







## PRINCE OF PEACE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Sunday, April 2nd, 2023

#### **Our Mission**

United in the sacraments as the Body of Christ, we the members of Prince of Peace Catholic Parish extend the welcoming arms of Jesus, opening the world to God's presence through works of love, hospitality, mercy, and prayer.

#### **Weekend Mass Times**

Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

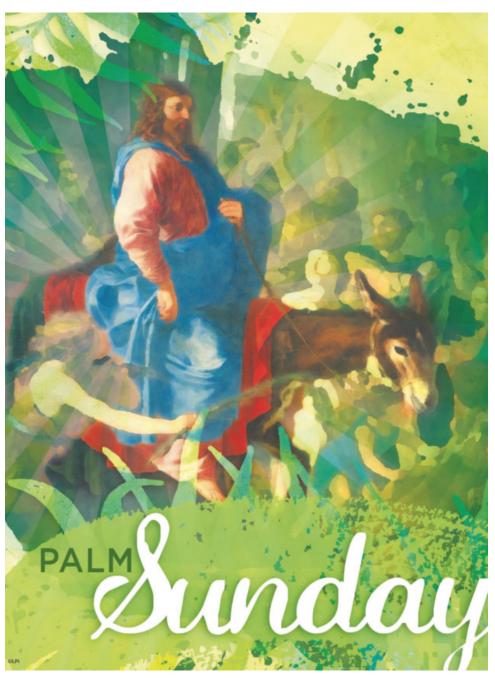
#### **RECONCILIATION**

#### Saturday

4:00 - 4:30 p.m. or contact the Parish Office 308-236-9171

#### Fr. Paul Colling

Fr. Paul Colling has served as pastor at Prince of Peace for 10 years assisted by **Deacon Thomas Martin.** 



## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

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# PRAYER SERVICE

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

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**JON PETERKA** 

**JOE BASAN** (COUSIN OF DAN KELLEY)

**ASHLI HOOS** (NIECE OF SHELLIE BERRY)

JIM & CAROL BENDFELDT (FRIENDS OF MARY ANN WIEDUWILT)

**GUADALUPE ZAPATA** (DAUGHTER OF MARY 7APATA)

TYLER SCHRAM (COUSIN OF MAKAYLA IRWIN)

**CINDY JOHNSTON** (DAUGHTER OF MARY ANN REISER)

**CAROLYN (RAY) MENKE** (SISTER-IN-LAW OF JERRY & CAROLYN MENKE)

LAURA DRESSEL (SISTER OF PAT HOUSKA)
AND ALL OTHERS IN NEED OF

AND ALL OTHERS IN NEED OF PRAYER.

\*Names will remain for approximately three weeks. Please call the office if you would like a name to remain on the list for longer.



#### **Prayer of the Week**

Increase the faith of those who hope in you, and graciously hear the prayers of those who call on you, O God, that we, who today hold high these branches in our minds and hearts to hail Christ in His triumph, may bear fruit for you by good works accomplished in Him. Who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

## Holy Week Mass Schedule & Intentions MONDAY, APRIL 3 | NO MASS

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 4 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30am Felecity Schieffer

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5 | MASS 7:30 AM

7:30am Marlene Schulte

#### HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 6 | MASS 7:00 PM

7:00pm Fr. Donald J. O'Brien † & Family

#### GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7 | SERVICE 12:05 PM | SERVICE 7:00 PM

12:05pm Service-No Intention 7:00pm Service-No Intention

#### HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8 | EASTER VIGIL MASS 8:00 PM

8:00pm Prince of Peace Parishioners

## EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9 | MASS 6:30 AM | MASS 8:00 AM | MASS 10:30 AM

6:30am Ed & Isabel Gruntorad † 8:00am Scott & Lisa Harrington & Family 10:30am Andrew & Esther Wilhelm



#### **SpringFest**

April 23rd, 2023 at KCHS 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

A meal of smoked pork sliders, baked potatoes, salads, and many desserts will be served from 11am-1pm.

Meal Prices:

\$10 Adult, \$6 for children ages 6-12, Free for children 5 and under

We are seeking **donations** and **volunteers** for the Silent Auction, Game Room, God's Garden, and Bake Sale.

Sign up to donate or volunteer on the SignUpGenius link: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/tabs/93D74D707A6CEEF3-prince1">https://www.signupgenius.com/tabs/93D74D707A6CEEF3-prince1</a>

Please contact Jason & Tiffany Shuda (308-379-6961) or Luke & Mallory Huddleston (308) 293-7258 if you have any questions.



How can Jesus Christ be truly present in what still appears to be bread and wine? In the liturgical act known as the epiclesis, the bishop or priest, speaking in the person of Jesus Christ, calls upon the Father to send down his Holy Spirit to change the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ, and this change occurs through the institution narrative, by the power of the words of Christ pronounced by the celebrant. (USCCB The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church #20) eucharisticrevival.org

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

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### 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

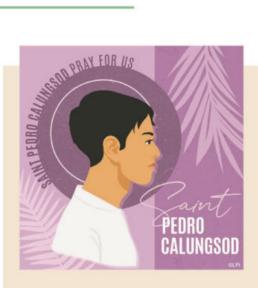
Our relationship with Christ should leave us mesmerized — "shaken," like Biblical Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. It should leave our jaws hanging. If it does not, we should ask ourselves: what needs to change?

## Observances for the week of April 2, 2023

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord,

Holy Week begins

Thursday: Holy Thursday
Friday: Good Friday
Saturday: Holy Saturday
Next Sunday: Easter Sunday



#### Saint of the week

Saint Pedro Calungsod, a teenaged Filipino missionary to Guam, was murdered by the chief of Tumon after baptizing his children at the request of his Christian wife. He remains an inspiration of unwavering faith and loyal friendship to young Catholics everywhere.

#### **Prayer**

Prayer for St. Pedro Calungsod's intercession

Saint Pedro Calungsod, student, catechist, young migrant, missionary, faithful friend, martyr, you inspire us by your fidelity in time of adversity; by your courage in teaching the Faith in the midst of hostility; and by your love in shedding your blood for the sake of the Gospel.

We beg you, make our cares and troubles your own [here mention the special intention you are asking him to bring to the Lord] and intercede for us before the throne of Mercy and Grace, so that as we experience the help of Heaven, we may be encouraged and strengthened to proclaim and live the Gospel here on earth. AMEN.

## PASTOR'S NOTE—HOLY WEEK

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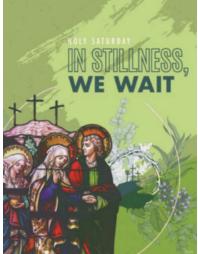


Palm Sunday recalls Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem based on the Gospel of Matthew 26: 14-27. We recall when Jesus entered Jerusalem the week before he died. He came humbly, riding on a donkey. Yet, he was acclaimed by the people as the son of David, and thus the heir to the kingdom. The Mass on Sunday has two Gospels read. We hear the story of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. We are invited to take up our own palms and sing a resounding hymn in honor of Christ our King. But the story is not over. Later we hear the story of the passion of Jesus read from the same gospel. The same people who welcomed Jesus condemned him less than a week later. This causes us to reflect on the fickleness of human nature and our own weakness.

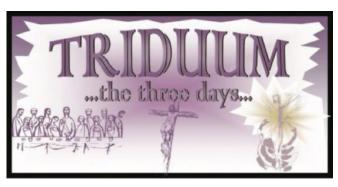
In biblical times, the palm tree was considered a "kingly" tree because of its lofty height and majestic appearance. It became a sign and symbol of royalty and victory. For us they represent a joyful victory not in a military or worldly sense but the victory of Christ over sin and death. It was won through his life, his suffering and death on the cross, and his rising from the dead.

We, too, have to endure the many sufferings that are a part of our lives. But our suffering and death are no longer without meaning or purpose. Jesus taught us that this is the way to a victorious resurrection and everlasting life. Thus the palm branches, then, also became a symbol and reminder of the victory that awaits each one us as followers of Jesus.

It is customary to place your blessed palm in some prominent place at home to remind you of the story and its message.



The Lenten season ends with the Triduum, which means "the three days." In essence it is one liturgy that is celebrated over three days.



The Holy Thursday liturgy begins on a high note. During lent the Gloria is not sung. On Holy Thursday the liturgy begins with the singing of the Gloria and bells are rung. (You may bring bells to church to ring at this time.) This again harkens to Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. It is the night that we recall that Jesus, who was at a Seder meal with His disciples, instituted the Eucharist (see John 6). Then he gets on bended knee and washes their feet. He asks them to do the same. In other words, we are to become what we consume, the body of Christ for others, we are called to take care or serve the body of Christ that is the people of God.

The evening ends on a somber note. The Eucharist is taken to the altar of repose (in the Our Lady's chapel behind the main altar). As Jesus prayed in the garden, the church is invited to keep watch in prayer until midnight. Then the Eucharist, the body of Christ, is taken out of the church. People are asked to leave in silence or pray quietly until Midnight in the altar of repose.

**Good Friday** continues the liturgy. It begins with the priest and ministers falling down prostrate (laying down on the floor) to pray. Good Friday is the only day we do not have Mass. It is a continuation of the Triduum. We hear the Passion story again. We venerate the cross. We are reminded that as Christ carried his cross, we are called to carry our crosses too. But we are not alone. Christ is with us. We pray the Lord's Prayer and then communion is distributed that were consecrated the night before. This receiving of the body of Christ on Good Friday reminds us that death is not the end. Jesus will conquer death with the resurrection. People again are asked to leave in silence. We are called to fast (two light meals and one regular meal) and abstain from meat. It is a somber day and it will be good for us to mediate on the Passion narrative, perhaps watch the movie Jesus of Nazareth or God's Son.

Holy Saturday begins with a solemn quiet. We recall that Jesus was in the tomb. The Easter Vigil is to start after sunset. In the Jewish tradition a day ended at sunset. Thus sunset on Saturday is the beginning of Sunday or Easter. The Easter Vigil is the climax of the church year. We begin by lighting the paschal candle, the light of Christ, bringing this light into the body of the Church. We hear the wonderful scripture stories of our Salvation history. This is the night the water is blessed in the baptismal font. We baptize the adults who want to be initiated into the Christian faith. The Gloria is sung, the bells are rung, the flowers are out, and we are all dressed in our best. The alleluia is sung as we celebrate Christ's resurrection from the dead!

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## HOLY WEEK

#### SCHEDULE

#### **Opportunities for Reconciliation**

 Sunday, April 2
 6:00 p.m.

 Tuesday, April 4
 6:00 p.m.

 Wednesday, April 5
 12:00 p.m.

 5:00 p.m.

#### TRIDUUM

#### Holy Thursday, April 6 7:00 p.m.

(1<sup>st</sup> Communion class invited to wear their first communion outfits to Holy Thursday liturgy)

#### Good Friday, April 7

Confirmation class leads 12:05-1:15 p.m.

Traditional Service with communion **7:00 p.m.** 

Easter Vigil, April 8 8:00 p.m.

#### EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 9 6:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.



## Alleluia! He has Risen!



## Save the Date Saturday, April 15th Groundbreaking for Phase II Construction 10:00 a.m.

Once construction is started the west entrances will not be accessible. Please plan on using the entrance on the lower, east side of the Church. Please save the east parking lot for those who find walking a challenge.

## PARISH INFORMATION

#### **Contact Us**

Office Hours: 9:00am-4:00pm

Monday-Friday

Church Phone: 308-236-9171 Fax Number: 308-237-4198 **Rectory Phone:** 308-224-3843

**Parish Email:** 

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Welcome packets for new parishioners available at each

church entrance.

Meetings & Activities: the full calendar is available on the website & app.		
Monday, April 3rd	2:00 p.m4:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
Tuesday, April 4th	6:00 p.m6:45 p.m.	Confessions
	6:45 p.m8:15 p.m.	OCIA
	7:00 p.m.	Holy Thursday Practice
	7:00 p.m8:30 p.m.	Watchmen at St. James
Wednesday, April 5th	12:00 p.m12:45 p.m.	Confessions
	5:00 p.m5:45 p.m.	Confessions
	7:00 p.m8:30 p.m.	Good Friday Practice for Confirmation Students
Thursday, April 6th	2:00 p.m4:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
	9:00 p.m12:00 a.m.	Altar of Repose
Friday, April 7th		
Saturday, April 8th	11:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	OCIA Practice for Vigil
Sunday, April 9th		Easter Sunday!!! The office will be closed on Monday, April 10th.

Please see Ministry Scheduler for the lay minister schedule for Holy Week and Easter Sunday Masses & Services. You can sign up online on Ministry Scheduler for any open slots or call the office. Please be aware that Holy Thursday has a rehearsal to attend.

Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 p.m. (with rehearsal Tuesday, April 4th at 7:00 p.m.) Good Friday Services 7:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday Masses: 6:30, 8:00, & 10:30 a.m.

https://web4ucorp.com/ministries/schedule-public.php? org=popkearney



#### 2022/23 Diocesan Appeal Update as of 3/20/2023

Parish Goal: \$73,464 Total Raised: \$43,037 Household Goal: Current Households: 110

If you have any questions regarding this information: Please call Greg or Amy at the chancery, 308-382-6565 or email diocesanappeal@gidiocese.org.

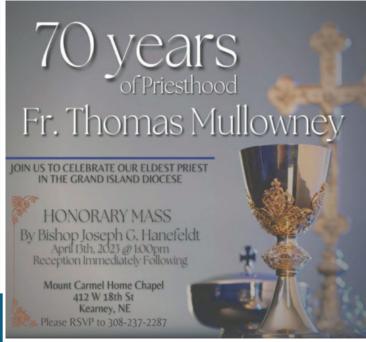
## MISCELLANEOUS

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Volunteers needed to polish the pews prior to the Easter Masses! Contact the Church office if interested in helping, especially if you have helped in the past and can help train some new polishers!





**Bulletin Deadlines:** Wednesday, April 7th for the April 16th bulletin.



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