

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH



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MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil Mass: Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Mass: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Adoration: Tuesday, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Daily Mass: Tuesday - Friday - Noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

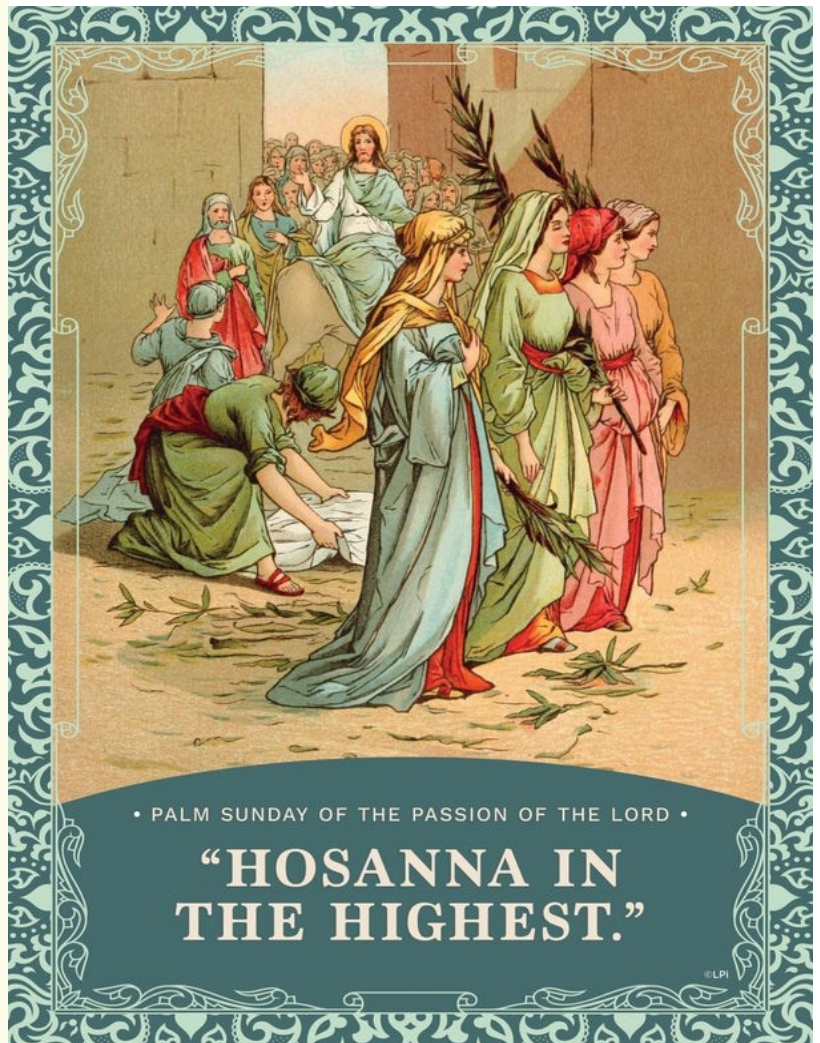
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

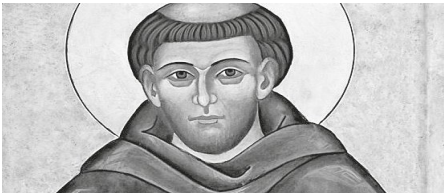
BAPTISM - 2 WEEKS NOTICE

Please call the office for an appointment.

MARRIAGE PREP - 6 MONTHS NOTICE

Please call the office for an appointment.





From the Pastor's Desk....

Sunday Offertory

03-15-2025.....\$2,763
 Weekly Budget.....\$3,000
 Surplus/Deficit.....\$212
 YTD
 Offertory.....\$124,565
 Budget.....\$108,000
Surplus/Deficit.....\$16,565

Food Pantry\$25

03-22-2025.....\$3,094
 Weekly Budget.....\$3,000
Surplus/Deficit.....\$94
 YTD

Offertory.....\$127,659
 Budget.....\$111,000
Surplus/Deficit.....\$16,659

Food Pantry\$



(948) MATTHEW 21:1-11
 (procession)
(949) ISAIAH 50:4-7
PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11
MATTHEW 26:14-27:66

Jesus, humbling himself out of love for us, did not shield his face from buffets and spitting, but offered his life on the cross. He relied on his Father's love.

Readings may be found in the Saint Augustine Hymnal Number 948 and 949

Hi everyone!

Happy Holy Week! It's so crazy that we are already in Holy Week because it feels like Lent just started yesterday! Please make sure to check our Holy Week schedule because a lot of things are different than normal. On Tuesday, everyone is invited to come to the Chrism Mass at Christ the King at 10:30 am. On Wednesday we will have our day of Reconciliation for those who would like to make their confession before Easter. On Thursday, there is no noon Mass due to the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 pm followed by Adoration until 10:00 pm. On Friday there is the Good Friday service at 7:00 pm. On Saturday, there is no 5:00 pm Mass or confessions. The Easter Vigil will begin on Saturday night at 9:00 pm. Finally, there will be no Melkite Divine Liturgy at 1:00 on Sunday. I think that about covers it! Prayers for a wonderful Holy Week!

Fr. Rob

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAYER

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 @Lpi

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, March 28	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	+Mary Anne McNamee
Sunday, March 29	10:30 am Mass	For the People
Monday, March 30	No Mass	
Tuesday, March 31	No Mass/No Adoration	
Wednesday, April 1	Noon Mass	+Charles Cokley
Thursday, April 2	7:00 pm Mass	+Mary Anne McNamee
Friday, April 3	7:00 pm Good Friday Service	
Saturday, April 4	9:00 pm Vigil Mass	For the People
Sunday, April 5	10:30 am Mass 1:00 pm	For the People NO MASS

Parish Calendar & Announcements

EASTER EGG HUNT - The Mata Family is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 5, immediately following the 10:30 Mass. To help make this event possible, the family is seeking donations of plastic eggs filled with candy. Please do not include chocolate or nut-based candies. Contributions can be left in the church storage room.

ROSARY - The first Saturday of each month at **noon**.

LAY MINISTRY - 03/29/2026

Lector - Joseph Mata
Lector Fill in Only - Mary Jo Ratliff
Gift Bearer Server - Joseph & Pia Mata
Coffee & Donuts - Zach & Jonnica Bryson
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Pia Mata

LAY MINISTRY - 04/05/2026

Lector - Fadi AlAhress
Lector Fill in Only - Benjamin Cline
Gift Bearer Server - Bob & Annice Welch
Coffee & Donuts - Cherry & Mariano Rivera
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Denny Rohrer

LAY MINISTRY - 04/12/2026

Lector - Fank Dawahare
Lector Fill in Only - Isabella Ramsey
Gift Bearer Server - Cherry & Mariano Rivera
Coffee & Donuts - Denny Rohrer
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Frank Dawahare

LAY MINISTRY - 04/19/2026

Lector - Jerry Kannev
Lector Fill in Only - Mary Jo Ratliff
Gift Bearer Server - Christopher & Lindsay Elliott
Coffee & Donuts - Fadi & Lina AlAkhrass
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Joseph Mata

LAY MINISTRY - 04/26/2026

Lector - Joe Collins
Lector Fill in Only - MaShawna Jacobs
Gift Bearer Server - Joseph & Pia Mata
Coffee & Donuts - Joseph & Pia Mata
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - MaShawna Jacobs

PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

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. ©LPi

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

ANNOUNCEMENT: The 1st Communion classes will be starting soon. If you have a child who is eligible to participate in these classes, please reach out to Frank or Theresa Dawahare for more information or to register your child.

Contact Information:

- Frank Dawahare (frank.dawahare@ettky.com)
- Theresa Dawahare (@theresadawahare@upike.com)

You may contact Frank or Theresa either at church or by email.

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 ©LPi



- Susie Johnson
- Skylar Coleman and her unborn baby, Kallum
- Lakeisha Therese Tucker, 3rd stage colon cancer
- Ray Buchanan
- Cecilia Newman, Kenny Schmidt’s sister
- Jimmie Goss
- Chona Curry
- Sharon Collins, cancer
- Wilson Vanzant, Lisa Scalf’s stepdad
- Sister Kathy Avery
- Ransom McCoy, Lindsay May’s dad
- Melba Schmidt, Kenny Schmidt’s mother
- Wanda Baker
- Jeffrey Scalf, Lisa’s son
- Sandy Lowe, cancer
- Ron Saros
- Helen Altman
- Fran Sykes
- +Peggy Anderson
- +Kenny Blackburn
- +Mary Anne McNamee
- +Sidney Tackett

VOTIVE CANDLES:

Suggested donation: Large votives \$3.00 and small votives \$0.50