

SAINTS FOR THE WEEK

SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM (The Three Holy Days)

Thursday, April 17
Holy Thursday, Last Supper
Friday, April 18
Good Friday, Crucifixion
Saturday, April 19
Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil

WHOM HAVE YOU WELCOMED TODAY?

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS
IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:

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| ☼ Pope Francis | ☼ Robert Meyers |
| ☼ Barry Family | ☼ Schaab Family |
| ☼ Jen and Kelly Collier | ☼ Sitts Family |
| ☼ DeLaurentiis Family | ☼ William & Matthew Sullivan |
| ☼ Carol Geer | ☼ Talbot Family |
| ☼ Gehm Family | ☼ Larry Turner |
| ☼ Henehan Family | ☼ Tyson Family |
| ☼ LoBrutto Family | ☼ Deceased members of Zaleski & Zysk families |
| ☼ Alice Meyers | |

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

We are blessed to have you worship with us as we nurture each other in faith. While visiting our community, we humbly ask you to consider investing in our parish offertory and Diocesan Appeal to ensure our parish and Diocese can be your partner in faith.

SAINT MARY’S EASTER TRIDUUM

- ✦ Holy Thursday Mass: 6:30 p.m.
Night Prayer: 10 p.m.
- ✦ Morning Prayer: 8:30 a.m.
Midday Prayer: 12 p.m.
Individual Confessions: 1–4 p.m.
Good Friday Service: 5 p.m.
Night Prayer: 8:30 p.m.
- ✦ Holy Saturday Morning Prayer: 8:30 a.m.
Easter Vigil mass: 8 p.m.
- ✦ Easter Sunday masses: 8:30, 10:30 a.m.

BUILDING COMMUNITY: The Parish Pastoral Council continues the process for realizing our vision (top of front page) and mission (inside left panel). **The next Council meeting is Sunday, April 27, after mass. Meetings are open, and all are welcome to attend and participate!**

The Spirit of God has been given to me, YHWH has anointed me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to bind up hearts that are broken, to proclaim liberty to captives, freedom to those in prison, to proclaim the Year of Favor from the Lord. (Luke 4:18–19, quoting Isaiah 61:1–2)

DIOCESAN APPEAL

As you plan your budget, consider a pledge. Use your bank’s Bill Pay for auto-payments or use envelopes on the back table.

<https://thediocesanappeal.org/>
CURRENT STATUS: \$3,970 / GOAL: \$5,000



A welcoming, vibrant community committed to growing in and sharing the love of Jesus

APRIL 13, 2025

Palm Sunday, Passion of the Lord, C
Luke 19:28–40 (procession)
Isaiah 50:4–7
Psalm 22
Philippians 2:6–11
Luke 22:14–23:56

THE ROAD TO CALVARY: PASSION AND LOVE

Jesus was not simply a victim of a domination system’s brutality. He was also a protagonist filled with passion about the kingdom of God. He spoke to peasants as a voice of peasant religious protest against the central economic and political institutions of his day. He attracted a following and took his movement to Jerusalem at the season of Passover. There He challenged authorities with public acts and public debates. All of this was His passion, what He was passionate about: God and the kingdom of God, God and God’s passion for justice.

Jesus’s passion got him killed. His passion for the kingdom of God led to what is often called his passion: His suffering and death. But to restrict Jesus’s passion to his suffering and death ignores the passion that brought Him to Jerusalem. To think of Jesus’s passion as only Good Friday separates His death from the passion that animated His life.

... Jesus called his disciples to be fishers of people—to be caught up in love and drawn out of the world’s illusions. Have we been caught? Have we been pulled out of a system that thrives on violence, on stepping over others to climb higher? If we have been pulled out, then we must see clearly and commit to both inner and outer work. We must say no to violence, no to greed, no to power that exploits

and destroys. And we must do it even when it costs us—because that is what it means to live in truth, what it means to allow ourselves to be caught in the net of love. We may not have the power to determine how things will unfold, but we have the power to decide how we respond.

It is in our power to hold on to the practices that nourish us, inform us, and give us courage. It is in our power to remain in integrity, to choose nonviolence and noncooperation in the face of all the violence we already see.

Jesus was clear: Love always. Bless those who persecute you. Forgive even the unforgivable. Turn the other cheek, not in surrender but in defiance of violence. Do not repay evil with evil, but

overcome evil with good. This may not change the world, but sometimes it is important to do things simply because they are the right things to do. In the end, all we have is our integrity. So let us stand in it, grounded in the One who renews us each moment and calls us to a nonviolent witness of love—one that is big enough to hold both our friends and our oppressors, knowing that love endures beyond violence.

Every mass we remember, celebrate what Jesus did—he got in trouble...doing kingdom things. He died. That’s the wisdom we have to walk with if we want to be kingdom Christians. We’re going to get in trouble for doing kingdom things. That’s just the way it is.

—Fr. Brian Brown

For Reflection

- ★ How can I reflect the love and sacrifice of Jesus in my relationships?

<https://young-catholics.com/3525/palm-sunday-year-c-passion-sunday/>

adapted from: <https://cac.org/daily-meditations/jesus-passion-2019-04-19/>; <https://email.cac.org/t/d-e-sihurik-tdduxulkd-s/>

Holy Cross Parish

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Morris NY 13808

<https://parishes.rcda.org/holycross/>

Facebook: [tiny.cc/HCMorris](https://www.facebook.com/tiny.cc/HCMorris)

Find our bulletin and Pastoral Council minutes on our website. If you have a notice for the bulletin, please email: holycrossRCchurch@gmail.com

MISSION

To care for the poor, abandoned, and the marginalized.

SCHEDULE

Mass: Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Liturgy of the Word: Thursday, 10 a.m.

RECONCILIATION: St. Mary's Oneonta, every Saturday 4–4:45 p.m. Call the parish office (607-432-3920) for a different time.

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Pastoral Associate (Parish Leader)

Matthew Tabone (360) 559-4098

Trustees

Michael Stensland (607) 783-2764

Richard Meyers (607) 263-5588

Parish Pastoral Council Chair

Kerry L. Mess (607) 386-1951

Parish Pastoral Council Members

Dana Mochovciak, Jenna Turner, Carol Tyson, Marguerite Webster

Liturgical Ministry

Marguerite Webster (607) 263-5478

Faith Formation

Matthew Tabone (360) 559-4098

Ministry to the Homebound

Matthew Tabone (360) 559-4098

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Maureen Joy (607) 263-5132 [RCIA]

APRIL 13, 2025

Celebrant

Rev. Chris Welch

Greeter: The McAdams Family

Deacon: Paul Cerosaletti

Lector: Kerry L Mess

Eucharistic Ministers: Daphne Thompson, Carol Tyson

April 27

Greeter: Andrew Turner

Lector: Marguerite Webster

Deacon: Paul Cerosaletti

Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Turner, Toni Zaleski

Mass Intention

For the soul of Heather Boyce

If you would like to request an intention for a mass, simply call the office to schedule: (607) 263-5143.

Pray for

- ✠ for the sick, their caregivers, and all who have asked for our prayers, especially Sr. Theresa Ahern MSBT, Kathleen Barry, Jo Franklin, Tony Giambra, Sarah Grogan, Agnes Huff, Maureen Joy, Nadine Joy, Michelle Lee, Fred Lemister, Teresa Meyers, Connie Mockovciak, Rich Morley, Clara Murphy, John Neary, Diane Neczesny, Karen Newell, Betty O'Brien, John O'Brien, Maria Papendrea, Mike Stensland, Joe and Carol Tyson, John Zaleski
- ✠ for all those in our parish family serving in the military and all first responders and emergency personnel: Ryan Barry, Jim Barry, Meghan Barringer
- ✠ for the deceased members of our parish and their families and friends
- ✠ in thanksgiving for Jesus's example of love

Pope Francis's April intention: That new technologies not replace human relationships, but respect human dignity and help us face the crises of our times.

Engage in Living Community

HELP TO OFFER? NEED ASSISTANCE?

- ☼ Butternut Valley Food Pantry
166 Marion Avenue, Gilbertsville NY
(607) 783-2267
Thurs., 3–5 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
- ☼ The Lord's Table & Food Pantry
305 Main Street, Oneonta NY
(607) 432-1458
Mon./Weds./Fri., 4–5:30 p.m.
- ☼ The Magic Closet
158 East Main Street, Morris NY
(607) 263-5116 or (607) 263-5859
Weds./Sat. 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
- ☼ Jail Ministries of Otsego & Schoharie
Seeking volunteers "helping troubled lives find hope and wholeness in the Christian walk." See www.jmoconline.org.
- ☼ Helios Grief Support
Group counseling for adults in Otsego, Schoharie, Delaware counties. See helioscare.org; call (607) 432-5525.
- ☼ Friends of Recovery, Delaware/Otsego
Grassroots addiction recovery by, about, and for individuals and families in recovery
22 Elm Street, Oneonta NY
(607) 267-4435
Mon/Tues/Fri: 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Weds/Thurs: 9 a.m.–7 p.m.

**HOW HAVE YOU SHARED
GOD'S LOVE THIS WEEK?**

Upcoming Events

04/13: Coffee Hour after mass

Watch *The Chosen*, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Oneonta

04/17: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.

04/18: Stations of the Cross, 4 p.m.
Special Collection for the Holy Land
(Parish envelopes put in at St. Mary's will get to Holy Cross.)
Confession, Sacred Heart Sidney, 12–1:30 p.m.

04/19: Bible study, 9 a.m., Parish Hall

04/24: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.

04/27: Pastoral Council meeting after mass

05/01: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.

05/04: Christian Formation after mass

05/08: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.

05/11: Coffee Hour after mass

05/15: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.

05/18: Special Collection for Catholic Charities
Rosary after mass

05/22: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.

05/29: Liturgy of the Word, 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2025

Mass Attendance: 43

Collection: \$937.00

Snow/Maintenance: \$110.00

Easter Flowers: \$40.00