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Sunday, March 29, 2026

**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

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**Mass Schedule:**

Saint Anne Church

Every day: 8:00 a.m.

Tuesdays: 8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Saturdays (Vigil): 4:00 p.m.

Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,  
and 6:00 p.m.

Saint Winifred Church

M, W, F: 9:00 a.m.

Saturdays (Vigil): 5:30 p.m.

Sundays: 11:30 a.m.

**Confessions:**

Saint Anne Church

Tuesdays: 5:15 - 6:15 PM

Saturdays: 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM

Saint Winifred Church

Saturdays: 4:45 PM - 5:15 PM

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

Saint Anne Church

Tuesdays, after the 8:00 AM Mass,  
with Benediction at 6:15 PM.

**Divine Mercy Holy Hour:**

Saint Anne Church

Tuesdays, at 3:00 PM

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

*-Matthew 21:9*



**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, March 29, 2026**

8:00 AM (St. A) John Faber (BR), *requested by The Faber Family*

10:00 AM (St. A) Deceased Members of The Doleno & Wasko Families,  
*requested by Lori Wasko & family*

11:30 AM (St. W) Maria Strangis, *requested by her children & family*

6:00 PM (St. A) Mary Catherine Sokac, *requested by Pam Ratti & family*

**Monday, March 30, 2026**

8:00 AM (St. A) Carol Lonergan, *requested by The Lonergan Family*

9:00 AM (St. W) Michelino Notte, *requested by SHCA Preschool Staff*

**Tuesday, March 31, 2026**

8:00 AM (St. A) Chuck Kelly & Dolly (Kelly) Austin, *requested by The Kelly Sisters*

6:30 PM (St. A) John Opferman, *requested by his children*

**Wednesday, April 1, 2026**

8:00 AM (St. A) Marianne Ranalli Catarella (BR), *requested by Teri Ranalli*

**Thursday, April 2, 2026**

6:30 PM (St. A) Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Friday, April 3, 2026**

1:30 PM (St. A) Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

**Saturday, April 4, 2026**

8:30 AM (St. A) For the OCIA Candidates

**Sunday, April 5, 2026**

8:00 AM (St. A) Bill Williams (AD), *requested by Matt, Colleen & Maeve Williams*

9:00 AM (St. W) For the People of the Parish

10:00 AM (St. A) Dawn Marie Breier, *requested by The Breier Family*

11:30 AM (St. W) Eugene Szramowski, *requested by Marilyn Horwitz*

*Requiescat in pace*

In your prayers please also remember to pray for  
**Donald L. Hillebrand** and all the deceased members of  
Saint Paul of the Cross Parish.

# Parish News

## From the Pastor

*Truly, this was the Son of God.*

Brothers and sisters, we have begun the most solemn time in the liturgical year. As we commemorate our Lord's entrance into Jerusalem with the resounding acclamation, "Hosanna in the highest," we bear witness to the work of our redemption. Last weekend, the Church encouraged us to pray and meditate on the Lord's Passion. This is offered as a means of dutiful preparation for the mysteries we celebrate throughout Holy Week and Easter. Speaking of preparation for the Easter season, if you have not had the chance or are really considering going to the Sacrament of Confession, there are several opportunities this week. Please see the Holy Week schedule right here for the times →

As we move through the beautiful and rich liturgies of the Paschal Triduum, I encourage you to take the time to pray with the Sacred Scriptures, especially the Gospel accounts of the Last Supper and Crucifixion. May we come joyfully to our celebration of our Lord's Resurrection!

*Fr. Joe*

### Holy Week Parish Office Hours

Please note that the parish office will be closed:

- Holy Thursday, April 2, at Noon
- Good Friday, April 3
- Easter Sunday, April 5
- Easter Monday, April 6

### *Baptisms*

Last weekend, **Logan Theo Smith**, child of Bryan and Amanda Smith, received the Sacrament of Baptism. Please pray for Logan, his parents and Godparents. Congratulations!

### Parish Offertory: March 22, 2026

Offertory: \$17,507.64      Youth Ministry: \$2,173.00  
Utilities: \$134.30



#### **Palm Sunday, 3/29**

Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM (St. A) & 5:30 PM (St. W) Mass  
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, & 6:00 PM (St. A) Mass  
11:30 AM (St. W) Mass

#### **Monday, 3/30**

6:00 - 8:00 PM (St. A) Holy Week Confessions, with several visiting priests

#### **Tuesday, 3/31**

5:15 - 6:15 PM (St. A) Confessions

#### **Holy Thursday, 4/2**

6:30 PM (St. A) Mass of the Lord's Supper  
8:00 PM (St. A) Holy Thursday Church Pilgrimage

#### **Good Friday, 4/3**

1:30 PM (St. A) Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  
6:30 PM (St. A) Stations & Veneration of the Cross

#### **Holy Saturday, 4/4**

11:00 AM (St. A) Confessions  
12:00 PM (St. A) Blessing of Easter Baskets  
8:30 PM (St. A) Easter Vigil Mass

#### **Easter Sunday, 4/5**

8:00 AM & 10:00 AM (St. A) Mass  
9:00 AM & 11:30 AM (St. W) Mass

## St Vincent de Paul 5th Sunday Collection

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 follow Jesus through death to new life.



The second collection this week will benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society of our parish. Please support the Society of St Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the poor as they carry their cross of suffering and pain. Thank you very much!

# Parish Announcements

## Blessing of Easter Baskets

Join us on **Holy Saturday, April 4th, at 12:00 PM** in St. Anne Church for the blessing of Easter Baskets!



## Holy Thursday 7 Church Pilgrimage

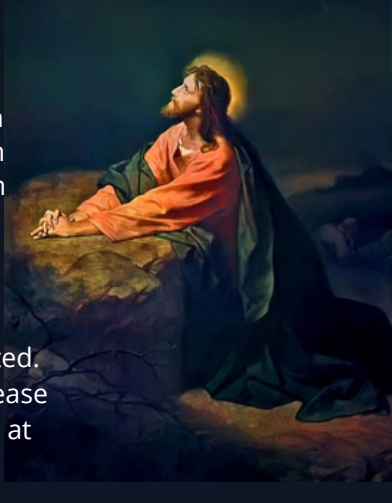
On Holy Thursday evening, Catholic Christians have the venerable custom of keeping vigil with our Lord. Part of this custom is making a pilgrimage to visit altars of repose at various churches.

This year, St. Paul of the Cross Parish is organizing a pilgrimage to seven churches across Pittsburgh on **April 2nd**. A bus will depart from St. Anne Church at **8:00 PM**.

Stops Include:

1. St. Paul Cathedral
2. Sacred Heart Church
3. St. Augustine Church
4. St. Stanislaus Church
5. St. Patrick Church
6. Epiphany Church
7. St. Anne Church

Space on the bus is limited. To reserve your seat, please contact the parish office at 412-531-5964.



## Catholic Men's Fellowship

The next meeting for the Catholic Men's Fellowship will be on **April 2nd at 7:00 PM** in the Convent Dining Room. The fellowship's mission is to support members in becoming better husbands, leaders, and Catholics. If you have questions or are interested in becoming involved, please contact John Raimondi at 412- 344-9690. New members are always welcome!



## Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour

Please join us for a special Holy Hour on **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12th, at 3:00 PM**. Spend a peaceful hour in the presence of the Holy Eucharist. The hour will include silent adoration, prayer and reflection. Search "*Divine Mercy Sunday*" on our website for more information.

Walk  
with  
Christ



## Good Friday Stations of the Cross

Please join your fellow parishioners on **Good Friday, April 3rd**, to pray an outdoor Stations of the Cross at Seton LaSalle High School **at 8:00 AM**, rain or shine. The outdoor stations are located at the right rear of the building behind the parking lot. Stick around for some refreshments and fellowship afterwards. ALL ARE WELCOME! Please call Jim Stein at 412-979-6976 if you have any questions. We hope to see you there!

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### Mon., March 30

5:00 PM CCD at South Hills Catholic Academy  
6:00 - 8:00 PM Lenten Confessions at St. Anne Church

### Tues., March 31

8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration at St. Anne Church  
3:00 PM Divine Mercy Holy Hour at St. Anne Church

### Wed., April 1

7:00 PM OCIA meeting in the DePalma Rm  
8:30 PM AA meeting in the Convent Dining Rm

### Thurs., April 2

7:00 PM Catholic Men's Fellowship meeting in the Convent Dining Rm  
8:00 PM Holy Thursday Seven Church Pilgrimage

### Fri., April 3

8:00 AM Stations of the Cross outside Seton LeSalle High School  
6:30 PM Stations & Veneration of the Cross at St. Anne Church

### Sat., April 4

11:00 AM Confessions at St. Anne Church  
12:00 PM Blessing of Easter Baskets at St. Anne Church  
9:00 PM NA meeting in the Convent Dining Rm

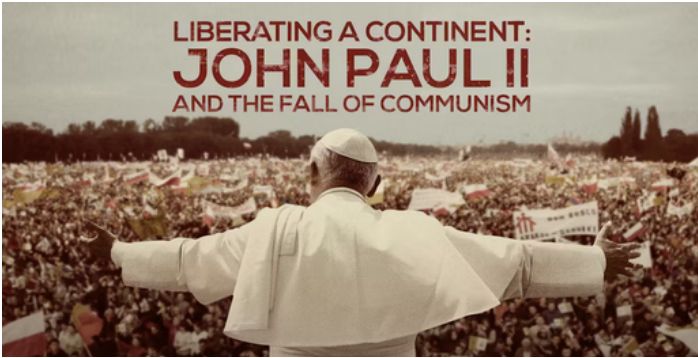


## Holy Week Confessions

*"Who can say he is not a sinner?  
Nobody. We all are."*

*- Pope Francis*

Prepare for the joy of Easter with Confession. Join us on **Monday, March 30th, from 6:00 - 8:00 PM.** Several priests will be available to hear confessions this evening.



## Divine Mercy Sunday Movie Night

On **Sunday, April 12th**, St. Paul of the Cross will be hosting a movie night at **7:00 PM** in the DePalma Room. We will be watching, *Liberating a Continent: John Paul II and the Fall of Communism*, a documentary about the role Pope John Paul II played in the demise of the USSR, the end of Communism in Poland, and the fall of the iron curtain. For more information please contact Don Fontana at [dfontana@stpaulofthecross.com](mailto:dfontana@stpaulofthecross.com).

## Journey of Grief Ministry

*"People often fail to realize that those who have lost a loved one change. Everything changes for them - nothing remains the same. They are struggling to learn how to live in a world where a piece of their heart is missing."*

*- K. Raimondi*



Our Spring session of Journey of Grief will begin on **Thursday, April 16th, at 7:00 PM** and will be held for 7 consecutive weeks with the exception of **Ascension Thursday, May 14th**. We will meet in the DePalma room, a comfortable, safe space to explore grief in depth and our individual reactions to it. Regardless of how long ago you lost your loved one, you are more than welcome to join our small gathering who are dealing with loss in a concrete yet spiritual way. There is no charge, and you do not need not be a parish member. For more information and to register, please call Kathy at 412-344-9690 or text to 412-862-5548. God bless!

## Congratulations!

Congratulations to our second graders who received their first Sacrament of Reconciliation this Lenten season! Please keep our second graders in your prayers as they prepare to receive their first Holy Communion.

Lord Jesus, strengthen these children with the grace of this sacrament, that they may grow closer to You and strive to live a life of goodness and virtue.

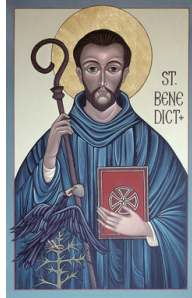
## Congratulations to our young parishioners who were confirmed last weekend!

May the newly confirmed, strengthened by the Holy Spirit, live lives with faith, grace and service, always seeking to follow Christ's teachings and proclaiming His love to the world.



## God's Presence In Our Lives

On **Sunday, April 12th**, we focus on God's presence in every moment of our lives as we seek Him and eternal life. We are reminded that one day we will die, that we should keep watch over what we do, and that God remains lovingly aware of all. Father Michael Casey, OSCO highlights the practical guidance from the Rule of St. Benedict in *74 Tools for Good Living*. Please join us at **1:30 PM** for Liturgy of the Hours in St. Louise de Marillac Church LeGras Hall Conference Room. Presentations and discussion will end at **3:00 PM**. Come as we share the wisdom of St. Benedict! Christ is Risen indeed!



We are so grateful to the women who joined us for this year's annual retreat at the Passionist Retreat Center. It was a weekend of peace and spiritual renewal. Thank you to all who attended!

## Divine Mercy Novena - Starting Good Friday

Join the parish in St. Anne Church as we begin a Divine Mercy Novena leading up to our celebration of **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12th**. Please refer to our nine day prayer schedule. We hope to see everyone in person, but if you must miss a day or if you are participating at home, the prayers can be found on our website. They consist of a short prayer for the day's intention and recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.



**Day 1, 4/3, Good Friday;** We will pray the Divine Mercy Novena after Good Friday 1:30 PM Service and after Stations & Veneration of the Cross at 6:30 PM.

**Day 2, 4/4, Holy Saturday;** We will pray the Divine Mercy Novena at 3:00 PM.

**Day 3, 4/5, Easter Sunday;** Parishioners are encouraged to pray the Divine Mercy Novena at home with family this particular day since it's Easter Sunday.

**Day 4, 4/6, Easter Monday;** We will pray the Divine Mercy Novena after the 8:00 AM Mass.

**Day 5, 4/7, Easter Tuesday;** We will pray the Divine Mercy Novena after the 8:00 AM Mass, at 3:00 during Adoration and after the 6:30 PM Mass.

**Day 6, 4/8, Easter Wednesday;** We will pray the Divine Mercy Novena after the 8:00 AM Mass.

**Day 7, 4/9, Easter Thursday;** We will pray the Divine Mercy Novena after the 8:00 AM Mass.

**Day 8, 4/10, Easter Friday;** We will pray the Divine Mercy Novena after the 8:00 AM Mass.

**Day 9, 4/11, Easter Saturday;** We will pray the Divine Mercy Novena after the 8:00 AM Mass.

**Divine Mercy Sunday, 4/12;** Holy Hour at 3:00 PM with Exposition, Adoration, Prayers and Benediction.



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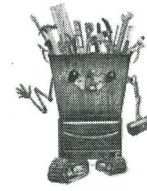
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