



**March 24, 2024**  
**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

**Saints Peter and Paul  
Catholic Church**

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**MASSES:**

Saturday-5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass  
Sunday-7, 9, 11a.m., 1 & 6 p.m.

**DAILY MASSES:**

Mon-Fri-7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Church  
Saturday-7:00 a.m., Church

**CONFESSIONS:** (Sacrament of Reconciliation)  
Saturdays: 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Church

**ADORATION/BENEDICTION:**

Mondays-7:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m.  
Fridays-6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

**BAPTISMS**

Last Sunday of each month.  
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# PARISH CALENDAR

## Palm Sunday 03/24

MASSES-7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. Church

## Monday 03/25

MASSES-7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Church

ADORATION & BENEDICTION-7:30-8:30 a.m., Church

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL-6:30 p.m., Madonna

## Tuesday 03/26

MASS-7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Church

MILLIONS OF MONICA'S-1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m., Church

## Wednesday 03/27

MASS-7:00 a.m., and 12:00 p.m., Church

## Holy Thursday 03/28

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER-7:00 p.m., Church

## Friday of the Passion of the Lord 03/29

NO MASSES-GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY-12:30 p.m., Church

Stations of the Cross-3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., Church

## Holy Saturday 03/30

NO MORING MASSES AND NO CONFESSIONS

Easter Vigil Mass-7:00 p.m., Church

## Easter Sunday 03/31

MASSES-7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m., Church

Easter Egg Hunt After the 9:00 a.m. Mass



## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

03/23 SAT.	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	†Maria Eugenia Rosenberg
03/24 SUN.	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	†Frank Wang
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	SSPP Parishioners
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Special Intention
	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	Marcy Lemas
	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	Marty Ratliff
03/25 MON.	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	†Eva Castelan
	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	Special Intention
03/26 TUE.	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	Special Intention
	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	†Maureen DeDecker
03/27 WED.	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	†Deacon Chet & †Ronnie Pawloski
	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	†Ronnie DeDecker †John D. Rodney
03/28 THU.	<b><u>Holy Thursday-Mass of the Lord's Supper</u></b>	
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	SSPP Parishioners
03/29 FRI.	<b><u>Friday of the Passion of the Lord</u></b>	
	<b>12:30 p.m.</b>	Good Friday Liturgy
03/30 SAT.	<b><u>Easter Vigil Mass</u></b>	
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	SSPP Parishioners

## TODAY'S READINGS

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/  
Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39



## Readings for the Week

Monday:	Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday:	Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33,36-38
Wednesday:	Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:	Ex 12:1-8,11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday:	Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16;5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
Saturday:	Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1,26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18/Ex 14:15—15:1/Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15,32—4:4/Ez 36:16-17a,18-28/Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7



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GENEROUS HEART

*2024 Annual Catholic Appeal*

Thank you to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal. Saints Peter & Paul is at \$41,168 which is 52% towards our parish goal of \$79,500. To date 69 parish families are participating in the Annual Catholic Appeal. We have a participation goal of 234 families and hope everyone will help us achieve this goal.

If you have not yet responded to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal, please do so now using the white ACA envelopes available in the church pews, text ACA to 41444, or visit [www.cathfnd.org/donate](http://www.cathfnd.org/donate)



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### Palm Sunday My Will Be Done

One of the most comforting parts of the Passion story for me is the agony in the garden. If the Son of God had to tell himself and his Father, "not as I will, but as you will" (Matthew 26:39); I should be able to say the same. There are times when I would much rather have things always go my way, but that is not going to happen. So it's comforting to know that Jesus did not take the easy way out, but accepted the Father's will that he should suffer and die.

Whenever we say the Lord's Prayer we pray, "Thy will be done." But how often do we still take the easy way out? When I have a chance to help someone in need, do I tell myself it's none of my business, or do I ask if there is anything I can do? When I am hurt by the death of a loved one, or am injured in an accident, do I get angry at God for letting this happen, or do I say with Jesus, "Not my will, but yours be done"?

Luke's Gospel ends the temptation of Jesus in the desert with the phrase, "When the devil had finished every test, he left him until an opportune time" (Luke 4:13). That time came in the garden, and again Jesus had the last word, choosing to do his Father's will. Even though we know God always does what is best for us when we would rather have what we think is best, at least remember to say, "Not my will, but yours be done."

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Today's second collection is for the work of your St. Vincent de Paul Society.

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Please keep these families and our society in your prayers. Your St. Vincent De Paul society



### Finance Corner

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023- Present

**FIGURES ARE UNAVAILABLE THIS WEEK DUE TO THE PRINTER'S HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**



## **OPPORTUNITY TO SPONSOR EASTER FLOWERS**

Parishioners who would like to assist with the Easter Lilies and decorations in the Church for the Easter season are urged to personalize their sponsorship by making a dedication either "In Honor Of" or "In Memory Of" loved ones. The sponsorships will be published in the parish bulletin at Easter, so please **PRINT** clearly.

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Please return this form and your donation in an envelope marked "Easter Dedications". Drop it in the Sunday collection or deliver it to the Parish Office. Please make your requests by Monday, March 25th.

# **TIMES OF REFRESHING**

**Fr. Ricky V. Ordóñez**

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**The Greatest Love of All** – Palm Sunday begins Holy Week in the entire Christendom and commemorates the triumphal entry of Jesus from the Mt. of Olives into the city of Jerusalem. People laid palm fronds on Jesus' path or waved in welcome, people shouted "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" But, how ironic indeed! Perhaps the same people who welcomed him with exuberance would, only a few days later, be the same ones shouting out "Crucify Him!" Jesus knew that this would happen, after all, He already knew what would be the outcome. Yet, he smiled at them, received their welcome and blessed them even with the full knowledge of the betrayal that was forthcoming. One may ask, "Why?" The answer – **"LOVE"**!

Did we ever try to figure out why it is important for Jesus to SHOW us how much He loves us? As always, He leads by example – not simply with words – but by showing us how it is expressed! He loves us and shows us what it is all about. He continues to hope that since we were shown how to LOVE – we would be able to fulfill the **2 greatest commandments** – **LOVE GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND MIND AND SOUL and LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS YOU LOVE YOURSELF!** So have we learned how?

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**HOW IS LOVE EXPRESSED!** There are many ways to do so and I would venture to mention a few:

- Verbal expression – The sweet words, **"I LOVE YOU!"** when said with deep sincerity are the most important words in any language. But, the key word is **"sincerity"** – not just said "off the cuff!" Look them in the eye and say it with all the love you can muster.
- Outward demonstrations of care – Words are good, but better accompanied with actions! Calling, visiting and writing (emails, text messaging etc.) allows the other to know that they are in your mind and heart. It does feel good to know that you have not been forgotten and that they care to go out of their way to show it.
- Special days remembered - Who doesn't want their birthdays, anniversaries remembered, promotions celebrated? Little demonstrations of thoughtfulness and joy for special occasions are always heartwarming and deeply appreciated.
- Tokens of love and appreciation – Is it too much for us to express our gratitude and love with a sincere note, card or a small gift? It is not about the price of the gift that is important but the thought that the effort was made. The joyful feeling that we are remembered cannot be bought, traded or sold.
- Public Display of Affection (PDA) – This is not just between couples or family members but also towards friends. A hug, hand shake, smiles, pat on the back, kiss on the cheek and other appropriate expressions of affection speak louder than words.

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***"FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON  
THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM MAY NOT PERISH BUT WILL HAVE  
ETERNAL LIFE"***

***JOHN 3:16***



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