus Christ once again this year. This is the only thing that can help us to make sense of my life. The Fridays of Lent have hopefully prepared us for this, and even if we did not use Lent well this year it is not too late. He comes to take away all of our sins and bring us to a place of peace and reconciliation. Jesus is not fooled by the waving of the palms; he knows what awaits him in just a few days.

Let us ask the Lord to help us enter into our cross, into the thing in my life that I cannot accept, and there is where we will find life, a life that never ends. Let us not complain and grumble about what faces me today. Ask the Lord to have the grace to accept our situation in life: priest, married, single, divorced, alone. When we see that this is God's will for us we will find joy. The difficulties remain but somehow they no longer matter, when we have Jesus Christ.

Please join us for the Triduum—these three days starting with Holy Thursday, then Good Friday and culminating in the Easter Vigil, which is the mother of all vigils and was meant to last until the break of dawn. Tuesday at 6:30 PM will be a Penance Service which will help us to enter the greatest weekend of the liturgical year. In this Easter we have the chance to relive the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Give this the first place in your Easter plans.

Fr. Doss

SICK OR "HOMEBOUND"

If you are sick or "homebound" (or know someone who is), and would like to receive any Sacrament, please contact the parish office. *If you would like to add a name to our prayer list.* **Prayer Line:** Shirley Collett (651)488-6330; Judy Cloutier at (651)224-2966

SUNDAY COLLECTION

	Last Week	Budget
Sunday Envelopes	\$4149	4,060
Plate	\$1,188	940
Church Audio & Lighting	\$129	
Worship & Liturgy	\$421	
Building Repair Fund Balance:	\$54,500	

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

E-Giving or auto-pay from your bank, helps our parish a lot. Please consider giving in this way!

COVERING OF CROSSES

The Church says that from the 5th Sunday of Lent until Good Friday the crosses may be covered in purple. Why do we do this? To remind us of the weeks before the Passion when Christ no longer walked openly among the people, but hid himself. There is a papal chapel where this custom was lived that had the words of the Gospel in Latin inscribed: "*Jesus autem abscondebat se.*" Jesus hid himself. Another reason given is that Christ's divinity was hidden at the time of his suffering and death.

CONFESSION FOR THE PARISH

Tuesday, April 15th at 6:30 PM in the Church. Please come and receive the forgiveness of your sins and ready to enter the Holy Triduum.

Holy Triduum Schedule

Holy Thursday: The Lord's Supper @ 7 PM (Trilingual)
Good Friday: Veneration of the Cross @ 7 PM (Trilingual)
Easter Vigil (April 19): 8pm (Trilingual)
Easter Sunday (April 20) @ 8 Am, 10:30 AM & 12: 30 PM (Spanish)

CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral on Thursday, of Holy Week at 10 AM, April 17th. it is a beautiful celebration where priests renew their vows and the new holy oils are consecrated. It is very worthwhile. The Archbishop Bernard Hebda will preside.

Easter Triduum

The Easter Triduum begins on Holy Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper and reaches its high point at the Easter Vigil. The Eucharist will be re-posed at the Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph's altar where we can adore the Lord and keep him company before his passion. Part of the Gospel of John, Chapters 13-17, can be read during this time.

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence, no meat and only one full meal. If possible, a Paschal fast from Good Friday until the Easter Vigil should be kept to honor the suffering and death of our Lord and to prepare ourselves to share more deeply in the resurrection. Parishioners are encouraged to come to the Celebration of the Lord's Passion, which includes the Veneration of the Cross on Friday evening, and the Stations of the cross which will be led by our Confirmation students on Friday at 6 PM.

Please set aside time to pray and to come and celebrate the Passover mysteries with us.



THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PAUL FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY Sunday April 27, 2025

**DIVINE MERCY SERVICE
2:00 TO 3:30 PM**

Please attend to. . .

- ♦ Beautifully complete your Easter week.
- ♦ Bring friends and family who need to hear of God's infinite mercy.
- ♦ Be inspired by the words of St. Faustina as set to exquisite music.
- ♦ Gain forgiveness for your sins in confession.
- ♦ Be granted a complete pardon for temporal effects of all prior sins.