



ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



MARCH 24, 2024



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

We all desire at some level a deeper, personal relationship with Jesus, even if that might seem a little scary at times. One of the reasons why *The Chosen* series is so popular is that it shows how the disciples might have interacted, in an everyday way, with Jesus Christ the man, who they came to understand was more than just a man, prophet or even Messiah.

Palm Sunday, with the reading of the Lord's Passion, gives us a chance to see how we might have responded to Jesus as a disciple then, and how we do now. Contrast is often the best teacher.

Judas Iscariot: Two of the Eucharist prayers precede the consecration with the words ***“on the night he was betrayed...”*** The twelve disciples had been with Jesus for years, they ate with Him, traveled with Him, asked Him questions, and saw His various mood swings. He shared with them His divine power to heal, cast out demons, and work wonders including raising the dead. Even more, Jesus called them by name and loved them as His friends.

Why did Judas do it? The Gospels report that Judas controlled the money purse for Jesus' ministry and that he was known to steal from it. However, in his book *“The Priest is Not His Own”*, Archbishop Fulton Sheen says that it was Judas' lack of faith that preceded his avarice and was the cause of his downfall, specifically, Judas' lack of faith in Jesus' teaching about the Eucharist.

When Jesus first taught about the Eucharist in the Bread of Life Discourse, Peter and the other ten professed faith if not fully understanding, yet Judas began to doubt. ***“Did I not choose you twelve? Yet is not one of you a devil?” He was referring to Judas... it was he who would betray him*** (Jn. 6:71). Long before Judas handed Jesus over for money and complained about the sale of expensive oil, he was proclaimed the betrayer, when Jesus first spoke of the Eucharist.

Sadly, Judas' final collapse came on the night of the Last Supper when he would have been one of the Lord's priests. But his loss of faith and the need for the Bread of Life was so unseen that even at the Last Supper the other disciples didn't know it, they thought Judas left to give money to the poor or to buy something, but he allowed Satan to enter him (Jn. 13:29).

When Jesus foretold the betrayal, all of them wondered and asked Jesus about who it was using the title “Lord”, the acknowledgment of His divinity. Only Judas said “master” still thinking of Jesus in only human terms, ***“Master, is it I?”*** Jesus offered Judas a morsel of bread, not to condemn him to his treachery, but to give him a way out. So, too, in the Garden Jesus said to him ***“Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?”***

The Lord loved Judas to the end, washed his feet in humility and never gave up on him. Judas could have been at the cross with another good thief, asking for forgiveness but he despaired.

Bishop Sheen has some powerful conclusions about Judas that were written for ordained priests but that can guide all those with the priesthood of the baptized:

The lesson is clear. We are Eucharistic priests. Watch a priest say Mass and you can tell how he treats souls in a confessional, how he ministers to the sick and poor, whether or not he is interested in making converts, whether he is more concerned about pleasing the Lord Bishop than the Lord God, how effective he is in instilling patience and resignation in those who suffer, whether he is an administrator or a shepherd, whether he loves the rich, or the rich and the poor, and whether he gives only money-sermons, or Christwords. The moral rot of the priesthood starts with a want of lively faith in the Divine Presence, and the sanctity of the priesthood starts there too (pg. 229).

In Christ,

Fr. Mike



Holy Week Schedule



Sunday, March 24 - Palm Sunday

Masses at Sat. 5:00 p.m. and Sun.: 7:30 a.m., 9:00* a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

**9:00 Mass will start in the Prayer Garden with Blessing of Palms and Procession*

Monday, March 25

8:30 a.m. – Mass

Holy Hour - 6:30 p.m. - includes Adoration, Evening Prayer, Confession, Benediction

Tuesday, March 26

8:30 a.m. – Mass

11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Confessions, 6:00 p.m. – Benediction, 6:30 p.m. - Mass

Wednesday, March 27

8:30 a.m. – Mass, Confessions 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 28 – Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer at 8:30 a.m.

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6:30 p.m. (bilingual / livestreamed)*

The church will remain open until 10:30 p.m. for Adoration.

Collection is for St. Vincent de Paul Society & One Parish One Prisoner Ministry

Friday, March 29 – Good Friday

Morning Prayer at 8:30 a.m.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion - (with Holy Communion) at 3:00 p.m. (bilingual)

Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m. (English) & 7:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Saturday, March 30 – Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer at: 8:30 a.m.

Blessing of Easter Food at 1:00 p.m.

(no afternoon Reconciliation or 5:00 p.m. Mass)

The Great Easter Vigil at 7:30 p.m.* (bilingual) (Fulfills Sunday obligation)

Sunday, March 31 – Easter

Masses at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (livestreamed) & 11:00 a.m.* and 1:00 p.m.* (Spanish)

* incense will be used

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.



During Lent, through your gifts, the St. Vincent de Paul Society was able to bring the mercy of Jesus into the hearts of the poor, by assisting families and individuals in need by providing food and rent and utility assistance.

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MODERN DAY SIMON OF CYRENE

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. As we walk with Jesus this week, we remember the countless women, children, and men who carry heavy crosses even today: crosses of hunger, of vulnerability to climate change, or of a lack of resources. How - like Simon of Cyrene - can you help to carry the crosses of our sisters and brothers in your local community and around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org/holy-week to learn more.

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(Call the rectory office to have your name - added or removed)

Monthly Teen Mass

TODAY!

March 24th at 5:00 pm

with prayer time accompanied with music and Confessions starting at 4:40 and followed by Scattergories, Spoons, Uno and other games plus pizza until 8 pm

All are welcome to join us for prayer and Mass

Teens in grades 7-12 are welcome to join us in the gym, after mass for some food and fellowship.

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SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE ONE PARISH ONE PRISONER MINISTRY

We will take up a special second collection on April 7, Divine Mercy Sunday, to support the One Parish One Prisoner Ministry in our parish.

Make checks payable to St. Elizabeth of the Trinity with "OPOP" written on the memo line. You can use a plain envelope with your name on it. You can also donate electronically using Faith Direct.

There is a descriptive brochure available in the vestibule or on our website with detailed information on this ministry.

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Starting April 15th



Why is there something rather than nothing?

Why is everything so obviously messed up?

What if anything has God done about it?

How should I respond?

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Come join us each week for a meal followed by an engaging video and faith sharing conversation. If you want more information or to register please email Ashley at aguinn@archchicago.org, call the parish office or use the QR Code

Ever ask yourself these questions?

We invite you to join us for The Rescue Project.

Together we can discover The Story.



Prayer Shawl Meeting

Monday, March 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the school art room off of Moody.

Let's gather and share our ideas and talents. Newcomers welcome. Good news - it will be light out when you come! See you then.

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Seventh grade has been enjoying school by celebrating Catholic Schools Week which included time with their faith partners, playing all school Bingo, and going ice skating. In science students are growing crystals as part of a unit on rocks and minerals and in religion they are preparing for Living Stations of the Cross.





After the Creed and Intercessions, for which we used a standing posture of prayer, we sit down while the preparations for the Liturgy of the Eucharist take place. As the Diocese of Peoria teaches, “Before Jesus sat down with his disciples to celebrate the Last Supper, he instructed that various preparations be made. Preparations such as securing and preparing a room, making bread and purchasing wine all needed to be done before this sacred event could take place. The same is true when we celebrate Mass... Typically, there is music during the preparations—either instrumental, by the choir, or a common hymn. The music at this point should assist in our proximate preparation for the Liturgy of the Eucharist” (“A Study of the Mass,” p. 11). Since we are about to participate in the celebration of the Lord’s Supper, music can help us be more prayerfully prepared and in the right mindset. Have you ever noticed that songs at this point in the Mass are often slower in tempo and more flowing in words? No doubt, this is to help prepare us for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Singing and listening to meditation-type music can help us prepare to pray and meditate on the most beautiful mystery in front of us: Jesus Christ’s one perfect sacrifice before the Father is made present to his spouse, the Church, and the bread and the wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ.

In complement to the preparation for the people, what about everything the celebrant and the servers are doing in the sanctuary? The *General Instruction for the Roman Missal* reminds us that certain items are needed for the Liturgy of the Eucharist (*GIRM*, 117–118). Let’s take a quick look at each material:

1. Two to six lighted **candles**
2. A **crucifix** on or near the altar (the altar should be covered by a white cloth)
3. The **Missal** (the big red book with all the prayers the priest says). This book contains words in black and red ink. The words in black are the words that the priest says and the words in red are instructions for the priest on what to do (how and where to stand, how to speak, what arm gestures to use, etc.).
4. **Corporal**: This is a square white cloth that is unfolded and placed on the altar. Since it comes from the word meaning body, it makes sense that the Body and Blood of Christ will become present upon this cloth during Mass.
5. **Chalice**: This special cup is made of precious metals (generally gold-plated or silver-plated) because we use the most precious materials we have to honor Jesus truly there in his most precious Body and Blood.
6. **Purificator**: This is a long and narrower white cloth that is used to wipe the rim of the chalice.
7. **Patens**: This item which looks like a small plate is also generally gold-plated or silver-plated and is used for the large host which the priest holds up during the Eucharistic Prayer. Note: In some places, you might see a deeper gold-plated dish used which is typically called a dish paten.
8. **Ciborium**: This is another gold or silver-plated item that has a matching lid and which holds the smaller hosts. When hosts are reserved in the tabernacle, they are typically kept in a ciborium.

There are other materials you might see depending on the local parish customs:

- **Pall**: This is a square white cloth stiffened with cardboard that is used to cover the chalice. This cover prevents flies, insects, dust, etc., from getting into the chalice.
- **Chalice veil**: This is a cloth cover for the chalice. It not only can protect the chalice when not in use, but it also helps heighten our sense of mystery by “veiling” the chalice from our sight until the time for the Most Blessed Sacrament draws near. Chalice veils can match the color of the priest’s vestments or can always be white in color.
- **Burse**: This “pouch,” which often matches the chalice veil/vestments in color, is placed on top of the chalice veil and is used for the keeping of corporals.
- **Communion patens**: Plates with handles that the servers hold during Communion. These patens are meant to help catch any particles of the Eucharist which may fall from a Host or help to catch a Host which accidentally falls.

As you can see, there are many items we use for the Liturgy of the Eucharist, each with purpose and meaning. No wonder the altar servers sometimes seem to be reviewing a checklist in their minds to make sure we have everything we need!



Watch St. Elizabeth of the Trinity 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass live on You Tube - search for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish channel.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024

5:00 PM — Vincent Ormachea, Don Love, John Ptak

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

7:30 AM — Adrian Weisenfels

9:00 AM — Tom Janowski, Joshua Albert, Nancy Muntz, Adrian Weisenfels

11:00 AM — Lucyna & Richard Gustek, Roseanne Salvadori, John Needham

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish) Trinidad Lagunas 15th anniversary), Christina Vega

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024

8:30 AM — Robert Spychalski

6:30 PM — HOLY HOUR

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2024

8:30 AM — Conrad Deane

11:00 - 6:00 PM - Adoration / Benediction at 6:00

5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSION

6:30 PM — Joseph & Katherine Misiuda

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2024

8:30 AM — Edgardo De La Rosa

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2024

8:30 AM — MORNING PRAYER

6:30 PM — EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
Zofia Kalemba, Peter Eck, Janina Wisniewski

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024

8:30 AM — MORNING PRAYER

3:00 PM — CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

6:30 PM — ENGLISH STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:30 PM — SPANISH STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2024

8:30 AM — MORNING PRAYER

1:00 PM — BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD

7:30 PM — THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024

7:30 AM — Eugene Fraczkowski, Alex Cabrera (death Anniversary)

9:00 AM — George E. Van Durme, Henry & Mary Ciecko, Charles Boyd, Fr. Dan Fallon, Don Love Jr.

11:00 AM — Rose Carlson, Mary Coyne, Alex Cabrera (death anniversary), Carmen Rosario Castro, John Mruczek

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish) Hector Aguilar, Diana Calderon

Presider Schedule - March 30 & 31

7:30 p.m. — Fr. Sepulveda / organ

7:30 a.m. — Fr. Grisolano / organ

9:00 a.m. — Fr. McCarthy / parish choir / piano

11:00 a.m. — Fr. Grisolano / organ

1:00 p.m. — (Spanish) Fr. Sepulveda



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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: Holy Thursday

Friday: Good Friday

Saturday: Holy Saturday

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

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: 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

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 Mk 16:1-7



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SERVICES

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. & Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (English) and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 a.m., Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. and First Thursday: 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Rosary:

Prayed daily immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Church is open daily for private prayer until 5:00 p.m.

Confession:

Tuesday: 5:30 to 6:00 p.m., Thursday: 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. (bilingual)
Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Sunday: 12:00 to 12:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Benediction at 6:00 p.m.)

Last Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Benediction at 7:50 p.m.)

Rectory (Parish Office): Monday - Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg Bzdon to make arrangements:

gbzdon@archchicago.org

Becoming a Catholic:

Would you like to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The Church calls this process *The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)*. It is a small group forum where interested people learn more about initiation and membership in the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office for more information.

Marriage:

Must be arranged six months prior to the ceremony. Please contact a priest to make arrangements.

Religious Education for Public Grade School Students: Contact Peggy Bradley for more information.

Parish Registration: New parishioners are asked to register at the Rectory.

Forms are also available on our website under the Our Parish tab or in the rear of church.

Communion Visits: Ministers of Care bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Tony Lupinski through the parish office to make arrangements.

Food Pantry: Open Tuesdays - 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the lower level of the gym
For more Info email us at: food-pantry@stelizabethtrinityschool.org

Bulletin Deadline: Noon on Fridays (9 days prior to bulletin date)

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*"It seems to me that I have found my
heaven on earth,
because my heaven is You,
my God,
and You are in my soul.
You in me,
and I in You – may this be my motto."
St. Elizabeth of the Trinity*