

St. Matthew Catholic Church

April 2, 2023



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SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

PALM SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD



"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." - Mt 21:9

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday

April 1 at 5pm Vigil Spanish
April 2 at 8:00am 10:30am 5:00pm

Easter Triduum

April 6 at 7:00pm Holy Thursday
April 7 at 3:00pm Good Friday Service
April 8 at 8pm Easter Vigil

Easter SundayApril

April 9 at 8:00 AM 10:30 am 12:30 pm Spanish



New Parishioners

Please see the Welcome Table in the Narthex (lobby) for registration information. If you have any questions call us at 912-681-6726.

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Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, & 5:00 pm (while college in session)

Sunday 10:30 am livestream on YouTube, and Facebook

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Spanish)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday: 12:10pm

Wednesday: 5:30pm

Holy Hour

Tuesday 7:00pm- 8:00pm (while college is in session)

Confessions

Wednesday: 5:00-5:25 pm & Saturday: 4:00 -4:45 pm

Adoration Chapel

Visit office for more information

Staff Directory

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Feel free to contact your council.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

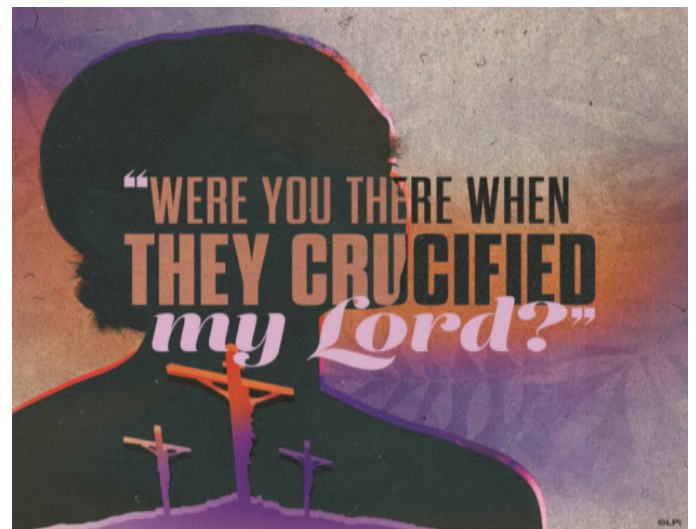
What's your car? Let's say it's a fancy silver Toyota. Now imagine you're having lunch in a restaurant and suddenly see two men outside attempting to steal it. You run outside and confront them. They respond, "The master has need of it." How do you respond? Would you just let them take it, and leave you without a car? I don't think I would.

Yet that is precisely what the owners of the colt on Palm Sunday do. Stunningly, and perhaps a little comically, Jesus instructs two of his disciples to commandeer a colt for him to ride. And when they hear the disciples say, "**The master has need of it,**" they let them take it. Of course, Jesus *knew* they'd let it go. He gave them the grace to let go of what is rightfully theirs. The result? That colt became perhaps the most famous and important animal ever. The beast plays a role in the redemption of the world.

As Holy Week begins, Jesus perhaps will send people to you to ask for something valuable to you. Perhaps it's your car. More likely it's something like your attention, time, or energy. It's natural to resist at first. We've got things to do, after all. But if the interruption is from Jesus himself, listen to that voice which calmly says, "**The master has need of it.**" And simply let it go. You'll be amazed what the master will do with it.

— Father John Muir

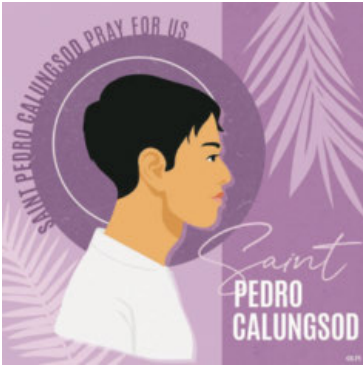
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Volunteer Retired Parish Nurse

Mary Anderson is a retired registered nurse who shares her knowledge of the local medical community and resources with parishioners that seek or need a medical advocate for themselves or their loved ones. She also conducts blood pressure checks on Hospitality Sundays. Reach her at 912-682-1147.

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St. Pedro Calungsod | April 2

Saint Pedro Calungsod, a teenaged Filipino missionary to Guam, was murdered by the chief of Tumon after baptizing his children at the request of his Christian wife. He remains an inspiration of unwavering faith and loyal friendship to young Catholics everywhere.

Prayer

Saint Pedro Calungsod, student, catechist, young migrant, missionary, faithful friend, martyr, you inspire us by your fidelity in time of adversity; by your courage in teaching the Faith in the midst of hostility; and by your love in shedding your blood for the sake of the Gospel.

We beg you, make our cares and troubles your own [here mention the special intention you are asking him to bring to the Lord] and intercede for us before the throne of Mercy and Grace, so that as we experience the help of Heaven, we may be encouraged and strengthened to proclaim and live the Gospel here on earth. AMEN. (Imprimatur: Ricardo Cardinal J. Vidal) © LPI



If you're a volunteer & haven't taken VIRTUS please register for the up coming class. This class is a must have for all volunteers.

April 16, 2023 – 2:00pm – 5:00pm

<https://diosav.org/how-do-i/register-for-virtus-training>

The St. Matthew Consolation Ministry

Our Purpose: To console those who grieve, to support Masses for the deceased through the ministry's designated contributions, to pray for and with those who suffer loss, and to pray for comfort and healing for the sick.

Our Mandate: "Bear each other's burdens and so fulfill the Law of Christ." (Gal. 6:2)

Contact: Joyce Bergin at 912-489-5714 or at bergjoy@yahoo.com

Communion Ministry to the Sick/Homebound

If someone needs to be added to the list for Communion Ministry to the Sick/Homebound, please contact the parish office at 912-681-6726.

Weekly Collection

Weekly Offertory: March 26, 2023	\$4,820.17
Online Giving	\$3,090.00
Total:	\$7,910.17

2023



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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Please prayerfully consider your pledge to support our Diocese and the ministries that include the education of our future priest and deacons, support for rural parishes, youth ministry, and campus ministry programs that change lives for the better. We are blessed with much; let us be a blessing to others. **Our parish goal for 2023 is \$41,900.** Pledge envelopes are available in the pews. Visit diosav.org/baa to give electronically.

Palm SUNDAY



"Hosanna to the Son of David;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
hosanna in the highest."

And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee." - Mt 21:9-11



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