

Church of NOTRE DAME



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**SUNDAY
APRIL 2
2023**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M—TH: 9 am–12 pm & 1–3 pm

Friday—Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm

Sunday: 8 am and 11 am

Weekday Masses

Monday: NO MASS

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Wednesday: NO MASS

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday 3:00 pm -
Confession

PARISH STAFF

Pastor

Fr. Richard Allen

Deacon

Dn. Frank Hannah

Director of Religious Education

Mr. Joseph Ranelli

Director of Adult Education

Mrs. Kathy Higgins

Liturgy/Music Coordinator

Mrs. Gretchen Wagner

Secretary

Mrs. Carrie Hannah

Religious Education

Secretary

Mrs. Mary Lou Hornyak

Business Manager

Mrs. Ann Miller

Palm Sunday



WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 2, 2023

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: *Chrism Mass:* Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 16-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Luke 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: *Easter Vigil:* Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 2, 2023

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

Thursday: Holy Thursday

Friday: Good Friday

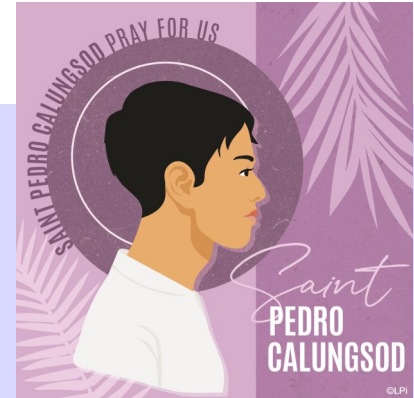
Saturday: Holy Saturday

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Our relationship with Christ should leave us mesmerized — “shaken,” like Biblical Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. It should leave our jaws hanging. If it does not, we should ask ourselves: what needs to change?



Saint of the week

Saint Pedro Calungsod, a teenaged Filipino missionary to Guam, was murdered by the chief of Tumon after baptizing his children at the request of his Christian wife. He remains an inspiration of unwavering faith and loyal friendship to young Catholics everywhere.

Prayer

Prayer for St. Pedro Calungsod's intercession

Saint Pedro Calungsod, student, catechist, young migrant, missionary, faithful friend, martyr, you inspire us by your fidelity in time of adversity; by your courage in teaching the Faith in the midst of hostility; and by your love in shedding your blood for the sake of the Gospel.

We beg you, make our cares and troubles your own [here mention the special intention you are asking him to bring to the Lord] and intercede for us before the throne of Mercy and Grace, so that as we experience the help of Heaven, we may be encouraged and strengthened to proclaim and live the Gospel here on earth. AMEN.

(Imprimatur: Ricardo Cardinal J. Vidal)

WEEKLY PRAYER

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:6)

Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Ps 22)

Second Reading:

He humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him. (Phil 2:8-9)

Gospel:

The centurion and the men with him who were keeping watch over Jesus feared greatly when they saw the earthquake and all that was happening, and they said, "Truly, this was the Son of God!" (Mt 26:54)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

What's your car? Let's say it's a fancy silver Toyota. Now imagine you're having lunch in a restaurant and suddenly see two men outside attempting to steal it. You run outside and confront them. They respond, "The master has need of it." How do you respond? Would you just let them take it, and leave you without a car? I don't think I would.

Yet that is precisely what the owners of the colt on Palm Sunday do. Stunningly, and perhaps a little comically, Jesus instructs two of his disciples to commandeer a colt for him to ride. And when they hear the disciples say, "**The master has need of it,**" they let them take it. Of course, Jesus *knew* they'd let it go. He gave them the grace to let go of what is rightfully theirs. The result? That colt became perhaps the most famous and important animal ever. The beast plays a role in the redemption of the world.

As Holy Week begins, Jesus perhaps will send people to you to ask for something valuable to you. Perhaps it's your car. More likely it's something like your attention, time, or energy. It's natural to resist at first. We've got things to do, after all. But if the interruption is from Jesus himself, listen to that voice which calmly says, "**The master has need of it.**" And simply let it go. You'll be amazed what the master will do with it.

— Father John Muir

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Making Way for God

As Christ reclined at the Passover meal and his impending betrayal, I have to imagine at least one of the disciples thought to himself, incredulously and perhaps even indignantly: *And you're not going to do anything about it?*

So often we expect God to behave like the frantic parent of a teenager, banging down the closed door of a bedroom filled with loud music. We expect him to be overbearing, snooping in our diary and waiting to ground us the minute we break curfew, desperate to keep us within the family fold, ready and willing to use judgment and force to do so.

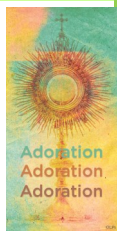
It's true that God greatly desires us to stay in friendship with him. But to accomplish it, he does not come to us as a meddler or an overlord. He comes in the same way he does on Palm Sunday. He waits for us to make way.

He may not be overbearing, but he is still devoted, and unfailingly patient. As the Palm Sundays of our lives — the moments of our devotion and piety — give way to the Holy Thursdays, when we inevitably deny him, God does not abandon us. The sacrifice on the cross is still there, waiting for us to accept it.

Say to daughter Zion, "Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden." — Matthew 21:5



VIDEO MASS 4/2	+
MON 4/3	NO MASS
TUES 4/4 9AM	+Rusty & Rita Reddick [Skip & Becky Feigert]
WED 4/5	NO MASS
HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER	
	NO 9AM MASS
4/6 6:30PM	+Fritz Orben [Cynthia & Family]
GOOD FRIDAY	NO 9AM MASS
4/7 2PM	SERVICE
HOLY SATURDAY	NO 9AM MASS / NO CONFESSIONS
4/8 1PM	FOOD BLESSING
EASTER VIGIL	NO 4PM MASS
4/8 8:30PM	+Mary Bearer [Fred R. & Rosemary Tice]
EASTER SUNDAY	THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
4/9 8AM	*Mass for the People
4/9 11AM	+McGinty & Stawaisz Families [Stawaisz Family]



Tuesday / 9:30 AM–11:00 PM
Wednesday / 9:00 AM–11:00 PM

Join us for an hour of *Prayer*, every
Wednesday during Adoration at 7pm

For more information call:
Jo Feeney 724-699-3340 / Monica 724-977-7665

CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL

- Due to changing banks, CSA checks must be made payable to Notre Dame Church only.
- When submitting a CSA payment without a notice, please indicate in the memo section of your check "CSA" to ensure credit is posted properly.



SAT 4/8 8:30PM	EASTER VIGIL	
LECTOR R. Mondak M. Mondak K. Higgins K. Wagner	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. D. Palisin	ALTAR SERVER Volunteer Needed
SUN 4/9 8AM	EASTER	
LECTOR T. Bain	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. T. Brandenstein R. Mentrek / B. Rossi P. Slezak	ALTAR SERVER A. Zahniser
SUN 4/9 11AM		
LECTOR B. Moder	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. K. Davenport / R. Fleis M. Goncz / K. Stephenson	ALTAR SERVER N. Selby
THU 4/6 6:30PM HOLY THURSDAY		
LECTOR M. Multari	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. S. Goclano	ALTAR SERVER Volunteer Needed
FRI 4/7 2PM GOOD FRIDAY		
LECTOR J. Pursel J. Spatara	EUCCHARISTIC MIN. D. Boller / D. Boller	ALTAR SERVER Volunteer Needed

***ATTN VOLUNTEERS! Please sign-in prior to Mass**



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" item is **PAPER TOWELS**. The upcoming item will be canned fruit.

Thank you for your care and concern for God's needy.

BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE



Please keep the family of
Michael Chavara
in your prayers.

"Into your hands Oh Lord we commend our brothers and sisters"

SOUP AND SALAD - GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH!

Following 2:00pm Service * Salad will be provided * Anyone interested in making a pot/crock pot of soup to share or would like to help setup, serve, or cleanup, contact Michelle Becker 724.699.5891

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades: Pre-K - 11th

Sunday Mornings: 9:15AM - 10:45AM

Use Grotto entrance of SJPII School

****April 2023****

- 2 Class - Palm/Passion Sunday
- 9 NO CLASS - Easter
- 16 Class
- 23 Class - First Eucharist Retreat / 11am Mass-3pm
No morning RE class for Grade 3
- 30 Last Class

**7 Good Friday - Living Stations CANCELLED
due to unforeseen circumstances.**

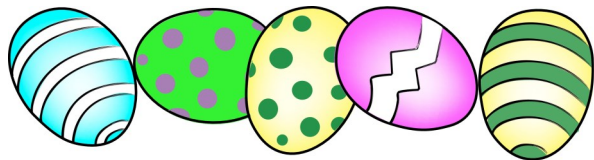
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EASTER BREAD SALE!

Bread purchases and pickup will be available
at the John Paul School Kitchen
before & after Mass this weekend
at Our Lady of Fatima, St Bartholomew, & Notre Dame.

**Traditional, Raisin, and Tri-Color
\$10 or any 3 for \$25**

EASTER EGG HUNT!

On Easter Sunday, Notre Dame Church will once again offer an Easter egg hunt for our children after the 11 a.m. Mass.



Men, mark your calendars! We will be hosting a
Men's Breakfast
Notre Dame
Saturday, June 3
with speaker Fr. Larry Richards
More information to come!

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES A TRAVEL STORY

Tuesday, April 4

Come join us for a Bible Study of the
Acts of the Apostles
presented by Pat Polesnak.

Classes will be held on Tuesdays
at 6:30pm in the Multipurpose
Room on the following
dates: April 4, 11, and 18

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Congratulations to Justin Magestro, head coach of the KCHS girls basketball team, and a loyal Notre Dame parishioner on his State Championship win in Division 2 State basketball last week in Hershey, PA. The win vindicates last year's runner up accomplishment (nothing shameful about 2nd in the state). Congratulations to Justin, his daughter Bella, and all the team.

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Abuse Prevention Month - Reporting known or suspected child abuse: It is every adult's moral responsibility to report known or suspected abuse or neglect of a minor to the responsible authorities.

Sexual abuse of minors is a pervasive societal problem, and only concerted and sustained efforts by all adults in every segment of society can help to protect children and youth. In the 2021 Pennsylvania statewide report there were 5,036 substantiated reports of child abuse in Pennsylvania. 2,171 or 39.9% of the substantiated reports were for sexual abuse, 1,418 were physical abuse. Parents remain the persons most responsible for abuse of their children.

To report suspected abuse of a minor, call Childline at 1-800-932-0323 (anytime 24/7). In the Diocese of Erie for particular questions on reporting abuse, you may call The Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-824-1195.

NOTRE DAME Book Club

Thursday, April 20th / 6:30 PM
NOTRE DAME MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

We will be reading, *If We Were Villians*, by M. L. Rio.
A few books will be available outside the parish office.

Please join us!