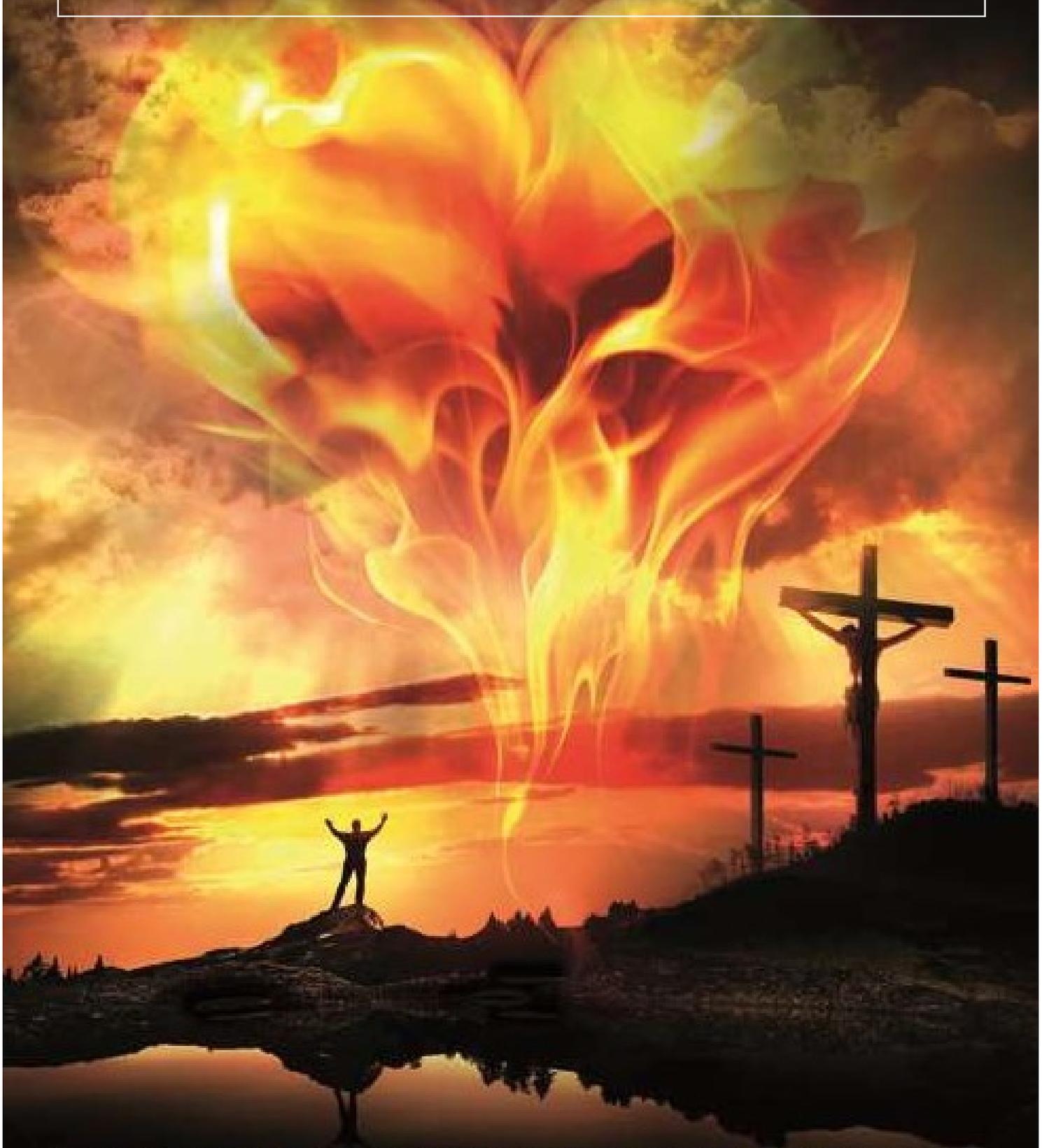


MARCH 29, 2026: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



GOD'S HEART BURNS WITH LOVE FOR YOU

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, March 28, 2026, 6:00 PM
Jean Collender by JoAnn Morgan

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, March 29, 2026, 9:00 AM
For those who are being crucified today

Monday, March 30, 2025
5:00—5:20 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet;
5:20—6:30 PM quiet Adoration

Holy Thursday, April 2, 2026
5:00 PM Covered dish Supper at OLV
7:00 PM Mass at OLF

Good Friday, April 3, 2026
12:00 PM Ecumenical Stations of the Cross
2:30 PM "Women of Jerusalem"

Holy Saturday, April 4, 2026, 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026, 9:00 AM

WE PRAY LENT

Our worship space is simple, stark, and prayerful. Purples remind us of our call to continual conversion. Reds beckon us to live as a holy sacrifice for others. Bold willow branches help us to look forward to eternal spring; their winding twigs lead us along our pilgrim journey. The waters of our Baptismal Font are stilled until Easter. Our Eucharist is a sacred conversation with God and a sacred conversation with each other. The Cross centers us in our mission. We reverently gather together asking our Lord to keep us ever near the healing, freedom giving Cross of Jesus; may the Glory of God uplift us in life giving faith. We acknowledge the sin and need for our own healing among us and the whole world. We invoke God's Spirit in chant: "Holy Spirit, come to us, kindle in us the fire of your love. Holy Spirit, come to us, Holy Spirit come to us." We trust that God lead us and accompany us as we follow Jesus as credible disciples of faith. Our response to the Hebrew Scriptures is Psalm 103: "Loving and forgiving are you O Lord; slow to anger, rich in kindness, loving and forgiving are you." We recall how our Creator has always been among us, sharing the Divine gifts of wisdom and peace; as Heaven soars above, so God's mercy abounds. We approach the Gospel in stillness, with wonder and awe, as we hear God's story unfold among us. The Lord invites us to gather around the Table to be renewed by Christ's real presence as food for our journey.

We sing of our mystery: "We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again." We are empowered to embrace the Cross of our neighbors as a community of life. Our Eucharistic prayer engages us to be the sacrament of Christ in our whole world. We sing: "We are God's People, beloved in Christ." The Great Amen culminates our prayer of thanksgiving. After sharing Communion, we listen and hear God speak tenderly, gently to each one of us, "I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine." We respond wholeheartedly, invigorated in hope and faith to go forth as beloved, yet humble people abounding in peace, compassion, and love for our world! And Christ is with you.

Administration and Stewardship

Offerings:

Fifth Sunday of Lent: \$5.B.A.

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 28, 2026

Greeters:
Gabe Ringuette

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Bill Kuehnle

Lector:
Paser, Ringuette, Costello

Altar Servers:
Arrietta and Nathan Kuehnle

Eucharistic Ministers:
Gail Borst, Tom Valosin

Set-up/Shut down:
Barb Valosin

Sunday, March 29, 2026

Greeters:
Michele Finin, Helen Lindstrom

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Jackie Guntert, Marcia Guntert

Lector:
Katsur, Borst, Riggi, Lloyd

Altar Servers:
Sam Borst

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down:
Jim Buzon, Pattie Sainsbury

Money counters:
Denise Lloyd, Elizabeth Blackmur

Holy Saturday, April 4, 2026, 7:30 PM

Greeters:
Doreen Buzon

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Robin Hazzard

Lector:
Costello, Riggi, Paser, Tinker, Ringuette

Altar Servers:
Luna and Gaia Pelton

Eucharistic Ministers:
Rosemary Gutkaiss, Jim Buzon

Set-up/Shut down:
Robin Hazzard

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026, 9:00 AM

Greeters:
Martha Conroy, Caroline Borst

Ushers and Seat Counters:
Sharon Riggi, Denise Lloyd

Lector:
Borst, Lloyd, Shultes

Altar Servers:
Sam Borst, Mary McGrail

Eucharistic Ministers/Shut down:
Marcia Guntert, Gail Borst

Money counters:
Borst, Ostermann

BEATITUDES OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

"True reverence for the Lord's passion means fixing the eyes of our heart on Jesus crucified and recognizing in him our own humanity." ~ Pope St. Leo the Great

Holy Week is the time for a personal, transformative meditation where looking at the Crucified Christ helps us recognize both our need for salvation and how fully He embraced humanity to redeem it.



baby Zoey Nashville, Jodi Connors, Greg Filisko, Scott Troughton, Joseph Cassella, Andrea Virtuoso, Michele and Phil Smith, Ed Guntert, Arthur Barrett, John Lewis Simmons, Lynn Fileccia, Anthony Chieco, Barbara St. George, Mary Harmon, Carol Hoffmann, Joe S., Bob Troidl, Betty Karlau, Linda Quinn, Mundy Zullo, Linda Ballou, Bill Valosin, Brian Barbella, Marge Sainsbury, Annette Casano, Charlie Paduano, John VanDerwerke, Margaret Buzon, Marthe Therrien, Kelly and Caleb, Matt Nieminski, Angelo and Debbie DeMelfi, Fred Pomygalski, Sharon Wood, Jim Ault, Linda Pagano, Tom Barr, Mary Hazzard, Helen Zebrowski, Joseph Pelton, Joyce Montgomery, Joan Wissert, Winnie Koontz, Laurie Kinnicutt

Please contact the office to have someone prayed for/added to the list.



**GIFT
(Growing in Faith Together): Intergenerational
Faith Formation Program**

Our next GIFT Session will be held on Sunday, March 22 after the 9AM Mass. Our program for adults and children will be centered on "The Eucharist". Our young disciples will have a special program about Easter. Continental breakfast will be provided. [All are welcome!](#)

For this session: Please write your gifts, talents and aspects of your personality on a puzzle piece given to you via email or in person. Blank puzzle pieces will be available at the handicapped entrance at OLV.

Welcome to the Lord's Table!

Mia Flores-Seibert
Ben Barbato
Michael Ortiz
Mackenzie Sinatra
Mae Jenkins

will celebrate their **First Eucharist** with us on Sunday, May 17.



Please pray for our Confirmation candidates as they prepare to be confirmed on April 26 at 2:00 PM Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany: Jack Mormando, Fletcher Mormando, Maya Murphy, Collin Castle, Jane Jenkins, Elise McDonald.

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Mass: Saturday, March 28, 6:00 PM
Sunday, March 29, 9:00 AM

Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception
Monday, March 30, 5:30 PM — Blessing of oils for the year.

Rosary and Quiet Prayer

Monday, March 30, 5:00 PM—6:30 PM, OLV

April 2: Holy Thursday

5:00 PM Covered dish supper ([please bring a covered dish, salad or dessert to share—sign-up sheet is located at the entrance](#)), sharing the Gospel story blessing of food for Easter, "The Chosen" *Last Supper* DVD. All in Our Lady of the Valley Hall.

(**7:00 PM** Mass at Our Lady of Fatima in Delanson).

April 3: Good Friday

12-noon Ecumenical Stations of the Cross, walking through Middleburgh. We begin at the corner of Main and Wells.

2:30 PM [Women of Jerusalem. Faith stories encountering Jesus — Our Lady of the Valley Church.](#)

4:00 PM [Fish Fry](#) sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of the Valley Hall.

(**7:00 PM** Passion Service at Our Lady of Fatima Church).

**April 4: Holy Saturday
Great Vigil Mass of Easter**

7:30 PM at Our Lady of the Valley Church
(there are **no** earlier Masses).

April 5: EASTER SUNDAY

(*Easter Sunrise Service 6:45 AM at St. Mark's Lutheran Church)

9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Valley Church
(11:15 AM Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church).

**We gather, we pray, and we serve
Our Lady of the Valley Parish**

◆ **Easter Egg Hunt**

April 12 (after our 11:15 AM Mass around 12 noon)) at Our Lady of Fatima. Kids of all ages are invited to scamper and run around our spacious grounds looking for hidden eggs. Prizes, candy and refreshments.

◆ **Lenten CRS Rice Bowls**
are to be returned by **April 19**.

◆ **Easter Labyrinth**

Saturday, April 25, 2:00 PM—6:00 PM and Sunday, April 26 10:00 AM—2:00 PM at Our Lady of Fatima Hall. As today's disciples of the Risen Christ, we walk the pilgrim journey with hearts filled with love.

Our Church is open and lighted 24 hours a day for prayer, reflection, walking, and peace.

Pope Leo has asked our parish to support the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection**, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help 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 had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war and now the Iranian conflict have made their situation even more dire. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you 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 or www.custodia.org

Diocesan Appeal

Thank you for your continued support. Offering envelopes are available in the pews. Please consider helping our parish to achieve our assessment.

Render unto Caesar...

If you need contribution statement for your income taxes, please call our parish office.

Change Our World

In our hall is a container to collect all that pocket change that seems to lurk everywhere. All donations will be given to local charities. Our recipient will be the Iroquois Museum. All pennies, nickels, dimes, etc. are accepted.

Middleburgh Food Pantries

Food pantry needs: [chunky soups, peanut butter, cereal, rice, soap, cleaning supplies \(detergents\), personal hygiene items](#). We also need help at our Food Pantry based at the Middleburgh Reformed Church. If you can assist, please call Russ Ryan at 518 817-1414.

Cradle of Love

We're continuing to collect diapers and baby wipes for Community Maternity Services in the bassinet in the hall. Please no toys or baby furniture, diapers and wipes only. Thank you for your continued support of this important need in our community.

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