

### **THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM**

The days of Holy Week have precedence over all other celebrations in the Catholic Church. Triduum, literally three days. Paschal, related to Easter. No Funeral Mass is celebrated during the Paschal Triduum (we invite our Parishioners not to die during this time). In case of necessity, there could be a funeral liturgy without Mass, and no distribution of Communion. No sacrament is celebrated in the Church, except the Viaticum (for the dying).

Paschal Triduum or Easter Triduum or Holy Triduum or the Three Days is the period of three days that begins with the liturgy on the evening of Maundy Thursday with the high point being Easter Vigil and closes with the Vespers on Easter Sunday.

**HOLY THURSDAY:** Mass only in the evening, with the Washing of the feet, The Institution of the Eucharist, and the Transfer of The Most Blessed Sacrament.

**GOOD FRIDAY:** Reading of the Passion according to John (only), The Veneration of the Cross, and the General Intercession (the same in all catholic churches in the world).

**HOLY SATURDAY:** First, during the day: Day of Silence, “empty” day; Jesus (visiting Adam and Eve, Abraham, Moses, Elijah, His Grandmother, Joseph... asking them to be ready for heaven), prep. for tomorrow.

Second, This Mass MUST start only after it’s dark outside and MUST end before dawn (because we don’t know what time The Resurrection happened); the night of the Paschal Candle, night of the Glory to God and Alleluia, night of the Renewal of our Baptismal Promises, the night of the Newcomers in the Church ( RCIA ), the night of the Ite Missa Est (send). Remember: “The One who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus...” 2 Cor 4,14.

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### **ANOTHER SCAM**

Someone pretending to be Fr. Arbo is at it again. If you receive an email, call, text, or any kind of message from the fake Fr. Arbo asking for money, gift cards or anything else, please do not respond. Fr. Arbo would NEVER do that.

### **EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT**

Save the Date! In honor of the National Eucharistic Revival, our 3 Parishes will be showcasing a Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit on Sunday, April 14th from 12:00-2:00pm at St Patrick’s Church Hall. Light refreshments will be served. Please plan on attending to strengthen your understanding of our Lord's Real Presence in the Eucharist!

### **WEDDING CONVALIDATION CONGRATULATIONS**

Congrats to our two RCIA candidates who had their convalidation ceremonies recently, Ashley and Greg Monetta on March 13 at OLA and Georgene and Joe DePrimo on March 18 at SML. It’s a full marriage but called convalidation because it’s happening now in the church. May God Bless them on this momentous occasion. As we welcome Ashley and Georgene into our church on Holy Saturday, let us pray for them.

### **HOLY THURSDAY WASHING OF FEET**

We need 12 parishioners to volunteer to have their feet washed on Holy Thursday. If you are willing, please call the OLA office as soon as possible before Thursday.

### **BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS - MARCH 30**

At OLA, 9:30am  
At St. Pat, 10:30am  
At SML, 11:30am

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### **HOLY WEEK**

#### **HOLY THURSDAY: March 28**

##### **Mass of the Last Supper**

At OLA, 6pm

Washing of the feet

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Night Prayer at 9pm

#### **GOOD FRIDAY: March 29**

##### **Morning Prayer**

At OLA, 9am

##### **Celebration of the Passion**

At St. Pat, 1pm

Reading of the Passion

Veneration of the Cross

General Intercessions

#### **HOLY SATURDAY: March 30**

##### **Morning Prayer**

At OLA, 9am

##### **Easter Vigil**

At SML, 8pm

Easter Paschal Candle

Individual Candle

Exultet

Glory to God (finally)

Alleluia Song (finally)

Renewal of our baptismal promises

Confirmation – RCIA

Reception into the Church

First Holy Communion

Ite Missa Est, Alleluia

#### **EASTER SUNDAY: March 31**

##### **Mass of Resurrection**

At OLA, 8am

At SML, 9:30am At St Pat, 11am

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## LITURGICAL MINISTERS / LECTORS SCHEDULE

### March 28 to 31

#### Eucharistic Ministers

##### Holy Thursday

6 pm (OLA) Len Nash, Michele Zajac, Arlene McHale

##### Good Friday

1 pm (SP) Michele Zajac, Mary Ann Mulfino

##### Holy Saturday

8pm (SML) Len Nash, Lucy Ziman, Lisa Janoski, Danny Williams Jr.

##### Easter Sunday

8 am (OLA) Ned Clarke, Barbara Williamson  
Arlene McHale

9:30am (SML) Suzanne Gilpin, Carmel Williams, Danny Williams, Ann Marie Gorko

11 am (SP) Mary Ann Mulfino, Maria Perez, Michele Zajac

#### Musicians

6 pm (OLA) Holy Thursday – Maria Fay

1 pm (SP) Good Friday – Maria Fay

8 pm (SML) Holy Saturday – Danny Williams

8 am (OLA) Easter Sunday – Maria Fay

9:30 am (SML) Easter Sunday – Danny Williams

11 am (SP) Easter Sunday – Maria Fay

#### Lectors

##### Holy Thursday

6 pm (OLA) Liz Dempsey, Maria Perez, Seb Naro

##### Good Friday

1pm (SP) Jim Soltis, Becky Mozelesky, Mary Lou Franko,  
Ned Clarke

##### Holy Saturday

8 pm (SML) Stephen Zdaniewicz, Lucy Ziman, Greg &  
Nicole

##### Easter Sunday

8 am (OLA) Mary Danoski, Becky Mozelesky

9:30am (SML) Paul Wengen, Nick Migliori, Bob Andrews

11 am (SP) Holly Harvatine, Liz Dempsey

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Mar 26 – Legion of Mary at OLA, 9am

Apr 1 – Disciples of Mary at SML, Rosary 6:45p

Apr 4 – Prayer Shawl Ministry SML, 5:30pm

Apr 8 – Parish Pastoral Council mtg.-OLA, 6:30p

#### **DIVINE MERCY NOVENA AT SML**

The Divine Mercy Novena prayers will be recited at 3pm every day at SML starting on Friday March 29 and ending on Saturday April 6. All are welcome.

#### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATION**

The Celebration will be at Our Lady of the Abingtons Church on Sunday April 7. Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament is at 2:45 pm, followed by The Divine Mercy Prayer at 3pm (with confessions meanwhile), then Benediction followed by Mass.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Tuesday (March 26) Tuesday of Holy Week

8:00 am (OLA) James Ratchford

*By Pat Ratchford*

### Wednesday (March 27) Wednesday of Holy Week

8:00 am (SP) Health & Blessings for Pat and Bill Webster

*By A Friend*

### Holy Thursday

6:00 pm (OLA) Health & Blessings for Barbara Kelly

*By Jane & Paul Shedlauskas*

### Holy Saturday

8:00 pm (SML) Deceased Members of the Perfilio Family

*By A Friend*

### Easter Sunday

8:00 am (OLA) Bill & Zora Velicky

*By: Clarence & Genevieve Evans*

9:30 am (SML) Easter Blessings for Fr. Arbo

*By A Grateful Friend*

11:00 am (SP) Joan Peters

*By Barbara Kelly*

**SP Weekly \$ 1,735.00 Loose \$ 180.95**

**OLA Weekly \$ 1,731.00 Loose \$ 56.00**

**SML Weekly \$ 1,925.00 Loose \$ 69.00**

*May the Lord reward your generosity.*

#### **ST PAT/OLA/SML CCD SCHEDULE**

3/31/2024 - Easter - No CCD

#### **ST PAT/OLA CCD THANK YOU**

Thank you to all who have donated goodies for our Easter Egg Hunt. We appreciate your generosity.

#### **SPRING SACRAMENT SCHEDULE**

First Penance Sat. April 6, 2024, 3pm at OLA

First Holy Communion Sat May 4, 2024, 11am at SML

Confirmation Sun. May 19, 2024, 3pm at SML

#### **SPRING SACRAMENT RETREAT SCHEDULE**

##### **Confirmation Class**

Thur. March 21, 2024, at St. Pat's 5 to 7:30pm

#### **ST PAT'S CLOTHES CLOSET**

Just a reminder that the 40 days of item collection for the Clothes Closet continues. Donations for the clothes closet can be left at any time under cover at the lower level of the Church Hall.

#### **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

The PPC will be meeting on Monday April 8 at OLA hall at 6:30pm to continue to develop our pastoral plan using the needs identified in each of the 4 pillars of a vibrant parish (Work, Worship, Community & Service) and our next steps.