

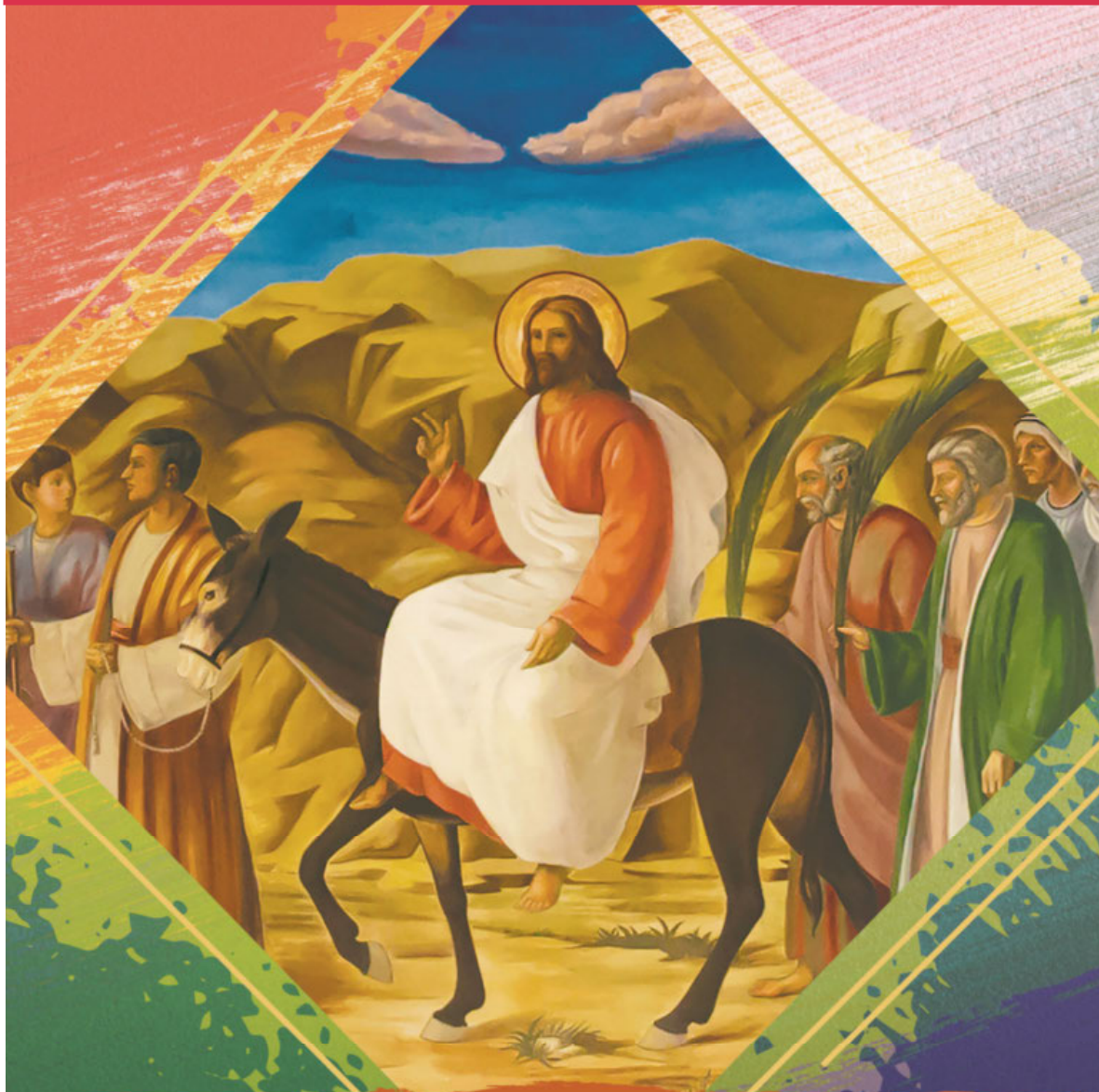
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St. James Roman Catholic Church,  
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staffed by the priests  
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## SUNDAY MASS

9:30 a.m.  
(Church &  
On-line)

## DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday  
7:30 a.m.  
(Rectory &  
On-line)

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday  
9:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.

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## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

*Say to daughter Zion,  
"Behold, your king comes to you,  
meek and riding on an ass."  
- Mt 21:5*

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# APRIL 2, 2023

## ON THE WAY.....



May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

We are winding down the season of Lent with the liturgical events which mark our salvation. Holy Week invites us to walk with Jesus as he goes through the experiences which we call the pascal mystery – the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus.

Palm or Passion Sunday commemorates the Messiah's entry into Jerusalem. The blessing of the palms includes the reading of a Gospel account of how Jesus rode into Jerusalem humbly on a donkey and we imitate the people who placed palms and other branches on the ground in front of him in a solemn procession. Immediately following the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem, Jesus begins his journey to the cross. The Mass itself includes a reading of the Passion, the narrative of Jesus' capture, sufferings and death, as recounted in one of the Synoptic Gospels – this year, the Gospel of Matthew.

In some Churches Tenebrae (Latin for "shadows" or "darkness") is celebrated during Holy Week, especially on Spy Wednesday, the day we recall the betrayal of Jesus by Judas. Tenebrae is distinctive for its gradual extinguishing of candles while a series of readings and psalms related to the Passion of Christ is chanted or recited.

Holy Thursday commemorates the Last Supper. Lent concludes, beginning The Easter Triduum at dusk, where Christ lays out the model for the Eucharist or Holy Communion. During the meal, Jesus washed the feet of the disciples and commanded them to serve others in a similar manner. This command is captured in an alternative name for this celebration, Maundy Thursday, as in the word "mandate." In Catholic tradition we also look on this as the time when Jesus inaugurated the priesthood. At the end of the liturgy the Holy Eucharist is moved to the "altar of repose." Private prayer during that time joins us with the prayer of Jesus in Gethsemane. The Good Friday service does not include a Mass but uses hosts consecrated the day before. The somber ceremony consists of prayers of the faithful, veneration of the cross and a reading of the Passion of St. John. It is customary to empty the holy water fonts in preparation for the blessing of the water at the Easter Vigil. At St. James we also mark the day with the Stations of the Cross in the afternoon.

On Holy Saturday all is stillness. The tabernacle is left empty and open. When it becomes dark, the celebration of the Easter Vigil begins, the longest and most solemn of liturgies consisting of four parts: The Service of Light, The Liturgy of the Word, The Liturgy of Baptism (the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation for new members of the Church and the Renewal of Baptismal Promises by the entire congregation) and Holy Eucharist.

Easter Day culminating Holy Week with the Easter Vigil is the great feast day and apogee of the Christian liturgical year: on this day the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is celebrated. Attending these liturgical events will be a fitting conclusion to the Lenten Season and launch us into the celebration of the fifty days of Easter. We will be able to sing the "A" word again before the gospel! Let us celebrate together.

In the Most Holy Trinity,  
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

Sun 04/02	<b>Palm Sunday</b>	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) <a href="https://zoom.us/j/622647147">https://zoom.us/j/622647147</a> Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Debra and Shirley Barker by Phyllis Barker</i>
Mon 04/03	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Tues 04/04	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Wed 04/05	7:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) Parish Council (On-line)
Thurs 04/06	7:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) Mass Of The Lord's Supper
Fri 04/07	7:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) Stations Of The Cross Passion Of Our Lord
Sat 04/08	8:00 p.m.	Easter Vigil (Church & On-line)
Sun 04/09	<b>Easter Sunday</b>	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) <a href="https://zoom.us/j/622647147">https://zoom.us/j/622647147</a> Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>for the people of St. James</i>

### Easter Week Services (Church & On-line)

**April 5 - April 9**

**Holy Thursday**

**6:30 pm Mass of the  
Lord's Supper**

**(Adoration Following in the Rectory 2942  
S. Wabash until 10 pm)**

**Good Friday**

**3:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
6:30 pm The Passion of the Lord**

**Holy Saturday**

**8:00 pm Easter Vigil**

**Easter Sunday**

**9:30 am Resurrection of the Lord**



## 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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## Live The Liturgy

### Inspiration of 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?

## 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



St. James' annual Easter Egg Hunt will be after the Easter Sunday Mass on Sunday, April 9th. Please bring a basket if you can. All are welcome!



### Annual Easter Egg Hunt for Dearborn Homes

Please support the annual Easter Egg Hunt for Dearborn Homes by making a financial contribution or donation of coloring

books, crayons, and storybooks for African-American children ages 3 to 10.

The annual Easter egg hunt at the Dearborn Homes is sponsored by Saint James Parish. Donations should be dropped off in the collection box at church by April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please contact Peter Wawire with questions. Make checks out to Saint James Parish. If you are interested in volunteering please email Peter at [pwawire@stjameswabash.org](mailto:pwawire@stjameswabash.org)

Thank you for helping to make this event a success!



**St. James has a google form for submitting prayer requests:**

<https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A>



**In Our Prayers**



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- Margie Bass
- Paul Freeman
- Juanita James
- Barbara Southhall
- Dina Williams

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- Aayliah Cooper

- Joe Cunningham
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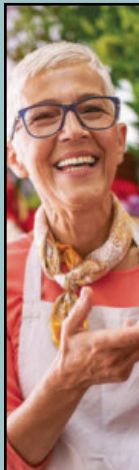
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