

April 6, 2025  
5th SUNDAY of LENT

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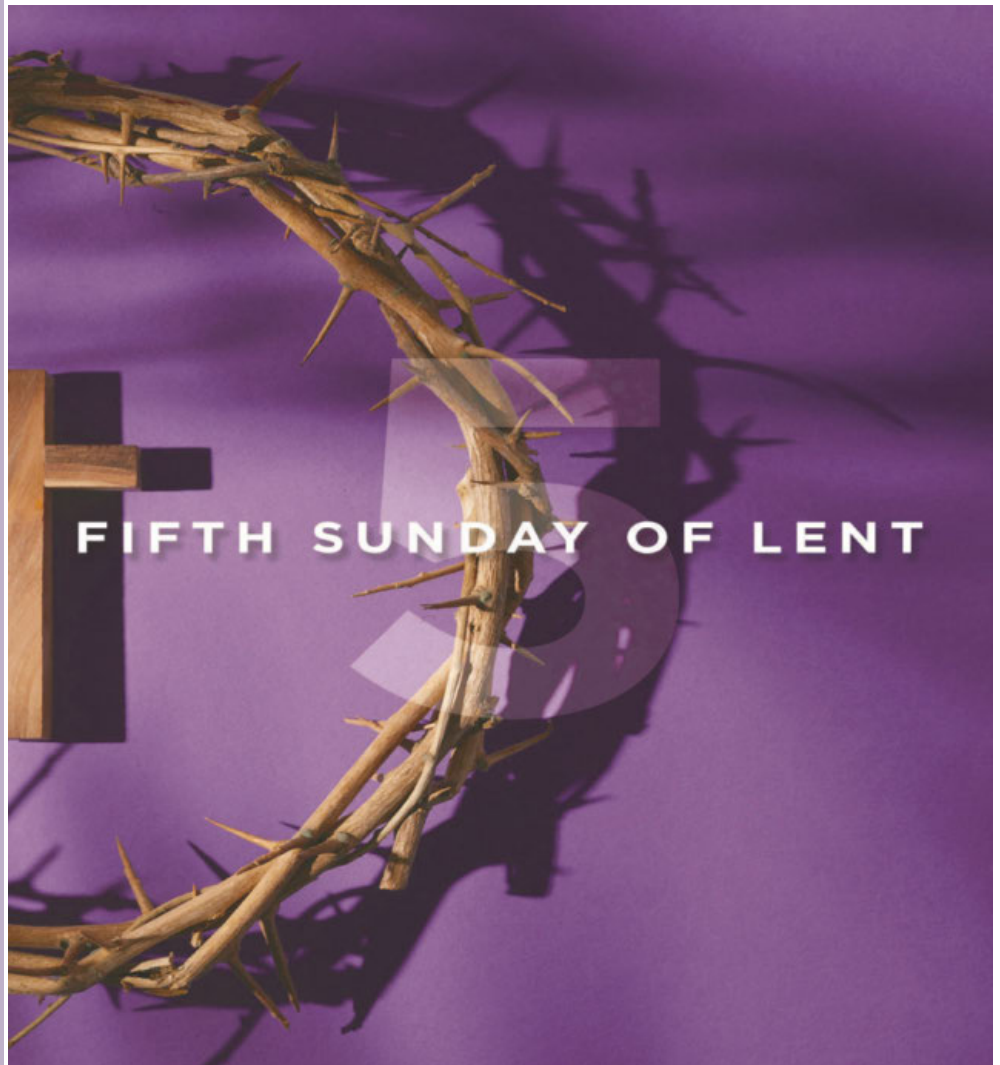
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**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR OCIA CANDIDATES & CATECHUMENS:**

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*Welcome! We're so glad you've come to worship with us this weekend. If you are not currently registered with either St. John Church or St. Anthony Church and would like to do so, please pick up a registration form in the vestibule of either parish, fill it out, and drop it in the collection basket. We would love to have you as a part of our parish family!*

# Liturgical Roles

## *April 5-13, 2025 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

### Saturday, April 12, 5 PM (SA)

*Mass will begin in the Glennon Hall  
and process into church*

Servers: Bryson & Bentley Green

Lector: Jennifer Rosanna

Voice: Chandler Jansen

Extraordinary Min. \*Richard Eeftink

Ushers: Ben Beel, Kevin Beel

Offertory: Richard & GERALYN Eeftink

Sacristan: Pam Horrell

Rosary: Pam Horrell

### Sunday, April 13, 8 AM (SJ)

*Mass will begin at the Shrine and  
process into church*

Servers: Cooper and Jack Halter

Lector: Patty Bohnsack

Voice: Annette Wiseman

Extraordinary Min.: \*Stacy Halter,  
Aimee Hampton, Cindy (Andrew)  
Jansen

Choir Min.: Darlene Stoverink

Ushers: Gary Vandeven, Roger  
Vandeven

Offertory: Family of Ralph Beussink

Sacristan: Anthony & Janet Jansen

Rosary: Nick Elfrink

### Sunday, April 13, 10 AM (SJ)

Servers: Blaine Hoesli, Walter Smith

Lector: Dustin Hoesli

Voice: Sheryl Eftink

Extraordinary Min.: \*Ben Seiler, Polly  
Mungle, Leeann Jansen

Choir Min.: Addison Engelen

Ushers: Scott & Drew Engelen

Offertory: Family of Joyce Landewee

Sacristan: Eva Dunn

Rosary: Lori Graham

### StoneBridge & Homebound

#### Extraordinary Minister for

April 13: Cody Van de Ven

# Sacrament Schedule and Weekly Schedule

SJ= St. John | SA= St. Anthony

## Monday, April 7

6:45-7:15 AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)

**7:20 AM MASS** - L/D Members Ed & Agatha DeBrock Family (SJ)

8:00 AM - 7:00 AM - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (SJ)

6:30 PM - St. John Parish Council (St. Anne's)

## Tuesday, April 8

6:45-7:15 AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)

**7:20 AM MASS** - Eleanor Macke † (SJ)

1:00 PM - Prayer Shawl (Church Basement)

## Wednesday, April 9

3:15 PM - After School Rosary Club (Church Basement)

5:30 - 5:55 PM - CONFESSIONS (SA)

**6:00 PM MASS** - Gerald Jansen † (SA)

6:30 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS (SA)

## Thursday, April 10

7:20 AM - PSR Passion Play (school cafeteria)

8:05-8:25AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)

**8:30 AM MASS** - Janet DeBrock † (SJ)

6:00 PM - Easter Choir Practice (SJ)

## Friday, April 11

6:45-7:15 AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)

**7:20 AM MASS** - Virgil & Thelma Beel † (SJ)

5:00-7:00 PM - KC Fish Fry (KC Hall)

7:00 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS (SJ)

## Saturday, April 12 - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

**6:30 AM** - Men's Group (KC Hall)

10:00 AM - KC Easter Egg Hunt (SJ)

4:15-4:45 PM - CONFESSIONS (SA)

**5:00 PM MASS** - Families of St. John & St. Anthony Parishes † (SA)

## Sunday, April 13 - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

7:20-7:50 AM -and - 9:30-9:50 AM CONFESSIONS (SJ)

**8:00 AM MASS** - Ralph Beussink † (SJ)

*Last day for Sunday PSR*

**10:00 AM MASS** - Joyce Landewee † (SJ)

3:00 PM - Lenten Penance Service (SJ)



## EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES:

Sunday, April 13 Bulletin Items  
are due by Monday, April 7 at noon

Sunday, April 20 Bulletin Items  
are due by Sunday, April 13 at noon

## April: Renew Your Prayer Life

Feast Connection:  
Easter Sunday (April 20)

The joy of the Resurrection calls us  
to deepen our connection with the  
risen Christ.

Goal: Dedicate 15 minutes each  
day to silent prayer or Scripture  
reflection, focusing on the hope and  
new life Christ offers.

## **Notes from Fr. Vincent:**

### ***5th Sunday of Lent***

**“Apart from the mercy of God, there is no other source of hope for mankind”  
( St. Pope John Paul II)**

In 1850 Nathaniel Hawthorne published *The Scarlet Letter*. Its setting was a Puritan community in Boston in early New England. Hawthorne's novel tells the story of Hester Prynne who was forced to wear the scarlet letter “A” for “adultery” because she had given birth to an illegitimate child and refused to name the father. The child's father was none other than the community's minister, Arthur Dimmesdale. Hester bore the letter, the public scorn and the humiliation alone, while the minister had merely to bear the pangs of conscience. After many years the minister finally confessed his secret sin to the people and later died in peace. Hester continued to wear her letter, and went on to live like a saint bringing happiness to her disturbed illegitimate daughter and helping others in their troubles. The townsfolk said the letter stood, not for Adultery as it had done but now for Able, and a sign of honor. *The Scarlet Letter* has some similarities with today's Gospel story of the woman caught in adultery.

The woman, may be a wife who had been caught committing adultery is brought before Jesus so that he can be tested to see if he will ‘do the right thing’ and say she should be stoned. Jesus asks for the man who is not a sinner among the accusers to begin the stoning, and the group melts away one by one. Jesus does not condemn the woman for her conduct, but challenges her to begin life afresh.

This is the challenge Jesus puts to us each Lent: begin life afresh and let others begin life afresh after they have hurt us. Let us reflect that we are all sinners, we are in need of mercy, and we need to make fresh starts.

**Prayer: Fill me God with your merciful and forgiving love. Amen**

**St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony, pray for us and protect us.**

*Fr. Vincent Joseph VC*

## **Adult Education Notes**

As we approach Holy Week, let's look at four popular devotions to do for Jesus Crucified. Lent is a time when Catholics meditate more intentionally on Jesus and His Crucifixion, placing themselves at the foot of the Cross on Calvary.

The Stations of the Cross are a prime example of a Lenten devotion that focuses almost entirely on Jesus's passion and death. Catholics also focus more intently on the moments of Jesus's crucifixion. In its simplicity form, this piety of “gazing upon the crucifix” is meditating on the intense agony Jesus suffered for all humanity.

Contemplating on the Crucified Savior, they sense more easily the great suffering which Jesus, the Holy and Innocent One, suffered for the salvation of mankind. They understand the effectiveness of His redemptive sacrifice. Over the centuries, Catholics have developed a variety of devotions to the Crucified Savior and the top four most popular are:

1-ECCE HOMO. Christ was despised, crowned with thorns and clothed with a purple cloak (Jn 19:5) and shown to the multitude by Pilate. A maimed man holding a reed instead of royal scepter, with a crown of thorns piercing His temples. His eyes are half closed due to His unbearable pain and suffering. It is an image of pure humility, as Jesus is mocked as a “King” while dripping with blood. Picture this prayerfully.

2-The Five Wounds of Christ. This devotion especially to the side of Christ, arose in the 12-13th century when Christians began to rediscover the Holy Land and became interested in meditating on the Passion of Christ. The five Holy Wounds are highlighted in the Easter Vigil when the priest places the five grains of incense in the Pascal Candle. Simple devotion to them are before bed say an Our Father for each wound (2hands,2feet,side) because by these wounds He has cleansed us and then say, “Lord, if You will, You can make me clean.”

3-Instruments of Jesus's Passion: The pillar at which Jesus was scourged. The steps of the Praetorium. Crown of Thorns. Nails that held Him to the Cross. Lance that pierced Jesus's side. They focus on the elements that led to the intense pain He suffered for humanity. They represent His Love.

4-The Shroud of Turin: The cloth that bears the image of a man brutally beaten and underwent extreme torture. The fact that Jesus was covered in a large cloth as this and that cloth likely contained an imprint of His body covered with blood.

Catholics are reminded to take the whole events of the Passion as tradition insists so not to fragment the mystery of the Cross and its whole meaning. The Passion is the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Make this year's Holy Week a special week of prayer by reading the Passion verses and put yourself in the scenes of Jesus's last days and hours.

## Ministry Notes & Updates

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 5898:

From the Knight of the Year dinner, Seiler Repair was honored as our Community Friend of the Year. Geri Geringer was honored as Lady Friend of the Knights. Both award winners have been very helpful to the Church and Community over the years. Our Free Throw winners were recognized: Jade Crabtree, Thad Adams, Finn Beussink, Zach Schreiner, Nash Adams, Cooper Halter and Jacob Beussink. Thad, Cooper and Jacob were also regional winners and Cooper was able to attend the State Competition where he finished second in the Age 13 group making 23 of 25 free throws.

Easter Egg Hunt at 10am next Saturday for ages 0 through grade three.

### VOCATION MINISTRY:

*“Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore.” (John 8:11)* Jesus’ words remind us of God’s mercy and His invitation to a fresh start. In every vocation, we’re called to accept His forgiveness and step forward with a renewed commitment to love and serve. This Lent, reflect on how you are nurturing a heart open to love as a you journey toward Easter. **Vocation Crucifix for April: Andrew & Elizabeth Eftink** *For those discerning their vocation, that they may trust in God’s mercy and be strengthened to follow His call with confidence and hope. Let us pray to the Lord.*

### ST. JOHN PCCW:

April 19: Group 8 (Vandeven-Yount) will host and bring finger foods for reception of RCIA candidates and their families

April 26: Groups 1-2 (Abner-Engelen) will work and bring wrapped dessert servings to the Clem-Mary Lou Landewee’s farm auction

May 6-10: keep saving items for rummage sale. Contact officers for more information

### ST. ANTHONY PCCW:

St. Anthony PCCW will be collecting items for Birthright during Lent. Things needed are: 0-3 month clothing, 3-6 month clothing, Newborn and Size 1 pampers, Blankets, Shampoo and lotion. All donations will be greatly appreciated. A box will be in the vestibule of St. Anthony’s to drop items off at.

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### PSR:

Please pray for our students going through the sacrament of First Holy Communion this year. It will be on April 27th at the 10 am Mass. **Alaura Broshuis, Josie Deck, Anita Fodge, Ben Francis, Cam Hutchings, Avery James, Lacey McDonough, Sophie McWilliams, Addie Peters, Kynlee Seiler, Joseph Smith, Megan VanGennip, Em-marie Wiseman, Augustus VanGennip, Kenny King, Bailey Atkinson.**

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

**As a Lenten service project,** we will be having a diaper drive for our local Birthright. There is an immediate need for all sizes. Please help by donating. You may leave diapers in the back of church. For monetary donations to purchase diapers, please put in a marked envelope in the collection basket. Thank you!

## Parish Directory News!

Exciting News! The St. John and St. Anthony Parish Councils have determined it's time for a new pictorial church directory, updating photos, addresses and phone numbers. We will be using Universal Church Directories. In the weeks ahead, we will have scheduling events after church to help parishioners sign up. But you can also log on now and schedule your own appointment. To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) or scan the QR code below and click on the red Photography Session Sign-Up button. Use the following case sensitive code and password to schedule:

Church Code: mo388

Password: photos

We have photography dates and times blocked off June 10-14th, 2025 at the Leopold KC Hall. \*If you have 6 or more in your family, please schedule 2 consecutive time slots.

Each family that schedules a session will receive a free 8x10 photo and a free directory. Other photo packages and sheets will be available for purchase, but are not required. Call Sarah Deck at 573-979-1748 if you need help scheduling or have any questions.



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