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2024 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

3/28 Last Supper—7:00PM
3/29 Stations of the Cross—3:00PM
3/29 Liturgy of GF—7:00PM
3/30 Easter Vigil—8:00PM (meeting at the Firepit 7:50PM)
3/31 Easter Sunday—9:00AM
3/31 Easter Sunday—12:00PM

UPCOMING DAILY MASS

Monday 9:00 AM
Tuesday 12:15 PM
Wednesday 12:15 PM
*Thursday 7:00 PM
Friday NO MASS
*Holy Week only

VIGIL MASS

Saturday 5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 AM and 12:00 PM

LENTEN PENANCE

Every Wed. 10:00AM –
12:00PM (In Parish Office)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday:
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Closed Thursdays
Weekly Staff Meeting:
Tuesdays at 10:00AM
If you need to contact us please
leave a message.

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**FOR SACRAMENTAL
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SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appointment.

INFANT BAPTISM

Catholic parents must be active, registered and participate in a Baptism class. Please, call the office to schedule.

MARRIAGE

Call at least six months before proposed date. Catholics must be active and registered!

RCIA

Open to those inquiring about the Catholic Faith.

Tuesdays (Sept.-April) 7:00PM

Deb Farabaugh: debfarabaugh@gmail.com



If you become aware of or have a reasonable suspicion of abuse you are required to report within 24 hours by Georgia law. **Reports of child abuse and neglect can be made by phone to 1-855-GA CHILD (1-855-422-4453)** 24 hours/day, 7 days/week. Archdiocesan policy requires a follow up letter to be sent to your local DFCS office detailing all the information provided to the intake center in order to keep records of our response to allegations of abuse. A copy of the letter also needs to be sent to the Office of Child and Youth Protection.

If an allegation of abuse involves any member of the clergy, employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Atlanta, you must contact the Office of the District Attorney and the Office of Child and Youth Protection in addition to DFCS within 24 hours.



March 24th 2024 | Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM:

Sunday 9:00 AM:

Sunday 12:00 PM:

Monday 9:00 AM

Tuesday 12:15 PM:

Wednesday 12:15 PM:

Thursday 7:00 PM:

Ann Marie Cannon (L)
Catherine & Rocco Valrezzi (D)
St. Anna's Parishioners
Reparations for Desecration

Rosalind Allen (L)

IN PEW OFFERTORY RECAP: 03/17/2024: \$11,650

You can give online by scanning the QR!

Second Collection: 3/31 Easter Flowers & Catholic Home Missions



SCHOOL OF RELIGION LITURGICAL LIVING NEWS:

March 24th: PALM SUNDAY

Today we recall Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey. Palm fronds are distributed at Mass to remind us of the palms laid before Jesus on the road. These are sacramentals—objects of ecclesiastical origin intended to aide in devotion. The palms are blessed, so they *cannot be thrown away*.

March 27th: Spy Wednesday

On this day we remember Judas' betrayal of Jesus for 30 pieces of silver (Matthew 26:14-16). If you'd like to teach your children about greed and how it can affect us, try hiding 30 quarters ("pieces of silver") in your house, and let them race to find them.

March 28th: Holy Thursday

Although Lent is now over, and we are in the Holy Triduum, this is not the time to abandon our Lenten disciplines. That doesn't happen until after the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday or the morning of Easter Sunday, depending which Mass you attend.

Holy Thursday is the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Holy Thursday recalls the Passover meal that Jesus shared with his disciples on the night before he died. During this meal Jesus instituted both the Eucharist and the priesthood.

March 29th: Good Friday

On this day we remember Jesus' suffering and death. No Masses are celebrated.

Dinner for the kids is *very* simple tonight at my house, usually grilled cheese or frozen fish sticks. After the younger kids go to bed, adults and big kids watch *The Passion of the Christ*. Yes, every year. It never gets easier to watch, and we all always cry, and I think that's okay.

March 30th: Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

As an RCIA alumna myself, I have a very tender place in my heart for new converts. We always attend the Easter Vigil with all the kids. Yes, it's long. They're fine. I promise.

The vigils of great feasts were traditionally days of fasting in the Church, and I try to stick to that for my family. Obviously, the kids don't fast, but their pre-Vigil dinner is meatless. I don't have a go-to. It's whatever I can throw together for them after cleaning and cooking all day before I have to start getting everyone dressed for Mass. We also dye our eggs at some point in the afternoon.

March 31st: EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

HE IS RISEN!!! ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!!!

Because we went to Mass last night, we get to sleep in today. The kids wake up to their Easter baskets, which always include swimsuits and sandals. This allows me to buy them something I was going to buy anyway, and they still feel like they're getting presents. Some time in the afternoon, we head over to Nana and Papa's. Papa makes lamb chops. The rest of the Village brings other foods to share. There is often a bounce house for the kids (so many kids), and we do a huge Easter egg hunt. Each family brings candy-stuffed plastic eggs to hide. In recent years we have been known to stuff a couple gold eggs with cash in order to get the teenagers to participate in the egg hunt.

It's a day saturated with joy and spent among the family we've chosen. In the words of Pope St. John Paul the Great, "We are an Easter people, and alleluia is our song."

SCAN ME



PRAYER FOR PALM SUNDAY: *Blessed be your name, oh Lord my God! As we enter this week of your passion and death, keep me in lockstep with you. Help me to be attentive to every word you would have me hear, every lesson you would have me learn. I want to journey with you. Amen.*

ST. CECILIA'S CORNER: A meditation for Holy Week

Today, a little part of an essay by Fr. John Zulusdorf:

All during pre-Lent and Lent we are losing liturgical life, in a sense. The Alleluia goes on Septuagesima. Music and flowers go on Ash Wednesday. Now, statues and images are draped in purple for Passiontide.. That is why it is sometimes called Repus Sunday, from repositus analogous to absconditus or "hidden", because this is the day when Crosses and other images in churches are veiled. Traditionally Crosses are covered until the end of the Passion on Good Friday.

Also as of today, the "Iudica" psalm in prayers at the foot of the altar and the Gloria Patri at the end of certain prayers is no longer said. After the Mass on Holy Thursday the Blessed Sacrament is removed from the main altar, which itself is stripped. Bells are replaced with wooden noise makers. On Good Friday there isn't even a Mass and for long there was no Communion on Friday but also Thursday because there wasn't even a "Mass" of the Pre-Sanctified. At the beginning of the Easter Vigil, we are deprived of light itself! It is as if the Church were dead with the Lord in His tomb.

This liturgical death of the Church reveals how Christ emptied Himself of His glory in order to save us from our sins and to teach us who we are.

The Church then gloriously springs to life again at the Vigil of Easter. In ancient times, the Vigil was celebrated in the depth of night. In the darkness a single spark would be struck from flint and spread into the flames. The flames spread through the whole Church. And thus, we arrive at Easter and its glory.

2024 EASTER MASS TIMES:

3/30 Easter Vigil—8:00PM
(meeting at the Firepit 7:50PM)

3/31 Easter Sunday—9:00AM

3/31 Easter Sunday—12:00PM

Easter Sign Ups for liturgy are located under the TV screen in the Narthex—sign ups are first come, first serve.



ALL LITURGY VOLUNTEERS: Be sure to pick up the new liturgy schedule from the Ushers' Station. If you have a conflict with your scheduled Masses, please contact Delilah in the office. If you have an emergency the weekend of your Masses, please contact your head usher.

YOUTH GROUP (8-12TH)

MARCH MEET UPS

Wednesdays at 6:30PM

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ldibble@st-annas.com

RISING YOUTH (4-7TH)

MARCH MEET UPS

Sundays at 1:00PM

TBA

emmarlowe@st-annas.com

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POPE FRANCIS' MARCH PRAYER INTENTION:

For the new martyrs—We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm. Amen.

ST. ANNA'S LENTEN FISH FRY: Thank you so much to the Fish Fry team for delivering a remarkable weekly Lenten dinner! The food was phenomenal, the company was great and the memories were made! We are looking forward to next year!

2024 VBS UPDATE: This year's VBS camp will be held from June 24th-28th from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM each day. Rising Pre-K through 6th grade campers will enjoy daily activities including crafts, music, Adoration, a themed snack, Bible, Rosary, outdoor games, lunch (brought from home), and recess. Cost to attend is \$50 for one child, \$75 for two children, and \$100 for three or more children. Registration opens May 1st! If you are interested in VOLUNTEERING at VBS this summer, please make note of the dates of our planning meeting Tuesdays: March 26th, April 16th, May 14th, May 28th, and June 18th. All meetings are at 7:00 PM in room 107/108. There is an additional set-up meeting on Saturday, June 22nd at Noon. Teens who volunteer for the whole week receive FORTY SERVICE HOURS! For more information, contact Heather Stewart: hstewart@st-annas.com



IMPORTANT UPCOMING SAVE THE DATES:

3/24: Palm Sunday / Easter Ham Raffle Drawing (Palm Sunday)

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

(Maundy) Holy Thursday: Mass of the Last Supper 7:00PM
Garden of Repose (Processing after Mass till Midnight)

Good Friday: Stations of the Cross 3:00PM
Liturgy of Good Friday 7:00PM

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil 8:00PM (Meet at firepit 7:50PM)

Easter Sunday: Mass 9:00AM & 12:00PM
Easter Egg Hunt 1:00PM

WEEKLY MEETINGS MARCH 24TH — APRIL 1ST:

Sunday: Mass—9:00AM SOR—10:30AM Mass—12:00PM	Garden of Repose—8:00PM-12AM Friday: OFFICE CLOSED Stations of the Cross—3:00PM Liturgy of Good Friday—7:00PM
Monday: Mass—9:00AM Childrens Choir—3:30PM Girls Choir—4:00PM	Saturday: Easter Vigil Mass—8:00PM *Reception following Mass
Tuesday: Mass—12:15PM RCIA—7:00PM	Easter Sunday: Mass—9:00AM
Wednesday: Mass—12:15PM Adult Choir—7:00PM	NO SOR Mass—12:00PM Easter Egg Hunt—1:00PM
Thursday: OFFICE CLOSED Mass of the Last Supper—7:00PM	Monday: Mass—9:00AM OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed March 28th—April 1st

****PLEASE DO NOT FEED ELIJAH OR JOEY****

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EASTER VIGIL RECEPTION:

We will celebrate the Easter Vigil on March 30th at 8:00PM. This year we will have several adults and children receiving Sacraments this year. We are so excited to welcome them into the Church! Following the Vigil, we will have a reception for them in the parish hall. We are in need of donations of hor d'oeuvres for the reception as well as assistance setting up and serving at the reception. If you are able to assist or provide a donation of food, please contact Deb Farabaugh 814-602-7668, Betsy Marshall 770-331-9222 or Mary Lynne Reinagle 770-722-3862. Thank you for helping make this a memorable night for our confirmands and candidates!

EASTER VIGIL: Please, remember to stop by the counter in the Narthex to sign up for the Easter Sunday Mass Liturgy schedule! We will be meeting at the fire pit at 7:50PM with the lighting of the Easter fire and processing as a parish to the Church after the blessing of the Easter Candle.

EASTER EGG HUNT: We are getting ready to start preparing for our annual Easter Egg hunt! We are in need of candy to stuff eggs with. If you are able to donate, we will be collecting them in the bucket in the Parish Hall. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on March 31st, following the Noon Mass. This event is open to ALL children in the Parish.

EXTENDED FRIDAY ADORATION: We will offer extended Adoration for First Fridays of the month moving forward. This includes Vespers at 4:00PM with Benediction and Repose at 4:30PM. We may have a need for more Eucharistic Guardians. If you are interested, please contact the office.

LIVE THE LITURGY: The crowds of Jerusalem beautified the path of Jesus as he came into the city, offering their own cloaks as homage. *Let us make way in our hearts for the King as we enter into Holy Week.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 17TH 2024

Palm Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Liturgy of Good Friday: Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/

Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15-15:1/

Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/

Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7

Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7