



# Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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Parish Office: 636-398-5270 Fax: 636-398-5577

## Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday: 8:00am  
4:00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday  
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am  
Weekdays: 8:00am, St. Joseph Chapel

## Weekly Devotions and Prayers

### Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday 8:30am until Friday, 11:30am

### Rosary:

Following 8am Mass weekdays & before Sat. 4pm.

### Perpetual Help Devotions:

Tuesdays following 8am Mass

### Respect Life Prayers:

Thursday following 8am Mass

### Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction:

Friday at 11:30am

### First Saturday of the Month Devotions

8am Mass, Rosary, 15 minutes of meditation

## Sacraments

### Reconciliation:

Wednesday in church, 7pm

Saturday following 8am Mass

### Marriage:

Contact the parish office

at least six months prior to the wedding

### Baptism:

Contact the parish office

to register for class and to arrange date

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

Contact Shawn Mueller in the parish office



## One Who Serves

In the long form of the Passion from Luke's Gospel, Jesus refers to himself as "the one who serves" (Luke 22:27). He was chiding the apostles who were arguing about which one was the greatest disciple. This reminds me of today's second reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians. He says that Christ "emptied himself, taking the form of a slave" (Philippians 2:7). Jesus is not just being humble here. He gives us an example of how far God will go for love of humanity.

I suspect the apostles were confused when Jesus talked this way. Jews considered the firstborn son to be the one to inherit the bulk of the family estate. The youngest would get the least. Yet he tells them to be like the youngest: expect little reward for what

you do for others. Now the apostles might have thought, "Sure, I can do that. I'll preach about the Kingdom of God for free. Then I'll really look important *and* holy." So Jesus reminds them that the world looks at the person being served as more important than the servant. But he is one who serves, and if the apostles are to be leaders of the church, they will need to be servants, too. Why? Because that is how God comes to the people—as a child born in a manger, a man who feeds the hungry but goes for forty days in the desert without food for himself, a man who washes the feet of his own disciples, and who heals the sick but accepts the suffering of crucifixion.

In the Passion according to Luke, Jesus heals one of the men sent to ar-

rest him. He even makes friends of those who were enemies, Pilate and Herod (Luke 23:12). Barabbas, a murderer, is set free so Jesus can be crucified. As he is led to the cross, he consoles the women who weep for him. And even on the cross, he is the suffering servant who asks the Father to forgive those who are killing him. He accepts the faith of the criminal who is also being executed and promises him a place in Paradise.

With the example of service that Jesus shows toward those who put him to death, can we at least be "one who serves" those around us? Can we at least forgive those who hurt us—maybe even pray for our leaders, especially the ones with whom we disagree?

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# Welcome to Immaculate Heart of Mary: *Informed—Hospitable—Missionary*

## Parish Staff

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## Religious Education

Shawn Mueller, Director

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Parish School of Religion  
Grades 1 thru 8, September thru May, 6-7:30pm, Wednesdays  
Confirmation Preparation  
8th Grade—September thru May, 6-7:30pm, Wednesdays  
Children's Liturgy of the Word  
September thru May, during the 9:30am Sunday Mass  
Adult Education  
Wednesdays at 8:45am and 6:10pm, September thru May  
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—contact Shawn for schedule

## Quick Contacts Directory

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Teresa Berfanger 636-398-5565



“Amen, I say to you,  
today you will be with me in Paradise.”

*Luke 23:43*



# PALM SUNDAY

*of the Passion of the Lord*

April 14, 2019

## Come Celebrate the Three Great Days

On the evening of Holy Thursday, Lent comes to an end,  
and we enter into the “Three Days” at the center of our year:  
The Easter Triduum.

*On these Three Days, our Church is at its best!*

In scripture, ritual, and song we proclaim the heart of what we believe and celebrate throughout the year. We gather often – at church, at home – during the Triduum to reflect on the central reality of our faith: the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. During these Three Days, we renew our baptism and new Catholics are initiated. These are the “highest holy days” of Christianity.

*You are invited to make these Three Days  
different from all the other days of the year.*

All members of our community are invited to plan ahead so that the entire time from Holy Thursday evening until the Easter Vigil is a time of prayer and reflection upon what really matters in life

*It is ironic that these aren't days of obligation,  
but rather days of intense and sincere desire.  
Either you get what they are about, or sadly – you don't.*

Please consider joining us on this Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday for the three liturgies that are one continuous celebration of the Paschal Mystery of Our Savior

*These liturgies contain the most powerful rituals and symbols of the entire year.*

On **Holy Thursday** we celebrate the institution of the Eucharist and the attitude with which we must approach the altar: that of a servant who washes the feet of others.

On **Good Friday** we hear the story of Jesus' Passion, venerate the Holy Cross and celebrate our common priesthood in Christ through the Great Intercessions.

At the **Easter Vigil** we celebrate the victory of light over darkness, of life over death, of love over sin. We hear the salvation history of our people, renew our baptism, implore the Holy Spirit and celebrate the Most Holy Eucharist with renewed gratitude.

*Plan now to celebrate with your parish family  
the Three most important Days in our year.*

## Holy Week Ministries

### Holy Thursday, April 18, 7pm

EM: Mary Jean Hartenbach, Jackie Barclay,  
Carole Baker, Bob Leeker, Mary Hardesty  
Lec: Sharon Hagan, Joe Willis  
Serv: Connor & Sydney Jaeckle,  
Mary Grace & Janie Becker  
GB: Tim & Kathy Feldewerth  
Ush: Chuck Hinkle, Gary Struckhoff, Jerry Braden,  
Larry Graves

### Good Friday, April 19, 7pm

EM: Bob Brossette  
Lec: Sharon Hagan, Jan Jokisch-Messig, Pat Gentry  
Serv: Connor & Sydney Jaeckle  
**2 volunteers please**  
GB: Bill & Jean Reed Bammann  
Ush: Chuck Hinkle, Gary Struckhoff,  
**2 volunteers please**

### Easter Vigil, April 20, 8pm

EM: Laura Orf, Julie Kettler, Mary Hannig,  
Janet Hespen, Pat Gentry, Wally & Jan Karase,  
Joan Falbo  
Lec: Rdg. 1 Emily Jaeckle  
Rdg. 2 Jerry Hespen  
Rdg. 3 Chuck Hinkle  
Rdg. 4 Elizabeth Jaeckle  
Rdg. 5 Mike Greene  
Rdg. 6 Larry Graves  
Rdg. 7 Chuck Kettler  
Epistle: Ed Taylor  
Serv: Connor Jaeckle, Dan, Andy & David Vehige  
GB: Andy & Barb Pope  
Ush: Chuck Hinkle, Mike Stassi, **4 volunteers please**

### Easter Sunday, April 21, 7:30am

EM: Betty Tuepker, Bob Brossette, Jean Reel,  
Emily Cooksey, Mary Hardesty, Bernie Pollihan  
Lec: Mary Jean Hartenbach, Bob Leeker  
Serv: Bridget Goins, Mary Grace & Janie Becker  
GB: Tom & Carol Ostermeyer  
Ush: Mike Stassi, Mike Hardesty, Rick Scharf,  
Bill Pollihan

### Easter Sunday, April 21, 9:30am

EM: Cheryl Gray, Sharon Smith, Pat Roche,  
Donna Wolff, Judeen Kutsko, Ann Zaleuke,  
Kris Preuss, Joni Marren-Slaughter  
Lec: Michelle Greiwe, Joe Willis  
Serv: Izzy Scheer, Ashlyn Stafford, Sophia Hake  
GB: Flo Joerling, Linda Stark  
Ush: Bob Gray, George Stark, Stan Kostecki,  
Curt Eccardt, **2 volunteers please**



## This Week at Home

Heavenly Duster: Theresa McDaniel  
Purificators: Pat Roche



### Sunday, April 14—PALM SUNDAY

Drop off diapers in Weber Hall  
KC Breakfast, Founders Hall, 8-11am  
Children singing at 9:30 Mass

### Monday, April 15

SVDP, 6pm  
Scouts, Founders Hall/Trailer, 6:30pm  
Bell practice, church, 7pm  
Reconciliation, 7pm

### Tuesday, April 16

Fitness class, Grand Hall foyer, 9am  
The Passion of the Christ, Weber Hall, 9am  
Legion of Mary meeting to be determined  
Children's Choir, church, 7pm, Adults 7:30pm  
Reconciliation, 7pm

### Wednesday, April 17

Bible Study, Weber Hall, 8:45am  
Contemporary group practice, church, 5:30pm  
PSR, Weber Hall/Founders Hall/Trailer, 6pm  
Bible Study, Grand Hall, 6pm  
Reconciliation, 7pm (last opportunity before Easter)



### Holy Thursday, April 18

Leave for Chrism Mass at 7:30am  
Morning Prayer, 8am, church  
***Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm***

### Good Friday, April 19 (church office closed)

Morning Prayer, 8am, church  
Stations of the Cross, 1pm, church  
***The Passion of the Lord, 7pm***

### Holy Saturday, April 20

Morning Prayer 8am, church  
***Easter Vigil 8pm***

### Easter Sunday, April 21—Masses at 7:30 & 9:30am

Easter Egg hunt after 9:30 Mass, Grand Hall

## PLEASE Help Us Decorate!!

We'll need some help on Holy Saturday,  
April 20, beginning about 10am.  
Your help in getting our beautiful church  
ready for Easter will be appreciated!



## Vocation Prayer Bag:

April 21, 9:30

Pete & Julie Lassiter & Family



## Mass Intentions

**Monday, April 15**

8:00am Tom Miller +

**Tuesday, April 16**

8:00am All Souls

**Wednesday, April 17**

8:00am Tom Holstein +

**Holy Thursday, April 18**

8:00am Morning Prayer

7:00pm Priests who have served IHM

**Good Friday, April 19**

8:00am Morning Prayer

7:00pm The Passion of the Lord

**Holy Saturday, April 20**

8:00am Morning Prayer

8:00pm People of the Parish

**Sunday, April 21**

7:30am Mary Fine +

9:30am Living/deceased of Fr. Tom's Family  
Caesar Rashid +

## Contributions, April 6/7

**will be reported next week**

*"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me."  
(LUKE 22:34)*

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about Jesus or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance? Or, do you remain quiet because you believe people will think negatively about you? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue when the opportunity arises.

*We pray ... that we have the courage to defend our Catholic faith when the opportunity arises.*

## Needed at the Pantry

*juice/powdered drinks, decaf tea, carrots, sauerkraut, tomato sauce, Tuna Helper, chicken broth, Bisquick*

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 to follow Jesus through death to new life.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul collection, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who carry their cross of suffering and pain.

## Road Trip to the Chrism Mass

On Holy Thursday morning the Archbishop, joined by the priests of the Archdiocese, gather at the Cathedral to celebrate the Chrism Mass, during which the Archbishop blesses the oil of catechumens, oil of the infirm, and the holy chrism which are used during the year for the administration of the sacraments. This Mass manifests the unity of the priests with their bishop. Let us also pray for our bishops and the priests who are the ministers of the sacraments in the parish, that they may be the humble and generous servants of the Lord.

**Holy Thursday Morning at the Cathedral**

**Mass at 10:00am, concludes about 11:30am**

**We will leave from IHM at roughly 7:30 to find a good parking spot (Mass is crowded!)**

If you would like to join us, please call Peggy at the church office (636-398-5270) so we will know how many will be going, and who would be willing to drive. For some of us who have never gone, we've heard it's a quite beautiful Mass. Come with us!

**Join us EASTER SUNDAY**

**April 21**

**Easter Egg Hunt in the  
Grand Hall  
following 9:30 Mass**



Story \* Craft \* Game \* Egg Hunt

Candy donations are being accepted currently.

Contact Julie Lassiter if you have any questions:  
[Julie.r.lassiter@gmail.com](mailto:Julie.r.lassiter@gmail.com) or 636-357-0121

Volunteers can sign up at church or by contacting Julie.

## Deacon Diaper Drive

Final weekend to drop off your donated diapers (infant, toddler, adult) in Weber Hall. All diapers collected will be donated to assist families in our parish community through St. Vincent de Paul.



Marriage in Christ  
has been promised between  
**Julia Gust and Daniel Kelley**

## Welcome to Immaculate Heart of Mary: *Informed—Hospitable—Missionary*

### Please pray for all the sick and suffering:

Ed Haas, Mark Hanna, Dee Schipper, Phyllis Zerr,  
Vickie Brink, Sandy Knott, Mike & Pat Ryan,  
Mary Conover, Audrey Hueffmeier, Karla Sitzes,  
Stan Nikonowicz, Vickie Rellergert, Vicky Monroe,  
Carol Rabbitt, Gina McDonald, Ron Simpson,  
Don & Lin Reseck, Nancy Hollenstein  
Christine Potter (Gary & Cassie's Potter's daughter-in-law),  
Zina Riley (mom of Andrew Riley),  
David & Lisa Debold (Dave & Pam DeBold's children),  
Avery Presker (granddaughter of Bob & Yvonne Brossette),  
Dave Asinger (brother-in-law of Larry & Rita Bendel),  
Bob Holland (friend of Shirley Augustine),  
Sherri Callahan (daughter of Vickie & Paul Grunz),  
Bob Burke (Sharon Hagan's dad),  
Steve Ditch (brother of Dennis & Kathleen Ditch)

**Hospitalization:** If you are hospitalized, please let us know. Please call the office or ask a friend to call for you if necessary.

**Communion Calls:** If you would like to receive Communion but are unable to get to Mass because of illness or disability, please contact the parish office: 636-398-5270.

**Prayer Requests:** Rita Langford at 636-398-4654 or email [ritalangford4@gmail.com](mailto:ritalangford4@gmail.com).



## 2019

New Melle Community  
*Passion Play*

**New Melle Sports and Recreation**

4700 Hwy Z New Melle, MO 63365

**Admission FREE**

Seating is first-come, first seated

**Saturday, April 13**

7:00pm

**Sunday, April 14**

2:00pm and 4:30pm

**For groups or more info:**

Call 636-634-1150

or email

[nmpassion@gmail.com](mailto:nmpassion@gmail.com)

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Parish access code:  
**04c2dc**

Suggestions to watch, listen and read:

**"Rome Reports: Holy Week in Rome"**

**"Glimpses Along the Way of the Cross"**

**"Did Jesus Really Rise from the Dead?"**

# IHM Youth Ministry

**Janet Hespen, Youth Minister, 314-369-6521**

**Youth Group Meetings**  
(usually held in the Grand Hall)

April 25, 5:30—7:30pm: Bubble Soccer

April 28: IHM Sausage Dinner

including Bubble Soccer fundraiser.

Give service to your parish!

Pick a shift: 11am—2:30pm and 2:30—5:30pm

**Now taking reservations for Steubenville-Mid America**

Contact Janet at 314-369-6521

for more information about the Conference:  
[steubystl.com](http://steubystl.com)



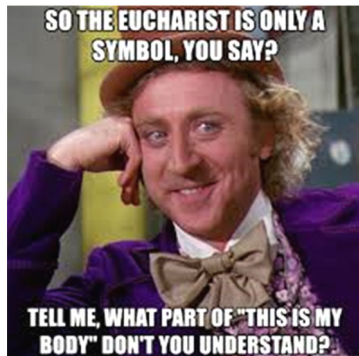
Steubenville STL Mid-America is a high-energy youth conference where thousands of teens are invited to encounter Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group discussions, and fellowship with other teens.

This summer the conference will be held on July 19-22 in Springfield, MO. The conference theme this year is "BELONG" and the accompanying scripture is "See what love the Father has bestowed on us, that we may be called children of God." (1 John 3:1)

**NAR-ANON SUPPORT GROUP:** Weekly meetings on Saturdays, 10:00 am in the Trailer at IHM.  
This group is for Family and Friends of Addicts. For questions, please call Ann at 314-578-4737

## PSR Corner

In the Traditional-Devotional Dedication of the Months of the Year, the month of April is dedicated both to devotion to the Eucharist and devotion to the Holy Spirit. This tradition has developed because Easter Sunday often falls in April. In essence, April is a month of Easter, and during the Easter celebration we remember the Eucharistic sacrifice Christ gave us and the baptism in the Holy Spirit, which would come after Jesus's resurrection. Question – If someone stated that the Eucharist is only a symbol what would you say?



“When we go to Confession we are not telling God something He doesn’t already know and we’re not showing Him something He doesn’t already see. We are giving Him something He doesn’t already have: Your broken heart.”  
*Fr. Mike Schmitz*

“God knows your sins far better than you do. You don’t confess them to teach God anything new, you confess your sins so that God can show you something new: not only what you have done, but what Christ has done to set you free from your sins.”  
*Dr. Scott Hahn*

**Last opportunities for Confession before Easter:  
Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday this week at 7pm**

## Spring Sausage Dinner—April 28

**Mark your calendars!** Your help will be needed to fill the 400+ volunteer spots!  
**The sign-up sheets are in the narthex!** Save the date and plan to donate some time—and pies—to help your parish. Start looking for trinkets and treasures for the Country Store, too. Everyone should have received their letter and raffle tickets in the mail. If you need more tickets, we have a supply of them in the church office and in the narthex.

### FREE T-SHIRTS FOR VOLUNTEERS!

The shirts are “electric green” and will have the parish logo on the front with ‘VOLUNTEER’ on the back along with “Informed—Hospitable—Missionary.” Please call the church office and let us know your size preference, or stop by the table in the narthex.



**Looking to spend a weekend with God and faith-filled women?  
Need a good reason to take a day off work?**

**We have the answer!**

**Join us for the 2019 WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT  
June 20-23 at Pallottine Renewal Center.**

**All transportation is provided.**

**Cost \$250 (financial assistance available)**

**For additional information call:**

**Diane Meyer (Director) 314-608-5659**

**Brenda Hutchcraft (Co-Director) 636-248-8493**

**Karen Wiese (Co-Director) 314-920-9392.**



## What's Your Catholic Catechism IQ?

- Jesus said "Go therefore and make \_\_\_\_\_ of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."
  - members
  - disciples
  - friends
  - parishioners
- In accordance with the Lord's will, Baptism is necessary for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - peace
  - salvation
  - kindness
  - holiness
- Those who, without knowing of the Church, seek God \_\_\_\_\_ and strive to fulfill His will, are saved even if they have not been Baptized.
  - without knowing it
  - in church
  - sincerely
  - in prayer
- Baptism is even administered to \_\_\_\_\_, for it is a grace and a gift of God that does not presuppose any human merit.
  - the elderly
  - animals
  - infants, children
  - dogs
- Confirmation is one of the three Sacraments of Christian \_\_\_\_\_, whose unity must be safeguarded.
  - meals
  - belief
  - initiation
  - hope
- The reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of \_\_\_\_\_ grace.
  - marital
  - baptismal
  - expectant
  - Christian
- By the Sacrament of Confirmation, [the Baptized] are more perfectly bound to the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - bishop
  - Church
  - faith
  - diocese
- The confirmed are enriched with a special strength of the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Holy Spirit
  - bishop
  - Church
  - parish
- As witnesses of Christ, the confirmed are more strictly obliged to spread and \_\_\_\_\_ the faith by word and deed.
  - defend
  - attend
  - expand
  - ignore
- In the Old Testament the prophets announced that the Spirit of the Lord would rest on the hoped-for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - king
  - messiah
  - prophet
  - priest



## Prayer for an End to Infanticide

Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated.  
Open hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life.

## Readings for the Week

- Mon: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11  
 Tue: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  
 Wed: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;  
 Mt 26:14-25  
 Thu: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;  
 Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21  
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;  
 Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;  
 Jn 13:1-15  
 Fri: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;  
 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42  
 Sat: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,  
 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;  
 b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;  
 c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;  
 d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;  
 e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;  
 f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;  
 g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or  
 Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;  
 h) Rom 6:3-11;  
 i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;  
 Lk 24:1-12  
 Sun: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;  
 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9



### Pope's Intentions for April:

#### Doctors and their Collaborators in War Zones

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

## Palm Sunday

Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Father! In your hands I place my spirit!" He said this and died. *LUKE 23:46*

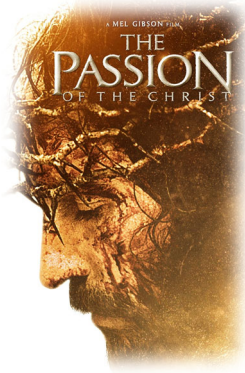
Dietrich Bonhoeffer was executed by the Nazis shortly before Easter. The prison doctor said of his death: "I saw Pastor Bonhoeffer. . . kneeling on the floor, praying fervently. I was most deeply moved by the way this lovable man prayed, so devout and so certain that God heard his prayer. At the place of execution, he.. . climbed the steps to the gallows, brave and composed. His death ensued after a few seconds. In the almost fifty years. . . as a doctor, I have hardly ever seen a man die so entirely submissive to the will of God." *Eberhard Bethge*

What are some of my concerns as I imagine myself having only a few minutes left to live? Is death a leap into a void? Of course not. It is to throw yourself into the arms of the Lord. *Pedro Arrupe, S.J.*

Mark Link S.J. *Action 2000*

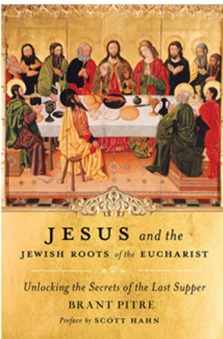


The Passion of the Christ  
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## The Eucharist: What is so important about "Holy Thursday"?

*On the night before He died, Jesus instituted a marvelous way of remaining with us,  
In the fullness of His humanity until the end of time.*



Here are some passages of the Catechism to ponder more in depth of what the Lord has done for us and why. Ask a spouse or children what they think about these texts.

**CCC 1323** "At the Last Supper, on the night he was betrayed, our Savior instituted the Eucharistic sacrifice of his Body and Blood. This he did in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the cross throughout the ages until he should come again, and so to entrust to his beloved Spouse, the Church, a memorial of his death and resurrection: a sacrament of love, a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a Paschal banquet 'in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us.'"

**CCC 1337** The Lord, having loved those who were his own, loved them to the end. Knowing that the hour had come to leave this world and return to the Father, in the course of a meal he washed their feet and gave them the commandment of love. In order to leave them a pledge of this love, in order never to depart from his own and to make them sharers in his Passover, he instituted the Eucharist as

the memorial of his death and Resurrection, and commanded his apostles to celebrate it until his return; "thereby he constituted them priests of the New Testament."

**CCC 1366** [Christ], our Lord and God, was once and for all to offer himself to God the Father by his death on the altar of the cross, to accomplish there an everlasting redemption. But because his priesthood was not to end with his death, at the Last Supper "on the night when he was betrayed," [he wanted] to leave to his beloved spouse the Church a visible sacrifice (as the nature of man demands) by which the bloody sacrifice which he was to accomplish once for all on the cross would be re-presented, its memory perpetuated until the end of the world, and its salutary power be applied to the forgiveness of the sins we daily commit.

## St. Paul Library & Lighthouse CDs

(Note: With close to 3000 items, the Parish Library is located in the Grand Hall past the restrooms. It is open during the week-normal business hours-and works on an honor system. Items from the Lighthouse CD rack are located and available in the Narthex.

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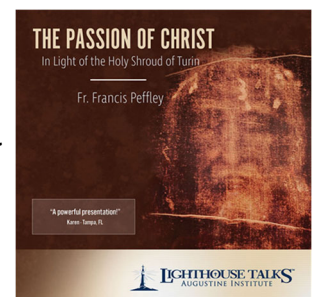
The Holy Shroud of Turin was called the greatest relic in Christendom by Pope John Paul II. In fact, the Shroud is the most studied scientific object in the entire world. Fr. Peffley presents new and detailed scientific and medical evidence for the authenticity of the Holy Shroud. This presentation brings greater clarity as to the depth of the agony of our Lord's sorrowful Passion, which he voluntarily took on for love of us.

*This brought me face to face with the intense suffering of Jesus and inspires me to live my life much more deeply committed to Him.*

Phyllis - Williston, VT

*Fr. Peffley answered ALL the questions I had about the shroud. After listening to this presentation, I came away with a much deeper love for Christ's love for us on the cross.*

Aaron - Elburn, IL



## Two Letters from Archbishop Carlson

### Holy Land Collection: April 19

On Good Friday, April 19, 2019, the annual collection for the Holy Land will be taken up in parishes throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

The Gospel message of compassion confirms the need for the Good Friday collection in support of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. We must recognize how much the generous concern of Catholics around the world has already accomplished in this tumultuous area of the world. Our financial assistance supports the Holy Places but also social and charitable activities, educational and scientific activities, and pastoral activities. In addition, the collection supports liturgical, ecumenical and communications programs.

It is important that we assist in providing care for the Christians living in the Holy Land.

I want to ask you for your generous support of the collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday, April 19.

### Retired Priests: April 21

During this Lenten season, we seek to strengthen our relationship with God through prayer and sacrifice, and it is in that light that I write to you today.

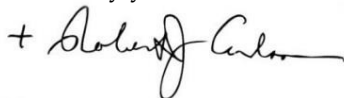
The annual Archbishop's Collection for Retired Priests will be taking place on Easter Sunday. This collection serves to provide support and care for the priests who have sacrificed so much for our parishes and communities. The Archbishop's Collection for Retired Priests is an opportunity to give back to those who give so much.

Through spiritual milestones and decades of service, our priests are there when you, your family and your fellow parishioners count on them. But in retirement, it will be the priests who count on you for prayers and support so that they can continue to serve in the name of God. Your individual contributions help meet the needs of our priests during this period of aging and disability. For the continued prosperity of our parishes and our archdiocese, it is essential that we support our priests and provide them with the peace of mind that they will be cared for in retirement. With our support, they can continue to give the entirety of their effort towards serving you, your loved ones, and your faith.

Please help to ensure that this care is available for retired priests now and in the future by contributing to the Archbishop's Collection for Retired Priests on Easter Sunday. You can also contribute online by visiting [Archstl.org/RetiredPriests](http://Archstl.org/RetiredPriests). The Archdiocese and our priests are so deeply grateful for your support.

Please know that I and our retired priests are praying for you and your families during this Easter Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson  
Archbishop of St. Louis



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