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**MASSES**

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

**Weekday Masses:**

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon  
 Saturday 10:00 am  
 Doors will open 15 minutes before mass begins

**Sunday Masses:**

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm  
 Sunday 9:00 am  
 11:30 am  
 7:30 pm

**Holy Hour:**

Friday 11:00 am  
 Doors will open 15 minutes before Holy Hour begins

**Confessions:**

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm  
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 11 - 11:25 am

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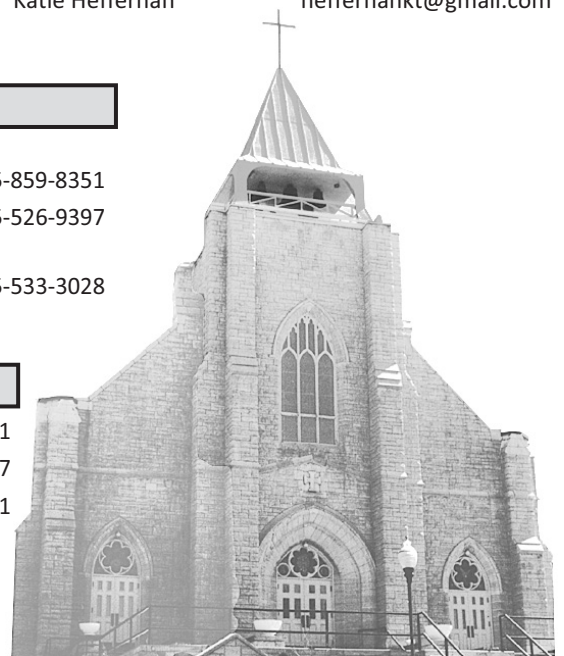
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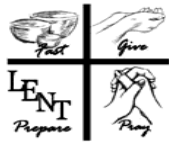
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## Mass Intentions Fifth Week of Lent

### Tuesday March 23

12:05 noon + Robert & Gail LeClair  
Requested by the family

### Wednesday March 24

12:05 noon + Simone Flaim  
Requested by John and family

### Thursday March 25

#### The Annunciation of the Lord

12:05 noon + Henry, Cecilia & John  
Requested by Theresa Laurin-Hunwicks

### Friday March 26

#### 11am – Holy Hour

12:05 noon + Josephine Small  
Requested by Charles & Dolores Maguire

12:30 (after mass) - Stations of the Cross

### Saturday March 27

10 am + Rita Smith  
Requested by St. Margaret's CWL



## The Passion of the Lord

### Saturday March 27

Vigil Mass Intentions of Julie Belanger  
5 pm Requested by Patti & Pat Belanger

### Sunday March 28

9 am + Anne Marie Calhoun  
Requested by Norm & Rita Beaudry  
11:30 am Missa pro populo  
7:30 pm + Rosemary Yates  
Requested by Toddy Blaicher

## Prayer Requests

### Please pray for:

Shelley Smith; Anne Marie Radko; Nadine Adams;  
Nicole Marchildon; Josh; Louise DeVillers; Liz Gaudet;  
**Please pray for our recently deceased relatives & friends:**  
Deacon Gerry Godsoe; Rosemary Yates; Rita Smith

## Sanctuary Lamp

March 21-27, 2021

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of  
*The deceased members  
of the Irvine family*



## Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. The day recalls Jesus' triumphal entry into the city of our salvation that takes place about a week before his Resurrection (Easter).

#### Why do we wave palms?

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem, crowds greeted him by waving palms and covering his path with small branches. We wave palms today to hail Christ in his triumph for our salvation in the light of his Paschal Mystery - his Passion, Death and Resurrection.

*Jesus enters Jerusalem. The crowd of disciples accompanies him in festive mood, their garments are stretched out before him, there is talk of the miracles he has accomplished, and loud praises are heard:*

*"Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" (Luke 19:38)*

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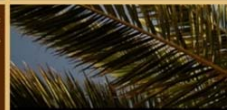
Read the story of Palm Sunday: Luke 19:28-44

On Palm Sunday, priests will wear red vestments in keeping with the Church's focus on the Lord's glorious Passion



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Traditionally, before the beginning of Lent the following year, the palms are collected and burned to a fine ash. The ashes are blessed and used for the Ash Wednesday liturgy.



### Tuesday of Holy Week

**March 30** 12:05 noon - Mass  
+ Veronica Lavigne

Requested by Bill Lavigne

### Wednesday of Holy Week

**March 31** 12:05 noon - Mass  
+ Rose Maguire

Requested by

Charles & Dolores Maguire

## Easter Triduum

NOTE: seating for the Triduum and Easter Sunday is on a first come first serve basis

### Holy Thursday April 1

**Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 7 pm**

### Good Friday April 2

**Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

2 services

1. 12 noon

2. 3 pm

Good Friday is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.

### Holy Saturday April 3

**Easter Vigil 8 pm**

### Easter Sunday April 4

**Note: There will be no evening mass today**

9 am

11:30 am



**Reflection for the Fifth Sunday in Lent (Year B)**  
**John 12: 20-33**

In this last Sunday of Lent, we move closer to commemorate the passion and death of Jesus. It is good to ask for the grace we want to receive during the Holy Week. We have one of the best prayers in the

Gospel this Sunday and it came from the outcast gentiles – the Greeks: Sir, *we wish to see Jesus* (John 12: 21). This simple prayer could help us walk through the Holy Week as we remember Jesus' ultimate expression of his love for us, offering his life for our salvation.

When Philip and Andrew accompanied some Greeks to Jesus in their desire to know him, we are surprised by Jesus' answer, *Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain: but if it dies, it bears much fruit* (John 12: 24). It seems that Jesus is not connecting with the Greeks. Their request is simply 'to see,' but Jesus' response is 'to die'.

On second thought, Jesus is actually answering the Greeks! He wants them to see him in a different but life-changing perspective. Usually, when we pray to Jesus, we want to see him in his divinity, a bright shining light, defender of the oppressed, a miracle worker and healer, a God who always answers our prayers. When we come to him, we want to hear his victory over evil, pain, and suffering.

But Jesus is introducing a different 'image' of him in the gospel. It goes against our expectation of a victorious God and challenges us to journey with him into an undiscovered, unpopular, and less traveled road known as 'dying to ourselves', our put simply dying to our selfishness.

To see God is to die from our own self-centeredness by carrying our daily crosses. It is easy for us to see God when everything is okay, when we are healthy, when we have friends, and when we and our family are well secured. But we tend to lose our sight and become blind when things are falling apart.

We hardly see Jesus in our difficulties and trials. We even question the love of God when we are humiliated, insulted, betrayed, and left alone. In moments like these, abandoning God becomes a very

tempting option. Sad to say, many of us are still infant Christians. Ironically, in the realm of spirituality, dying is the only way of growing.

In the Gospel of Mark, it was ironic that a non-believer Roman officer saw something while Jesus was hanging on the cross. In the midst of humiliation, defeat, and death, he saw something and proclaimed his faith, 'Truly, this man was really the Son of God' (15:39). He saw Jesus' real identity on the cross.

Let's be with Jesus in his journey to life this coming Holy Week. See him hanging on the cross. Feel his struggles in obeying God's will. Feel his pain. He was abandoned, betrayed, humiliated, and insulted. But he willingly carried his cross until death for our salvation.

As the Greeks said, *we wish to see Jesus*. Do you want to see him also? We want to. But we have to realize that seeing comes at a cost. It will cost us our lives but it will save us (John 12:25). A fitting way to close this reflection is sharing with you a poem by Caryl Houselander, entitled *The Kiss of Christ*:

*There He hangs – pale figure pinned against the wood.  
 God grant that I could love Him as I really know I should.  
 I draw a little closer to share that love Divine  
 And almost hear Him whisper:  
 'Ah foolish child of mine!  
 My hands would stain red.  
 And if I leaned to whisper,  
 The thorns would pierce your head.'  
 And then I knew in silence that love demands a price.  
 'Twas then I learned that suffering is but the kiss of Christ.*

Fr. Roselle

**St Margaret's Confession Times**

Saturdays 4:30 – 4:55 pm  
 Sundays 8:30 – 8:55 am & 11 – 11:30 am

**Parish Office Hours for Red-Zone**

**Tuesdays and Fridays 9:30-11:30 & 1- 2:30 pm**

We continue to work remotely answering emails and the phones frequently. Thank you for your patience.

**The Pope's Prayer Intention**



**For March: Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

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