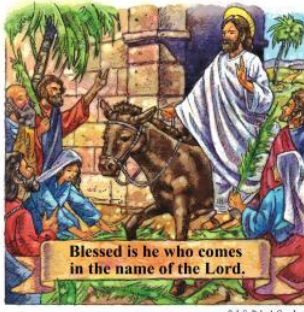


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March 29, 2026 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

Today's Scripture Readings

GOSPEL AT THE PROCESSION WITH PALMS: Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11).

FIRST READING: In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50: 4-7).

PSALM: O my God, why have you cast me off? (Psalm 22).

SECOND READING: Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2: 6-11).

GOSPEL: The account of Christ's passion according to Matthew (Matthew 26:14 – 27:66 [27:11-54]).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: ENCOUNTER WITH THE CROSS

The journey of Lent brings us to an encounter with the cross. During Lent, we have been led more deeply into questions at the heart of our faith: Who is God? And who are we, the Church? The Gospel of Matthew indicates that, in the crucifixion, God's true nature is most fully revealed in Jesus. In Jesus, God is the self-emptying One, who embraces humility and suffers rejection, as Paul tells the Philippians. God's power is redefined, present not in coercion and violence, but in Jesus' unbounded love. We the Church can learn who we are, the followers of the Crucified One, when we bear crosses that offer life and hope to the world. We more fully become the Church when we empty ourselves by sharing in others' sufferings, rejecting violence, and taking risks for justice and reconciliation. Like Jesus, we may reveal God's power as compassion and mercy.

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of The Lord's Supper 5:30PM
Lector: Linda Lopez

HOLY SATURDAY

2PM Blessing of Food Baskets –
(and after Vigil Mass)

GOOD FRIDAY

Liturgy of Good Friday 3:00PM
Lectors: Elaine Angus & Pat Wess

EASTER VIGIL SERVICE 8:00PM

Lectors: Ed Olshefski & Denise Lakatos

EASTER SUNDAY

Mass of The Resurrection 9:00AM
Lector: Linda Lopez

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK -- (Marh 30th - April 5th)

MON	3/30	7:00AM. . . + Martin & Matilda Simcic
TUES	3/31	7:00AM. . . + Mary Ella – (Watts Family)
WED	4/01	7:00AM. . . + Joseph & Maria Tri Tran – (Thien & Ngoan Tran)
THURS	4/02 HOLY THURSDAY – Mass of the Lord's Supper (No Morning Mass) 5:30PM. . . + Frank Lopez (3 mos mind)—(Beltz Family)
FRI	4/03GOOD FRIDAY (No Morning Mass) 3:00PM. . . Liturgy Of Good Friday
SAT	4/04 HOLY SATURDAY 2:00PM . Blessing of Easter Food Baskets EASTER VIGIL MASS 8:00PM. . . For Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Anne's
SUN	4/05EASTER SUNDAY – Mass Of The Resurrection 9:00AM . .+. (A) Martha Lopez – (Lopez Family)



March 29, 2026

Stewardship Reflections:

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

We begin this Holy Week with the reading of the Lord's Passion from the Gospel of Matthew. It is fitting that we Christian stewards focus our minds and hearts intensely this week on the steps of our Brother and Savior as He laid down His very life for us.

Throughout this story, there are several small acts of stewardship by those who encountered Jesus during this most eventful week. Each of these were simple acts of good stewardship, yet God used them in mighty ways. God invites each of us, too, to cooperate with Him in small ways through the sharing of our time, talents and material gifts. Small gifts can become mighty deeds when placed in God's service.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

March 21 & 22nd, 2026

Weekly	\$ 1,569.00
Monthly	\$ 45.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 5.00
Easter	\$ 35.00
1 st Offer	\$ 5.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 5.00
Building Fund	\$ 20.00
Fuel	\$ 10.00
Flowers	\$ 95.00
Catholic Relief	\$ 55.00
Holy Land	\$ 10.00
Poor Box	\$ 149.00

March 14 & 15th, 2026

Weekly	\$ 1,258.00
Monthly	\$ 20.00
Lent	\$ 45.00
Flowers	\$ 25.00
Catholic Relief	\$ 120.00
Easter	\$ 10.00
Poor Box	\$ 91.00

Thank you for your continued support of St. Anne's Parish! Please remember in your prayers the deceased parishioners and benefactors of our parish. God Bless!

St Anne Basket Party

Dinner tickets -- SOLD OUT!

Soft Walk Through – Saturday April 11th
from 4:00PM – 7:00 PM -

25 basket chances for only \$5 - **No Meal**



Holy Thursday April 2nd

5:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Last Supper

Good Friday April 3rd

3:00PM The Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday April 4th

2:00PM Blessing of Easter Food Baskets & at
Easter Vigil

8:00PM Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 5th

9:00AM



Catholic Ministries

DRIVE

Sent To Serve

The 2026 Catholic Ministries Drive

During Lent, and throughout the year, we are challenged to renew our spiritual devotions and duties- and one of those holy duties is to support our Church. This year's theme, **Sent To Serve**, reminds us that, by virtue of our baptism, each of us has been Sent to Serve, entrusted with gifts that are meant to be shared for the good of others.

Our parish goal this year is \$6,400. We would like not only try to reach our goal this year, but increase our parish participation. There are pledge cards in the back of Church. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge or one time offering.



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AREA PENANCE SERVICES

During the season of Lent, Catholics are encouraged to seek God's healing and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The following is a schedule of Communal Penance Services.

St Benedict Monday, March 30th at 5PM

St. Patrick Tuesday, March 31st at 6PM