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SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.” - Mt 21:9

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Our Mission Statement

As a Roman Catholic Church in the Diocese of Tucson, our mission is to spread the word of God. Our mission is to promote peace, love and unity to all the people of our community. The doors of Saint Ann's Parish and Its Missions are open to all who wish to enter.

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St. Ann's Parish

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.
Sunday's at 9:00 a.m.

Assumption Chapel

Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

St Ferdinand's

Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at
9:00 a.m.

Entrance Antiphon

Hosanna to the Son of David;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
the King of Israel.
Hosanna in the highest.

Communion Antiphon

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it,
your will be done.

Prayer after Communion

Nourished with these sacred gifts,
we humbly beseech you, O Lord,
that, just as through the death of your Son
you have brought us to hope for what we believe,
so by his Resurrection
you may lead us to where you call.
Through Christ our Lord

Announcements/Events from St Ann's & Dioceses



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament St. Ann's Parish

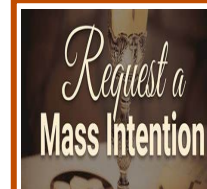
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held
on the **1st and 3rd Thursdays** of each
month from **4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

All are welcome to come and spend time in
prayer before the Lord.

Adoration on Holy Thursday after mass until 11:00 PM

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The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and meaningful part of our Catholic tradition. Continuing this long-standing practice, you may remember someone who has died—whether recently or many years ago. Mass intentions are not only for the deceased. They also make thoughtful and prayerful gifts for special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, or in thanksgiving for prayers answered.

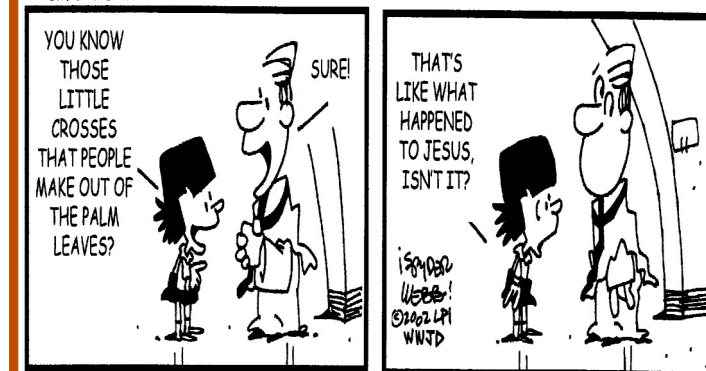
To request a Mass intention, please call or visit the parish office. Mass intentions are \$10.00 each.

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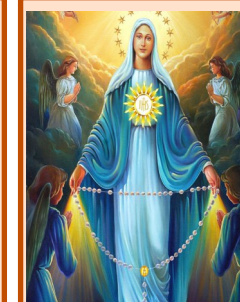
No intentions this week

PALM SUNDAY



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<https://diocesetucson.org/reportabuse>



First Saturday Devotion – Mass & Rosary Saturday, **No Mass the month of April & May** (and every First Saturday of each month)

Mass and Rosary will be celebrated at **9:00 a.m. at St. Ann's Church.**

Please come and join us for this special time of prayer offered in reparation and to grow closer to Jesus and His Blessed Mother.

Our Lady requested the **Five First Saturdays Devotion** at Fatima, and by responding to her call, many blessings are obtained for ourselves, our families, our country, and the whole world.



Important Reminder

Once you have received the host in your hand, Please **do not** step to the side and then consume it. You **must** consume the host **in front** of the Eucharistic Minister before heading back to your seat.

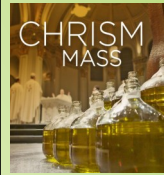


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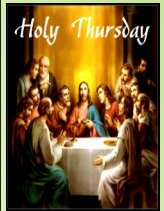
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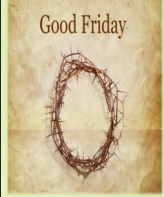
Lenten & Easter Schedule



Chrism Mass March 30th
2:PM- St Augustin Church



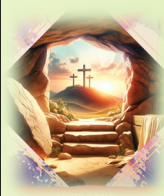
Holy Thursday April 2, 2026
Washing of Feet
We need 4 people as candidates
6:00 PM -Mass
Adoration: after mass until 11:00 PM



Good Friday, April 3,
The Passion
10:00 AM -Station of the Cross
5:00PM -Exultation of the Cross



Holy Saturday – April 4 2026
St. Ann's Parish
• 5:00 PM – No Mass
• 8:00 PM – Easter Vigil Mass



Easter Sunday – April 5, 2026
• 9:00 AM – Mass at St. Ann's Parish, Tubac
• 11:00 AM – Mass at Assumption Chapel, Amado
• 1:00 PM – Mass at St. Ferdinand's Chapel, Arivaca

Holy Week

The solemn observance of Holy Week begins today. Through these sacred traditions, we are invited to enter more deeply into the mystery of God's love for us.

From carrying blessed palms on Passion Sunday, to the washing of the disciples' feet and receiving Holy Communion on Holy Thursday, to the veneration of the Cross on Good Friday, each moment draws us closer to Christ's sacrifice and love.

All of this leads us to the great joy of celebrating the Resurrection at Easter Sunday Mass.

I pray that each of you may experience these holy days with faith, reflection, and a renewed sense of God's presence in your lives.



March 28, 2021

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Is 50:4-7 | Phil 2:6-11 | Mk 14:1-15:47 or Mk 15:1-39

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

From early childhood, I remember Palm Sunday - there was a kind of excitement about receiving the fresh palms, followed by the somber reading of the Passion. The contrast strikes me: While the palms, in ancient times, symbolized goodness and victory, hope and triumph, the account of Jesus' suffering and death reminds us of the price he paid for our redemption. Jesus knew that we can't have one without the other. It is the paradox of the cross: Jesus gave his life so that we might live. For many, the past year has been like one long Good Friday, filled with discouragement, suffering, and loss. As we reflect on Jesus' passion, the palms we carry home remain a sign of hope; we know now how the story will end. As we place our palms in a special place, let us say a prayer of thanks to Jesus and ask for the grace to renew our faith and trust in God as we enter Holy Week.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

There is a richness in the liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil that is both humbling and uplifting. This time period, known as the Sacred Triduum (Latin for "three days"), is the official end of Lent, and the summit of the liturgical year. As a society, we give far more attention to the buildup and celebration of Christmas - which is not to deny its importance, of course! - and so sometimes the Triduum is not as familiar to people in both its meaning and importance. Yet, it is during these days that we most intentionally remember and celebrate the gift of our redemption; we liturgically embrace the paschal mystery of Christ: dying he destroyed our death, and rising he restored our life. We have faced a difficult year together, and we rely on each other for prayer. As we continue through this Holy Week, perhaps we can accompany each other by attending the services with one another, or at least setting aside complementary prayer time on our own.

PRAY A local Eagle Scout built a beautiful outdoor Stations of the Cross at a college campus near us. Visit your parish or outdoor stations and reflect on each one. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has excellent resources for praying the stations: www.usccb.org.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I gave my back to those who beat me,
my cheeks to those who plucked my beard;
my face I did not shield
from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:6)

Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Ps 22)

Second Reading:

He humbled himself,
becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him. (Phil 2:8-9)

Gospel:

The centurion and the men with him who were keeping watch over Jesus
feared greatly when they saw the earthquake
and all that was happening, and they said,
"Truly, this was the Son of God!" (Mt 26:54)

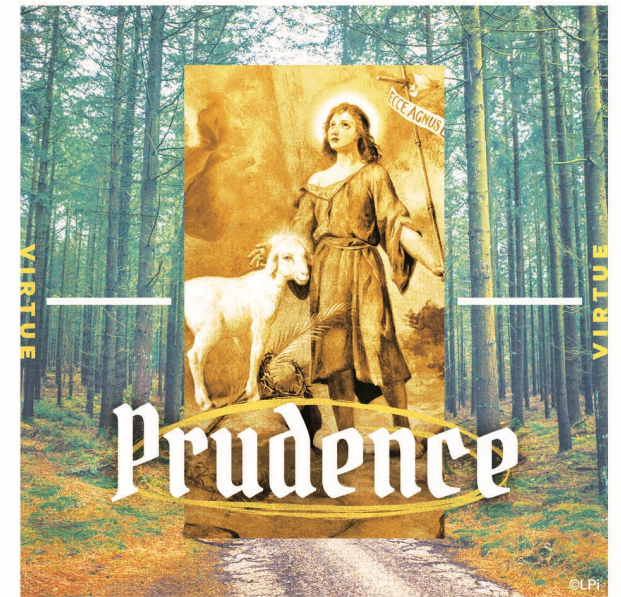
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

This week, we see things that break our heart — God betrayed. This week, we see things that shake our faith — God bleeding on a cross. This week, this Holy Week, with all its difficult moments, can change us, if we let it. Are we ready?

Observances for the week of March 29, 2026

- Sunday:** Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord; Holy Week begins
- Wednesday:** April Fools' Day
- Thursday:** Holy Thursday
- Friday:** Good Friday
- Saturday:** Holy Saturday
- Next Sunday:** Easter Sunday



Virtues, Explained!

The virtue of prudence is like glasses for a soul made nearsighted by original sin. Prudence disposes our practical reason to not only discern what is good, but to choose the right way of achieving that good.

Blessing for Holy Week

Be with us this week, Lord, journeying closer and closer to Your pierced and Sacred Heart. Immerse us in Your intense and undying love. Help us to encounter Your passion in new ways that inform, surprise, and inspire us. Amen.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: The chasm between man and his Creator is an ancient one, and it is driven deep and wide. But this week — this Holy Week — a bridge is built across the chasm. And God reaches out His hand.

The Humanity of Holy Week

We have all sold Jesus out, at one point or another. Some of us have done it more than once, and we've done it for a lot less than 30 pieces of silver.

We have all denied Christ, and we have done it more than three times and under much less pressure than Peter, who feared for his life when he shouted, "I do not know the man!"

We have all struck the face of God — out of anger? Fear? Confusion? All of the above? — screaming, in agony, "Prophecy for me!"

At one point or another, we have all looked at our Lord beaten and betrayed, and we have all said, as Pilate did: "What shall I do with Jesus called Christ?"

And we have all hung on the cross chosen for us, crying out in bewilderment: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Holy Week is a week where we see humanity, in all its vulnerability and ignorance. We see it in the "villains" of the piece, like Judas, and in the morally neutral characters like Pilate and the Jews who have been misled about Jesus. We even see it in the "good guys" like Peter.

In this, the holiest week of the year, we see ourselves at our very worst. The chasm between man and his Creator is an ancient one, and it is driven deep and wide — by the pridefulness of Adam and Eve, yes, but also by every poor choice you and I have ever made.

Every "I don't know the man!"

Every "Prophecy!"

Every "What shall I do with Jesus?"

These cries echo forth from the depths of this chasm.

But this week — this Holy Week — a bridge is built across the chasm. And God reaches out His hand.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What is the difference between a chastisement and a punishment?

Answer:

The distinction between chastisement and punishment is, in many ways, a subtle one, but which is still relevant in our Catholic tradition.

First, chastisement is a concept that is grounded in Sacred Scripture. Here, we see chastisement as a response by God to people's actions that is intended to teach a lesson. As St. John Paul II observed, "chastisement appears to be ... a kind of divine pedagogy, in which the last word is reserved to mercy: He scourges and then shows mercy, casts down to the depths of the nether world, and he brings up from the great abyss" (Tobit 13:2). The idea here is that in order to capture our attention or to highlight how we have not lived out our covenant-relationship with God as we should, there are times when God uses events in life to draw us back to the quality of relationship or faith that we should have.

The concept of punishment, however, has a different sense. The Catechism of the Church observes that punishment is the consequence of a damaging action that "has the primary aim of redressing the disorder" and to protect the community and the common good from further damage or harm (see no. 2266). Although we always hope that someone who is being punished for a crime or some other harmful action will learn from their actions, punishment isn't necessarily intended to teach a lesson in the same way that a chastisement is.

Ultimately, how we make the distinction between chastisement and punishment is a matter of discernment. As with almost everything in life, our experiences can be an opportunity for grace — or for something less — depending on how open we are to recognizing the movement of God's Spirit within them.

Readings for the week of March 29, 2026

Sunday:

Mt 21:1-11 (37)/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday:

Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday:

Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday:

Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday:

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday:

Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2 and 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17 and 25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday:

Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 Or Lk 24:13-35

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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Just prior to this week's Passion narrative in St. Matthew's Gospel, there is a small, striking story describing a woman's scandalous action toward Jesus: **"A woman came up to him with an alabaster jar of costly perfumed oil, and poured it on his head" (Matthew 26:7)**. The ointment was pure nard, worth more than 300 denarii. A year's wages. Maybe a dowry, maybe a family inheritance. In any case, she breaks it. She does not measure or ration. She pours it all out, irreversibly, over Jesus. Why does this image begin Holy Week?

Because what she does with the jar, Jesus will soon do with his life. The jar must be broken so the fragrance can be released. Jesus' body will be broken so his priceless divine and human love can be poured out. She gives everything, just as he is about to give everything. And He sees it: **"She has done a good thing for me" (Matthew 26:10)**. Her act is lavish, impractical, scandalous in its apparent wastefulness. And he loves it. It is what Holy Week is all about.

What jar are you still holding onto? Your time? Your comfort? Your plan for how life should go? Don't just wave palms today. Let yourself be broken open so your love, too, can be poured out.

Lenten Challenge: Offer something costly to Jesus this Holy Week — not out of guilt, but love. Your attention. Your forgiveness. Your time. Break the jar. Trust that nothing poured out for him is ever wasted.

— Father John Muir