

# Palm Sunday



**Sunday, March 29 2026**

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## Palm Sunday Reflection

As we enter Holy Week, the prophet Isaiah gives us a portrait of the Suffering Servant whose strength is not found in resistance or retaliation, but in steadfast trust. "The Lord God helps me" becomes the Servant's anchor, even as he faces humiliation and violence. Psalm 22 echoes this same paradox: a cry of abandonment that somehow remains rooted in confidence. These texts prepare us to recognise that Christ's Passion is not an accident of history but the fulfilment of God's saving love—love strong enough to endure suffering without surrendering to despair.

Saint Paul, in his hymn to Christ in Philippians, draws us deeper into the mystery. Jesus does not cling to glory but empties himself, taking the form of a slave. His obedience, even unto death, reveals the true nature of God: self-giving, humble, and utterly committed to our redemption. The exaltation that follows is not a reversal of the Cross but its divine consequence. In Christ's descent we see the pattern of Christian life—humility that leads to glory, surrender that becomes victory.

Today, as the full Passion is proclaimed by the deacon, we are invited not merely to listen but to enter the story. The crowds waving palms, the disciples struggling to understand, the betrayal, the silence, the Cross—all of it speaks to the human heart. Palm Sunday holds triumph and tragedy together, reminding us that discipleship is not about avoiding suffering but following Christ through it. May this Holy Week draw us closer to the One who loved us to the end, and may we walk with him toward the new life that awaits at Easter.

+Fr. Matthew

## Scripture Readings for next weekend's Mass ~ The Resurrection Of The Lord



**First Reading:** Acts 10.34a, 37-43  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 118  
**Second Reading:** Colossians 3.1-4  
**Gospel:** John 20.1-9

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 Wednesday & Friday at 8:30 AM  
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 Saturday 5:00 PM  
 Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

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**Weekend Masses**  
 Saturday 5:00 PM  
 Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

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*Our Vision Is: To be doing the will of the one who sent us.*

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Mass Intentions	
Tuesday March 31 Ferial  7:00 PM ~ OLMC  Adoration with Confession - OLMC	7:00 PM Int. of the Joseph Benher Family Rafelina Scagliona ~ Mom & Dad Int. of the Scalzi Family ~ Connie Peter & Johanna Wester ~ Rob Wester Lu-Phuo & Trieu Hong ~ Pat Int. of Theresa Quenneville ~ Doug & Monique
Wednesday April 1 Ferial 8:30 AM ~ CC	8:30 AM Laurence Buhagiar ~ Mr. & Mrs. C. Spiteri Martha Melnik ~ Margaret Scraba Yvonne Faoro ~ Tony & Larua Mardegan Int. of the Scalzi Family ~ Connie Irma Bomben ~ Sue & Marty Hofgartner Colette Jones ~ Family
Thursday April 2 Holy Thursday 7:00 PM ~ CC  7:00 PM ~ OLMC	No Intentions  CC - 11:00 AM  OLMC - 11:00 AM
Friday April 3 Good Friday	CC - 11:00 AM 3:00 PM  OLMC - 11:00 AM 3:00 PM
Solemn Stations of the Cross ~ OLMC	OLMC - 7:00 PM
Saturday April 5 Easter Vigil ~ CC	Easter Vigil CC - 8:30 PM
Sunday April 6 Easter Sunday	CC 9:00 AM 11:00 AM  OLMC 9:00 AM 11:00 AM 

## KIMBERLY'S COLUMN

**You Matter.**

We live our lives based on the stories we believe... but... what if there is another story?? That story is the GOSPEL, and it is explosive, extraordinary, life-changing news!

**The Rescue Project** is an 8-week experience of community, conversation, prayer and the gospel. The weekly format includes prayer, a simple meal, music, an engaging video and discussion. It isn't a class; it's an *adventure*.

**Who it's for:** Anyone and everyone—No matter where you are on your faith journey, all are welcome!

**What to expect:** Great food, a high-quality, engaging talk, and a space for honest, open conversation about life's biggest questions.

**When & Where:** Wednesday evenings 6:30pm-8:30pm starting April 8th at Our Lady of Mount Carmel church in the Parish hall. We are so excited to welcome you!

**Cost:** Absolutely free! Limited spots left!

**How to Join:** Sign up at this link: <https://sw.dol.ca/the-rescue-project>  
Or contact me: kbornais@dol.ca.



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**First Eucharist:** We will be having 2 retreats for our first Communion children and their families on Friday and Saturday. Please keep them all in your prayers!

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**RCIA News...**



On Saturday, we will be on retreat before Holy Week begins. Please continue to pray for all of us. We hope you can join us for a celebration social right after the Easter Vigil Mass at Corpus Christi.

**If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact me and I would be happy to meet with you!**

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**Prayer as we begin Holy Week:**

Lord,  
 as these sacred days approach,  
 align my heart with your mission.  
 Let each day remind me  
 why you came.  
 Help me to not miss the meaning  
 behind the moments.  
 Amen



**The Kids' Bulletin** is great for Catholic kids who want to have fun and learn about the Sunday Mass every week. <https://thekidsbulletin.com/>

**Please pray for the following who are all ministering in our Diocese:**



Rev. Hoang  
 Nguyen,  
 O.F.M. Cap.

**PRAY for the SICK**



Olga Michelon, Craig O'Brien, Jane Ripley, Gerard Quenneville, Doug Reaume, Anthony Mandato, Jeffrey Kavanaugh, Randa Istephan, Theresa Slack, Agatha Schulz, Ken Dagenais, Jean Morand, Grier Tovell, Matt Jones, Violet Katic, Maryanne Urbano, Anna Lenisa, Paulette Kathrein, Suzanne D'Agnillo, Sandy Ebert, Michelina Urbano

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**KATIE'S COLUMN**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Run by youth, for youth

Taking Place March 27 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish at 7pm.

Youth and families of all ages are invited!



Youth Cafe

**Close to You**

Why does God sometimes feel close, yet other times distant?



SUN. | APRIL 19 | 12-2 PM  
GRADES 8-12 WELCOME!  
CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH  
FREE ICE CREAM BAR  
GUEST SPEAKER: FATHER MATTHEW BEDARD  
CAPTURE THE FLAG TO START!  
REGISTER HERE:

**Shepherds Corner Volunteers Needed**



Do you enjoy books? Are you a creative person who enjoys making crafts and activities for children? Do you love talking about the Saints and special Catholic traditions? If you answered yes to any of these questions, The Shepherds Corner needs you! We are looking for more volunteers to stay for ten minutes after the 9am Mass!

Contact Katie Jacobs at

[kjacobs@dol.ca](mailto:kjacobs@dol.ca), or visit us in the robing room for more details after any Sunday Mass.

**A Time to Die...**

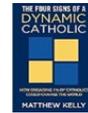
We remember and pray... for **Daniel Kirby**.



**Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic Book Study**

**Meeting 3:** Saturday, March 28th from 10:00 a.m. to Noon

**Place:** Corpus Christi Parish Hall  
Reading: Chapter Five & Chapter Six & Epilogue (pp. 143 to 216 in the paper version)



**Our Knights of Columbus Invite You**



Knights of Columbus Councils at both Corpus Christi and Our Lady of Mount Carmel, invite all to a **Soup and Bun Lunch** after both the **11:00 am** and **3:00 pm Good Friday Services** at **both** parishes. Goodwill donation is welcome, with all proceeds supporting our charitable efforts.

**Mass Of Chrism**

The annual Mass of Chrism will take place on **Monday, March 30 at 7:00 p.m.** at **St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica, London**. The Mass will also be live-streamed at the London North Central Catholic Family of Parishes YouTube channel:

[London North Central Catholic Family of Parishes - YouTube](#)



**Holy Week & Easter Triduum Mass Times**

**Palm Sunday - March 28/29, 2026**

5:00 pm - Corpus Christi  
5:00 pm - Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
9:00 am & 11:00 am - Corpus Christi  
9:00 am & 11:00 am - Our Lady of Mount Carmel



**Holy Thursday - April 2, 2026**

7:00 pm - Corpus Christi  
7:00 pm - Our Lady of Mount Carmel



**Good Friday, April 3, 2026**

11:00 am - Corpus Christi  
11:00 am - Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
3:00 pm - Corpus Christi  
3:00 pm - Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
7:00 pm - Solemn Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

**Holy Saturday, April 4, 2026**

8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass at **Corpus Christi**

**Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026**

9:00 am & 11:00 am at Corpus Christ  
9:00 am & 11:00 am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel



**ATTENTION PLEASE!**



We would like to give you advanced notice that incense **will be used** at all services and Masses during Holy Week.



The Parish Office will be closing at **12:00 noon on Holy Thursday** and remain closed until **Tuesday, April 7th at 9:00 am.**



**Please pray for our RCIA catechumens and candidates:**



Leland  
Amanda  
Habiba  
Savita  
Luke

Grayson  
Sophia  
Ava  
Valeri  
Claire

Shona  
Evan  
Mike



**Corpus Christi CWL General Meeting**

Our next meeting is to be held on **Tuesday, April 7th, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.** at Corpus Christi Church.



**Euchre Social Club at OLMC**  
**Tuesdays from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**  
in the Marian Room  
Cost is \$4.00  
Bring your own cup!



**Health Council Meeting**

Tuesday, March 31st at 7:30 pm  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Hall



**OLMC Mission Group News Crafts & Quilts**  
**Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM**  
in the OLMC Parish Hall

New workers are always welcome. Bring a lunch if you want to stay. Our quilts are available for sale year-round.  
*If interested, come by on Wednesday.*



**Women's Faith Sharing Group!**

The group meets every **Thursday** morning following the **8:30 AM Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel**, gathering in the lounge. Come and share your faith journey and connect with others!



**Society of St. Vincent de Paul Corpus Christi**

We appreciate your food and financial donations.

**This week we are in particular need of: Snack bars, hamburger helper, pasta sauce and canned pasta.**

*Thank you for your continued support. For further information or to assist, contact Bruce at: 519-966-5362.*

March 29



Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the **On Track for Justice campaign** with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or donate online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give).

Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and **Bishop Fabbro's D & P Video**  
[youtube.com/watch?v=oVvAWNbtJqk](https://youtube.com/watch?v=oVvAWNbtJqk)

**Mondays at 6:30 PM  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
(In The Boardroom)**

Join us for a Catholic Bible Study on the **Gospel of Matthew**, where we will deepen our understanding of Christ's teachings, His fulfillment of the Old Testament, and His call to discipleship.

**All are welcome!**

*Annulment  
Info Session*  
**Tuesday, May 5th • 7:00 PM**

WITH  
**FR. PATRICK BÉNETEAU**  
 (Canon Lawyer)

at Holy Name of Jesus, Essex  
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& get your questions answered!*

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To register and more information:  
[centralessexatholic.dol.ca/hope-and-healing](http://centralessexatholic.dol.ca/hope-and-healing)

2026 Benefit Dinner for  
 Our Lady of Guadalupe Home  
 Thursday, April 16th, 2026  
 Giovanni Caboto Club  
 2175 Parent Ave.  
 Doors open 6 pm, Dinner 7 pm

\*Suggested Donation:  
 \$50 Covers the cost of your meal.  
 \$75 Covers cost of your meal and supports our program.  
 \$100+ Allows us to serve even more in our community.

Proceeds support a safe home for mothers in crisis and their babies. Please call Marina Kowalsky to reserve a spot or a table. 519-962-4861  
 You will receive a tax receipt for your donation next February.

Offertory	Mar 22, 2026	
Sunday Offerings	CC	OLMC
Regular Offertory	\$6,354	\$4,179
Special Collections	\$2,332	\$1,034
Pre-authorized	\$11,160	\$14,655
Monthly eTransfers	\$1,085	\$1,310

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