

**PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024**

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## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

SECOND & FOURTH SUNDAYS  
1:15 PM ENG  
2:15 POLISH

Please arrange the date of baptism through the Rectory office after the birth of your child.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the Rectory for an appointment at least six months prior to the desired date.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS  
4:00 to 4:45 PM  
and  
THURSDAYS BEFORE  
FIRST FRIDAYS  
4:00 to 5:00 PM

Other times by appointment.



## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

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**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**  
WEEKDAYS  
7:00 AM  
SATURDAYS  
8:00 AM  
SATURDAY EVENINGS  
VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM  
SUNDAYS  
8:00 & 9:15 AM  
10:30 AM (Polish)  
12:00 Noon

**RECTORY HOURS**  
WEEKDAYS  
9 AM to 12 Noon  
& 1 PM to 4 PM

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
TUES. 12 to 2 PM

**MILLIONS OF MONICAS**  
TUES. 2 to 3 PM

**PL PRAYER GROUP W/ ADORATION**  
2ND THURSDAYS 7 PM

**LAY CARMELITE CHAPTER**  
1ST SAT. AFTER  
8 AM MASS

### Our Mission Statement

*Lord, God, all creation is yours, and you call us to serve you by caring for the gifts that surround us. May the example of St. Isidore urge us to share our food with the hungry and to work for the salvation of mankind. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.  
Saint Isidore, Pray for Us.*

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# PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024

5:00 pm God's blessings for Mark & Karen Heppner  
+ Marie Pfaff (A) / + Zofia Czaplak  
+ Alex Sydlowski, Sr. / + Stasia Grabowski  
+ Helen & John B. Zilnicki  
+ Frank McBride (A)  
The People of the Parish Living and Deceased

### PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

8:00 am + Chester Friszolowski & Jean Tuthill

9:15am + Michael (4th A) and Walter Kielkowski

**10:45 am** (PL) God's blessings and good health for Fr. Nicholas  
God's blessings for Jacek i Mirosława Makurat  
+ Tadeusz Cichy / + Stasia Grabowski  
+ Roman Osiniak (3rd A)  
+ Jerzy, Irene, Margaret i Zbigniew  
Aleksandrowicz and Family  
+ Jan, Piotr i Bronisława Zaborszczyk

**12:15pm** + Peter Kruszon

### MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024

7:00 am God's blessings for Marianna Czaplak  
+ Theodore "Teddy" Worthington

### TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2024

7:00 am + Seraphina, Michael (A) & Steve Czygier

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2024

7:00 am + Frank Klodaski  
Intentions of the Bonocore Family

### HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2024

No 7 AM Mass—Morning Prayer 8:30 AM  
7 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

### GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024

No 7 AM Mass—Morning Prayer 8:30 AM  
3 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English)  
7 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Polish)

### HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2024

No 8 AM Mass—Morning Prayer 8:30 AM  
7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass

### EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024

6:00 am (PL) O boze bogosławienstwo dla Malgorzata i  
Tadeusz Osoniak

8:00 am + Joseph LaPurka

9:15 am God's blessings for St. Isidore Altar Rosary Society

10:30 am The People of the Parish Living and Deceased  
+ Zofia and Stanislaw Andrychowski  
+ Stanislaw Terepka (6th A)  
+ Weslaw Luniewski  
+ Jan Harasimowicz i  
Pulchalski i Harasimowicz Families  
+ Monika Bałdowska (A) and Family  
+ Stasia Grabowski

12 Noon + John Kujawski, Jr.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Sunday, March 24, 2024

Gorzkie Zale After 10:45 AM Mass

### Monday, March 25, 2024

Easter Confessions 3-5 PM and 6-8 PM

### Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Adoration 12:00—2:00 PM

Millions of Monicas 2:00 PM—3:00 PM

### Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024

No 7 AM Mass—Morning Prayer 8:30 AM

7 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

### Good Friday, March 29, 2024

No 7 AM Mass—Morning Prayer 8:30 AM and  
Divine Mercy Novena (Day 1) Office Closed  
3 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English)  
7 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Polish)

### Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024

No 8 AM Mass—Morning Prayer 8:30 AM and  
Divine Mercy Novena (Day 2)

Food blessings: 9 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM and 3 PM

Easter Flower setup 9:30 AM

Easter Vigil Mass 7:30 PM

### Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

Masses: 6 AM (Polish), 8, 9:15,  
10:30 (Polish) and 12 Noon

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9,  
17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or  
15:1-39

**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: Chrism Mass:** Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-  
22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

**Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/  
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor  
11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

**Friday:** Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25  
(Lk 23:46)/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/Mk 16:1-7

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Daryl Alec \* Christina Donovan \* John Giordano \* Harry Koehler \* George Janis \* Kathy D'Eletto \* Maureen Booth \* Richard Francis Harrison II \* Ursula Mocniak \* Joan Zaleski \* Catherine and Charles J. Sehy \* Madeline Galka \* Grazyna Pawlak \* Gillen Family \* Blythe Fickenwirth \* Irene Monahan \* Jody Breitfeller \* Benjamin Gonzalez \* Dominique Tirado \* Diana Perniciaro \* Sammy \* Brodie \* Bob Rozanski \* Dolline Welch \* Sue Brooks \* Cathleen Mickaliger \* Joseph Stepnoski \* James Kenna \* Douglas Clark \* Eleanor Nystrom \* Margaret McCarthy \* Jan Suchta \* Justin \* Mike Smithwick \* Dakota Harmon \* Courtney Altman \* Cole Faller \* Claire Latour \* Halikias Family \* Liana Forstein \* Rosemary & Daniel Ambrosini \* Thomas Ryall \* Anne Marie Donlon \* Dorothy Sousa \* Anthony Naglieri \* Thomas McEnany \* Mary Khulman \* Denise Babinski \* Michael Alperti \* Roseanne Murphy \* Barbara Kozlowski \* James West \* Elizabeth Farruggia \* Kelly Wine \* Mary Van Duesen \* Thomas DeGirolamo \* William Berenger \* Daria Quarlena \* Eileen Borchart \* Sheila Nolan \* Tom Wisniewski III \* Jean Reyes Carroll \* Jeffrey Clark \* James, George and Barbara Jaeger \* Ernest and Alex Aponte \* Helen Long \* Michael Miglionico \* Ralph Conforti \* The Barauskus Family \* Hope & Brittany Williams \* John Marion \* Emilia Andrychowski \* Augie & Georgianna Lucente \* Johanna Benthal \* Michelle Giaccone \* Gloria Keller \* Howard Seifert \* Ed Kennedy \* Kit Z. \* Dolores Contino \* Agnes Brown \* Connie Giordano \* Krzysztof Olszowski \* Anders Ryden \* Kevin C. Cook \* Anita Costi \* Doriane Bay \* David Vallone \* Brittany Schacor \* Karen and Kim Finocchiaro \* Eleanor Koller \* Grace Mary Schulteis \* Victor Sechyshyn \* George Angle \* Marta Andreotta \* Melissa Alexandra \* Christian Vidal \* Suzanne Thompson \* Anna Grefe \* Anthony Mannino \* Marcella Frisen \* The Huntley Family \* Theresa Puglia \* Brian Darmody \* Leigh Anne Brown \* Dan Modjeska \* Judy Zakorski \* Marie Miley \* Marcjanna Stolarzewicz \* John Shuot \* Patrick Murphy \* Brian Crowley \* Louise Pampinello \* Barbara Fenn

Please keep all those serving in the military and their families in your thoughts and prayers especially:

1st Lt. Nicholas Santorelli, Nicholas Pelosi, Christopher Drowns, Jeffrey Heppner, James Fleming, Brendan Fitzgerald, Thomas V. D'Auria, Mateusz Marzec, Andre DeRosa and Garrett Bracht

## COLLECTIONS

Today, March 24: Sunday and Debt  
Next Week, March 31: Sunday and Easter Gift  
Thank you for your generosity!

SCIENCE says that we need 4 basic elements to survive:

1) WATER 2) AIR 3) FOOD 4) LIGHT

And look what the BIBLE tells us about JESUS

- 1) I am the **LIVING WATER**
- 2) I am the **BREATH of LIFE**
- 3) I am the **BREAD OF LIFE**
- 4) I am the **LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

*Science was right, we need JESUS to live.*



## Christ in our Hearts Saints Lenten Reflections

**Mar. 24**—“God, make me more like Jesus. Help me to bear difficulty, pain, disappointment and sorrow knowing that You can use such bitter experiences to shape my character and make me more like Christ. I hope for that day when I shall be wholly like Christ, because I shall see Him as He is.”

~ St. Ignatius of Antioch

**Mar. 25**—“You have heard me, only Friend that I love. You shed Your blood—what a supreme mystery! If I cannot see the brilliance of Your face or hear Your sweet voice, I can live by Your grace and rest on Your Sacred Heart!” ~St. Thérèse of Lisieux

**Mar. 26**—“Jesus Christ, may Your death be my life and in Your dying may I learn how to live. May Your struggles be my rest, and may I find all my blessings in Your trials.” ~St. Peter Faber

**Mar. 27**—“Protect O Lord, those who cry to You for help. Uphold us in our weakness, and cleanse us from our earthliness. In Your mercy, deliver us from all evil.” ~St. Leo the Great

**Mar 28**—“Jesus, who in the eucharist make Your dwelling among us and become our traveling companion, sustain our Christian communities so that they may be ever more open to listening and accepting Your word.”

~St. Pope John Paul II

**Mar. 29**—“O most gentle Jesus by Your most holy death give us a lively faith, a firm hope and a perfect charity, that with our whole hearts, we may love You with all our soul and strength.”

~St. Clare of Assisi

**Mar. 30**—“Here is my heart, O God, here it is with all its secrets. Look into my thoughts and take away all my wrong feelings. Let my eyes be ever on You and release my feet from the snare. Live with me, reign in me, make my heart a holy temple, a fit dwelling for Your divine majesty.”

~ St. Augustine of Hippo

## IN LOVING MEMORY

### Missalettes

Walter L. Kielkowski  
Michael J. Kielkowski

### Bread & Wine

George & Stella Bixby

### Sanctuary Lamp

Frank L., Bertha M., & Frank L., Jr. Ostroski



## 40 Day Lenten Fasting Suggestions

There are actually 46 days in Lent.  
Sundays do not count in the “40-days” of Lent



### 35) Mon – March 25 – BRING FORTH JUSTICE

How can you create right relationships (justice) as Jesus did?  
(Isaiah 42:1)

### 36) Tues - March 26 – ONE WILL BETRAY ME

How have you betrayed your loyalty and commitment to Jesus?  
(John 13:21)

### 37) Wed – March 27 – DONE FOR YOU

Draw courage from Jesus who sees His suffering from God’s viewpoint.  
(Isaiah 50:7)

### 38) Holy Thurs – March 28 – MY BODY GIVEN FOR YOU

Share your time and your food as Jesus did. (Corinthians 11:23-26)

### 39) Good Fri \* – March 29 – BEHOLD, THE MAN! (Fast: ages 18-59 Abstinence: Ages 14-59) \*

Spend time today contemplating Jesus in His final hours. (John 19:4-5)

### 40) Holy Sat – March 30– JESUS IS RISEN! (Easter Vigil – Holy Saturday)

How might you share this good news with others today? (Mark 16-17)

*\* Fasting & abstinence rules for Good Friday—Catholics are allowed to eat only one full meal and two smaller meals which, combined, would not equal a single normal meal. Catholics may not eat meat on any Friday in Lent, especially Good Friday. (USCCB)*

Join St. Isidore on **MAY 7** as we visit the Culinary Institute of America followed by a 2 hr. relaxing paddle boat cruise on the Pride of the Hudson.



We begin our day on a private bus leaving St. Isidore parking lot at 7:30am and arrive at the Culinary Institute of America about 11:00am. Recently named one of “**The 56 Prettiest College Campuses in America**” by *Condé Nast Traveler*, CIA’s 170-acre riverside main campus in Hyde Park, NY is the total package for college life with a culinary twist. Enjoy a 3-course luncheon served to you by the students in their beautiful dining room.



After enjoying the experience of the Institute, we continue on to the next part of our day arriving about 2:00pm at the Newburgh Landing in Newburgh, NY to enjoy the two hour paddle boat cruise on the Pride of the Hudson. Your Captain will present a narration of the sights along the River including Mt. Beacon, Bannerman Island, Storm King Mountain, Breakneck Mountain, The Catskill Aqueduct, World's End, Cold Spring, and West Point. Both the top and main decks have a fully stocked bar. After a relaxing day on the water, we return to St. Isidore about 7:00pm.

The cost for this day of adventure is \$235 per person.

Call the rectory at 631-727-2114 to reserve your spot. Payment in full is due on **April 1st**.

## PALM SUNDAY



When they drew near Jerusalem and came to Bethpage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tethered, and a colt with her.

Untie them and bring them here to me. And if anyone should say anything to you, reply, 'The master has need of them.' Then he will send them at once." This happened so that what had been spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled: "Say to daughter Zion, 'Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'" (Matthew 21:1-5)



While reading Scripture as part of my spiritual Lenten journey, I questioned the passage quoted above asking *how can Christ ride on two donkeys?* After researching it, here is the explanation:

**Jesus' choice to ride a donkey and its colt during His triumphant entry into Jerusalem** carries deep symbolic significance. Let's explore the reasons behind it:

### 1. Fulfillment of Prophecy:

- The prophet Zechariah had foretold that the Messiah would enter Jerusalem riding on a donkey: "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey" (Zechariah 9:9).
- By riding a donkey, Jesus intentionally fulfilled this Messianic prophecy, emphasizing His identity as the long-awaited King of Israel.

### 2. Symbolism of Peace and Humility:

- In ancient Israel, riding into a city on a donkey symbolized peaceful intentions. Kings and rulers would often ride horses during times of war or conquest, but a donkey represented a ruler coming in peace.
- Jesus' choice of a donkey conveyed His mission as the Prince of Peace. He came not as a conquering warrior but as the Savior who would bring reconciliation between God and humanity.

### 3. Public Acknowledgment of Kingship:

- Jesus entered Jerusalem during the Passover festival, a time when the city was crowded with pilgrims. By riding a donkey, He publicly accepted His title as the King of the Jews.
- The donkey's colt, *which no one had ever ridden before*, added to the uniqueness of the scene. It was an honor for Jesus to be the first to ride this young donkey, signifying His royal status.

### 4. Contrast with Majestic Processions:

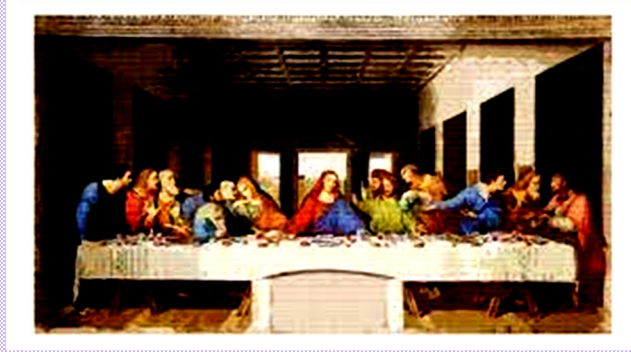
- Unlike the usual majestic processions associated with kings, Jesus deliberately chose a humble and unexpected mode of transportation.
- His entry on a donkey stood in contrast to the grandeur and power often associated with earthly rulers. Instead, Jesus emphasized humility and servanthood.

In summary, Jesus' choice to ride a donkey **and** its colt communicated His kingship, peace, and humility. It was a deliberate act that fulfilled prophecy and conveyed a powerful message to the crowds awaiting Him in Jerusalem. The donkey represents Mother Israel (the Jewish people) who has been burdened by the Law of Moses and the young colt represents the new and untrained Gentiles (Christianity).



## HOLY THURSDAY

### The Washing of the Feet



*The Last Supper has been the subject of art for centuries, including the great masterpiece by Leonardo Da Vinci.*

HOLY THURSDAY is the most complex and profound of all religious observances, saving only the Easter Vigil. It celebrates both the institution by Christ himself of the Eucharist and of the institution of the sacerdotal priesthood (as distinct from the 'priesthood of all believers') for in this, His last supper with the disciples, a celebration of Passover, He is the self-offered Passover Victim, and every ordained priest to this day presents this same sacrifice, by Christ's authority and command, in exactly the same way. The Last Supper was also Christ's farewell to His assembled disciples, some of whom would betray, desert or deny Him before the sun rose again.

Holy Thursday is the commemoration of the Last Supper of Jesus Christ, when He established the sacrament of Holy Communion prior to His arrest and crucifixion. It also commemorates His institution of the priesthood. The holy day falls on the Thursday before Easter and is part of Holy Week. Jesus celebrated the dinner as a Passover feast. Christ would fulfill His role as the Christian victim of the Passover for all to be saved by His final sacrifice. The Last Supper was the final meal Jesus shared with His Disciples in Jerusalem. During the meal, Jesus predicts his betrayal.

The central observance of Holy Thursday is the ritual reenactment of the Last Supper at Mass. This event is celebrated at every Mass, as part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist, but it is specially commemorated on Holy Thursday. Christ also establishes the special priesthood for His disciples, which is distinct from the "priesthood of all believers." Christ washed the feet of His Disciples, who would become the first priests. This establishment of the priesthood reenacted at Mass with the priest washing the feet of several parishioners.

During the Passover meal, Jesus breaks bread and gives it to His Disciples, uttering the words, *"This is my body, which is given for you."* Subsequently, He passes a cup filled with wine. He then says, *"This is my blood..."* It is believed those who eat of Christ's flesh and blood shall have eternal life.

During the Mass, Catholics rightly believe, as an article of faith, that the unleavened bread and wine are transformed into the body and blood of Jesus Christ through a process known as transubstantiation. There have been notable Eucharistic miracles attributed to this event, such as bleeding hosts.

**The Last Supper is celebrated daily in the Catholic Church as part of every Mass** for it is through Christ's sacrifice that we have been saved.

On the night of Holy Thursday, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place where the faithful remain in the presence of the Eucharist just as the Disciples kept a vigil with Christ. Following the Last Supper, the disciples went with Jesus to the Mount of Olives, where he would be betrayed by Judas.

The cup used by Jesus is known as the Holy Grail. Although it has been rumored to exist throughout history, it is almost certainly lost to time. There is no reason to believe the cup would have been outstanding in any way, and was likely a typical drinking vessel, indistinguishable from many others. Still, many myths continue to revolve around the artifact, and it remains a target for treasure seekers and a subject of entertainment. There is an incalculable abundance of art and tradition surrounding the Last Supper which has been celebrated by Christians since the last days of Christ until now.

**At every hour of every day, somewhere around the world, Mass is being said and Communion taken.** This has been happening incessantly for at least several hundred years. For nearly the past two thousand years, not a single day has gone by without a Mass being celebrated in some fashion. Therefore, anyone who celebrates the Mass participates in a daily tradition that is essentially two thousand years old.

(Article taken from [www.Catholic.org](http://www.Catholic.org).)