



The Catholic Community of  
**ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL and**  
**ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE**

**Palm Sunday**  
**March 29, 2026**



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Monday-Thursday  
 9:00AM –1:00PM

**Parish Trustees**

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**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturdays	St. Michael the Archangel	4:00 PM
	St. Jude the Apostle	4:00 PM
Sundays	St. Michael the Archangel	8:30 AM
	St. Jude the Apostle	10:00 AM

**Eucharist Exposition**

Tuesdays St. Michael the Archangel 11:30 AM

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**

**Friday**

St. Michael the Archangel 12:10 PM

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St. Jude the Apostle 8:00 AM

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*No Mass—Parish Offices closed*

**Weekday Masses**



CUT BRANCHES AND  
 STREWED THEM ON  
**THE ROAD.**

— MATTHEW 21:8 —

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**St. Michael the Archangel**

**Saturday, March 28, 4 PM**

**Carmella Casale (Birthday)**

*Requested by son, Nicholas Casale*

**Frank Panisi**

*Requested by Teresa & Regan Murphy*

**Sally Hogan**

*Requested by Rosemary & Colleen Burns*

**James Dudek**

*Requested by Sheila, Zach & Jarod Snyder*

**Sunday, March 29, 8:30 AM (Palm Sunday)**

**Mary Bulmer**

*Requested by the Family*

**Monday, March 30, 12:10 PM**

**For all those who have no one to pray for them.**

**Tuesday, March 31, 12:10 PM**

**Joseph Tatarczyk**

*Requested by Wife & Family*

**James Heffernan**

*Requested by the Family*

**Holy Saturday, April 4, 7:30 PM Easter Vigil**

**For the Candidates receiving their sacraments tonight**

**Easter Sunday, April 5, 8:30 AM**

**For the Parishioners and Friends of St. Michael the Archangel & St. Jude the Apostle Parish Community**

**Sanctuary Lamp**

**March 22—March 28 Church**

**Barbara Bonesteel** *Requested by Caroline Martin*

**You're invited to  
"The Last Supper"**

A dramatic interpretation of the painting by Leonardo da Vinci **Palm Sunday, March 29 at 4:00 PM** St. Michael the Archangel Church  
Pizza, salad and refreshments in the Hall following the performance. Please sign up in the Gathering Area if you're interested in staying for pizza. All are welcome!

**St. Jude the Apostle**

**Saturday, March 28, 4 PM**

**John Finelli**

*Requested by Family*

**Maureen Kehn**

*Requested by Jo Flanigan*

**Kathleen Usher**

*Requested by Rosemond*

**Dante Lepore**

*Requested by The Ushers at St. Jude's Parish*

**Sunday, March 29, 10 AM**

**For all those preparing to receive the Sacraments on Holy Saturday**

**Wednesday, April 1, 8 AM**

**Rita Taddeo**

*Requested by Michael & Janet Bruno*

**Sunday, April 5, – Easter 10 AM**

**Sanctuary Candle Intentions**

**Week of April 5, 2026**

**Jefferey Signorelli** *Requested by Mom & Dad*

**Thank You**

We extend our sincere gratitude to Jim Hannigan III, Nancy Carey, Cathy Castle, and Maureen Hannigan for their thoughtful work in preparing and organizing the Memorial Easter Crosses.



This meaningful display is a beautiful witness of faith and remembrance. Be sure to visit the crosses on the Saint Jude front lawn throughout the Easter season.

**Honor a Loved One with Easter Flowers**

If any parishioner would like to donate an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one, we will have a table set up in the Gathering Area at 9:30 a.m. Easter Saturday (April 4th) so that you may designate your offering for the Easter Season. You can also contribute to the Easter flowers using the Easter Flower Envelope. As always, any and all contributions are welcomed and appreciated.

**Confession (Individual Reconciliation)**

Saturdays from 3:00–3:40 PM during April at *St. Michael the Archangel*, or by appointment through the Parish Office.

# Holy Week Schedule

## Holy Thursday

### Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

April 2

St. Jude the Apostle — 5:30 pm

Mass followed by Prayer at the Altar of Repose until 10:00 pm

St. Michael the Archangel Chapel

Prayer at the Altar of Repose 7:30 pm until 10:00 pm

## Good Friday

### Passion of the Lord

April 3 – St. Jude the Apostle

Stations of the Cross — 3:00 pm

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord — 7:00 pm

## Holy Saturday

### The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

April 4 – St. Michael the Archangel — 7:30 pm

## Easter Sunday

### The Resurrection of the Lord

April 5

St. Michael the Archangel — 8:30 am

St. Jude the Apostle — 10:00 am

**Please Pray for  
Those Preparing for the Sacraments**

*Karli Bohunicky -Polito*  
*Julia Christopher*  
*Kellie Cucinotta*  
*Nazmun Phillips-Dave*  
*Zachary Strobe*  
*Jordan Vandenburg*  
*Teri Wildey*

## Walking Through Holy Week

*Don't just attend—walk with Christ this week.*

### Entering Holy Week

This weekend we celebrate Palm Sunday, marking the beginning of Holy Week. Palms will be blessed and distributed at all Masses. As we enter this sacred time, we invite you to journey with Christ through His Passion and prepare your heart for the joy of Easter.

### Holy Thursday – The Lord's Supper

- Jesus gives us the Eucharist: *"This is My Body... This is My Blood"*
- The beginning of the priesthood
- Jesus commands us: *"Love one another as I have loved you"*

### Washing of the Feet

- Jesus humbly washed the feet of His disciples
- A sign of service, humility, and love
- At Mass, the priest reenacts this gesture

### After Mass

- The Eucharist is carried to the Altar of Repose
- The Church becomes quiet and solemn
- We are invited to "stay awake" with Jesus in prayer

### Good Friday – The Passion of the Lord

- The day Jesus died on the Cross
- No Mass is celebrated
- We venerate and honor the Cross
- A day of fasting, silence, and deep prayer

### Holy Saturday – A Day of Waiting

- The Church remains in stillness at the tomb
- A quiet day of reflection and anticipation

### The Easter Vigil – The Holy Night

- Begins in darkness → the Light of Christ enters
- We hear the story of salvation in Scripture
- New Catholics are welcomed through Baptism
- One of the most beautiful liturgies of the year

### Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of the Lord

- Jesus is Risen!
- A day of joy, hope, and new life
- We celebrate the victory of Christ over sin and death

### A Note About Blessed Palms

Once blessed, palms are sacramentals and should be treated with reverence. You may:

- Place them behind a crucifix or holy image
- Keep them on a prayer table or in your Bible
- Save them to be returned next year for ashes on Ash Wednesday



**Saint Jude the Apostle  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

*Next Meeting*

Monday, April 6 at 6:00 PM. All men of the parish are welcome. For more information, email [sjc.koc@gmail.com](mailto:sjc.koc@gmail.com).

*Bottle Drive*

You can support the Knights of Columbus **Coats for Kids** program by donating your empty bottles and cans at the **6¢ Redemption Center on Main Ave (just east of Stewart's)**. Simply tell them the donation is for **St. Jude's Knights of Columbus**. Thank you for your support.

*Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner*

Saturday, April 11 | 4:30–6:30 PM St. Jude's School Gym  
The St. Jude's Knights of Columbus will host a **Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner**, featuring the famous sauce and meatballs from **St. Henry's Knights of Columbus**. **Tickets:** \$10 per person & \$25 per family  
Dinner includes salad, bread, spaghetti and meatballs, dessert, and a beverage (coffee, juice, or water). **Eat in or take out.** A children's activity table will also be available. Tickets are limited. Order early by calling or texting **518-286-1132** or emailing [sjc.koc@gmail.com](mailto:sjc.koc@gmail.com). Tickets will also be available after Mass. **All proceeds benefit the annual Coats for Kids program.**

**Saint Jude the Apostle & Saint Michael the Archangel invite you to a**



**Saint Michael the Archangel  
Men's Club**

The Men's Club is seeking volunteers to assist with **parking cars** for the 8:30 AM Easter Sunday Mass at Saint Michael the Archangel. This is a popular Mass and in order to provide as much parking as possible and ensure handicapped parking access to those who need it, cars are directed to park bumper to bumper. If interested in helping out, please contact Lou Celeste or sign up in the Gathering Area. Thank You!

**St. Michael the Archangel  
Second Collections**

4/12 Parish Improvement and Building Maintenance  
4/19 Outreach

**Offertory Envelopes**

Please remember to take note of the envelopes available at the church entrances, as well as those included in the Easter mailing, for your Easter Flower and Offertory donations.

Your generosity helps us prepare our churches beautifully for the celebration of Easter and supports the ongoing needs of our parish.

**Offertory & Stewardship Update**

Our monthly offertory and stewardship report is published in the bulletin on the 3rd or 4th weekend of each month, reflecting the prior month's stewardship. Even when the full report is not printed, your generosity continues to sustain the mission of both Saint Jude the Apostle and Saint Michael the Archangel.

Vanco QR codes for both parishes are available in the bulletin each week, making it easy to give electronically and to keep our parish communities in your prayers. Thank you for your continued faithfulness and support.



**St. Jude the Apostle Parish  
Online Giving**

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**St. Michael the Archangel Parish  
Online Giving**



# Faith Formation

As we travel through Lent, we encourage our children to complete 40 random acts of kindness to represent the 40 days of Lent. In addition, our Faith Formation classes will be giving alms to help our Food Ministry team. We have asked the children to bring in food to help the needy, and we will leave it for our Food Ministry to deliver the food to local agencies in the community. Thank you to our families who are responding to this request!!

Join us on Monday, March 30th for the fifth session on Reconciliation. "Forgiven" is a 5 week program explaining the Mystery of God's Grace in Confession, and it is streamed from Formed through the Augustinian Institute. Meet us at 12:45, with your own lunch or snacks, and join us for this insightful program! Coffee will be available!

Last Sunday, we welcomed Dan Jason, missionary and Catholic author, to speak to our Faith Formation classes. Dan's message focused on living our faith in everyday life, sharing God's love with others, and encouraging those whose faith may feel uncertain, but who are hungry to grow. His story, ministry work, and recent experiences, including his work with the poor and orphans and his upcoming missionary trip to India offered a meaningful and relatable witness for our young people and parish community.

Thank you to our Confirmation candidates for their beautiful portrayal of the Stations of the Cross this past Friday evening.

We are excited to say that we have recently purchased a subscription to "FORMED" by the Augustinian Institute. This digital resource provides on-demand Catholic faith based materials. It is sometimes described as a "Catholic Netflix", and it offers movies, studies, ebooks and audio material. Faith Formation will be using it as another resource to teach our faith. It is also available to parishioners and families to explore the Catholic faith. It is FREE to all parishioners-to enroll, go to [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org) and follow the prompts to create an account. It will ask you for the church zip code, please enter 12180. Click on the St. Michael's address when it pops up, and you are into the subscription. Take some time to look at the material available to watch! If you have any signup questions or problems, please feel free to email [ffstmichaels@gmail.com](mailto:ffstmichaels@gmail.com).

Our "First Steps in Faith" Program, a story time for preschool children is off to a great start!. This new program will teach our children about Jesus and His Holy Church. We will be guided by the Holy Spirit through the memory of Derek Murphy, a parishioner and Faith Formation student, who lived his life following and loving the Lord. Story time is held every Wednesday from 10-11 am at St. Michael's.

Our sacramental masses are on the calendars! There will be two First Holy Communion Masses-May 2nd (4 pm @ St. Michael's), and May 17th (10am @ St. Jude's). Our Confirmation Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 6th at 6:30 pm.

**Rosary before Mass**  
for Maura and the Dalmata family

<p><b>Saint Jude's</b></p> <p><b>Saturday 3:30pm</b> before the 4:00pm Mass</p> <p><b>Sunday</b> <b>9:30am</b> before the <b>10:00am</b> Mass</p> <p>For Maura's healing and for strength and peace for her family.</p>	<p><b>Saint Michael's</b></p> <p><b>3:30pm</b> before 4:00pm Mass</p> <p><b>8:00am</b> before 8:30am Mass</p>
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 Pray to  
**Blessed Celine Borzecka**  
*Foundress of the Sisters of the Resurrection*

*We ask her intercession to restore complete healing to Maura.*

Her cause for Sainthood would be supported through a second miracle.

The first miracle attributed to her intercession was the complete recovery of her fifth-generation grandson from a traumatic brain injury.

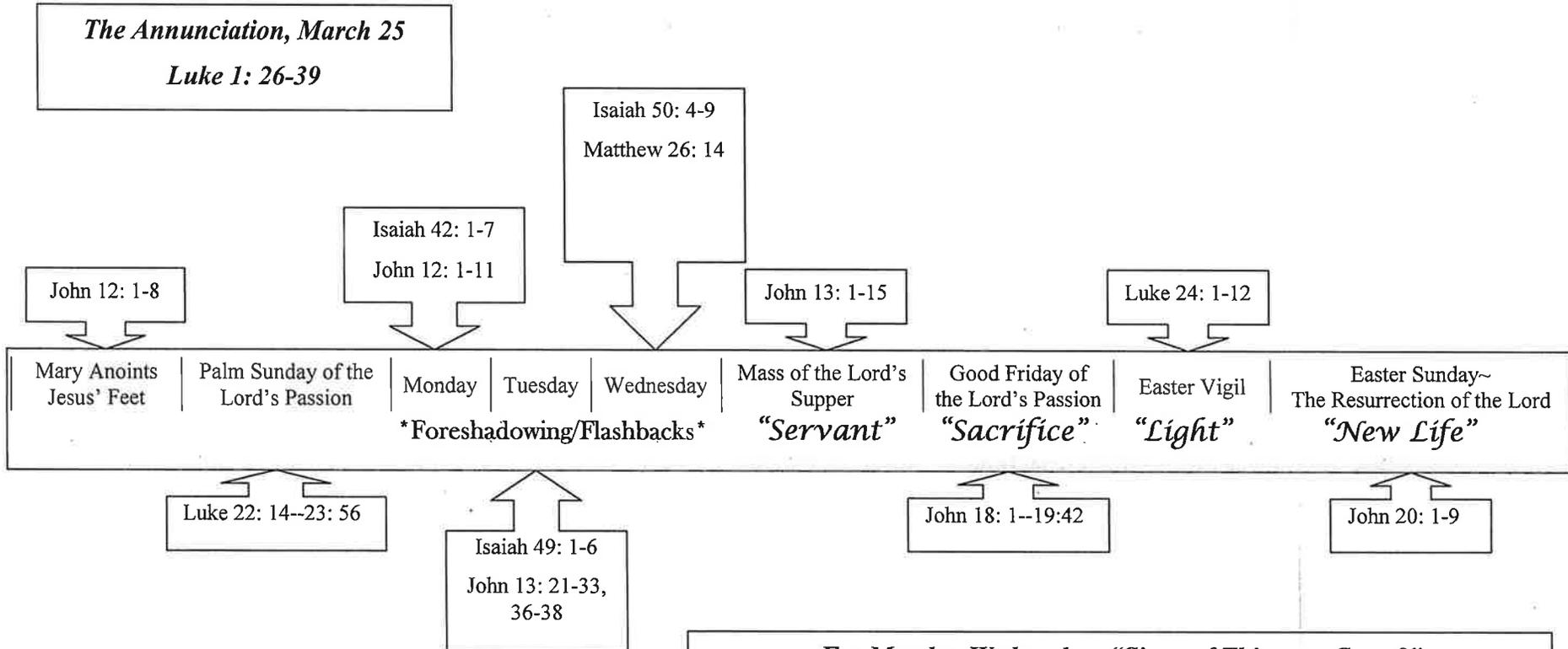
*We also ask the intercession of:*

Saint Maura,  
 Saint Maximilian Kolbe,  
 Saint Thérèse of Lisieux,  
 Saint Isaac Jogues,  
 Saint John the Beloved Apostle,  
 Saint Cecilia,  
 Saint Genevieve, Saint Joseph.

*Amen.*

# Jesus: Servant, Sacrifice and Light

## The Annunciation and Holy Week 2014



**For Monday-Wednesday: "Signs of Things to Come?"**

**Read Isaiah 42, 49, 50, 52 "The Servant Songs":**

*Is 42: 1-7~The Servant Arrives- the coming.*

*Is 49: 1-6~The Servant's Success- nations converted, the world changed.*

*Is 50: 4-9~The Servant's Strength-hope and faith in the promise of God.*

**Read Psalm 69: 1-36:**

*Psalm 69: 20-21~ "Insults have broken my heart, so that I am in despair...They gave me poison for food, and for my thirst, they gave me vinegar to drink."*