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MASS SCHEDULE

TUE: 6:00 PM at St. Maurice
WED: 8:00 AM at St. John
THUR: 6:00 PM at IC
FRI: 8:00 AM at St. John
SAT: 8:00 AM at St. John
(Holy Hour One Hour Prior to All Masses Listed Above.)

SATURDAY VIGIL

4:00 PM at St. Maurice
5:00 PM at St. John

SUNDAY OBLIGATION

7:30 AM at St. John
9:00 AM at IC
10:00 AM at St. Maurice

ADORATION EVERY FRIDAY

9:00 AM-12:00 PM at St. Maurice
12:00 PM-3:00 PM at IC
3:00 PM-6:00 PM at St. John

ROSARY

Mondays 10:30 AM
at Immaculate Conception

CONFESSION TIMES

ST. JOHN: Friday 3:00-4:00 PM
Saturday 4:45 PM
IC: Thursday 5:10 PM-5:25 PM
After Sunday Mass
ST. MAURICE: 15 minutes before
weekend Masses

March 22 ~ 5th Sunday of Lent
March 25 ~ Penance Service, IC, 6-7
March 27 ~ Way of the Cross 6:00 PM
March 29 ~ Palm Sunday
April 2 ~ Holy Thursday 5:00 PM
April 3 ~ Good Friday 1:00 PM
April 3 ~ Holy Land Collection
April 4 ~ Holy Saturday 8:00 PM
April 5 ~ Easter Sunday 10:30 AM
April 8 ~ Bible Study Begins 5:30 PM

Pope Leo XIV



Knights of Columbus Meet in
Batesville 4th Monday 7PM

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+ **Baptism** is scheduled by appointment. Call your parish office for information about sacramental preparation.

+ The Sacrament of **Marriage** requires at least six months of preparation. Call your parish office before setting your wedding date.

+ The Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request. Please call your parish office to schedule a visit.



March 22, 2026 ~ 5th Sunday of Lent Called from the Pits

There are times when a little death turns out to be an unexpected doorway to new life.

Fr. Joseph Juknialis

Have you experienced times when your spirit feels deader than dead, but then someone or something calls you back into life? I have. When that happens to us, I think we've been blessed with a hint of the resurrection. When I find myself wondering if there is really life beyond death, if resurrection really does happen to us, I think about all the times when what I thought was a death turned out to be some unexpected doorway to new life. If that happens with such little deaths along the way, wouldn't it also happen on our last day on this earth? †

Bringing Home the Word

From time immemorial God has promised, "O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them. Then you shall know that I am the Lord." But this will not happen before Jesus weeps. He weeps in front of discouragement: "You want to go back there?" He weeps in front of bitterness: "Could he not have done something?" He weeps in front of despair: "Lord, by now there will be a stench." This is the best moment for God to raise Lazarus from his grave, for then the event will teach us just how far we must go in trusting the power of Jesus' love for us. If you are "dead because of sin, the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you."

Magnificat

A Word from Pope

Leo XIV

A very widespread ailment of our time is the fatigue of living: reality seems to us to be too complex, burdensome, difficult to face. And so we switch off, we fall asleep.... But reality has to be faced.... Let us go to Jesus: he can heal us, he can revive us. Jesus is our hope!

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, JUNE 25, 2025



Meditation of the Day

"Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?'" JOHN 11:40

Many of us say that we believe in God. We attend Sunday Mass and participate in parish events. But when life gets hard and the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe? Do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, recognizing all that we have been given, we really do see that God is providing for our needs. Living a grateful and generous life allows us to see God's active presence in our daily lives and we become "partakers of the divine nature."

Magnificat

Sunday Readings

Ezekiel 37:12-14

You shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and make you come up out of them, my people!

Romans 8:8-11

The one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit that dwells in you.

John 11:1-45 or John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Jesus told Martha, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."



So that we may have the courage to heed your call to come out of the darkness, we pray—Lord, let us be like you.

The Redemptorists

- ~ What "little deaths" have you experienced?
- ~ Did any of them bring new possibilities.



Jesus Christ is Lord. In today's Gospel, He raised Lazarus from the dead.

STEWARDSHIP

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Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Service: This week, do something for others. As your Lenten journey nears the end, be sure to give alms to those in need.

General Intercession: For the success of the Catholic Ministries Appeal, which helps spread the Good News across our Island. **We pray to the Lord...**

Good Friday ~ Holy Land Special Collection

800 Years Ago the Church entrusted the guardianship of the Holy Land to the Franciscans. They preserve the holy places and make it possible for Christians to remain in the Land of Jesus. May our prayers, sacrifices and financial offerings lead to peace for all!



March 29, 2026 ~ Palm Sunday of The Passion of the Lord

The Art of Dying

Fr. Joseph Juknialis

When I was much younger and idealistic, I might have been ready to die for some worthy cause. Friends who were about my age had the same experience. There was something romantic about giving up our lives. Something glorious—or so we thought.

There was the brotherhood and sisterhood of us all, peace and non-violence, nuclear arms opposition, equal opportunities for education and housing. Many of us around the same age thought we would lay down our lives for any one of those dreams.

For some of us, things have changed. We've grown older and, perhaps, wiser, and it seems we're not so eager to die anymore. The glamor has been tarnished, and, for some, the romance has turned from infatuation to disillusion. Death seems like a tragedy, continually rearing its strength to destroy in full or in part the fruit of our lives.

Yet, death continues to remain the only doorway into real life. Without death, there is no life—in this life or in any life. For that reason, then, one of the tasks of life is to learn how to die well, which is something we also need to teach our children. It takes a lifetime to learn how to die for one another, and that is why our young people need a community of adults who seek to master the art of dying. It is also why, for one long week, we tell the story of Jesus and of how, for the sake of us all, he did not back away from death. †

Bringing Home the Word

Holy Week is upon us, and the Church's liturgies will immerse us in the sights and sounds of Jesus' final week of earthly life. We have the privilege of becoming intimately involved in these scenes. Saint Gregory Nazianzen invites us: "If you are Simon of Cyrene, take up the cross and follow. If you are crucified with him as a thief, come to know God as kindhearted.... If you are Joseph from Arimathea, ask for the body from the crucifier; let that which cleanses the world become yours.... If you are a certain Mary...weep at daybreak. Be the first to see the stone removed."

In these sacred days, let us keep watch as the Lord gives his life for us, so that, in the end, we will indeed see the stone removed.

Magnificat

A Word from Pope Leo XIV



Dear brothers and sisters, we too are invited to "prepare the Passover" of the Lord. Not only the liturgical one: that of our life too. Every gesture of willingness, every gratuitous act, every forgiveness given in advance, every effort patiently accepted, is a way to prepare a place where God can dwell. What does it mean for me today to "prepare"?

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, AUGUST 6, 2025

Sunday Readings

Matthew 21:1–11

The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road.

Isaiah 50:4–7

The Lord God is my help; therefore I am not disgraced.

Philippians 2:6–11

He emptied himself, taking the form of a slave [and]...humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross.

Matthew 26:14—27:66 or 27:11–54

Jesus cried out again in a loud voice and gave up his spirit.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- ~ Who has sacrificed for you?
- ~ Have you "paid it forward" with gratitude?



So that we may enter this Holy Week and pray together with other believers for the salvation of the world, we pray—Lord, let us be like you.

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Redemptorists

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross." MATTHEW 27:32

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him "carry his cross." These opportunities aren't usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.



PARISH SUPPORT

March 8	2,952.00
March 15	2,502.00
Capital Campaign	4,427.00
Central & Eastern Europe	334.00
Catholic Relief Services	372.00
Criterion	10.00
Easter Flowers	25.00
Funeral Dinners (Keiffer, Wenker)	700.00
Cemetery Fund	2,625.00

MASS Intentions

Mass Intentions Available. Please stop in the parish office, mail, call or drop in the collection basket to have a Mass said for your loved ones. Mass stipends are \$10

Sat	Mar 21	8:00 AM	~ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Mar 21	5:00 PM	† Sandra Meisberger
Sun	Mar 22	7:30 AM	† Ken Colyer
Mon	Mar 23	8:00 AM	† Helen & Irvin Amberger
Wed	Mar 25	8:00 AM	† Jeremy Ogden
Fri	Mar 27	8:00 AM	† Don Newhart
Sat	Mar 28	8:00 AM	† Eileen Keifer
Sat	Mar 28	5:00 PM	† Samantha Toops
Sun	Mar 29	7:30 AM	† Emily Mathes
Mon	Mar 30	8:00 AM	~ Fr Binu & All Priests
Wed	Apr 01	8:00 AM	† Don Newhart

Holy Thursday

Thurs Apr 02 5:00 PM † Emily Mathes

Good Friday Services – No Mass

Fri Apr 03 1:00 PM

Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil

Sat Apr 04 8:00 PM † Al Mathes

Easter Sunday

Sun Apr 05 10:30 AM † Ken Colyer

Ensuring the Future Update

Kramer Roofing will be at church this coming week with a lift to take measurements of the towers in preparation to start work this spring.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	March 28	March 29
Coordinator	Sharon Voegeli	Ted Wissel
Greeter	Bob Voegeli	Rosie/Felie
Lector	Gary Payne-L/V Sharon Voegeli-N	Chris Horton -L/V Jill Jansing-N
Eucharist	Ron Ebinger	John Holzer
Wine	Susan B/Kris T	Roger M/Bill M

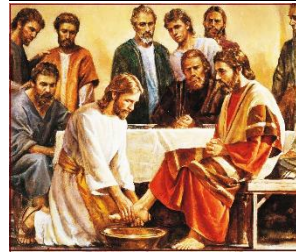
Holy Thursday April 2 Good Friday April 3

Coordinator	Kris Taylor	Ron Miller
Greeter	Steve Mathes	Jill Jansing
Lector	Gary Payne	Melissa G L/V Sharon V N/I
Eucharist	Ron Ebinger	Ron Miller
Wine	Susan B/Kris T	

Holy Saturday April 4 Easter Sunday April 5

Coordinator	Ted Wissel	Sharon Voegeli
Greeter	Stratton Family	Bob Voegeli
Lector	Jill Jansing	John Holzer
Eucharist	Jill Jansing	John Holzer
Wine	Ron E/Kris T	Bill Mc/Roger M

HOLY THURSDAY ~ 5:00 PM



At the Last Supper, on the night he was betrayed, our Savior instituted the **Eucharistic Sacrifice of His Body and Blood.** We too re-create this most holy moment by the priest washing the feet of **12 of our parishioners.** If you would like

to participate, please sign up as you leave Church.

GOOD FRIDAY ~ 1:00 PM

Friday of the Passion of the Lord. According to the Church's ancient tradition, Mass is not celebrated today. The celebration of the Lord's Passion consists of three parts: the Liturgy of the Word, the Adoration of the Cross and Holy Communion.



**Good Friday, April 3, 2026 – Special Collection
The Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land ~**

In these days of escalating tensions and war in the Middle East, our attention is drawn to the instability in the region and the dangers experienced by the people living there.

Good Friday takes on an even deeper meaning for us. The Pontifical Collection is not just a gesture of solidarity; it is a concrete sign of communion with the Church in Jerusalem.

The War, the violence and the insecurity have hit Gaza, Palestine, Israel, Lebanon and Syria hard. Today more than ever we are called to rebuild not only buildings, but we are called to rebuild relations, trust and hope.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson

Please Remember in Prayer:

Mary K Chambers	Elliott Elkins	Stanley Green	Abby Dicken	Melissa Chapman	Robert Hillenburg
Larry Kendall	Mark Meister	Paul Graf	Amy Graham	Susie Huff	Diane Menchhofer
Dolores Simon	Peggy Wagner	Teresita Noah	Tom Noah	Pavi Pathak Family	Candy Reidenbach
		Melanie Givan	Judy Lingerich	Marsha Meister	



Active Service Deployment - Ben Zigan ~ Michael Schmitt