

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

The celebration of the *Triduum* (Latin word for “three days”) opens with the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper, continues through Good Friday and Holy Saturday, reaching it’s climax in the Easter Vigil, and closes with Evening Prayer II on Easter Sunday. During these days, we gather a number of times and we hear some of the Church’s most beautiful prayers and Scripture readings. There are two important points to keep in mind regarding the Triduum:

. First, it is the highpoint of the liturgical year, an event which, though it spans three days, is really **one** major unified celebration.

. Secondly, the focus from start to finish is on “the glory of the Cross”. This defining theme, inherent throughout the Triduum, is first expressed in the entrance antiphon of Holy Thursday’s Mass: “We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.” These words set the tone for the whole Triduum event- we gather “to glory in the Cross of Christ”.

Day 1 (Holy Thursday evening to Good Friday evening): The church celebrates “Christ as Sacrifice” as Christ offers his Body and Blood at the Last Supper on Holy Thursday and then on the Cross of Calvary on Good Friday.

Day 2 (Good Friday evening to Holy Saturday evening): The church is united with “Christ in the Tomb”. There is no principal liturgical celebration. On this day the Lord sleeps; on this day we wait at the Lord’s tomb and make every effort to enter into God’s rest. Prayer, fasting, and silence are the order of the day.

Day 3 (Holy Saturday evening to Easter Sunday evening): The Church celebrates “ Christ Being Raised Up”. Alleluias” ring out in welcome to our Risen Saviour. There is joy in Christ’s journey from death to life, a journey we hope to share with him.



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EASTER

THE EASTER SEASON: *The Easter season is celebrated during the seven weeks between Easter and Pentecost. Called “the Great Sunday” by Saint Athanasius, these fifty days of Easter are celebrated as one great Feast Day. These days, above all others, are the days for the singing of the Alleluia and so, throughout the entire Easter season, Christians sing the triumphant “Alleluia” as they continue to rejoice in the hope of the resurrection.*

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass Schedule: April 22nd – 26th

Mon -	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel -----	Alfred Barnes
Tues.-	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel-----	Henrietta & Aloysius Walsh
Wed.-	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel -----	Margaret, Aloysius & Ally Collier
Thurs.-	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel -----	Frances Collier, Martha Organ
Friday.-	11:00 a.m.-----	Parish Chapel -----	Betty, Burt & Mitchie Collier

Weekend Liturgy: Holy Saturday, April 27th and Easter Sunday, April 28th

St. Alban's- Sat. ---	7:00 p.m.-St. Ignatius Church----	Edmund, Shirley & Palmer Sutton
St. Alban's- Sun.---	10:30 a.m.-St. Ignatius Church-----	Parish Family
Conne River- Sun. --	2:00 p.m.-St. Anne's Church -----	Ricky John



*We may overlook some of the important things in life when we are carried away by other things that keep us occupied. It is good to step back and slow down so we can recall all of the things we should be grateful for. Easter is a good time for recollection and being thankful for all the blessings that we have in our lives. **Happy Easter!!***

MINISTRIES' SCHEDULE FOR WEEKEND MASSES

<i>DATE</i>	<i>Sacristan</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Collectors</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>	<i>Music</i>
Holy Sat 20	Mary Patsy	As per Holy Week sheet at back of church	Charlie M Anthony W Kevin O	Margaret Ann Elizabeth	Maggie Pat	Easter Choir
Easter Sun 21	Jenny Maggie	As per Holy Week sheet at back of church	Helena T Necia D George D	Valerie Hoskins	Brenda D Kevin O	Julie Ann Chrissy Lenora Tracy Perry
April 27	Jenny Maggie	Edith Organ	Charlie M Anthony W Kevin O	Edith Organ	Margaret Willie	
April 28	Ann Theresa	Cindy Benoit	Helena T Necia D George D	Calvin Collier	Anthony George	Youth Choir Valerie Coombs

Weekly Parish Revenue

St. Ignatius Church-----	\$858.00	St. Anne's Church-----	\$119.70
Flowers: -----	\$90.00	Chase The Ace Proceeds:-	\$202.50
Religious Articles:-----	\$100.00	Donations: -----	\$120.00
Mass Stipends: -----	\$10.00	for "new items"	
Diocesan- Ash Wed.-----	\$5.00	Baptism Stipend:-----	\$25.00

March Financial

Income	\$8244.60
Expenses	<u>\$10756.81</u>
Deficit	<u>{\$2512.21}</u>

Chase The Ace: Held every Friday 7:00 pm at the RC Legion. Tickets are \$5.00 each. This fundraiser is open to all persons 19 years and older. Jackpot \$1228.50

Easter Flowers: Parish members wishing to donate towards the purchase of the Easter flowers for the church may do so by putting an envelope marked "Easter Flowers" in the collection basket. If the flowers are being donated "In memory of" please indicate this, as well as your envelope number and/or name.

In Loving memory of Benny Long, by wife Frances
In Loving memory of John & Terry Murphy, by Elizabeth
In Loving memory of Hoskins family, by M.J. Hoskins
In Loving memory of Arch Dollimont, by Vivian and family
In Loving memory of Leonard, Margaret & Benny, by Long Family
In Loving memory of Eric, Nathan & Martha, by Mary Blake Collier
In Loving memory of Gert Farrell and families, by Farrell family

HOLY WEEK: Holy Week is the week which precedes the great feast of the Resurrection of the Lord on Easter Sunday. The week begins with Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, includes the last days of Lent, and ends on Holy Saturday with the beginning of the Easter Vigil. During Holy Week, the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his life on earth, beginning with his messianic entrance into Jerusalem and culminating with his Passion and Death on the Cross. Though Holy Week is solemn and sorrowful, it anticipates the Easter joy of Christ's resurrection which brings new life to all who believe.

Catholic Easter Prayer

Lord, the resurrection of Your Son
has given us new life and renewed hope.
Help us to live as new people
in pursuit of the Christian ideal.
Grant us wisdom to know what we must do,
the will to want to do it,
the courage to undertake it,
the perseverance to continue to do it,
and the strength to complete it.

WORLD DAY OF YOUTH: Instituted at the conclusion of the International Year of Youth and in conjunction with Saint John Paul II's World Youth Day gatherings, Palm Sunday has included this observance since 1985. Pope Francis, in addressing the youth, says, "Young people must say to the world. It is good to follow Jesus! You bring us the joy of faith and tell us that we must live the faith always with a young heart".
Volunteer Invitation

"I am the Resurrection and the Life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die."

John 11: 25-26

