

**LITURGIES FOR HOLY WEEK
AND EASTER SUNDAY OF THE
RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

APRIL 14 - 20, 2025

Monday, 4/14 † Monday of Holy Week

6 pm: Gary & Annette

Tuesday, 4/15 † Tuesday of Holy Week

8am: Kenny

9am: A.S.

Wednesday, 4/16 † Wednesday of Holy Week

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6pm: Gavin Reinhart (Birthday) by Grandma & Grandpa

**Thursday, 4/17 † Thursday of Holy Week
HOLY THURSDAY**

7pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper, SS. Cyril & Methodius & washing of the feet

**Friday, 4/18 † Friday of the Passion of the
Lord (Good Friday)**

1pm – Stations of the Cross-SS. C & M

1:45pm – Passion, SS. C & M

3pm; - Divine Mercy, SS. C & M

4pm – Stations of the Cross, All Saints

4:30pm – Passion, All Saints

5:30pm – Divine Mercy, All Saints

Saturday, 4/19 † Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

12N – Divine Mercy – SS. C & M

8pm: Easter Vigil Mass at SS. Cyril Methodius

**Sunday, 4/20 † Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection of the Lord**

7:30am: No Mass

9am: A. S. Parishioners

11am: Parishioners

This week at SS. C & M & All Saints

Mon., April 14 – 6:30pm – SVDP, Parlor

Wed., April 16 – ~~8pm~~ – Practice for Holy

6:30 Thursday – Easter (all participants)

Sat., April 19 – 12:30pm – Blessing of Easter Baskets

Sun., April 20 – 9:30am – NO Religious Education

God's Blessings and many thanks to everyone who supported the Christian Ladies Baby Shower. The donations of baby and monetary gifts to support Bella Vita Pregnancy Center is very much needed and appreciated.

There is only one week left to gather responses for the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey at Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish (North Judson)!

As of this morning, only 55 people have taken the online survey.

The completed surveys must be mailed to Catholic Leadership Institute within one week of 04/30/2025 03:59 A.

Please, if you haven't taken the survey yet, please do so as soon as possible. This survey will benefit all faithful Catholics in the long run!! Your input is vital to the success of the program. Again, the survey link can be found at:

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/cd8k2c>

We invite you to join us in this year's *Catholic Services Appeal* with the call to be Missionaries of the Eucharist.

Our appeal goes beyond a request for support -it is a mission to walk together in faith, heart-to-heart, and to spread the transformative love of Christ through our diocesan ministries. Through your participation, you embrace the journey to encounter Christ in the Church and in each other, making a profound impact on the lives of countless Catholics in Northwest Indiana

Dear Padre

April 13, 2025

I'm thinking about going to the Easter Vigil, but why does it have to be so long?

When an event seems long, it may have to do with our expectations. If we go to the Easter Vigil and expect it to be like a Sunday Mass, then it will seem long. The typical parish Easter Vigil lasts two to three hours. There are some communities who vigil all night. Why does it have to be so long? Because this is one night of the year when we Catholics tell our whole story.

There are four parts of the Vigil. Part One is the *Lucernarium* (Light) when we gather around the paschal fire from which the paschal candle is lit. Then follows the passing of the light to members of the congregation, who are holding candles. By candlelight, we hear the Exsultet—the Easter Proclamation, sung only on this night. Part Two is the Liturgy of the Word, when we take our time listening to readings, singing psalms, and reflecting on salvation history. Part Three is the Sacraments of Initiation, when new members are welcomed into the Church, baptized, and confirmed, and all renew their baptismal promises. And Part Four is the Liturgy of the Eucharist, when new members receive holy Communion for the first time. The Easter Vigil is rich with meaning, solemn as well as joyful, and to fully experience it, we must take our time. ●

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Good News!

April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (C)
Luke 19:28-40 / Isaiah 50:4-7 / Philippians 2:6-11 /
Luke 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

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We like to fill life with good things—good friends, good times, good jobs, good memories. They are all graced moments of life. Life is also marked by an emptying process. Friends move away, good times come to an end, jobs become boring. Saint Teresa of Kolkata (Mother Teresa) once noted how even God can't fill what is already full. The emptying process may very well be the action of God in our lives, emptying us to make room for God's gift of resurrection and life in its fullest.

Holy Week is the story of such a process—one long saga that begins with Palm Sunday as it focuses on how Jesus willingly emptied himself even unto death. The story moves on to Holy Thursday and the gift of the Eucharist to sustain us in the emptying. On to Good Friday, where, once more, a narration in stark liturgical strokes tell of the emptying of Jesus. Finally, the Easter Vigil and the Feast of the Resurrection, the culmination of a journey through death into life. We tell this weeklong story because the story of Jesus is also our story—more of God working in us rather than our own doing. The Jesuit theologian Karl Rahner once noted that one of the tasks of life is to learn how to die well. Our willingness to learn that lesson, again and again, is how we begin to share in the resurrection, even as we live our lives today. ●

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Dear Heavenly Father,

My parish is composed of people like me; I help make what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am.

Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.

It will do great, if I work.

It will be prayerful, if I pray.

It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver.

It will bring people to worship & fellowship, if I invite and bring them.

It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a parish of noble spirit, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.

Therefore, with your help, O God,

I shall dedicate myself, to the task of being all things that I want my parish to be.

**"...I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me."
(LUKE 22:34)**

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. Joyfully share your faith with others.

Palm Sunday - A Prayer

Dearest Jesus, Judas betrayed You for thirty pieces of silver. Please forgive us when we have placed money or possessions or power ahead of You. Please lead us and guide us so that we never betray You again by sins of greed and pride.

Dearest Jesus, You told Your apostles that You wanted to celebrate the Passover with them. You still long to celebrate the Passover with us, only today that Passover is the Paschal Mystery in which You give us Your own Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. Please give us the desire to celebrate the Eucharist and an appreciation for the intimacy we find when we receive You into our bodies and into our hearts.

Dearest Jesus, the apostles were deeply distressed when You told them that one of them would betray You. Please give us deep distress at the thought of sinning against You so that we may never lose Your sanctifying grace.

Dearest Jesus, Judas called You "Rabbi" while the other apostles called You "Lord". Please help us to recognize You for Who You really are and maintain the highest level of reverence even in the midst of our intimacy with You.

Dearest Jesus, on the night before You died, You delighted in giving us the gift of Yourself in the Eucharist. Please prepare our hearts to receive You frequently and worthily, and please transform us from the inside out through Your amazing love.

Dearest Jesus, Peter vehemently promised You that he would rather die than deny You, yet, as You predicted, he denied You three times, only to feel great remorse afterward. Please give us the strength, Lord, not to deny You, and if in our weakness, we do deny You, please grant us remorse, repentance, and forgiveness.

Dearest Jesus, You experienced great agony in the garden while Your apostles slept, leaving You to suffer alone. Please give us the grace to watch with You during Holy Week so that we may not undergo the test and succumb to the temptation to flee from You in our suffering.

Dearest Jesus, You prayed for Your Father's will to be done. May we discern and act on it.

Dearest Jesus, even as Judas was betraying You, You called him "Friend." Please help us to remember the great love that You have for all of us no matter what kind of choices we make.

Dearest Jesus, throughout Your arrest and trial, You remained silent and did not resist, no matter how badly You were insulted and abused. Please guide us to imitate You in accepting our trials and sufferings and to offer them to You in union with Your Passion for the salvation of souls.

Dearest Jesus, false witnesses rose up against You, misunderstanding Your words and actions and accusing You of all kinds of horrible things. Please help us to properly understand and defend You in all situations.

Dearest Jesus, You proclaimed that Your persecutors would see "the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power and coming on the clouds of heaven." Please help us to remember that You are indeed seated at the right hand of the Father and will come again to take us to be with You forever.

Dearest Jesus, Judas repented when he realized the horror of the betrayal he committed, but he turned to despair and killed himself. Please prevent us from falling into despair but encourage us to run to You with broken hearts when we sin, ask for Your forgiveness, and be certain that we will receive it.

Dearest Jesus, the crowd called for Barabbas' release instead of Your release. Please keep us from putting anyone ahead of You in our affections; please grant us the grace of always choosing You before all others.

Dearest Jesus, when the soldiers mocked You and placed a crown of thorns on Your head, You sat quietly, loving them even through Your pain. Please help us to remember Your great love.

Dearest Jesus, You died for love of us. Please increase our love for You.

Dearest Jesus, after You died, Joseph of Arimathea wrapped Your dear Body in linen and laid You in his own tomb. Please inspire us to give You all that we have and all that we are.

Dearest Jesus, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary sat, faithfully facing Your tomb. Please give us the faith and the patience to watch and wait for You always.

Dearest Jesus, a seal and a guard were set at Your tomb, but that didn't prevent You from rising from the dead, for Your divine power is greater than we can ever fathom. Please guide us as we journey through Holy Week to the joy of Easter, when we can look upon You, our Risen Lord, with great joy and love.

Palm Sunday

*Riding on a donkey of humility,
Jesus entered into Jerusalem -
A king without a battalion of guards
without horses, without military tanks,
without canons and machine guns.*

*The children laid down the branches
of palm trees as carpet on the ground
Others lifted them up to hail him
while chorusing hosannas as he drove by.
"Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord."*

*Today Jesus enters into
the gates of homes, churches and
other machineries of control and
down deep into every human heart.*

*Today let hosannas resound
Saying no to wars and weapons
no to hatred, revenge and death
But yes to the subtle claim
in the heart to let the love of Jesus reign.*