

Holy Spirit Parish Family

April 5, 2020 — Palm Sunday

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE ASKING FOR HER INTERCESSION IN THIS TIME OF NEED

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and
deliverance.

Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to
be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to
our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.

Amen.

OUR MISSION:

We, the community of Holy Spirit Parish, centered in the Eucharist, and guided by the Holy Spirit, will use our shared wisdom to be a joyful, accepting and forgiving community. We encourage all to grow in the Catholic faith by teaching and proclaiming the Gospel, serving others and praising God.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday thru Wednesday.....6:30am
 Thursday and Friday.....8:00am
 Holy Days Consult bulletin
 Saturday:8:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil)
 Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45pm or by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC CHAPEL HOURS

Weekdays: 12am to 6am and 9am to 12 midnight.
Saturdays: 12am to 7am
 Chapel will close at 7am Saturday until 9am Monday.
Holy Days: Please consult the bulletin.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

Mondays, 1 to 7 p.m. (closing with Benediction at approximately 6:50 p.m.).

BAPTISMS

Baptism Class for parents/godparents is normally held on the first Monday of the month at 7 PM in the Church. To register for the meeting and/or to arrange for a baptism, call Karen Rychlewski.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage contact the pastor at least six months in advance.

COMMUNION CALLS

Please call the Parish Office to request Communion if someone is unable to attend Church.

HOSPITAL VISITS

Please notify the Parish Office concerning hospitalization.

REGISTRATION

New parishioners may register at Parish Office or see one of the priests after Mass. New information e.g. address, phone numbers or moving from the parish, please call Parish Office.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Please submit information for the bulletin by Noon TWO Fridays before publication. Include name, daytime phone number of person submitting information, Commission and group name. Items can be e-mailed to mwelsh@holyspiritstl.org.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Stewardship for March 16-22, 2020

Sunday Envelopes, 38 utilized	\$ 7,141.00
Loose Collection	\$
Online Donations, 78 families	\$ <u>5,377.00</u>
Total	\$ 12,518.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 20,190.38
Weekly Surplus (shortfall)	(\$ 7,672.38)

HandS	Parish Improvements
\$ 480.00	\$ 3,120.00

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 5

7:00pm—Al Anon, Community Rm., Rigali Rm., Rm. 9

Thursday, April 9

7:00pm—Al Anon, Rm. 2

Sunday, April 12

7:00pm—Al Anon, Community Rm., Rigali Rm., Rm. 9

SOCIAL JUSTICE

MIGRANTS, REFUGEES

We are currently told there are 250 million international migrants around the world. And 22.5 million of whom are refugees. Let us lift them in prayer, open our hearts and minds to their plight. Why is this occurring? Droughts, floods, hurricanes, earthquakes – all kinds of weather disasters cause people to move to “higher ground.” They lose their livelihoods, homes—thus they need to move. Put yourself in “their shoes.” This makes our prayer real.

PRO-LIFE

The 40 Days for Life Campaign is **suspended** both here in St. Louis and in Fairview Heights, IL, due to the state of emergency regarding Coronavirus, COVID-19.

For those who were scheduled to pray onsite, please still set aside this time and pray for an end to abortion in our region and a healing of our country.

NEW—PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN REQUIRED FOR EVERYONE VOLUNTEERING AT HOLY SPIRIT PARISH, SCHOOL OR PSR!

The Archdiocese of St. Louis has developed a new system for safe environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL. **EVERYONE** ministering to minors and vulnerable adults (clergy, employees and volunteers) in the Archdiocese are **REQUIRED** and **ASKED** to register in the new system as soon as possible. This includes those new to service and those who are currently in service. For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. In addition to attending a live Protecting God's Children workshop, all clergy, volunteers, and employees will register for an updated background screening, view two new online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct.

Please register at www.preventandprotectstl.org, use the passcode **stlprotect**.

**Contact Mary Welsh, Child Safety Coordinator,
 Parish Office (mwelsh@holyspiritstl.org) with any
 questions or for further assistance.**

A NOTE FROM FR. BOB

Dear Friends,

Grace and peace to you!

As many of you know, our bulletins are submitted about 5 days before their actual date. This bulletin is for Palm Sunday and I am writing this on Thursday, March 26, 2020. You might think, "Just a Thursday." But even though we are living in extraordinary times under a Stay-At-Home order, this day is special. Today is Father Jerry's 54th Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood! A great day, indeed! God's blessings to you, Father Jerry. We are blessed that you are here at Holy Spirit Parish!

As we begin our celebration of Holy Week with Palm Sunday, we have had to adjust how we celebrate our liturgies. They are all in private, as you know. Live streaming seems to be going well. Today we were able to pull the sound from our church system. Thanks for your help with the adjustments. Palms will be available after Mass. They will be placed in buckets on the front sidewalk.

You'll notice as we celebrate Holy Week, some aspects will be simplified. This simplification in no way diminishes the gravity of the week. While it is hard to celebrate without your physical presence, we remember that this week is the most important one of our lives for it is the week in which our Lord shows us his infinite love. Not only does he show us his love, he shows each of us how we might be instruments of his love.

My prayer for each of us is that we might enter deeply into this mystery of his love this week. Take time this week to join our community in prayer. Each in our own place can participate in the liturgies, albeit virtually. I would like to suggest that if you are following our live-stream of the liturgies, that you make the room in which you watch a holy space. Set aside anything that might distract you, put yourself completely into his presence. Maybe you could set up your room to be like a church. However you prepare yourself and home for the celebration, I pray that you may know of his profound presence and love.

Let's continue to pray for each other and take care of each other. Let's also pray for those who are suffering from the virus and for all those who care for them.

Thank you to all who continue to support our parish with your contributions, we are most grateful! Your donations may be mailed, dropped off, or sent electronically.

Peace,

Father Bob

MASS INTENTIONS

(Please note these are NOT public Masses. Fr. Bob will celebrate these Masses each day without worshippers.)

Sunday, April 5	
9:00am	People of the Parish
Monday, April 6	
6:30 am	Bernetta Drury
Tuesday, April 7	
6:30am	August & Elizabeth Chrismer
Wednesday, April 8	
6:30am	Linda DeClue
Thursday, April 9	
8:00am	Marlene Holt
Friday, April 10	
8:00am	Leon Batas
Saturday, April 11	
8:00am	The Fisk Family
Sunday, April 12	
9:00am	People of the Parish

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We express our deep sympathy and assurance of our prayers to the family of **Myrtle Poole**, mother of Debbie (Brian) Ponder, grandmother of Henry, Joe and Sarah.



May her soul rest in the Peace of Christ.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministry has specially selected & trained men & women to listen with care to all they serve, & to keep all that is shared with them in strict confidentiality. Whether your struggle with emotions is what you consider small, or even if it is larger, Stephen Ministry awaits your call for help. 739-0230, ext.130, leave a confidential message.

Compassionate & caring listening for you!

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In your prayers, please remember all the sick and home-bound parishioners and those who care for them.

Eugenia Bauer	Kenneth Jordan	John Rizzello
Irene Biggins	Al Katzler	John Roberson
Becky Bonner	Marie Knox	Mike Sampson
Nancy Brand	Charles Kraemer	Bill Schneider
Jim Brockmeyer	Bill Kriete	Norma Schwaninger
Connie Buenemann	Doris Kulage	Rudy & Brenda
Nicole Chapman	Mike Lemp	Torricelli
Ed Cody	Jerry McGuire	Nanci Van Amburgh
Matthew Cody	Mary McGuire	Katy Van Stratton
Peggy Cody	Ron Murphy	Joe & Jean
Charles Dent	Karen Newcomb	Wangler
Dorothy Faerber	Matt Niedringhaus	Syl Wayer
Till Fehrenbacher	Jacob Null	Angeline Weber
Joe Greco	Dave Peters	Gene Weckherlin
Steve Hirschmugl	Bob & Donna	Bill & Joan Weinzirl
Betty Hirschmugl	Pedrotti	Christine
Diane Javaux	Brian Ponder	Woracheck
		Tom Zemblidge

Sick Relatives and Friends:

Rosemarie Angevine	Betty Halpin	Luke Meyer
Kendall & Tina Bedel	Steve Hartnett	Ron Meyer
Janice Borgmann	Bethany Henderson	Melinda Oeth
Lauren Castellana	Ruth Ilo	Loretta Rath
Nancy & Larry Chik	Shane Katzler	David Rychlewski
Jackie Craven	Pearl King	Kate Schneider
Anne DeSchryver	Irene Lee	Grace Solimando
Paul Ecks	Sharon Lewis	Fynlee Schneider
Jim Eisenbath	Lisa Masek	Dave & Paula
Lee Engert	Jon Matson	Schneider
Colleen Evans	Trish Merklin	Ron Schonhoff Sr.
David Fehrenbacher	Cameron Meyer	Kurri Warren
Judy Gannon	Christine Meyer	Bonnie Wittman
Michael Gill		

MASS INTENTIONS

The Parish Office will be in touch with those who have requested Mass Intentions during the suspension of public Masses in order to re-schedule.

ROOM AT THE INN NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Covid-19 virus has changed things up a bit for the Room at the Inn program. Here's how you can help during this time of change for all of us.

1. What is the approximate cost for Room to have a staff member(s) stay as Innkeeper(s) if a congregation is not able to provide Innkeepers?

Staff that serve as innkeepers are paid \$11/hr & serve 14 hrs, 5pm-7am (weekdays) 7:30 am (weekends). Approximate Total \$154.

2. How can congregations help with food needs?

Most night sites are providing an evening meal for 20 (we are at full capacity) & bringing it to our site between 5-5:30 pm. The meal can be brought earlier if desired and we can heat it up at our site.

3. What does Room usually do for meals if a congregation is not able to provide meals?

Normally, we order something that can be delivered like Pizza Hut because it is close to us and our clients like it and don't get it very often.

If you would like to pay for a meal instead of preparing and delivering the evening meal, the price is generally from \$50 - \$100 (20 clients).

Thank you for your willingness to adapt to meet our needs since our "normal" program has had to change. Thank you for continuing to support us and be flexible! We are in crazy times, but our God is all knowing and sovereign. He is still in control!

Grateful, Cindy Warren

Please watch the bulletin for updates as we work our way through the current health situation!

LENT AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross	Good Friday at 3:00 pm
Holy Thursday, Apr. 9	Mass, Lord's Supper, 7 pm Live-Streamed
Good Friday, Apr. 10	Stations of the Cross 3 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 7:00 pm BOTH Live-Streamed
Holy Saturday, Apr. 11	Easter Vigil 8:00 pm Live-Streamed
Sun, Apr. 12, Easter Sun.	Mass, 9am- Live-Streamed
Sun, Apr. 19, Divine Mercy	Mass, 9am- Live-Streamed
Sun, Apr. 26, 3 rd Sun. Easter	Regular Mass Schedule
Sun, May 3, 4 th Sun. Easter	Regular Mass Schedule First Communion 2:00 pm
Sun, May 10, 5 th Sun. Easter	Regular Mass Schedule
Sun, May 17, 6 th Sun. Easter	Regular Mass Schedule
Sun, May 24, Feast of the Ascension	Regular Mass Schedule
Sun, May 31, Pentecost	Regular Mass Schedule

PSR REGISTRATION FOR 2020-2021

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION-REGISTRATION FOR 2020-2021

The Parish School of Religion has religion classes on Tuesday evenings, from 6:45-8 p.m. for students in grades 1-8 who attend public schools. PSR sessions focus on the message of Jesus, experienced within a community of faith with opportunities to pray, worship and do service for others. The students are also prepared to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Confirmation is a parish wide program coordinated by our Youth Minister, Donna Eisenbath.

All families will register & make payments for PSR through our online program, www.holyspirit.psrenroll.com or PSR registration is one of the quick links on the parish website, www.holyspiritstl.org. Detailed information was also sent by email to each returning family.

Families registering from now until May 31st will receive discounted pricing. Additionally, all returning families that register between these times will be entered into a drawing to win one of three free family registrations (value \$30). Don't delay!

SCHOOL NEWS

There will be **NO School** before **Mon., Apr. 27.**
With God all things are possible!
Mrs. Hewitt

PSR NEWS

There will be **NO PSR** before **Tues., Apr. 28.**
Keep an eye on your e-mail for further updates!

PSR Registration 2020-2021

PSR registration for 2020-2021 will open on April 1st. Rates are **DISCOUNTED** from April 1st – May 31st. See information below.

PRAYER PARTNERS WITH STUDENTS:

We have matched all the students in PSR – Grades 1-8 and all the students in the full time school Grades K-8. If you would like to participate, there are 34 students in the Preschool and Pre-K program to be matched. No special skills, just pray for your student daily and they will in turn pray for you!

Please contact Sharon Kaufman, 314-739-0230 x 110 or skaufman@holyspiritstl.org

VBS ADULT VOLUNTEER MEETING

Mon., Apr. 13, 7pm, Rectory Basement.

Please remember to register yourself online too.

Any questions? Contact: Sharon Kaufman, 739-0230 x110, skaufman@holyspiritstl.org or the VBS directors: Andrea Snowden, 488-0598 Ashley Caldwell, 749-9984.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL/F3/FAMILY NIGHT

June 22-26,

Family Night—Monday, June 22—6:30 – 8:00 pm
(For VBS campers, F3 and their families)

VBS for Campers 3 years old—Grade 5

Tues. – Fri., June 23-26 9 am - noon

Registration for campers, youth helpers and adult volunteers is ONLINE ONLY, on the Parish Website <https://holyspiritstl.org/Education/Vacation-Bible-School>
Cost is \$30 per camper, payable by check (made to Holy Spirit Church and put VBS 2020 in the memo line), or cash. Payments must be received by Monday of VBS.

F3 – Food, Faith & Friends Youth

Companion program for Grades 6-12

Tues.–Thur., June 23–25 6:30–8:30 PM

Registration is ONLINE ONLY, on the parish website <https://holyspiritstl.org/Education/F3-Food-Faith-and-Friends>

Cost is \$10 per teen, payable by check (made to Holy Spirit Church & put F3-2020 in the memo line) or cash. Payments must be received by the first day of F3.

Registration deadline for both programs is

May 18



Passion (Palm) Sunday

Procession: Matt 21:1-11
Isaiah 50:4-7
Ps 22:8-9,17-20,23-24
Philippians 2:6-11
Matthew 26:14--27:66

Monday April 6

Isaiah 42:1-7
Ps 27:1-3,13-14
John 12:1-11

Tuesday April 7

Isaiah 49:1-6
Ps 71:1-6,15,17
John 13:21-33,36-38

Wednesday April 8

Isaiah 50:4-9
Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31,33-34
Matthew 26:14-25

Holy Thursday April 9

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14
Ps 116:12-13,15-18
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-15

Good Friday April 10

Isaiah 52:13--53:12
Ps 31:2,6,12-13,15-17,25
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
John 18:1--19:42

The word "passion" has powerful implications. Theologically, we use it to describe the suffering love that Jesus endured for each of us when he was beaten, mocked and crucified as he willingly took onto himself the punishment and destructive forces of our sins.

The world counterfeits the word "passion" by applying it to strong feelings of romantic, even lustful, attraction.

We also use this word to refer to a strong motivation to do something that we enjoy or care about, and thus we can say that Jesus cared "passionately" about us while enduring The Passion.

The strong love that Jesus exhibited in his ministry and on Good Friday is a lesson on what it means to have "compassion" for others. We walk with them in their sufferings; we "suffer with" them. This is passionate love in its holiest

form.

Read the scriptures for Passion Sunday with an eye on how they reveal Jesus' passionate love for *you*.

See yourself in the passion of the people who enthusiastically welcomed Jesus as well as in those who rejected and denied him.

Consider how much compassion Jesus must have felt for you when he subjected himself to the excruciating pains of his final hours. He did this for you despite how much you've hurt him through any lack of compassion for others. Rejoice in his passionate love for you! This



will empower you to repent and grow stronger in holy love for others.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. Looking at the reading from Isaiah, what are some of the ways that good Christians sometimes beat on Jesus, pluck his beard, and spit on him?
2. How does your answer to #1 explain why Jesus emptied himself for you, as the reading from Philippians describes?
3. In what ways does the Passion of Jesus minister to us in our sufferings today?

Lenten Activity:

Bring to mind the most painful way you are suffering compassionately with or for someone else. Connect this to what Jesus did. How does this help you feel more intimately involved with God's salvation plan? How does it make your life a modern Gospel?

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EASTER SUNDAY— (APRIL 12, 2020)

Acts 10:34A, 37-43 — Ps 18:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 — Col 3:1-4 — Jn 20:109

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