



Our Lady of the Lake & St. Ann

P A R I S H C O L L A B O R A T I V E

April 2, 2023 | Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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*Reaching up to God,
reaching out to one another,
through prayer, service and friendship.*

Mass Times at Our Lady:

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:00 am and 11:00 am

Daily Masses:

9:30 am - Mon - Wed - Fri

6:30 pm - Tuesday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 pm

30 minutes before weekday Mass

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes before weekday Mass



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." - Mt 21:9

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

We begin this Holy Week with the reading of the Lord's Passion from the Gospel of Matthew. It is fitting that during this week we intensely focus our minds and hearts on the steps of our Savior as He laid down His very life for us. But let us also examine the seemingly small acts of stewardship by some who encountered Jesus during this most eventful week.

One occurred when Jesus gave instructions about the room where He would celebrate the Passover. Jesus said, "Go into the city to a certain man and tell him..." "In your house I shall celebrate the Passover with my disciples." While we do not know this man's name, we do know he agreed to this request — he shared the material gift of his home and the gift of hospitality. Because of his good stewardship, his own home became the site of the institution of the Eucharist!

There was also Simon the Cyrenian, who offered the gift of his physical strength, helping the Lord to carry His Cross. Consider, too, the actions of Joseph of Arimathea — he generously shared a material gift of the tomb that was his, and he gave the gift of service to our Lord by giving Him a proper burial. Then there were the "two Marys" who gave Jesus the gift of their time. Keeping watch in tender vigil after His death, they "remained sitting there, facing the tomb."

Each of these were simple acts of good stewardship, yet God used them in mighty ways. God invites each of us, too, to cooperate with Him in small ways through the sharing of our time, talent, and material gifts. Small gifts can become mighty deeds when placed in God's service.

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by Catholic Stewardship
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DIVINE MERCY - NO ESCAPE

ST. ANN APRIL 11 AT 10:00 AM

Everyone from the parish collaborative is invited to see this movie of how a young nun's compassion reaches beyond her to touch all generations. The tenderness of Sister Maria Faustina's heart toward her mission is a story worth hearing over and over again. Come enjoy this movie at St. Ann on Tuesday morning April 11 after the 9:30 am Mass. The running time is just 45 minutes. Coffee and pastries will be available and we will end with praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet.



COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

Pope Francis requests our support for Christians in the Holy Land through the Good Friday Collection on April 7th.

Amid complex political, religious and military challenges, the Church continues to conduct parish ministry, provide Catholic education, feed the hungry, build housing for Christians, maintain shrines and operate refugee centers. Visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday. Envelopes are available in your monthly packet or at church entrances.



KICK-OFF EVENT CENT 'CHILI'AN COOK-OFF APRIL 29 AT 5:30 PM

Is your Chili Recipe up to competition? Would you consider entering your Chili into the Chili Cook-off?

Our Lady of the Lake will be celebrating its 100-Year Anniversary this year and to get the celebration started we will be holding a Chili Cook-Off and Auction. Everyone from our collaborative is invited to come or even assist.

- Come join a team to assist:
 - Chili Chefs' team
 - Auction team
 - Ticket and Tally team
 - Non-Chili Food team (help cook hot dogs)
- Donations of new items valued at \$25 or more are needed for the Silent Auction.

Contact the church office, Amy or Jackiejo to lend a hand.

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GOOD FRIDAY EDWARDSBURG ECUMENICAL SERVICE



The Presbyterian, Hope United Methodist, and Our Lady of the Lake Churches in Edwardsburg will be presenting a Community Ecumenical Service on Good Friday, (April 7) at 7:00 pm which will be hosted at Hope United Methodist Church. This will be an evening of prayer, song and reflection on the Passion of Jesus Christ.

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 1

4:30 pm | Jim Ake

Sunday, April 2

8:00 am | Lenore Anne Stuber

11:00 am | Dennis Sommerfeldt

Monday, April 3

9:30 am | Bill Burrows

Tuesday, April 4

6:30 pm | No Mass

Wednesday, April 5

9:30 am | Doug Weber

HOLY THURSDAY

Thursday, April 6

7:00 pm | For the Parish

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 7

3:00 pm | Liturgy of The Lord's
Passion

EASTER VIGIL

Saturday, April 8

9:00 pm | For the Parish

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 17

8:00 am | Easter Flower Memorial List

11:00 am | Bob Harvey

First Friday Mass Intentions will
take place on Friday, April 14th.
Come for adoration at 8:30 am.

OUR LADY PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Tim & Janice Ackerson, Bill LaBre,
Christine Cobb, Marilyn Cobb, Ryan
Clark, John Davis, Lenni DeCraene,
Angela Evans, Tom Harvey, David &
Karen Keck, Larry Nagy, Jamie Qualls,
Vickie Quinlan, Jennie Streeter, *and all
those in our prayer intention book!*



Because of the early bulletin
deadline, the financial report
for Our Lady and St. Ann
won't be available until next
week.

This Week at Our Lady

Saturday, April 1

3:30 pm Confession

Sunday, April 2

Pretzels, Coffee, Conversation

Monday, April 3

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Tuesday, April 4

5:45 pm Catholic Teaching

7:00 pm Knights Meeting

Wednesday, April 5

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Thursday, April 6

After 7 pm Mass Adoration

Friday, April 7

Office Closed

2:15 pm Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm Ecumenical Good Friday Service
at Hope United Methodist Church

Saturday, April 8

11:00 am Easter Egg Hunt

11:15 am Blessing of the Easter Food

NO MASS TUESDAY EVENING AT OUR LADY OF THE LAKE

due to **Chrism Mass**
being celebrated at

Diocese of Kalamazoo Cathedral
April 4 - 6:00 pm

The Chrism Mass is one of the
most holy and solemn Masses
celebrated all year in the Catholic
church. In addition to the priests
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three oils blessed by the bishop
during the Mass. These oils play
an important role in the life of the
Church. The Oil of Catechumens,
the Oil of the Sick and Sacred
Chrism are featured in various
blessings and sacraments in each
parish during the
year. All are
welcome to
attend this Mass
in Kalamazoo.



ST. ANN MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 2

9:30 am | Vincent Pinto, Sr.

Tuesday, April 4

9:30 am |

HOLY THURSDAY

Thursday, April 6

7:00 pm | For the Parish

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 7

12:00 pm | Liturgy of The Lord's
Passion

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 9

9:30 am | Easter Flower Memorial List

This Week at St. Ann

Tuesday, April 4

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

10:00 am Rosary

Thursday, April 6

10:00 am Daughters' Meeting

After 7 pm Mass Adoration

Friday, April 7

11:15 am Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 8 Hosted at Our Lady

11:00 am Easter Egg Hunt

11:15 am Blessing of the Easter Food

ST. ANN PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Craig and Dana Higley, Nalia Morgado,
Amy and Emily Moses, Larry Nagy,
Ellen and Liam Olivio, Tony Rosser, Bud
& Maryanne Scheibelhut, Dale Williams
*and all those in our prayer intention
book!*

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE FOR GOOD FRIDAY

Abstinence from eating meat on
Good Friday is to be observed by all
those 14 years old and above.

Fasting is required of those ages 18 -
60 years old on Good Friday. Fasting
is defined as one full meal and two
smaller meals not equaling another
full meal together. Snacking is not
permitted.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Our Lady will be holding the Annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 8th. The "hunt" begins at 11 am *sharp*, so you should be ready to go at 10:45 am. Children should meet at the Social Hall Entrance. This hunt is open to all children up to 4th grade so bring your children and grandchildren. A special toddler area will be available. Stay for the food blessing and basket raffle to be held afterwards in the social hall.

Helpers needed on April 2 at 9 am in the Social Hall at Our Lady to help fill the eggs for the hunt.



BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD

Our Lady Saturday, April 8th 11:15 am

Bring a basket with your favorite Easter foods that will be shared with your family for the Easter meal and have it blessed. Common foods in the basket would be items that were given up for Lent; brightly colored Easter Eggs (new life in the resurrection of

Jesus Christ); Sausage (God's favor and generosity) Lamb Cake (Jesus the Lamb of God); Salt (we are to be the salt of the earth); etc. Receive this favor or gift bestowed by God at the blessing of Easter food on Saturday, April 8 at 11:15 am.

PRAYER BLANKET TAKE-HOME KITS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

"Prayer Blanket Kits" are available at both churches in hopes that you can help replenish the stock! No sewing or experience is needed! Simple instructions are included in each bag. Once your blanket is completed, bring it back to either church and place it in the bin next to the Prayer Blanket display. Blankets will be blessed by Father and distributed. Thank you for helping to provide a little love and care to those in our midst.



TEACHINGS OF THE CHURCH

Tuesday, April 4 5:45 pm at Our Lady's Social Hall

Why did God let Adam and Eve sin?

Why should Adam and Eve's sin affect us?

Why is there so much sin in the world?

Let's find out and talk about the "Fall of Man" on Tuesday, April 4 at 5:45 pm in the Social Hall at the monthly Adult Education Series sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

HIGH SCHOOL ORATORY CONTEST

Cass County Right to Life will host the local high school oratory contest in April. This is open to all high school students in Cass County. Each contestant must research, write and present a 5-7 minute prolife speech. The deadline to enter is Monday, April 10, 2023. Prize money will be awarded to each winner at the Local, State and National levels of the contest. More information and the student application form can be found at <https://rtl.org/school-student-resources/oratory-contest/>.

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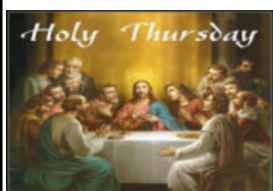
Holy Week Things to Know

Our Holiest Week

Don't miss the best part! As we approach the end of Lent, keep in mind that the liturgical services of the **Triduum** (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil) are among the very best things we do in the Church. Don't miss these profound and powerful celebrations!



The Latin word "Triduum" refers to the three days prior to the great feast of Easter: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. The Triduum emphasizes the sacrificial death of Christ on the Cross, His Resurrection, and the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, by which we enter into the life-giving mission of Christ and grow in hope of eternal life.



Holy Thursday, April 6th

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Supper with Foot Washing and Adoration

St. Ann - 7:00 pm Our Lady - 7:00 pm

Holy Thursday is the commemoration of the Last Supper of Jesus Christ, when He established the sacrament of the Eucharist prior to His arrest and crucifixion. Through word and sacrament, Jesus commands us to love one another and to serve in humility and compassion for others.

After Mass, spend some quiet time in prayer before the Eucharist—a chance to reflect on the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection.

Stations of the Cross

(Before Good Friday Service)

Friday, April 7th

St. Ann - 11:15 am

Our Lady - 2:15 pm



Participate in the Way of the Cross with Jesus and meditate upon His sacrifice of love and His gift of our redemption.



Good Friday, April 7th

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion with Holy Communion.

St. Ann - 12:00 pm

Our Lady - 3:00 pm

We continue our Triduum liturgy on Good Friday with reflection on the passion and death of Jesus, veneration of the cross, and a communion service. We refer to this day as "good," because in Christ's suffering and death, God demonstrates His boundless love and forgiveness for each one of us.



Easter Vigil, April 8th for the Collaborative

Held at Our Lady - 9:00 pm

This celebration is the high point of the Triduum. We join in prayer with all Christians celebrating God's covenant with us and recalling His plan for our salvation. We die and rise with Christ in our baptism and profession of faith, and we rejoice in new life surrounded by the symbols of fire, light, oil, water, bread and wine. (There is no Saturday 4:30 pm Mass)

Easter Sunday, April 9th

We continue the celebration of Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday- Alleluia!



Our Lady - 8:00 am

St. Ann - 9:30 am

Our Lady - 11:00 am



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