

March 24, 2024 — Palm Sunday

Dear Parishioners in all our three parishes and four counties,

I want to thank you for the enormous privilege of being with you as your Shepherd...what a journey it's been...like Christ thrown out by the Holy Spirit into the desert to do patient battle in Him...quieter deeper prayer in the stillness...inside tears of Repentance for sins and mistakes...trying to accept every gifted opportunity to give Alms of Mercy and forgiveness. And now we are looking up the slopes of the Holy City in some trepidation and fear, Jesus is going to die there for me and for you. He is loving and saving us in His Passion. Just come and humbly get to every moment we can get to.

Chrism Mass on Tuesday...it's a bit of a journey...but we priests do love to see the parishioners who can make it; Divine Mercy on Good Friday starting at Noon...whatever God's nudging you to come to, come with great love!!

Thank You again for let me be with you as your priest at this precious Holy Time. Thank you to Fr. Kevin too,

God bless,
Fr. John

Remember we are to abstain from meat and meat products every Friday in Lent.

Prayer to Saint Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament in Honor of the Holy Family

Grant us, O Lord Jesus, faithfully to imitate the example of Thy Holy Family, so that in the hour of our death, in the company of Thy glorious Virgin Mother and St. Joseph, we may deserve to be received by Thee into eternal tabernacles.

Amen.

This prayer is meant to be recited in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. It is a good post-Communion prayer.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Sunday Collection:

Adjusted: \$ 1,782.90

Building Fund: \$ 438.10

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE:

Holy Tuesday, March 26th—10:00am Mass at St. Cecilia

Holy Wednesday, March 27th—10:00am Mass at Christ the Redeemer

Holy Thursday, March 28th—No Mass at Christ the Redeemer.

Mass of the Last Supper will be at *Holy Trinity @ 6:30pm*.

Good Friday, March 29th—*Holy Trinity*—open all day. *Chaplet of Divine Mercy @ 12:00pm*
St. Cecilia—3:00pm, Our Lord's Passion and Holy Communion

Holy Saturday Vigil and Fire—Christ the Redeemer—7:15pm

Easter Sunday—Regular Sunday Mass Times—8:30am at Christ the Redeemer

Knight's Breakfast—today, Sunday, March 24th, directly after Sunday morning Mass.

Divine Mercy Novena—is said from Good Friday to Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7th.

Divine Mercy & Stations—every Friday during Lent @ 3:00pm, at Christ the Redeemer, the Divine Mercy will be recited followed by the Stations of the Cross.

Chrism Mass—Tickets are now available for the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, March 26 @ the Catholic Pastoral Center. All are welcome to attend, but please reserve a FREE ticket by going to [ChrismMass2024.eventbtr](https://www.bellsouth.net/ChrismMass2024.eventbtr)

Mass Intentions—the Parish Council is looking for a volunteer to handle Mass intention requests, and coordinate them with Holy Trinity. Anyone wishing to step into this position, please see Fr. John. Until this position is filled, please contact *Trudy Booz* at 931-628-8084, or email trudybooz@bellsouth.net

Money Counters—*We are in need of volunteers to process the Mass offerings.* Counters are scheduled in groups of two and it takes only a few minutes after Mass. Anyone interested or called to this ministry, please see Father John, Dan Mecklenborg, Don Jones or Ingrid Jones.

Daily Zoom Rosaries—Father O'Neill would like for you to join him for the zoom Rosary daily.

- Rosary begins at 2:30pm. The meeting number is 236 575 948 - the password is 9461h.
- Rosary begins at 8:30pm. The meeting number is 969 2551 7383 - the password is 103 898.

Please stay after Sunday morning Mass and enjoy a light breakfast and fellowship with your church family.