

Diocese of Peoria

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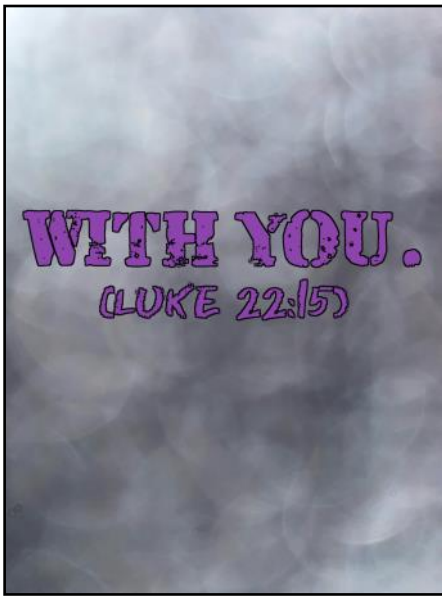
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Fifth Sunday

of Lent

March 26, 2023



Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 am

Reconciliation:

Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Lenten Reconciliation:

Monday-Thursday 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm

For activities in the Quad Cities, go to:

<http://catholicquadcities.com>

Traveling? www.masstimes.org to find Masses

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Bereavement:.....Deacon Art Ries

Prayer Chain:.....Parish Office

Divorced Ministry:.....Deacon Art Ries

RCIA.....Deacon Mike Sigwalt

We warmly welcome new parishioners and ask them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, March 27

Lenten Weekday

8:00 am Harley & Mary Chaffee +

TUESDAY, March 28

Lenten Weekday

8:00 am Rachel VanMeenen +

WEDNESDAY, March 29

Lenten Weekday

8:00 am Ron Welna +

9:00 am Christopher Pobanz +

THURSDAY, March 30

Lenten Weekday

5:45 pm Joe Croegaert +

FRIDAY, March 31

Lenten Weekday

8:00 am No Mass - Communion Service

SATURDAY, April 1

8:00 am Robert Nelms +

Lenten Weekday

5:00 pm Bob Cauwels +

Vigil Mass Palm Sunday

SUNDAY, April 2

8:15 am Joe Manning +

Palm Sunday

10:30 am People of the Parish

of the Passion of the Lord

Please Note: The Parish office will be closed on Good Friday, May 7 and Easter Monday, May 10

Altar Servers: March 27 - April 2

Daily M-T-W: Lucy Walck, Connor Schaaf

Saturday: 5:00 pm: Elle Patterson, Avery Emmerson

Sunday: 8:15 am: Joselyn & Natalie Reisner

Sunday: 10:30 am: Charlie Hone, Gus Osborn

Parish Eucharistic Revival Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,

You have made Yourself PRESENT

to us in every age, through the

Holy Eucharist.

Help us to make You more

widely KNOWN,

that You may be greatly LOVED.

Amen.

Weekend Mass Schedules:

St. Anthony/Atkinson

Sacred Heart/Annawan

4:00 pm Saturday

8:00 am Sunday

9:30 am Sunday

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm,

Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am -1:00 pm

Bulletin articles MUST be submitted no later than

Noon on Tuesdays.

READINGS FOR Sunday - April 2, 2023

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

My face I did not shield from buffets and spitting knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

Responsorial: Psalm 22

R./: "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Christ humbled himself. Because of this God greatly exalted him.

Gospel: Matthew 26:14 - 27:66

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.



Come, let us Adore Him

Eucharistic Adoration



Monday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Thursday 4:30 pm
(1st Fridays, & 1st Saturdays at 8:30 am)

Weekly Calendar

Monday, March 27

Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm Parish Chapel
Eucharistic Adoration 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Chapel
Parents Club 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm YR
Parish Council 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm CR

Tuesday, March 28

Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm
Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm Hall
Women's Support Group 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Rm C
RCIA 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm CR

Wednesday, March 29

School Mass 9:00 am
All School Adoration 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Cancelled Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm - 12:30
CCD K-5 - 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm
Oasis 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm YR
CCD 6-7 - 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm
Celebration Choir Practice 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Church

Thursday, March 30

Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm Parish Chapel
Metanoia Study 6:30 pm CR
The Rock 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm YR

Friday, March 31

Stations of the Cross 12:00 pm Church
Knights of Columbus Fish Fry 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm Church

Sunday, April 2

Confirmation Prep 8-9 - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Living Stations 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm Church

"Unless there is a Good Friday in your life, there can be no Easter Sunday." ~ Venerable Fulton Sheen

Holy Week Schedule



Holy Thursday: April 6

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 pm *

Good Friday: April 7

Stations of the Cross: Noon & 7:00 pm
Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 pm *

Easter Schedule

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil Mass
April 8, 8:00 pm *

Easter Sunday

April 9
8:15 am * & 10:30 am

* Services will be live streamed



There is a sign-up sheet in the parish office for individual wishing to serve as altar servers, lectors, commentators, communion ministers, and ushers for Holy Thursday, the Good Friday Passion Service, and the Easter Vigil. Please call the parish office if you are able to serve in any way.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

Jean Causemaker

Sister of Mary Jo Cherry

Burdette Floming

Of our parish



A Note From the Pastor

Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

WITH YOU. *"I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer" (Luke 22:15).* These words have been with us all year long, as the theme verse for the Year of Presence, the first year of the Eucharistic Revival at Saint Malachy Parish. Now, we return to it in this final week of reflections on our Lenten Theme: Here. Now. He Is. With You.

This second half of the Year of Presence has been more focused on those two all important words: WITH YOU. The Lord's desire is not just to fulfill the Passover on His own, but to share that gift with us - with *you*. He desires to celebrate each Mass and to spend each day... with you. Consider how great is the Lord's desire to be with you... great enough to move Him to come to earth and become one of us, take on all of our humanity, including the capacity to suffer, even to the point of death, death on a cross (Philippians 5:11). Yet, He did not want this gift of His Incarnation and His Paschal Mystery to simply be a memory, through the ages of the Church to come. This gift becomes truly present to us in our own day through the Holy Eucharist... all so that He can be with us - with *you*.

These first few weeks of Lent have been a great blessing, as we have focused on entering into the present moment with the Lord. In addition to these bulletin reflections upon the theme, we had three weeks of study through the Presence series in the hall between Sunday Masses, in order to prepare us for last weekend's Explanatory Eucharistic Adoration. What a blessing that was! I am so grateful for everyone's openness to remain a bit longer at the end of the Mass and enter into that experience together. As we sat in silence with a church full of people for even a few minutes, I wondered at the fact of the God of the universe, who alone knows our hearts perfectly, speaking to the hearts of each one of us in secret. Sometimes we hear Him in a way that we can recognize; other times, we are simply invited to rest in His presence. I am thankful to all who stayed and

participated and I hope it was a blessing for you. I am especially thankful for all who had to make special adaptations to their role in order to accommodate it, especially our musicians, altar servers, commentators and deacons. I am also thankful for all who helped with Presence study with the setup of refreshments (Adam Nelson, Tom Heise, Mark Kane), AV, tables and chairs (Gordon Wolf, Robert O'Rourke, David Wolak), as well as additional help for advertising (Steve Mroz).

All of this was designed to enhance our experience of entering into that sacred moment of resting together with the Lord in adoration after Masses. And that time of adoration is a blessing that can and should begin to open the eyes of our faith, in order to recognize Him each moment that He comes to us. Now that this first part of our Lenten journey is behind us, may our hearts remain ready to meet the Lord in the present moment.

So, now what? Now, we enter Passiontide, the final days of Lent, in which we begin to turn our focus toward Our Lord's Passion. This week, we see how Our Lord prepared us for the mystery of His Resurrection (and likewise continued to stir up His enemies rallying against Him). Next week, we will enter with Him into Jerusalem, where His Passion and Death will unfold before us. This begins Holy Week in which we enter into that mystery of going to the cross with Him, culminating with the Sacred Triduum. This climax of the whole Church Year begins with Holy Thursday, in which He gives us the gifts of the Eucharist and the Priesthood, so that we can be united with Him in Holy Communion. This way, we can go with Him to the cross, into the tomb and beyond the tomb in His glorious Resurrection. What a blessing these holy days are! It is hard to believe they are already upon us.

This is what the Presence study was truly meant to help prepare us to enter into more deeply. But, even this is not the end, because the Easter Season is the longest season of the year (besides Ordinary Time), as it is meant to be a time of, not simply celebrating the Resurrection, but learning to live it. *"Thus says the Lord GOD: O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them... Then you shall know that I am the LORD"* (Ezekiel 37, this weekend's first reading).

Opportunities to Come, Adore Him in the coming weeks:

- Every Monday (3-8 PM) and Thursday (4:30-5:30 PM)
- First Saturday Mass, Adoration and Rosary: April 1, 8 AM (NO FIRST FRIDAY MASS IN APRIL, DUE TO GOOD FRIDAY)
- April ADORE: Wednesday, April 4, 7:30 PM
- Monday, April 17: **Holy Hour for the Hungry**, including a collection for the Geneseo-Atkinson Food

Pantry, 7 PM

- First Friday Mass, Adoration and Divine Mercy Chaplet: May 5, 8 AM

Come, Let Us Adore Him: Our Source, Summit & Center.

In Christ through Mary,



Fr. Daniel P. Gifford
St. Malachy, Pray for us

GIFT SHOP NEWS

Next weekend, April 1 and 2 there will be a display of items in the Narthex for:
First Communion (Sunday, May 7),
Confirmation (Wednesday, May 10), and
Graduation (Sunday, May 21)

College Scholarship Applications for Graduating High School Seniors:

- Knights of Columbus Scholarship
- Parents Club Scholarship
- Youth Ministry Scholarship



The Scholarship forms are all available on the bulletin board in the Narthex and on the website. The deadline for ALL scholarships is MAY 1.

ALMSGIVING

Like Fasting, almsgiving is as much a spiritual discipline as an act of charity, especially when our giving comes at a personal sacrifice. In our small acts of giving we strive to imitate Christ, Who gave his life for us on the cross so that we might have eternal life. Read and discuss with your family the story of the widow's mite, (Luke 21:1-4) in which Jesus teaches us that it is the size of our generosity, not the size of our act, that matters.

Here are a few ideas for almsgiving:

Perform a random act of kindness every day: Perform a different random act of kindness every day; doing it secretly makes it more fun.

Share: Encourage family members to share, actively, and kindly, with each other. Donate money saved from sacrifices

Coffee & Donuts

The Altar & Rosary Society is sponsoring a **Coffee & Donuts** after both Masses on Sunday, March 26, 2023 All parishioners are welcome to attend.



Bonus: Watch Fr. Gifford get pied in the face after the 10:30 am Mass!

EASTER FLOWERS



If you would like to donate toward the cost of Easter flowers in the memory of a loved one, please do so by dropping an extra envelope in the Sunday collection or the Parish Office.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Next Session: Tuesday, March 28, 2023 6:00 pm
Topic: Works of Mercy & Social Justice
If you or someone you know is interested, please contact:
Dcn. Mike Sigwalt (309) 502-9243



STEWARDSHIP
Managing God's Gifts To Us

Parish Sacrificial Giving:
1% donated to:
Aid to the Church in Need (Ukraine Relief)

Week 38 - March 19, 2023						
	Weekly Budget	Weekly Actual	Variance	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Variance
General Collection	\$ 15,769	\$ 20,355	4,586	\$ 599,231	\$ 562,417	(36,814)
School Endowment	\$ 750	\$ 165	(585)	\$ 28,500	\$ 19,480	(9,020)
Paraclete Fund	\$ 750	\$ 215	(535)	\$ 28,500	\$ 17,772	(10,728)
Capital Improvement	\$ 750	\$ 240	(510)	\$ 28,500	\$ 26,563	(1,937)
Special Collections						
Eastern Europe		\$ 50			\$ 865	
Catholic Relief Services		\$ 705			\$ 2,000	

Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

Women's: March 23-26, 2023
Men's: October 19-22, 2023
Women's: November 16-19, 2023
For more information visit: <https://nwcursillo.com>

Upcoming TEC Weekends



April 22-24, 2023 (Boys)
June 24-26, 2023 (Girls)
August 5-7, 2023 (Boys)
October 7-9, 2023 (Girls)



DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Please Pray for these Seminarians:

- Dcn. Patrick Wille Nicholas Conner*
- Dcn. Daniel Dionesotes*
- Dcn. Ignacio Cardenas Moran*
- JohnPaul Stedwill Justin Ramza*

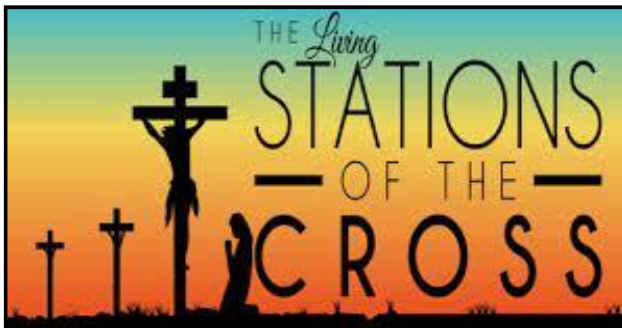
Are you feeling called to serve as a priest or other religious?
If so, contact Fr. Chase Hilgenbrink:
309-671-1550 or email him: fr_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org
He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."



Friday, March 31
5:00-7:00 pm

MENU: Fish fillet (fried or baked), baked potato, coleslaw, grilled cheese sandwiches, tater tots and dessert will be served. Dine-in or take-out will be available for a free will donation. Proceeds will be used to provide college scholarships for St. Malachy high school students.





As part of our Lenten Traditions, please join us in a very moving and reverent presentation of

“The Passion of Christ”

Presented by:
St. Malachy High School Youth Group

Oasis

Led by: Joe DePauw,
& Dcn. Bob Thoene

Sunday, April 2nd at 8:00 pm
St. Malachy Church

Lights go out at 8:00 pm

It will be dark if you enter after the program begins

Questions? Contact Bob Thoene at
563-529-0529



Celebrating Divine Mercy

Original music by: **We The Least**

- ~ Hors d'oeuvres
- ~ Free will offering
- ~ Merchandise for purchase
- ~ All Are welcome!

Saturday, April 15, 2023
St. Malachy Parish Hall

Altar & Rosary Society

The March winds just blew in a month of Sundays!
Undies Sundays collection will be held
all this Month.

Donations may be placed in the special box in the
Narthex. The Altar & Rosary Society will take the
underwear, sweats, socks, etc. to various charities.

All sizes are needed,
Thank you for your generosity.





Will YOU attend the celebration of "The Three Days?"

Holy Week: The Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday (April 6), Good Friday (April 7), Holy Saturday (April 8), and Easter Sunday (April 8)

All are encouraged to attend as many of the services as possible!

These are the holiest days of the year for Catholics because they recall the last events in the earthly life of Jesus and his resurrection from the dead, through the Scriptures, music, and the symbols of fire, candles, and water.

Holy Thursday 7:00 pm:

We recall the evening Jesus and his Apostles ate the "Last Supper"
Presentation of the Holy Oils; Liturgy of the Word; The Washing of Feet; The Celebration of Mass;
The Procession to transfer the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose

Good Friday 3:00 pm:

Our Lord's Passion and Death:
Reading the Passion of our Lord according to the Gospel of John; Adoration of the Holy Cross; Communion

Holy Saturday, the Easter Vigil 8:00 pm:

The "most holy night" of the Church's calendar:
Blessing of fire, Preparation of the Easter Candle and Service of Light; The Easter Proclamation; Liturgy of the Word;
Blessing of Water; Confirmation and Reception into the Church of one Candidate;
Renewal of Baptismal Promises; Liturgy of the Eucharist

Easter Sunday 8:15 am and 10:30 am"

The most important day of the liturgical year, celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus!

Liturgy of the Word; Renewal of baptismal promises; Liturgy of the Eucharist



TOTUS TUUS RETURNS...

**"THE LOVE OF GOD HAS BEEN
POURED OUT INTO OUR HEARTS THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT WHO HAS BEEN
GIVEN TO US."**



- ROMANS 5

JULY 10-14, 2023

WOMEN AT THE WELL
Thursday, April 27th



Program by Margaret Cortes

Owner of Special Kneads Bakery, Galva
Margaret opened the bakery to employ
her son, Frankie, who has Cerebral Palsy

Doors open at 6:00 pm
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Contact Nancy Schott to reserve your spot
309-738-4888 or elizbschott@gmail.com

Or sign up in the Narthex

Come early for 5:00 pm Mass

APRIL LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

GREETERS

5:00 pm – Joyce Webb, Mary Ellen Cauwels (Front); Jill & Brian Chemin (West)

8:15 am – Julie Bauman, Colleen Reese (Front); Larry & Cindy Hopkey (West)

10:30 am – Curt & Sara Dykstra (Front); Ginny Pettit, Jan Seei (West)

USHERS

5:00 pm – Tom Heise, Arnie Schmid, Jason Snyder

8:15 am – Morry Atwell, Tom Curnyn, Rich Bassier

10:30 am – Steve Egert, Jeff Hulsbrink, Mike Roemer, Dave Paxton

LECTOR/COMMENTATOR

5:00 pm – Winnie Kane (L); Pat Boelens (C)

8:15 am – Kathleen Repass (L); Cynthia Wells (C)

10:30 am – Jennifer Higgins (L) Mark Kane (C)

EMHCs

5:00 pm – Steve Emmerson (C), Mary Beth Peterson (C); Virgil Thurman, AJ Wolak

8:15 am – Shannon Carroll (C), Debbie Mattan (C); Ryan Wilson, Christy Coleman

10:30 am – Kimberly Souba (C), Willis Andel (C); Monica Venneberg, Nicole Freadhoff

APRIL ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 1 - 5:00 pm Elle Patterson, Avery Emmerson

Sunday, April 2 - 8:15 am Joselyn & Natalie Reisner **10:30 am** Charlie Hone, Gus Osborn

Saturday, April 8 - 8:00 pm Special sign up, please call the office if your child would like to serve Easter Weekend

Sunday, April 9 - 8:15 am Special sign up **10:30 am** Special sign up

Saturday, April 15 - 5:00 pm Brenna Dykstra, Aiden Daly

Sunday, April 16 - 8:15 am Garren Boelens, Jaxson Seals **10:30 am** Charlie Hone, Clare Hulsbrink

Saturday, April 22 - 5:00 pm Gavin & Declan Gillespie

Sunday, April 23 - 8:15 am Emily & Katy Wilson **10:30 am** Lincoln & Elena Anderson

Saturday, April 29 - 5:00 pm Trace Hager, Lucy Walck

Sunday, April 30 - 8:15 am Remington Rahmus, Hayden Schaaf **10:30 am** Liam & Gus Osborn



PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are less than 2% of the population. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic hit particularly hard the Christians in the Holy Land. Most of them depend on pilgrimages to work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land visit:

www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday

Did you Know?

Your child can attend a Catholic School
Financial Assistance Available



Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2023-2024 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed.

Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website www.cdop.org under Catholic Education and then under Financial Assistance. Consult the detailed protocols and procedures and checklist for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award.

Parents must apply online at: online.factsmtg.com/aid. Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2023-2024 school year must reapply.

Deadline date for the completed application is April 28, 2023. Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2023.

Another funding opportunity is also available due to the Invest in Kids Act legislation in Illinois. Students may be eligible for up to 100% of tuition and fees under a new program for tax credit scholarships (TCS). Details on how to apply and who qualifies are available on the Empower Illinois website at www.empowerillinois.org. Students who receive a TCS are ineligible to receive a Spalding award.

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