

# ALL SAINTS

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL



*Love God • Serve Others • Form Disciples*



**April 12 & April 13, 2025;  
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

*Blessed  
is the king who  
comes in the name  
of the Lord. Peace in  
heaven and glory  
in the highest.*

Luke 19:38

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday 8:00 am  
Wednesday 8:00 am  
Thursday 5:30 pm  
Friday 5:30 pm



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## Please Pray for the Following People

(*Why people want prayers isn't important, the prayers are!*)



Brian Conway, † Margaret Steffen, † Richard Hingtgen, and † Sharon Byrne.

To add a name call Dan Alpers, at 363-6130, ext. 100. Names will be listed for four weeks and may be renewed. †, Recently deceased will be listed for two weeks.

## Stewardship Corner



How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet so not to cause a disturbance? Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you? Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith? Pray for the courage to speak up in Stewardship and enter into a respectful conversation when the opportunity to talk about our faith arises.

## A Weekly Tip on Caring for Our Common Home



Whenever possible, save up your errands and combine as many as you can into a single trip. This will mean much less vehicle exhaust than if you made separate trips, and it will save wear and tear on your vehicle.

## For the Married Couples



“He humbled himself, taking the form of a slave...” (Phil 2:7). How might you humble yourself in the presence of God and of your spouse, showing sacrificial love by “becoming the least?”

## Attention Married Couples



Is it time to disconnect from the world and reconnect with one another? Busy lives can take away from our relationships. Put your relationship on track for more communication, love and harmony. The upcoming weekends in Iowa are April 25-27 in Epworth and September 12-14 in Dubuque. For more information contact Greg and Denise at 563-920-9419 or sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on [wwme.org](http://wwme.org). Early registration is highly recommended.

# Everyday Metanoia



Welcome to the Palm Sunday. There is a lot of movement and a lot of different characters in today's Gospel reading. There is one very human feeling that is like a thread that knits it all together: the feeling of abandonment or of being forsaken. Every time I read or hear these passages, I wonder why Jesus, who obeyed the will of his Father to the end, had to experience this utter sense of hopelessness. Many of us have hit the depths of anguish and it's a horrible place to be. Most of us wouldn't wish this on our worst enemy. So why did Jesus have to sink to this rock bottom level of despair? It seems that Pope Francis has wrestled with this, too. His

homily from 2 years ago provided understanding, wisdom and hope to my question. For all the times that we have experienced the same, I pray that Pope Francis' words bring the same enlightenment and gratitude for the immense love that our Father has for us to you as they did for me.

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?. This is the cry that today's liturgy has us repeat in the responsorial psalm, the only cry that Jesus makes from the cross in the Gospel we have heard. Those words bring us to the very heart of Christ's passion, the culmination of the sufferings he endured for our salvation. 'Why have you forsaken me?'. The sufferings of Jesus were many, and whenever we listen to the account of the Passion, they pierce our hearts. There were sufferings of the body: let us think of the slaps and beatings, the flogging and the crowning with thorns, and in the end, the cruelty of the crucifixion. There were also sufferings of the soul: the betrayal of Judas, the denials of Peter, the condemnation of the religious and civil authorities, the mockery of the guards, the jeering at the foot of the cross, the rejection of the crowd, utter failure and the flight of the disciples. Yet, amid all these sorrows, Jesus remained certain of one thing: the closeness of the Father. Now, however, the unthinkable has taken place. Before dying, he cries out: 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' The forsakenness of Jesus.

This is the most searing of all sufferings, the suffering of the spirit. At his most tragic hour, Jesus experiences abandonment by God. Prior to that moment, he had never called the Father by his generic name, 'God'. To convey the impact of this, the Gospel also reports his words in Aramaic. These are the only words of Jesus from the cross that have come down to us in the original language. The real event is the extreme abasement, being forsaken by the Father, forsaken by God. We find it hard even to grasp what great suffering he embraced out of love for us. He sees the gates of heaven close, he finds himself at the bitter edge, the shipwreck of life, the collapse of certainty. And he cries out: 'Why?' A 'why' that embraces every other 'why' ever spoken. 'Why, God?.

'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' In the Bible, the word 'forsake' is powerful. We hear it at moments of extreme pain: love that fails, or is rejected or betrayed; children who are rejected and aborted; situations of repudiation, the lot of widows and orphans; broken marriages, forms of social exclusion, injustice and oppression; the solitude of sickness. In a word, in the drastic severing of the bonds that unite us to others. There, this word is spoken: 'abandonment'. Christ brought all of this to the cross; upon his shoulders, he bore the sins of the world. And at the supreme moment, Jesus, the only-begotten, beloved Son of the Father, experienced a situation utterly alien to his very being: abandonment, the distance of God. Why did it have to come to this? He did it for us. There is no other answer. For us. Brothers and sisters, today this is not merely a show. Every one of us, hearing of Jesus' abandonment, can say: for me. This abandonment is the price he paid for me. He became one with each of us in order to be completely and definitively one with us to the very end. He experienced abandonment in order not to leave us prey to despair, in order to stay at our side forever. He did this for me, for you, because whenever you or I or anyone else seems pinned to the wall, lost in a blind alley, plunged into the abyss of abandonment, sucked into a whirlwind of so many 'whys' without an answer, there can still be a hope: Jesus himself, for you, for me. It is not the end, because Jesus was there and even now, he is at your side. He endured the distance of abandonment in order to take up into his love every possible distance that we can feel. So that each of us

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## Everyday Metanoia (cont.)



might say: in my failings, and each of us has failed many times, in my desolation, whenever I feel betrayed or betrayed others, whenever I feel cast aside or have cast aside others, whenever I feel forsaken or have abandoned others, let us think of Jesus, who was abandoned, betrayed and cast aside. There, we find him. When I feel lost and confused, when I feel that I can't go on, he is beside me. Amid all my unanswered questions 'why...?', he is there.

That is how the Lord saves us, from within our questioning 'why?' From within that questioning, he opens the horizon of hope that does not disappoint. On the cross, even as he felt utter abandonment – this is the ultimate end – Jesus refused to yield to despair; instead, he prayed and trusted. He cried out his 'why?' in the words of Psalm 22, and commended himself into the hands of the Father, despite how distant he felt him to be or rather, whom he did not feel, for instead he felt himself abandoned. In the hour of his abandonment, Jesus continued to trust. At the hour of abandonment, he continued to love his disciples who had fled, leaving him alone. In his abandonment he forgave those who crucified him. Here we see the abyss of our many evils immersed in a greater love, with the result that our isolation becomes fellowship.

Brothers and sisters, a love like this, embracing us totally and to the very end, the love of Jesus, can turn our stony hearts into hearts of flesh. His is a love of mercy, tenderness and compassion. This is God's style: closeness, compassion and tenderness. God is like this. Christ, in his abandonment, stirs us to seek him and to love him and those who are themselves abandoned. For in them we see not only people in need, but Jesus himself, abandoned: Jesus, who saved us by descending to the depths of our human condition. He is with each of them, abandoned even to death... I think of the German so-called 'street person', who died under the colonnade, alone and abandoned. He is Jesus for each of us. So many need our closeness, so many are abandoned. I too need Jesus to caress me and draw close to me, and for this reason I go to find him in the abandoned, in the lonely. He wants us to care for our brothers and sisters who resemble him most, those experiencing extreme suffering and solitude. Today, dear brothers and sisters, their numbers are legion. Entire peoples are exploited and abandoned; the poor live on our streets and we look the other way; there are migrants who are no longer faces but numbers; there are prisoners who are disowned; people written off as problems. Countless other abandoned persons are in our midst, invisible, hidden, discarded with white gloves: unborn children, the elderly who live alone: they could perhaps be your father or mother, your grandfather or grandmother, left alone in retirement homes, the sick whom no one visits, the disabled who are ignored, and the young burdened by great interior emptiness, with no one prepared to listen to their cry of pain. And they find no path other than suicide. The abandoned of our day. The 'Christs' of our day.

Jesus, in his abandonment, asks us to open our eyes and hearts to all who find themselves abandoned. For us, as disciples of the 'forsaken' Lord, no man, woman or child can be regarded as an outcast, no one left to himself or herself. Let us remember that the rejected and the excluded are living icons of Christ: they remind us of his reckless love, his forsakenness that delivers us from every form of loneliness and isolation. Brothers and sisters, today let us implore this grace: to love Jesus in his abandonment and to love Jesus in the abandoned all around us. Let us ask for the grace to see and acknowledge the Lord who continues to cry out in them. May we not allow his voice to go unheard amid the deafening silence of indifference. God has not left us alone; let us care, then, for those who feel alone and abandoned. Then, and only then, will we be of one mind and heart with the one who, for our sake, 'emptied himself'. He emptied himself completely for us."

My friends, please come home for Easter! Join us for the entirety of Holy Week. Come and be renewed. Come and be loved.

Tracy Huk, Business Manager, [businessmgr@allsaintscr.com](mailto:businessmgr@allsaintscr.com)

# Hold on to Hope



When you contribute to our sister parish, you help their children HOLD ON TO HOPE for the future.

## Hold on to Hope

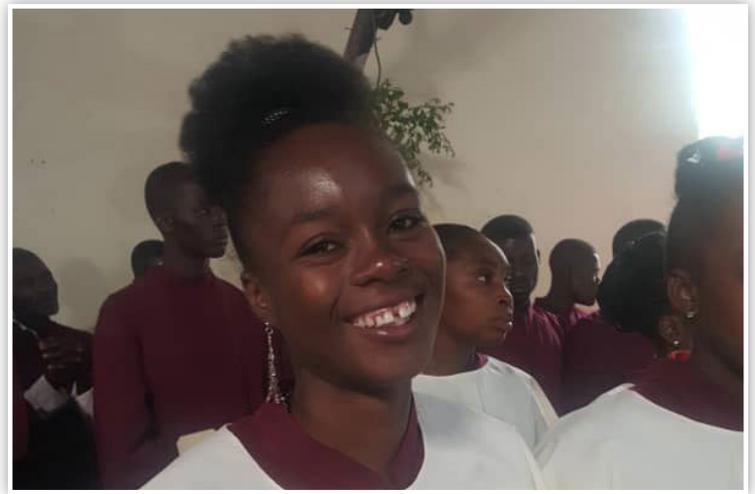
Notre Dame de Lourdes | 2025 Lenten Alms for Haiti



*These children are the future of our sister parish as well as the country of Haiti. Our support for their education is vital to that future!*



*See above caption.*



*This young woman finished school in Ducrabon, the village where our sister parish is based, and went on to finish high school and college in Haiti's capital city of Port au Prince. She is now a nurse at one of the most respected hospitals in Haiti. She is the future. When it is safe, she returns to the village, visiting the schools and talking to students about the importance of education.*

Please continue to support our sister parish with prayer and financial contributions.

Donate today! Visit [allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/giving](https://allsaintscr.churchcenter.com/giving) and choose "Haiti Lenten Alms" from the drop-down menu. You can also send a check to All Saints, with HAITI LENTEN ALMS in the memo line.

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# Holy Week Schedule



Tuesday, April 15	Mass in the Chapel	8:00 AM
	Chrism Mass at St. Raphael Cathedral	2:00 PM
Wednesday, April 16	Mass in the Chapel	8:00 AM
Thursday, April 17	Holy Thursday Mass in the Sanctuary	5:30 PM
	Evening Prayer in the Social Hall	immediately after Mass
Friday, April 18	Silent Adoration in the Social Hall	8:00 - 10:00 AM
	(Please enter through the Social Hall doors)	
	Please note: Parish Office Closes at noon	
	Good Friday Service in the Sanctuary	5:30 PM
Saturday, April 19	Easter Vigil in the Sanctuary	8:00 PM
Sunday, April 20	Easter in the Sanctuary	9:00 AM
	(Please use the reservation system found on the All Saints website)	
Monday, April 21	Please note: Parish Office Closed	

## Mercy Auxiliary Spring Bazaar



### Mercy Auxiliary Presents: Mercy Auxiliary Spring Bazaar Thursday, April 17, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mercy Medical Center – Hallagan Education Center, 701 10th Street SE, Cedar Rapids. Mercy will presenting the annual Spring Bazaar. Not only will there be nearly 40 local vendors booths, but we will also be featuring Kroul Farms with spring plants and Iowa Nutty as well as spring items at the Mercy gift shops. This event is free and open to the public.

## What is Catholic Culture?



### Tuesday, April 22, 7:00 PM at the Mt. Mercy Donnelly Center

You are invited to the 2025 Hesburgh Lecture hosted by the local Notre Dame Club! Dr. Jennifer Newsome Martin, professor of theology at the University of Notre Dame, will lead a discussion on the nature of Catholic Culture. She will offer analysis about what is distinctive about the phenomenon of Catholic Culture, with particular attention to its relationship to ethics.

## All Saints Foundation



You can share your faith beyond your lifetime by careful estate planning that includes All Saints in your will. During your lifetime you will have the joy of knowing that whatever you do not use in this life will continue in ministry through All Saints after your death. If you would like more information about leaving a legacy gift to All Saints contact Tracy Huk at 319-363-6130 ext 111 or [businessmgr@allsaintscr.com](mailto:businessmgr@allsaintscr.com). If you would like information about gift planning, please contact our planning partner at the Catholic Foundation at 563-552-0176 or

[CFAD@OurCFAD.org](mailto:CFAD@OurCFAD.org).

# Service to Others

## *Metro Catholic Outreach*



### ***Clothing For Our Clients Who Live Outside***

Each week we help about 100 homeless folks who come into our office for a small bag of food and supplies. They so appreciate all the easy-open, single-serving, nutritious, and filling foods they receive from MCO, mostly from the donations of many of you reading this newsletter.

Because laundry is hard for these folks to manage, fresh clothing is always appreciated, especially socks and underwear. This time of year, lighter weight shirts, jackets, and pants are also in need. The overflow shelter closed this week for the season, and more people are once again sleeping outside. Blankets continue to be requested every day. Our problem is that, since we are primarily a food pantry, we really don't have much more than a few file drawers to store clothing. While socks and underwear are in high demand, we just don't have the storage space for much bulky clothing. If you find yourself with lots and lots of adult clothing to unload, please consider bringing in just a few items at a time, or donating to Goodwill, Green Square Meals, Willis Dady, or Salvation Army. (Please note -- We do not take children's clothes, stained or dirty items, clothing with rips or holes, household or kitchen items.) Wheeled luggage, duffel bags, and backpacks are always extremely helpful for our homeless friends. We have had several requests for those just this week.

Thanks to all of you for your caring and concern for our neighbors living outside on the streets of our own community. Jesus calls us to be His hands and feet in this world, and YOU ARE making a difference.

## **Mt. Calvary Cemetery Association**



Founded in the 1850s, Mt. Calvary Cemetery began along a wagon trail - a place of reverence where settlers buried loved ones lost along the way. Today, Mt. Calvary Cemetery is not only the community's largest Catholic cemetery, but also one of the oldest Catholic cemeteries in Cedar Rapids. Nestled between the CeMar Trail, Indian Creek, and 32nd Street Drive SE, Mt. Calvary Cemetery has over 150 years of



rich history and is located on sacred grounds, blessed by the Catholic Church. We maintain a close working relationship with our churches and funeral homes to offer a quiet and beautiful resting place that has compassion and reverence for the dignity of your loved one, including personal attention within a comfortable, caring, and non-commercialized setting.

The cost of maintaining and improving the cemetery grounds requires ongoing financial support. Additionally, we would like to build two new columbaria and a road leading to the new Garden of St. Joseph. We are requesting your support by joining us for a Fundraising Dinner on Friday, May 23 beginning at 6:00PM at St. Pius X . To attend the dinner, please RSVP to Brandon Marsh at 319-393-4445 or [brandon@crpiusx.org](mailto:brandon@crpiusx.org).

If you are unable to attend but still would like to donate, please send your donation to: St. Pius X - Brandon Marsh, 4949 Council St NE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402 and write Mount Calvary Cemetery Fundraiser on the envelope and the notation line of the check. Thank you for your support.

## Evening Eucharistic Adoration Held During Lent



During the Lenten season, we invite you to participate in Eucharistic Adoration. It will be held in the chapel from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the following Monday evenings:

- Monday, April 14

Please join us as we spend this time in prayer and reflection. Please contact Peg Schmitz with any questions at [peg@schmitzia.com](mailto:peg@schmitzia.com).

## St. Patricks Fish Fry Dates



Every Friday during Lent from 5:00-7:30 pm. Call ahead, Dine-in, and Drive through. 2025 fish fry dates include: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18. More information can be found at [www.stpatrickscr.org/fish-fry](http://www.stpatrickscr.org/fish-fry)

## Easter Sunday Reservations



If you have not yet reserved your seats for Easter Sunday Mass, please visit the All Saints website at [www.allsaintscr.com](http://www.allsaintscr.com). There you will find two colorful buttons that will take you to the website we used to reserve seats for Christmas Eve Mass. At the time of the release of this bulletin, the church may be full but there will be plenty of seating available in the social hall. Reservations for the social hall will be available and are recommended. We look forward to celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ here at All Saints next weekend!

## Silent Adoration at the Tabernacle of Repose



Friday, April 18, 8:00 am to 10:00 am

All Saints Social Hall - please enter through the social hall doors.

## Young at Heart



Come join All Saints' Church members for the Young at Heart Luncheon on Wednesday, April 16 at noon in the Social Hall. The speaker this month is Roger Mach of St Vincent de Paul. Money from our Loaves and Fishes collection is donated to the programs provided by St. Vincent de Paul. Roger will tell us about the "Conference of St. Vincent de Paul," and we will also learn about the activities of St Vincent De Paul. There is no cost for lunch.

## Mass Intentions

Tues. April 15 8:00 am  
For those who are unemployed.

Wed. April 16 8:00 am  
† Joanne Trcka

Thurs. April 17 5:30 pm  
† Rev. Paul Peters

Fri. April 18 5:30 pm  
† Msgr. Russell Bleich

Sat. April 19 8:00 pm  
For the People

Sun. April 20 9:00 am  
† Fr. Dennis Conway

## Scripture Readings

Week of April 13, 2025

### Sunday:

Lk 19:28-40 (37)/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/  
Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49 (38)

### Monday:

Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11 (257)

### Tuesday:

Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 (258)

### Wednesday:

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42 (253)

### Thursday:

**Chrism Mass:** Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Rv  
1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21 (260)

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex  
12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15  
(39)

### Friday:

Is 52:13-53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn  
18:1-19:42 (40)

### Saturday:

**Easter Vigil:** Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/  
Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/  
Ex 14:15-15:1/Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar  
3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/  
Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12 (41)

### Sunday:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor  
5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 (42) or Lk 24:1-12 (41)

## Parish Life



Do you enjoy getting people together for fellowship and having fun as well? Parish Life Committee is looking for additional members to appreciate each event. If you are interested, please contact Ellen Mouw at 712-253-5540 or [eamouw@aol.com](mailto:eamouw@aol.com).

## Un-Committee



Don't have time for committees or meetings, but still want to help? Join the "Un-Committee" where you are contacted only for special events at All Saints Church. If interested, please contact Ellen Mouw at 712-253-5540 or [eamouw@aol.com](mailto:eamouw@aol.com).

## All Saints Nights at Green Square Meals



All Saints helps prepare and serve dinner at Green Square Meals soup kitchen, 2-3 times a month. Sign up to help at the link below or contact Melissa Peckosh (847-975-1785 or [missypeckosh@yahoo.com](mailto:missypeckosh@yahoo.com)).

ALL SAINTS NIGHTS: 2nd & 5th Tuesday, 3rd Monday  
All volunteers in sixth grade and up are welcome. Sign up at:  
<https://signup.com/go/vJYiFPm>

## Parish Office Hours



- Monday - Thursday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Friday - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Saturday and Sunday - closed

The parish staff knows that your time is valuable. Please **call** or **email** the staff member you wish to speak with to ensure that they are available.



# Bruins Beat

From Principal Starr

Dear Families,

As we continue through Lent, remember fasting comes in many forms. Our students are continuing to learn and grow each day. With the final months of the school year under way, we encourage our students to continue using this time to become better people; filled with kindness.

Fast from judging others;  
Feast on Christ dwelling in them.  
Fast from fear of illness;  
Feast on the healing power of God.  
Fast from words that pollute;  
Feast on speech that purifies.  
Fast from discontent;  
Feast on gratitude.  
Fast from anger;  
Feast on patience.  
Fast from pessimism;  
Feast on hope.  
Fast from negatives;  
Feast on encouragement.  
Fast from bitterness;  
Feast on forgiveness.  
Fast from self-concern;  
Feast on compassion.  
Fast from suspicion;  
Feast on truth.  
Fast from gossip;  
Feast on purposeful silence.  
Fast from problems that overwhelm;  
Feast on prayer that sustains.  
Fast from anxiety;  
Feast on faith



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## Ministry Schedule

*April 12, 4:00 PM Saturday*

### **Sacristan**

Cynthia Gunsolly

### **Extraordinary Ministers**

Jean Bell

Connie Deutmeyer

Riley Hoover

Suzanne Lammers

John Myers

Kourtne Powell

Mike Powell

### **Altar Servers**

Kennedy Blue

James Lammers

Ethan Meyer

### **Lectors**

Kathy Ulrich

Lisa Stephenson

### **Hospitality Ministers**

Jen Colby

Chris Colby

Ryan Donnelly

Marcia Myers

Tom Takes

Theresa Werner

*April 13, 9:00 AM Sunday*

### **Sacristan**

John Michael

### **Extraordinary Ministers**

Brian Conway

Chris Conway

Mary Jo Goerd

Terry Goerd

Nicole Johnson

Dennis Mullarkey

Gregory O'Connell

### **Altar Servers**

Lewis Benfield

Addison Johnson

Henry Johnson

### **Lectors**

David Shema

Loesje Shema

### **Hospitality Ministers**

Jeanne Amosson

Tyler Martin

Beth Martin

Chase Philpott

Maureen Wolf

Dave Wolf

# Ministry Schedule

April 17, 5:30 PM Thursday

## Holy Thursday

### Sacristan

Jean Bell

### Extraordinary Ministers

Tom Amosson

Bill Knapp

Dianne Knapp

Suzanne Lammers

John Myers

Becky Weininger

### Altar Servers

Emerson Eichhorn

Katrina Golobic

Jackson Keller

Wyatt Ross

### Lectors

Becky Weininger

Mick Erdman

### Hospitality Ministers

Sue Bright

Ryan Donnelly

Dick Kettelkamp

Marcia Myers

Peg Schmitz

April 18, 5:30 PM Friday

## Good Friday

### Sacristan

John Michael

### Extraordinary Ministers

Andrew Lang

Gregory O'Connell

### Altar Servers

Kendra Beeler

Everly Felland

Dylan Lang

Caleb Lang

### Lectors

JoAnn Hand

Robin Brown

### Hospitality Ministers

Maureen Dale Ernst

John Ernst

Nicole Johnson

Pete Rethwisch

Bea Rethwisch

Tom Takes

# Family Ministry

April 13, 2025 • Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion • Luke 22:14-23; 23:1-49

## Jesus' Last Hours

*Jesus, the miracle-worker, enters the capital city of Jerusalem with the crowds cheering and waving palms. A week later, after the Pharisees convince Pilate to convict Jesus of treason, the crowd cheers for his death. This reading includes Jesus' celebration of the Passover, and his gift of the Eucharist as well as his passion and his final words before his death: "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit" (23:46).*

Every Palm Sunday, I remember the years of being distracted by wiggling children and the shuffling feet of teenagers as the Passion was read. This story of Jesus' last twenty-four hours is a long reading.

It begins with Jesus getting ready to celebrate the Jewish feast of the Passover with his friends. The Jewish Passover is the celebration of Moses bringing the Jews out of Egypt to freedom. Within three days the world would be celebrating a new freedom.

Jesus sends his apostles to find a suitable place to celebrate the great feast. They meet in an upper room where Jesus has his last meal with his friends. At this meal, Jesus gives them (and us) the great gift of himself as he blesses the bread and wine.

After the meal, Jesus goes to pray in the garden, where he is arrested. He then appears before the chief priest and Pharisees and before the Roman official Pilate. At first Pilate orders that Jesus be scourged and beaten, but the crowd (the same crowd that only a week earlier hailed him with palms and cheers) protests: "Crucify him!" Pilate eventually relents. Jesus, condemned to die, carries his own cross through the city to a hillside outside the gates. There he is nailed to the cross, and, after three hours, he dies. And, as prophesied, three days later Jesus rises from the dead. (The latter is not part of the Palm Sunday reading; rather we hear about this next week at Easter.)

In the short span of three days, Jesus brings about a new Passover. Like Moses of that first Passover, Jesus brings us out of slavery, the slavery of fear, greed and prejudice, to freedom. The Passion and death, along with the Resurrection, are the very heart of the gospel.

## FAMILY RESPONSE

Help your children recall the story of the Passion. Read it from a good children's Bible, or tell it in your own words. Put together your own Way of the Cross. As a family, choose six to ten events from the last days of Jesus' life. Draw a picture of each event and hang them all on the walls around your house. As you walk around to each picture, make up a prayer for each station.

## PERSONAL RESPONSE

Often our own problems or crosses are mirrored in the events of Jesus' Passion. (Jesus is rejected. He falls for the second time.) Choose one or two of the events of the Passion and, in the space below, write a brief prayer concerning them.

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# CR Catholic Family Trivia



CR Catholic is hosting a Family Trivia Night on **April 25th from 6-8 PM at St Ludmila's Activity Center.** All ages are welcome from any parish! Bring some friends and the kiddos for a fun night to celebrate the Easter season! **FREE EVENT**, but an optional \$10 donation per team toward future CRCatholic events will get your team one correct answer per round! Don't have a team?

Don't worry! We'll have a spot for everyone! Feel free to direct any questions to [crcatholics@gmail.com](mailto:crcatholics@gmail.com).

# CR Catholic Family Trivia



Revival is coming, and you are invited to participate in the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage visiting our Archdiocese May 23-27. If



**NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage**

you could not attend last year's Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, now is a time to experience firsthand the joy of the Eucharistic Revival and the beauty of our Church and Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Details on every scheduled event are now available at [dbqarch.org/eucharisti](http://dbqarch.org/eucharisti)

# Earth Day, 2025



The Parish Office staff will be spreading mulch around the trees and refreshing a few of the flower beds. We would appreciate the help



of the parish through donations of bags of mulch. The color we use is the chocolate or brown wood mulch. A pallet will be placed over by the church garage door (west side of the church.) Our goal is to get 55 bags. Earth Day is April 22 so we will appreciate all donations by Sunday, April 20. If you have any questions, please contact Jeremy Lutz at [bookkeeper@allsaintscr.com](mailto:bookkeeper@allsaintscr.com).

# Ministry Schedule

April 19, 8:00 PM Saturday

## Sacristan

Cate Biro

## Extraordinary Ministers

Ellen Mouw

Joan Murrin

Kourtne Powell

Mike Powell

Stephen Schmitz

Marvin Stallman

## Altar Servers

Bo Dittmar

Lindsey Talyat

Megan Talyat

## Lectors

Kathi Grainger

Kathy Ulrich

Lisa Stephenson

Robin Brown

## Hospitality Ministers

Elie AbouRaad

Sue Bright

Daniel Greene

Brian Talyat

Lauri Talyat

Mike Votroubek

April 20, 9:00 AM Sunday

## Sacristan

Sherry Casey

## Extraordinary Ministers

John Ernst

Stephanie Guzman

Bob Helgens

Mary Beth Helgens

Ann Hunter

Larry Hunter

Stephanie Klappholz

Mike Klappholz

Loesje Shema

David Shema

## Altar Servers

Adalyn LaMere

Charles Schmitt

Cayden Suby

## Lectors

Brian Conway

Chris Conway

## Hospitality Ministers

Kim Ainsworth

Jason Ainsworth

Jeanne Amosson

Jen Colby

Chris Colby

Ryan Donnelly

Chase Philpott

Theresa Werner

# Mind and Heart



## in a walk with Christ

“Follow the truth where it leads and do it with courage and trust.”

This is what Chase Fields told students in his ethics class while teaching at a Protestant Christian College. Through his youthful days as a southern Baptist, and his days in an evangelical seminary (getting to know Thomas Aquinas) his commitment was to follow the truth where it leads.

Ultimately his search led him to the heart of Jesus in the holy Eucharist and embracing the Catholic Faith.

**Livestream:** <https://youtube.com/live/ft70VytQEak?feature=share>



**Where:** Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

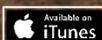
857 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52403

**When:** Tuesday, April 22, 2025

**Time:** 6:30 – 8:00 PM

This event is FREE and ALL are welcome!

A light meal will be served - Child care is not available.



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## YOUTH SUMMER PROGRAM

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**WHEN: JULY 20-JULY 25**

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## The Gospel at Home

### This Week's Gospel: Luke 22:14–23:56

At this Palm Sunday Mass, the Gospel is the story of Christ's passion from Luke's Gospel. Palm Sunday with its reenactment of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem is the lead-in to the holiest days of the year. The events of this week follow Jesus' steps through the Last Supper, the agony in the garden, his betrayal, his trial and condemnation, his Death on the Cross, and his burial.

### Exploring the Gospel Message

**Seeds (Preschool):** Be sure to take a blessed palm home after Sunday Mass. Make a little ceremony of placing the palm behind a crucifix or holy picture or in some other prominent place in your home. Talk with your young child about how this palm branch shows how your family welcomes Jesus into your home. Retell the story of Palm Sunday using the figures made during *Seeds* class.

**Promise (Grades K–1):** Ask your child to share with the family about Jesus' journey through death to resurrection. Your child can use the Holy Week story pages from the lesson booklet. Try to keep family awareness high all week by some special prayer or activity for each day of Holy Week—especially Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Have your child show the signs of new life and the picture created during the lesson.

**Good News (Grades 2–3):** This week your child's class participated in a play that dramatized the events of Holy Week. Together the class made the journey from Palm Sunday to the burial of Jesus after the crucifixion. Together plan how you will spend these important days of the Church year. Plan to attend at least one of the Holy Week services as a family.

**Venture (Grades 4–6):** This week in class, your youngster identified the events celebrated on each of the important days of Holy Week. The class also learned about the Stations of the Cross and Easter Vigil. As Lent comes to a close, visit your church and make the Stations of the Cross together as a family.

**Visions (Grades 7–9):** The class this week went through all the celebrations of Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. As a family, make a Holy Week plan. Decide what celebrations you can attend in the parish. Plan, too, to make each of the days of this week special in your home. Ask your young person to take the lead in sharing with the family what each of the days celebrates and then decide how you will reflect that at home. Be sure to stick to the plan.

**Awaken (Teens/Adults):** Discover a new level of spiritual growth for parents with *Awaken*, the new adult level of the *Pflaum Gospel Weeklies*, developed to deepen your faith journey alongside your children. Scan the QR code to learn more.



### Pray Together

One of the elements of the Good Friday liturgy is the veneration of the cross. Every Catholic home should have a cross or a crucifix prominently displayed. After you complete your conversation about the week's Gospel lesson, one day this week, gather around a crucifix. Pray together the prayer from the liturgy: "Behold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the world. Come let us adore." If possible, pass the crucifix from one family member to the next. Each family member can then gently kiss the crucifix. Then, repeat the prayer.



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## Sacrament Information

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 3 p.m.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Baptism preparation class is required for parents. Contact Deacon Ed Martin ([DeaconEd@allsaintscr.com](mailto:DeaconEd@allsaintscr.com) or 319-364-7524) to schedule a class and date for the baptism (some date restrictions may apply).

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Couples are to make arrangements at least six months before the intended date of the wedding in order to fulfill the necessary requirements. Please contact Deacon Mike Klappholz ([DeaconMike@allsaintscr.com](mailto:DeaconMike@allsaintscr.com)) to begin the process.

**Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA):** Classes are scheduled for Monday evenings beginning in the Fall. Contact Bob Lillibridge, Director of Formation, for more information ([adultformation@allsaintscr.com](mailto:adultformation@allsaintscr.com)).

**Confirmation:** Classes will be led by Father Jack Flaherty after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays in the Social Hall. ([fatherjack@allsaintscr.com](mailto:fatherjack@allsaintscr.com)).

**First Reconciliation & Eucharist:** Second graders combine home study and retreats to prepare for these sacraments. Contact Stacy Cataldo, Director of Catechesis, for more information ([catechesis@allsaintscr.com](mailto:catechesis@allsaintscr.com)).

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please contact the office at 319-363-6130, ext. 100 to schedule anointings.

## Miscellaneous Information

**Newcomer Registration:** Call the Parish Office at 363-6130, ext. 100, or register on line at <http://www.allsaintscr.com>.

**Bulletin Deadline:** Items must be submitted electronically to the parish office by Noon on the preceding Monday to: [bulletin@allsaintscr.com](mailto:bulletin@allsaintscr.com).

## Opportunities for Prayer

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Thursdays, 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM in the Church.

**All Saints Prayer Group:** Tuesdays at 3:00 PM in the church lower level.

**Prayer Tree:** Available to anyone who would like us to pray for their intentions. Please call Darlene Fandel at 319-560-4844.

**Women's Prayer Group:** Tuesday mornings after 8:00 AM Mass.

**M.O.M.S Rosary:** 7:30 PM 1st Monday of the month, Queen of All Saints Chapel.

**Prolife Rosary:** Fridays after 8:00 am Mass.

**Parish Website:** You may submit prayer intentions any time at: [allsaintscr.com/prayer](http://allsaintscr.com/prayer).