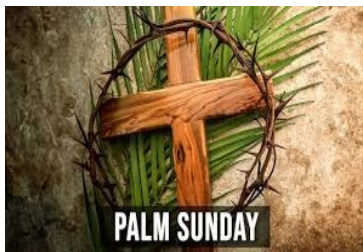
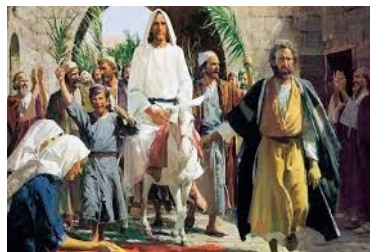


Welcome to
St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church
March 29th 2026 – Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion - Year - A



“Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.”. (Matthew 21:9)

Heavenly Father! On this Palm Sunday we come to you as people who sing with joy. But we also come to you as people who sometimes struggle. As we sing Hosanna today, may we remember to whom those words of honor were first sung. And may we seek to live lives that share the same kind of love Christ shared so long ago. On days when we can joyfully sing your praise, may we do so with uplifted voices. On days when we strive to simply put one foot in front of the other, may we feel your comfort and peace.

We pray these things in the name of Christ – our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

Blessed is the King who comes in the Name of the Lord:

Jesus went to Jerusalem knowing fully well what awaited him - betrayal, rejection, and crucifixion. The people of Jerusalem, however, were ready to hail Him as their Messianic King! Little did they know what it would cost this king to usher in His kingdom. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem astride a colt was a direct fulfillment of the Messianic prophecy of Zechariah (9:9): *Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem. Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is He, and riding on a donkey and upon a colt the foal of a donkey.*

The colt was a sign of peace. Jesus entered Jerusalem in meekness and humility, as the Messianic King who offers victory and peace to His people. That victory and peace would be secured in the cross and resurrection which would soon take place at the time of Passover.

Psalm 24 is another prophetic passage which echoes this triumphal procession of the King of glory: *Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.*

Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept His kingship. Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in our hearts and home? Do our walls echo with the praise of His glory?

Fr. Denis Vaiz

WEEKDAY MASSES: Tuesday to Friday at 12 Noon

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday at 4:30pm and Sunday at 10:00am

CONFESSION: Saturday at 3:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am

HOLY ROSARY: Conducted after Noon mass on Thursdays



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Chioma Osuagwu - Parish Administrator
John Noble - Deacon Emeritus
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MASS SCHEDULE WITH INTENTIONS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, 31st March: **Saint Stephen of Mar Saba**
Fernando Nogueira Seabra by Fernanda Trevisan

Wednesday, 1st April: **Saint Hugh of Grenoble**
Anna Z by Walter & Pat

Thursday, 2nd April: **Saint Francis of Paola**
Holy Thursday, Mass at 6:30pm


Friday, 3rd April: **Saint Benedict the African**
Good Friday, The Lord's Passion at 3:00pm

Saturday, 4th April: **Saint Isidore of Seville**
George Thompson by Wendy Thompson
Pat Dionne by Bob & Arthemise Peterson

Sunday, 5th April: **Saint Vincent Ferrer**
Genesio Gregorini by Elisa & Antonella Gregorini
Marie-Ann & Gordon Hodgins by Garfield Hodgins



MASS READINGS FOR THIS WEEK: March 30th to April 5th

	<p>Monday March 30th Isaiah 42: 1-7 John 12: 1-11</p> <p>Tuesday March 31st Isaiah 49: 1-6 John 13: 21- 33, 36-38</p> <p>Wed. April 1st Isaiah 50: 4-9a Matthew 26: 14-25</p> <p>Thursday April 2nd Exodus 12: 1-8, 11-14 1st Corinthians 11: 23-26 John 13: 1-15</p> <p>Friday April 3rd Isaiah 52: 13-53: 12 Hebrews 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9 John 18: 1-19 : 42</p> <p>Saturday April 4th Genesis 1: 1-2: 2 or 1, 26-31a Genesis 22: 1-18 Matthew 28: 1-10</p> <p>Sunday April 5th Acts 10: 1, 34a, 37-43 Colossians 3: 1-4 John 20: 1-9</p>	<p>Psalm 27</p> <p>Psalm 71</p> <p>Psalm 69</p> <p>Psalm 116</p> <p>Psalm 31</p> <p>Psalm 104,16</p> <p>Psalm 118</p>
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Parish weekly collections: **March 22nd**

Sunday Offering	\$ 1,835.00
Share Lent	\$ 1,950.20
Building Fund	\$ 400.00
Easter Flower	\$ 230.00
Candles	\$ 96.80
Easter	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 4,532.00

PADP—Weekly for the month of March, 2026

Sunday Collection	\$542.00
Building fund	\$150.00
Share Lent	\$510.00
Total	\$1,202.00



Required Weekly Income: \$4,500



March 2026 – Pope's Intention **For disarmament and peace**

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.



Holy Week Service Schedule



Palm Sunday

28th March, Saturday: Mass at 4:30pm

29th March, Sunday: Mass at 10:00am



Holy Thursday

2nd April: Solemn Mass at 6:30pm



Good Friday

3rd April: Service starts at 3:00pm



Holy Saturday : Easter Vigil

4th April: Easter Vigil Service at 8:30pm



Easter Sunday

5th April: Solemn Easter Mass at 10:00am



Holy Week

Easter Flowers



If you would like to remember a loved one through
a donation to our Easter flower fund,
please take an envelope from the basket at the back of the church;
complete the information on the front with your loved one's name
on the back and place the envelope in the collection.

Parishioners who have regular envelopes have the
Easter flower fund envelope in their box.



Welcome to our Parish Choir on Saturday weekend mass

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Interesting facts about Palm Sunday

- ♦ The name Palm Sunday comes from the fact that as Jesus entered Jerusalem the people of the city waved palm branches and placed palm leaves on the ground to jubilantly welcome Jesus.
- ♦ The palm branch, or palm frond, is a symbol of victory, triumph, peace, and eternal life originating in the ancient Near East and Mediterranean world.
- ♦ **Red** or **purple** are appropriate for Palm Sunday. During Holy Week, **purple** is used until the church is stripped bare on Maundy Thursday, the church remains stripped bare on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, though in some places black might be used on those days.
- ♦ The word *hosanna* (Latin *osanna*, **Greek** ὡσαννά, *hōsanná*) is from **Hebrew** הוֹשִׁיעָה-נָא, הוֹשִׁיעָה נָא, and related to **Aramaic** ܕܫܐܢܢܐ (*ōsha'nā*) meaning 'save, rescue, savior.'



Three Ways to Support the Parish

1. Through traditional Sunday Offering Envelopes

2. Pre-Authorized Debit Plan (PADP)

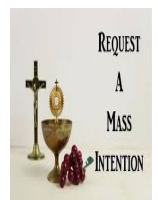
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(please include name, address and designation i.e., weekly collection, building fund, snow removal etc.,)

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Mass Intentions

A beautiful tradition in the Catholic Church is to have a **Mass offered in the memory of or in honor of a person, or for a special intention.** There is no charge to request a Mass, but a donation is welcome and gratefully accepted. **The usual donation is \$15.**



Facts to know about Good Friday

- In Latin, the name used by the Catholic Church until 1955 was *Feria sexta in Parasceve* ("Friday of Preparation [for the Sabbath]"). In the 1955 reform of Holy Week, it was renamed *Feria sexta in Passione et Morte Domini* ("Friday of the Passion and Death of the Lord"), and in the new rite introduced in 1970, shortened to *Feria sexta in Passione Domini* ("Friday of the Passion of the Lord").
- The only **sacraments** celebrated during this time are **Baptism** (for those in danger of death), **Penance**, and **Anointing of the Sick**. While there is no celebration of the Eucharist, it is distributed to the faithful only in the **Celebration of the Passion of the Lord**, but can also be taken at any hour to the sick who are unable to attend this celebration.
 - The **liturgical colour** of the vestments used is red. Before 1970, vestments were black except for the Communion part of the rite when violet was used. If a bishop or **abbot** celebrates, he wears a plain **mitre** (*mitra simplex*). Before the reforms of the Holy Week liturgies in 1955, black was used throughout.
 - In the Roman Catholic Church, plenary **indulgence** is obtained if the faithful venerates the cross with **piety** in the solemn Celebration of the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday.



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