

Dear Padre,

How do the three sacred oils differ, and how do I dispose of them properly as a sacristan?

Jesus Christ was anointed priest, prophet, and king. *Christ* means "Anointed One." The sacred oils assist the members of the Church, who share in Christ's priestly, prophetic, and royal mission. Catechumens are anointed with the oil of catechumens for God's help to resist evil, reject sin, and adhere to a lifelong profession of faith as they prepare for baptism. The infirm and elderly are anointed with the oil of the sick to fight against the physical and spiritual debilitating effects of illness through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Chrism, the most important of the three, can only be consecrated by a bishop. It is used for baptism (along with the oil of catechumens), confirmation, the ordination of a priest or bishop, and the dedication of a church and altar.

A repository for the oils—often marked *Olea Sanctae* ("Holy Oils")—is called an *ambry*. It is usually in a prominent church location near the baptismal font. Each year, when the oils are replaced, a priest, sacristan, or other person may absorb the old oil with cotton and burn it in a thurible or as part of the fire that begins the Easter Vigil. With special care, old oil can also be added to a large burning candle, like the sanctuary lamp. Reverence and safety are proper for whatever method of disposal is used. ●

Fr. Byron J. Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
MARCH 30 Monday of Holy Week Is 42:1-7 Jn 12:1-11	MARCH 31 Tuesday of Holy Week Is 49:1-6 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38	APRIL 1 Wednesday of Holy Week Is 50:4-9a Mt 26:14-25	APRIL 2 Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday) Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9 Rv 1:5-8 Lk 4:16-21 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15	APRIL 3 Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday) Is 52:13-53:12 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42	APRIL 4 Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil) Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ex 14:15-15:1 Is 54:5-14 Is 55:1-11 Bar 3:9-15, 32-44 Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28 Rom 6:3-11 Mt 28:1-10	APRIL 5 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Dear brothers and sisters, we too are invited to "prepare the Passover" of the Lord. Not only the liturgical one: that of our life too. Every gesture of willingness, every gratuitous act, every forgiveness given in advance, every effort patiently accepted, is a way to prepare a place where God can dwell. What does it mean for me today to "prepare"?

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, AUGUST 6, 2025

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"Only in Christ do we find real love, and the fullness of life. And so I invite you today to look to Christ. When you wonder about the mystery of yourself, look to Christ who gives you the meaning of life." – From the Address to High School Students, (October, 1979)

St. John Paul II

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St. James Catholic Church 201 N. Missouri Street Potosi, MO 63664



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord March 29, 2026



(Photo courtesy of Jeremy Boyer)

Mass Schedule April 2026

Mon: 8:00 AM (St. Joachim)

Tues: 8:15 AM (St. James)

Wed: 8:15 AM (St. Joachim)

Thurs: 8:00 AM (St. James)

Fri: 8:00 AM (St. Joachim)

Sat: 8:00 AM (1st Sat. of the Month @ St. James)

Saturday: 4:00 PM
(1st & 3rd weekend @ St. James; 2nd & 4th weekend @ St. Joachim)

Sunday: 8:00 AM (St. James)
10:00 AM (St. Joachim)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Mar. 30:
@ St. Joachim

Tuesday, Mar. 31:
Mike & Vicki Thurmond Family

Wednesday, Apr 1:
@ St. Joachim

Thursday, Apr 2:
NO MORNING MASS
6:30pm- Anton M. Dattilo

Friday, Apr 3:
@ St. Joachim

Saturday, Apr 4:
@ St. Joachim
8pm

Sunday, Apr 5:
Joleen Minnemer

Mass Intentions are \$10. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to offer a Mass intention.

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:15-3:45pm
Prior to Sat. evening Mass or by appointment

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Potosi, MO 63664



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Laura Allen
 Co-Coordinator
Jamie Thompson
 Co-Coordinator
stjamespsr@gmail.com

April 2: Mass of the Lord's Supper Holy Thursday 6:30pm

Lector:
 Laura Allen

Love one another as I have loved you
HOLY THURSDAY



Eucharistic Ministers:

C: Need Volunteer
 L: Judy East
 R: Vicki Thurmond

Servers

Lane Battreal & Madison Battreal

Music:
 Anita Govero

April 5: Easter Sunday



Lector:
 Sunday 8am: Jamie Thompson

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday 8am
 C: Jamie Thompson
 L: Donna Kennon
 R: Don Thompson

Servers
 Sunday 8am: Need Volunteers

Music:
 Sat: 4:00pm. Chala Short
 Sun. 8:00am Rebecca Richards
 Sun: 10:00am Anita Govero or The Little Way Band

Weekly Collection 03/22/26

Envelopes:	1957.00
Loose:	234.00
Online Giving	235.00
Maintenance:	70.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	60.00
Votives:	17.00
Catholic Relief Services	10.00
Easter Flowers	140.00

Total Giving: \$2723.00
 # of Contributors: 47
Thank you for your generosity!

March 29, 2026 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross."
 MATTHEW 27:32

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him "carry his cross." These opportunities aren't usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

Heavenly Dusters

Jeanne DeGonia 4/3
 Diane Mull 4/10-4/17

Altar Linens

Bobbie Heifner 3/30
 Diane McGirl 4/6
 Bobbie Heifner 4/13

Money Counters

Rhonda Politte & Pat Portell 3/31
 Mary Ann & Donna 4/7
 Becky & Rhonda 4/14

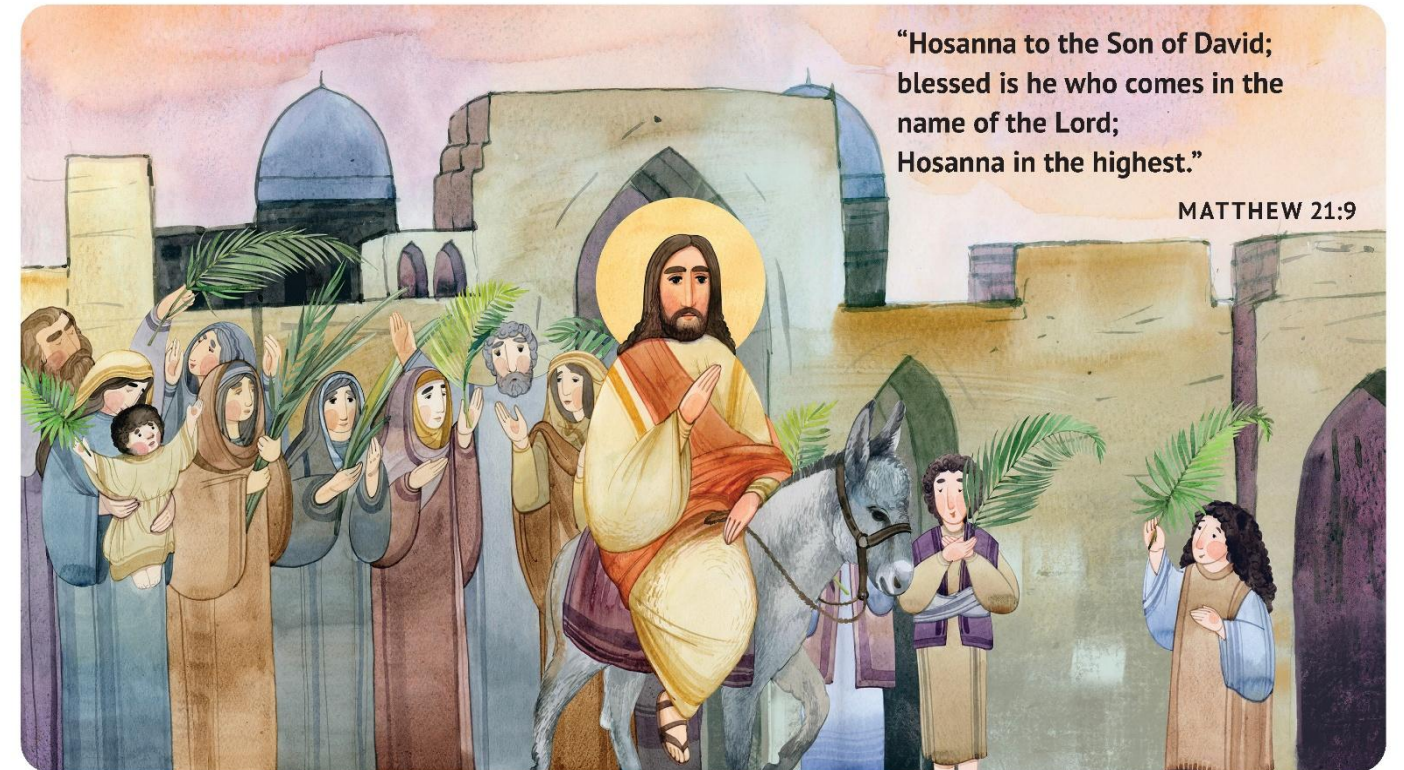
Our Parish COMMUNITY

March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (A)

Matthew 21:1-11 / Isaiah 50:4-7 / Philippians 2:6-11

Matthew 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54



"Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest."

MATTHEW 21:9

From Jubilation to Desolation

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

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Reflect

How am I at keeping in mind the resurrection when my world feels like Good Friday?



Palm Sunday

THE COUNCIL'S CORNER

Our next meeting is April 14th @ 5:30pm. Our next Fifth Sunday brunch is March 29th after 10am Mass. Mark your calendar now!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ERIC AUBUCHON @ 314-605-6268

"Parish development is our striving, as a community of Christian people, toward God." — Robert A. Gallagher, O.A.

St. James PSR NEWS

We hope you enjoy Holy Week. Services are on Holy Thursday at 6:30pm, Good Friday at 3pm @ St. Joachim, Easter Vigil is at 8pm @ St. Joachim and Easter Sunday Mass is at 8am here at St. James.

From Dr. Melissa Cordia

Ladies Sodality

Our next meeting is Monday April 6. Thank you for all of the volunteers and everyone who made desserts for the bake sales and fish fries.

Bobbie Heifner, President

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The St. James Food Pantry served 144 families (379 individuals) on Saturday March 21st. Thanks to all our dedicated volunteers! Our mission thrives because of you!

"Extend your mercy toward others, so that there can be no one in need whom you meet without helping."

St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul collection:
Canned meat, canned chili w/meat,
SpaghettiOs w/ meat, canned stew, tuna

Parish Calendar

March 31: Confessions w/ 3 priests 6pm-7:30pm

April 1: Parish Office open 11am-3pm

April 2: Mass of the Lord's Supper 6:30pm
w/Adoration until 11pm
Parish Office closed for Holy Thursday

April 3: Parish Office closed for Good Friday

April 4: Easter Vigil Mass at 8pm (St. Joachim)

April 5: Easter Mass at 8am (St. James)
Easter Mass at 10am (St. Joachim)

April 7: Ladies Sodality Meeting 5:30pm

April 8: Parish Office open 11am-3pm

April 10: Bible Study at 9am
Clarity House Rosary & Mass 6pm

April 11: Men's Faith Sharing Group

April 13: St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 6pm

April 14: Adoration & Benediction @ 4:45
Parish Council 5:30pm
KC Men's Meeting 6:30pm

April 18: Food Pantry Distribution Day

April 18-19: ACA Weekend

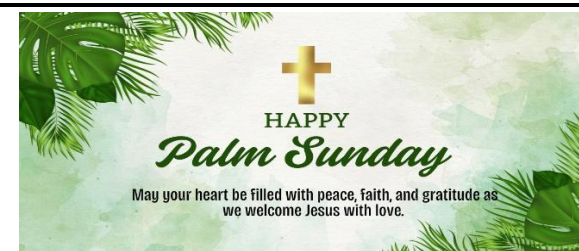
Confession Dates & Times

March 31st ~ St. James ~ 6 PM - 7:30 PM

Confessions ~ Saturday ~
3:15 pm - 3:45 pm or by Appointment

From the Office:

With the summer months looming, if you are a Eucharistic Minister, a lector or altar server, please notify the office in advance if you plan on traveling and will be gone. I try to keep a rotation schedule ready for 3 months at a time and this will help me keep these spots filled. I'm an organizer so I like to keep things planned in advance. Thank you!



This Week On Formed

Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage

Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage cinematically walks through the locations of the Holy Week story, representing the most important days of human history. Immersed in the Holy Land, the pilgrim is brought tangibly nearer to the story, the landscape, and the reality of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Last Days: The Passion and Death of Jesus the Christ w/ Jonathan Roumie

This filmed presentation of the theatrical production movingly recreates the final moments of Jesus' earthly ministry as a teacher through His crucifixion and death. The play has been seen by thousands worldwide, not only as a live performance but also in live streams and televised broadcasts.

Understanding Palm Sunday

Focusing on the Biblical account of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben Akers break open the meaning of why Jesus rode on a donkey, the significance of the palm branches and the singing of Hosanna, and how this event launched Holy Week and the redemption of the world.

*Go to <http://signup.formed.org>

*Enter our parish's zip code 63664

*Enter your name and your email address.

*Enjoy!

MONDAY
MARCH 30
Monday of Holy Week
Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11

TUESDAY
MARCH 31
Tuesday of Holy Week
Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 1
Wednesday of Holy Week
Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25

THURSDAY
APRIL 2
Thursday of Holy Week
(Holy Thursday)
Chrism Mass:
Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9
Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

FRIDAY
APRIL 3
Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)
Is 52:13-53:12
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9
Jn 18:1-19:42

SATURDAY
APRIL 4
Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)
Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a; Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
Ex 14:15-15:1
Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11
Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4
Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28
Rom 6:3-11; Mt 28:1-10

SUNDAY
APRIL 5
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9
or Mt 28:1-10

Good News!

March 29, 2026

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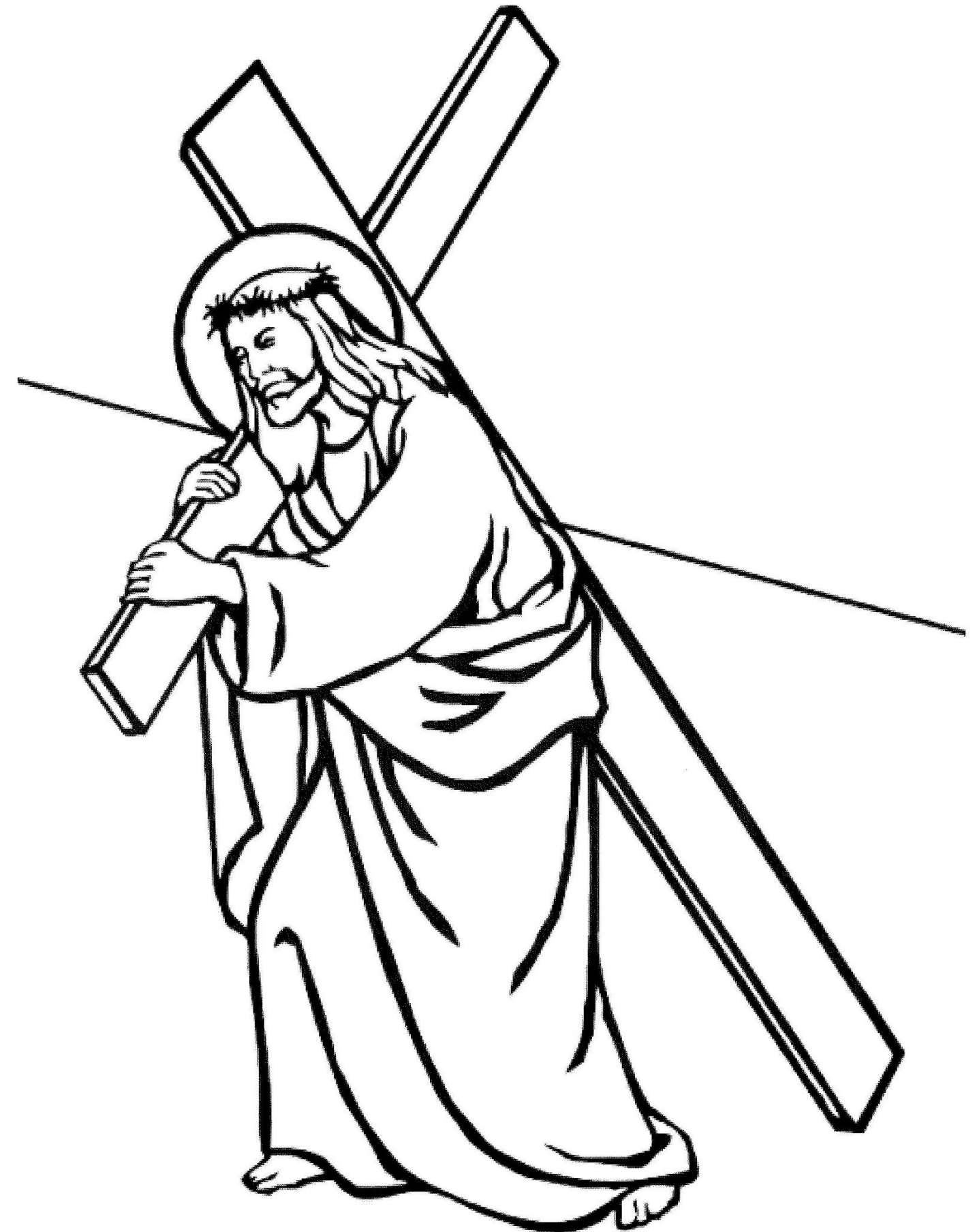
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The Holy Week Timeline

PALM SUNDAY

Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. Crowds welcomed Him as King, waving palm branches and shouting "Hosanna!" We commemorate this day with a procession and distribution of blessed palms.

HOLY MONDAY

Jesus went to the Temple and drove out the money changers and merchants. He said, "My house shall be called a house of prayer."

SPY WEDNESDAY

Judas Iscariot went to the chief priests and agreed to betray Jesus for 30 pieces of silver. He became a "spy" looking for the right moment.

HOLY TUESDAY

Jesus spent the day teaching in parables and answering questions from religious leaders who tried to trap Him.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Holy Thursday recalls Jesus' Last Supper, during which he established the priesthood and Holy Communion. He washed his disciples feet as a gesture of love and humility. Little did he know one of his own would betray him.

GOOD FRIDAY

Jesus was put on trial, beaten, and nailed to the cross. This day is observed as a day of fasting and repentance, it is also known as Great Friday or Sorrowful Friday. This day we honor the cross.

HOLY SATURDAY

Jesus' body lay in the tomb. The disciples hid in fear. Roman soldiers guarded the stone so no one could steal the body.

EASTER SUNDAY

Early in the morning, women went to the tomb and found it empty! An angel said, "He is not here; Alleluia, He has risen!"

2026 Parish Picnic

Mark Your Calendars: June 7th

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!!

We are in need of volunteers for all areas of the picnic. We CANNOT do this without you! Please let us know where you can help. You can contact the office or fill out the sheet in the bulletin and drop it in the basket in church.

PARISH FAMILY; The Bottle Game was a HUGE Success last year!! So, we are planning it again this year!

It's not too early to start this year with planning for the Picnic... "the Bottle Game" is back. We are asking all to bring a "bottle of..." (examples; shampoo, wine, ketchup, mustard, pickles, lotion, dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, syrup, 2 liter soda, honey, jelly, vanilla, cooking oil, etc.) that we will use for this fundraiser. The way this will work is, we will sell the same number of "chances" that we have for the number of "bottles" that we receive, the tickets will be numbered, the bottles will be numbered, each ticket will cost \$3 to purchase, so you can see that this will be a good fundraiser for the church, just think you might end up with a bottle of.....!

We would ask that you please make sure when you are making your purchase for these items to please check the expiration date on any perishable food items.

We will put 3 boxes/containers in the back of church, not in the vestibule – under the pew in front of the cry room for all to place their bottles in. It's not too early to start collecting, so bring your bottles.

Thank you all for your support of our Parish!



St. James Gun Raffle 2026

Join the fun!!!!

Tickets will be sold starting March 1 until the drawing after Mass on May 16, 2026. There are 4 guns being raffled. Cost of the tickets are \$5 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20. Please see Don Thompson or Paul & Nedra Villmer for tickets. They will be selling the tickets after the Masses.

Picnic Raffle Tickets

It's time to start selling raffle tickets for the picnic. They are available in the back of church in a basket. Please take some and help us sell the tickets. They can be turned in at the office, through the collection basket or to Don & Jamie Thompson. There are great prizes available! \$1.00/each or 6 for \$5.

St. James Catholic Church
Annual Church Picnic
Sunday, June 7, 2026

Name _____
Phone _____
Email _____

St. James Catholic Church
Annual Picnic = Sunday, June 7, 2026

8 Great Prizes To Be Awarded!

1st Prize = \$500 Cash
2nd Prize = Set of 4 tires from Purcell Tire
3rd Prize = Quilt, made by St. James Quilters
4th Prize = 200 Gallons of Propane
5th Prize = 7 cu. ft. chest freezer, donated by Ladies Sodality
6th Prize = 4 Cardinal Tickets
7th Prize = Barbecue Grill
8th Prize = Adirondack Chair

11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Fried Chicken or Pork Steak Dinners
Games, Country Store,
Hot Dogs, Burgers, Pull Tabs, Bingo,
Bounce Houses, Cornhole Tourn.
Music by TnT Acoustics
Donation: \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Summer Fun For All Ages At St. James

Country Store

It's time to start collecting items for the Country Store. We are looking for the following items:

- Baked goods (to be delivered the day of the picnic) such as pies, breads, cookies, jams & jellies
- Home Canned Goods
- Home decor
- Starter plants for gardening
- Tea Towels
- Craft items
- Embroidered or crocheted items
- Anything unique and homemade

Placemat Ads

It's not too early to get your space reserved for our placemats for the picnic.

1. Small size- \$30
2. Medium size- \$60
3. Large size- \$120

The placemat ads can be for a business or in memory of a loved one. Please contact Kim Coleman if interested at 314-808-2207 or email kcoleman2@elara.com.

NEW ONLINE GIVING PORTAL LINK

<https://giving.servantkeeper.com/StJamesCatholic/member/login>



Deacon Diaper Drive

Dear St. James Parishioners,
The Deacon Diaper Drive was a big success thanks to everyone's generosity. Two loads of diapers were delivered to the Caring Hearts Family Resource Center in March. The deliveries were greatly appreciated and will help many in our community. Thank you for *living your faith!*

Sincerely,
Becky Howell and Caring Heart Family Resource Center

The Parishes of St. James, St. Joachim, the chapels of St. Stephen's and St. Joseph, and St. Joachim School Families collected over 2800 diapers plus wipes. Some diapers were distributed to parish families and the remainder will go to Caring Hearts Resource Center for distribution to county families. We are a Pro-Life community. God Bless and Thank you.

Pope Leo General Audience March 25, 2026

"Let us pray together that the Lord may send His Church ministers ablaze with evangelical charity, dedicated to the good of all the baptized, and courageous missionaries in every part of the world."

-Posted on X, March 25,2026

Interested in Becoming Catholic? (OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Please pray for the elect, Anthony Pashia and Judy Vance who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil and for candidates Chris McCoy and Lilly Pashia who will be fully received and received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Anthony Pashia II and Annabelle Pashia will be baptized along with their Dad.

Please pray for 9 additional Inquirers and Candidates as they continue their journey of Faith.

Lenten Bible Study

- Session 5: Mary
- Session 6: Justification
- Session 7: Who is Jesus?

Here are the dates for the study. Keep in mind that because of scheduling issues (availability of the buildings and my schedule) not all sessions will be in order each week. So, if you plan to jump around, please watch the schedule and attend when you are able.

MONDAY 6PM (ST. JOACHIM)

Session 5) March 30; Session 6 &7) Justification & Who is Jesus

WEDNESDAY 9:15AM (ST. JOACHIM)

Session 5) April 1; Session 6 &7) April 8

FRIDAY 9AM (ST. JAMES)

Session 5) April 3; Session 6 &7) April 10

**If you have any questions, please text or call Vicki at 573-854-1257

EASTER EGG HUNT
EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026
TIME 2PM

FAMILIES ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. KIDS AGES UP TO 14 WILL RECEIVE A BEAUTIFULLY FILLED BASKET.

ST. MICHAEL HOUSE, LOCATED OFF HWY CC ON THE GROUNDS OF THE RURAL PARISH WORKERS ACROSS FROM WASHINGTON STATE PARK

Heavenly Father,
you are the giver of all that is good.

We give you thanks for 200 years of faith, grace, and mission in the **Archdiocese of St. Louis.**

As we celebrate this bicentennial, we remember with gratitude and thankfulness, all those who have helped to build the Church here: clergy, religious, and lay faithful.

Strengthen us in our resolve to carry forward their legacy with love and courage.

Through the intercession of **Saint Louis**, our patron and king, **Saint Vincent de Paul**, and **Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne**, give us hearts rooted in justice, holiness, and charity.

May we continue to be a beacon of the Gospel in our time, faithful to Christ and alive in the Spirit.

Bless our archdiocese with unity, renewal, and vocations as we journey into the future.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Louis, pray for us.
Saint Vincent de Paul, pray for us.
Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, pray for us.

Please Join Us In Praying for our Brothers in Potosi Prison

April 16-19, 2026

From April 16-19, 31 men will offer a Kairos retreat for residents in the Potosi Correctional Center, a maximum-security prison located in Washington County, MO.

This is an opportunity for the resident retreatants to experience the love and mercy of God through the men who will be serving them.

WE NEED YOUR PRAYER SUPPORT!

Please sign up and commit to offering 30 minutes of prayer for the residents attending the Kairos retreat and for the men offering the retreat.

Use this link or the QR code to select your prayer time:
<https://prayervigils.net/vigils/235>

Your personal information is not shared.

THANK YOU!

Holy Week
○ DEATH. WHERE IS YOUR STING?

Lenten Rice Bowls

Please turn in your Lenten Rice Bowls by Easter Sunday. There will be a basket in the back of Church. Please make sure your names are on your boxes, if you would like credit.

BRING LENT TO LIFE AT HOME

FOR LENT FOR LIFE
COMEMORAR A LA VIDA