

St. Augustine Catholic Church

April 2, 2023



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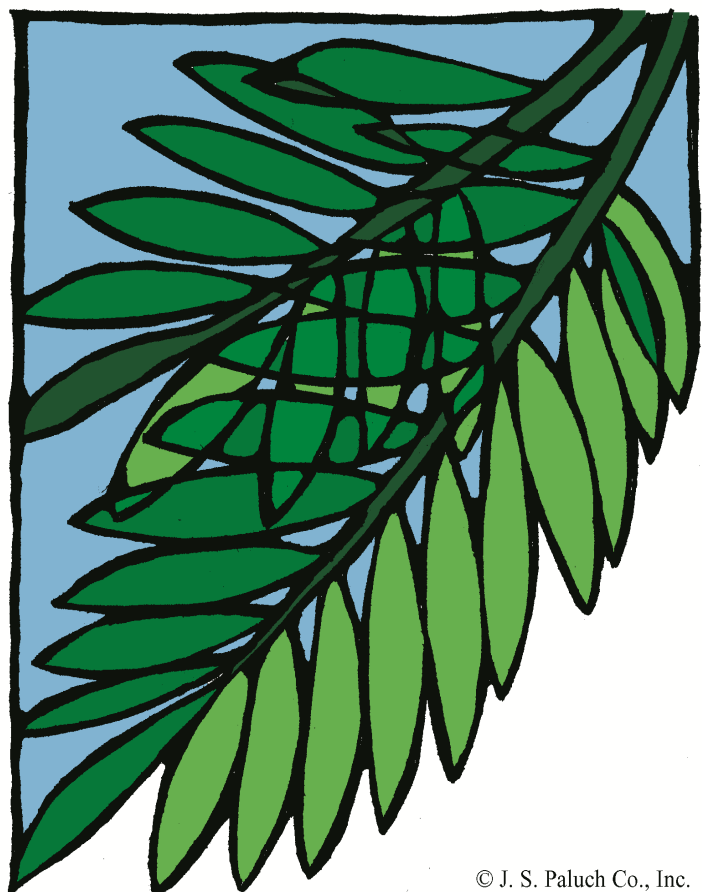
Welcome to Worship

on the Lord's Day

9:00 AM

Live Streamed 9:00 AM

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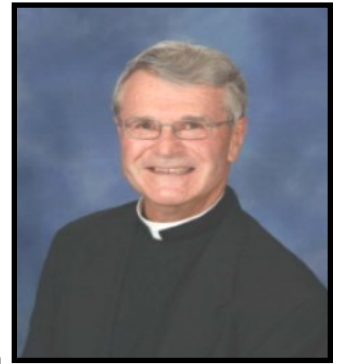
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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Dear Church Family,

As I sit in my favorite prayer chair on this Wednesday morning with the sun shining in on me, I take time to reflect once again on this sacred journey that I have been privileged to take with you each Lent for the past 31 years. I also reflect on the blessings that are ours as we go through these sacred ceremonies. Starting today, which is Palm Sunday, we have praised the Lord with **Hosannas** and we have tried to parade around the church without falling down to witness that **God is Good all the time and all the time God is Good!** Here, we praise Jesus! However, without the crowd in a few days, we may see our own sinfulness. As a result, as the scripture shows the crowd and often us, we all get turned around through our own sinfulness. On **Wednesday at 7 p.m.**, we will have our last Lenten Mass.



We can also see God's love for us on **Holy Thursday** as we celebrate the institution of two of the seven great sacrament, **Holy Orders** and **Holy Eucharist**. In *Holy Orders*, we see that Jesus is giving the power to His apostles and to us, through His sacred words over the bread and wine. Then it becomes present again. I am so privileged to represent all of you in that way. We do this very solemnly at both masses, on Thursday and Friday nights.

On **Good Friday**, it is the solemn giving of Jesus' life for us, His people. We, sometimes in our sinfulness, don't totally appreciate God loving us as He does. At this time we will celebrate in a very bland way with Jesus' passion and death. Then follows our veneration of the symbol we have used through the centuries. The Cross is a sign of our salvation and a sign of ourselves sinning but being redeemed.

Then on **Holy Saturday at 8 p.m.**, some will be received into the Catholic Family. We will light the fire outside of the church, and come into the darkened building. It is really beautiful inside because the stars shine on the ceiling with our laser beams. It is a beautiful sign of light coming into the darkened world. That's what we are celebrating. This the evening that our own Saint Augustine has called Holy Saturday, "the Mother of All Celebrations" because it is going from death to life!

Finally, on **Easter Sunday**, we will hold our Mass at the regular time of 9 A.M. Thanks for sharing with me this Lenten season and thanks for being a part of Holy Week in lots of beautiful ways. Now we can finally Proclaim that sacred word that we haven't said during this time, but is written on the back of my car – Alleluia! Halleluia!! Halleluia!!!

Love, Father Bob

The More You Know: An Informed Catholic is a Well-formed Catholic

To gain a deeper understanding of the topic, follow the **ACTS** (*Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, Supplication*) process and consider deeper reading and thinking about each topic using the appropriate, associated references. This is one small effort for Catholic Evangelization and Education. Always remind yourself of the Holy Trinity and of Christ's Redemption of our souls.

Liturgy Note: MASS Time is GOD's Time. It is not Twitter, Face Book, TikTok, or any other social media platform time. Please turn off all cell phones until mass is concluded.

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

PALM SUNDAY, also called *Passion Sunday*, in the Christian tradition, the first day of Holy Week and the Sunday before Easter, commemorating Jesus Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. It is associated in many churches with the blessing and procession of palms (leaves of the date palm or twigs from locally available trees).

The liturgy begins with a blessing and procession of palms, but prime attention is given to a lengthy reading of the Passion, with parts taken by the priest, lectors, and congregation. The palms are often taken home by the members of the congregation to serve as sacramentals (sacred signs of the sacraments), and some of them are burned the following year to serve as the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

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*****Parish News*****

Schedule of Masses for Holy Week

Lenten Mass (Wednesday, April 5) 7:00 p.m.
Holy Thursday (Thursday, April 6) 7:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross (Friday, April 7) 12 Noon
Good Friday Service (Friday, April 7) 7:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday (Saturday, April 8) 8:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday (Sunday, April 9) 9:00 a.m.

Join us for Mass during Holy Week!

Entering the Faith and Receiving Holy Communion

Church family pray for Willie Mae Bass and Jessica and Phoenix Rush who will be welcomed to the Faith Easter. We also pray for Kennedy Rush, Trinity Rhodes, Curtis Harris and Trinity Kirk as they prepare to receive First Holy Communion in the spring. May the Holy Spirit prepare them to receive these most blessed sacraments.

Cards for Sick and Shut-ins - Please write a note or just sign the cards in the back of the church for our sick and shut-ins and those who are unable to attend church at this time. This is a part of our Lenten effort and it will certainly let those receiving the cards know that We Are Family and continuing to pray for them.

Rice Bowls - Please turn in your Rice Bowl donations and make sure your name is on the box so that you will receive proper credit for this donation. Thank you for your generosity and sacrifice during Lent.

Your Gifts To God and Parish

Sunday, March 26, 2023

Sunday Envelope Budget \$5,424.00
Envelopes \$1,737.80
Online giving 1,186.55
Loose 45.00
Total \$2,969.35



Collection for Retired Priests

On Easter Sunday, April 9th, the annual in-parish Archbishop's Collection for Retired Priests will be held. The collection supports the care of current priests in retirement and helps to ensure that active priests will receive the support they need once they retire. You may also give by texting 4PRIESTS to 314-648-8456 or contribute online at archstl.org/retiredpriests

Interested in becoming a Parish Council Member?

We are looking for candidates to serve as Parish Council Members. See Simeon Layne for information.

Lector Schedule-9:00 a.m.

April 2, Palm Sunday

Lectors: Doris Miller Robin King
Prayers of the Faithful: Kathy Beasley
Altar Servers: Corliss Cox, Rogerdreka Davis, Abe Lopez
Crucifer: Derek Moore
Gospel Narrative: Narrator: Abe Lopez Voice: Bill Murphy

April 6, Holy Thursday

Lectors: Gillian Killingsworth Kim Reid
Foot Washing Team Leader: Luci Rucker
Altar Servers: Volunteers

April 7, Good Friday

Lectors: Carmen Charleston Gail Owens
Gospel Narrative: Narrator: Leslie House Voice: Bill Murphy
Altar Servers: Volunteers

April 9, Easter Sunday

Lectors: Flora Cole Shirley Robinson
Prayers of the Faithful: Elaine Williams
Altar Servers: Corliss Cox, Rogerdreka Davis, David Williams
Crucifer: David Williams

Usher Schedule- 9:00 a.m.

1st and 3rd Sunday

Carolyn Brown
Yvonne Harris
Eleanor Hickerson
Leslie House
Rochelle Love
Shirley McCleary
Luci Rucker

2nd and 4th Sunday

Jean Anderson
Linda Hancock-Ross
John Hodge
Bianca Jones
Aretha Jordan
Sheryl Mangum
Stephanie Reed

Youth Ushers- 5th Sunday

All Ushers-Special Masses

Please pray for our sick and shut-in

Eric Bergmann, Elaine Billups, Jeanne Birkenmeier, Geraldine Brown, Samvester Brown, Stacy Carter, Harold Cole, Ann Gettinger, Fr. Bob, Deacon Ed & Terri Grotpe-ter, Vivian Hartfield, Kenneth Hearndon, Hazel Hinton, Geraldine Johnson, Arsenia Kincade, Fr. Gerry Kleba, Fin-ley "Gabby" Martin, Maria Maxwell, Arline Mc Daniel, Emanuel McDaniel, Angela McKissic, Edna Renfroe, Hen-ry Ross, Margaret Ross, Dorothy Sing, Vincent Taylor, Lillie Tuckson, Salome Turner, Marsha Wheeler, Harriett White, Lonnie White.

Pray for them that they will be healed.

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In Loving Memory

MARION WOOTEN, loving mother of Kenya and eight other children

Remember all of our departed loved ones.

*In my Father's house are many rooms.
If it were not so, would I have told you that
I will go to prepare a place for you? John 14:2*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the following Parishioners celebrating Birthdays this week

- Sierra Killingsworth April 2
- Pauline Humphrey April 3
- Joseph Holland April 3
- Jacqueline Mastin April 4
- Debra Tolliver Nash April 5
- Jaleesa Westmoreland Ginger April 6



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
April 3 - 9, 2023**

- Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
- Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
- Thursday: **Chrism Mass:** Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 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; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
- Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10
- Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord;
- Monday: Monday of Holy Week
- Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
- Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week; Passover (Jewish celebration) begins at sunset
- Thursday: Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum
- Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence; First Friday
- Saturday: Holy Saturday; The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Prayer for Holy Week

Merciful God, as we enter Holy Week, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, and to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Stir up within us the gift of faith that we may not only praise him with our lips, but may follow him in the way of the cross. Amen.

MASS & SACRAMENTS

- Sunday:** 9:00 a.m.
Live Streaming on YouTube—St. Augustine Catholic Church St. Louis MO
- Monday-Friday:** 8:00 a.m. (Rectory)
- Saturday:** 9:00 a.m. (Adoration)
- Holy Days & Holidays:** 9:00 a.m.
- Baptism:** Infants & Pre-Schoolers
Series of 3 classes for parents
(1) Baptism of Jesus
(2) Easter Sunday morning
(3) Feast of St. Augustine
- Reconciliation:** Anytime by Appointment
- Matrimony:** See priest 6 months before date.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & MONTHLY MEETINGS

- Fr. Bob's Outreach-**(Energy Assistance) 314-385-1934 ext. 3
- Parish Council-**1st Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
- Liturgy Committee-**1st Monday at 6:00 p.m.
- Finance Committee-**3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
(No committee meetings held in July or August)
- St. Vincent DePaul Society-**2nd Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *(No meetings held July & August)*
- Information for Bulletin Deadline: Monday, 9:30 am**

***Please submit in writing or email
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