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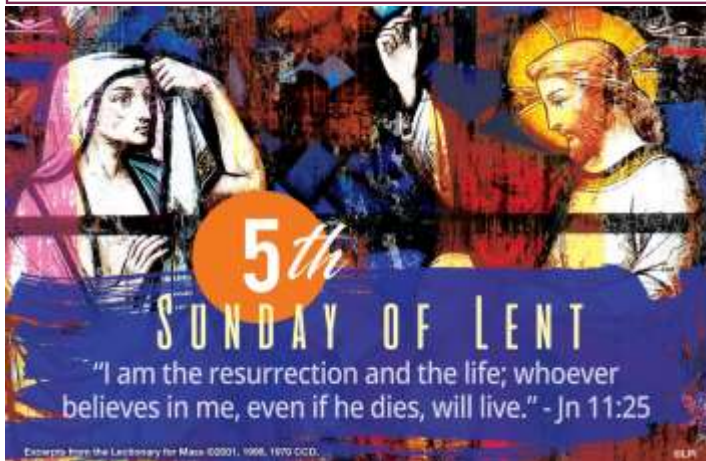


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March 26, 2023—Fifth Sunday of Lent



This Week at Church of the Good Shepherd

<u>This Weekend</u>	Sarris Candy Pickup. Money due next weekend, April 1-2, 2023
<u>Sunday</u>	CGS III, 10:30 AM, Atrium
<u>Monday</u>	CGS I, II, 5:00 PM, Atriums
<u>Tuesday</u>	CGS III, 5:00 PM, Atrium
<u>Wednesday</u>	Choir Rehearsal, 6:30, Church
<u>Next Weekend</u>	Sarris Candy Money Due

Regional Lenten Mission

"How To See Jesus In The Eucharist"

Presented by

Dcn. Ralph Poyo

Main Sessions

March 27-29

Music & Rosary | 5:45pm
Session | 6:30pm

Mini Sessions

March 28-29

12:10pm Mass and
Q&A

Hosted at

St. Thomas More University Parish
1200 Oakland Ave Indiana, PA 15701



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Dcn. Ralph is a national
speaker able to lead all
ages to Jesus Christ!

Final 2023 Lenten Dinner — March 31

4 PM—7PM

Full-Size Dinner: \$14

Half-Size Dinner: \$8

FRIED FISH DINNER
BAKED FISH DINNER
STEAMED SALMON DINNER
6 FRIED SHRIMP DINNER
PIEROGI DINNER



Fish or Shrimp Dinners Served with Green Beans, 2 Pierogi, and Scal I oped Potatoes. All Dinners incl ude Col e Slaw, Rol l w/ Butter, and a Dessert.



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Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 9:30 AM
Weekdays: Schedule inside

Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:30 PM,
Monday 5—6 PM during Holy
Hour, and by appointment.

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Masses and Candles — Week of 03/25/2023

From Fr. Matthew's Desk

The Fifth Sunday of Lent*Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45***Saturday, March 25, The Annunciation of the Lord**

4:30 PM | Veronica A. Romanchick by Husband, Paul

Sunday, March 26

9:30 AM | All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

Monday, March 27, Lenten Weekday*Dn 13:41c-62; Ps 23; Jn 8:1-11*

5:00 PM | Holy Hour (Adoration); Confessions

6:00 PM | Missae Pro Missa by Anonymous

Tuesday, March 28, Lenten Weekday*Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102; Jn 8:21-30*

8:30 AM | Mary & Edward Setlock by Sr. Eric Marie Setlock

Wednesday, March 29, Lenten Weekday*Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42***NO MASS****Thursday, March 30, Lenten Weekday***Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105; Jn 8:51-59*

8:30 AM | John Bosch by John & Sherry Blystone and Family

5:30 PM | Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 31, Lenten Weekday*Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18; Jn 10:31-42*

8:30 AM | Stations of the Cross

9:00 AM | Frances Davis by Jim & Bonnie Colench

Saturday, April 1, Lenten Weekday*Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:1-13; Jn 11:45-56*

3:30 PM | Confessions

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*Procession: Mt. 21:1-11;*

4:30 PM | Barbara Matty by Virginia & Ted Gordish

Sunday, April 2

9:30 AM | All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

Prayer Chain Updates*Critical Need:* Marian Zentner,
Robert Canzano; **Victor Janflone***Ongoing Prayer:* Dave Morris*In Gratitude for Improvement:* Harold Smith*For the Repose of the Soul of:*

John Bosch +7 March 2023

Leisha Macaseat +14 March 2023

**No Candles Requested this week.**

Sarris Candy Money—If you purchased candy from our Sarris fundraiser, please remember to pick it up **THIS WEEKEND (in the Server Sacristy)** or make arrangements to pick it up this week. All money is due **NEXT WEEKEND.**

Community Sports News—Congratulations to the Girls' Basketball teams of Homer Center HS and River Valley HS—both teams advanced to the PIAA State Championship games for their respective divisions to be held in Hershey this weekend. This is only the 3rd and 4th time any team from Indiana County has gone to the State Title Game. As of time of publishing, we don't know how everything will turn out, but we are proud of all their hard work to have done so well.

Passiontide and Palm Sunday—This Sunday marks the beginning of Passiontide—the last phase of Lent, which focuses more closely on the approaching of the Passion and Death of Christ. I encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities to draw nearer to Christ during this time through liturgical devotions, public devotions, and private devotions. A copy of the schedule of Masses and events for the Triduum and Easter is available in the insert.

There are two relevant liturgical notes for next Sunday (Palm Sunday). First, Mass will begin in the back of the Church with the Blessing of Palms. I invite all those who are able to gather in the Narthex for this **blessing and the procession that follows**—as we process past your seat, feel free to break away from the procession into your place. Additionally, for Palm Sunday (and Good Friday) we read **an account of the Passion of Christ**, which is always very long. If you are unable to stand for the entirety of these readings (or any other long Gospel reading throughout the year), *please feel free to listen to the Gospel while seated*. While the gesture of standing for the Gospel is a sign of our respect for it, sitting out of necessity is not a sign of disrespect.

Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land—The Gospel comes to life in a special way during Holy Week as we remember the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Each year on Good Friday, a collection is taken up to support Christians in the Holy Land to provide for their educational, spiritual, and physical needs, as well as to maintain the many ancient churches and holy sites there. The last several years have been particularly difficult for those Christians who give a living witness to our Faith in the Holy Land due to the decline in the number of pilgrims because of the pandemic, as well as because of ongoing political and social unrest. This collection allows us to demonstrate our solidarity together with them.

For more information on the collection, visit myfranciscan.org or custodia.org.

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Faith Formation News

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Schedule:**Level I/II: Mondays: March 27, April 3, 17, 24****Level III: Sundays: March 26, April 16, 23****Level III: Tuesdays: March 28, April 4, 18, 25****Youth Ministry: Monday, April 3; 6-8 PM —Last regular session; preparation for Easter Egg Hunt****Mark your calendars: April 30—Good Shepherd Sunday: First Holy Communion and Parish Feast Day Celebration following Mass****Please continue to pray for our two candidates for First Holy Communion:****Gavin Maudie and Axl Olsen****Magnificat Breakfast April 29 in Greensburg**

The Greensburg Chapter of Magnificat – A Ministry to Catholic Women will hold a breakfast Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m.-noon at Rizzo's Banquet Hall, Crabtree. Guest speaker Father John-Mary Tompkins, OSB, will talk about his faith journey. Cost is \$25 (students \$20). To register, call 724-836-2094 by April 24 or visit www.magnificatgreensburg.com to download a registration form (no online registration).

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, 4th St., Indiana

Spring has sprung! The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Indiana has been completely restocked with Spring items. The store is located in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street with store hours Monday thru Saturday from 10am to 2pm. Donations are accepted at the back door from 10am to 1pm (space permitting) and please remember to use regular size garbage bags to help protect our volunteers from lifting items that are too heavy. The Store will be closed 4/6 to 4/9 for the Paschal Triduum. Please continue to watch for further information in the bulletin and on Facebook (@SVDPIndianaPa). To request assistance from SVdP, please call the SVdP hotline at 724-471-2210

Parish Stewardship—Weekend of Mar. 18-19

Weekly:	\$ 2,193.00
Monthly	\$ 1,135.00
Loose:	\$ 117.00
Children:	\$ 4.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 61.00
For Improvements to Parish:	\$ 125.00
Online Giving (March 1-18)	\$ 820.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 310.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 52.00
Total Income:	\$ 4,817.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget:	\$ 4,242.83
Variance Over or (Under):	\$ 574.17.
Fiscal Year-to-Date:	
Collected:	\$ 123,574.60
Needed to Meet Budget:	\$ 156,984.71
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$33, 410.11)

**Diocesan Lenten Appeal***As of March 21, 2023*

Total pledges/gifts received:	\$ 16,415.00
Percent of Diocesan Goal (\$22,433.00):	71.0 %
Percent of Parish Goal (\$41,000.00):	40.0 %
Participating Households - 57 (290):	19.7 %
Average 2023 Parish Gift:	\$ 287.98
Average 2022 Parish Gift:	\$ 346.55

Note From Fr. Matthew: Thank you to all who have already donated to get our Diocesan Lenten Appeal off to a great start! If you haven't yet donated for this year, please consider doing so. If you have any questions about our Parish phase of the appeal or any other aspect of the DLA, please don't hesitate to ask me!

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Schedule of Liturgies and Events—Late Lent/Holy Week/Easter

The later part of our Lenten Season is rich with opportunities for prayer and celebrations of the Sacraments of Penance and Eucharist. They are here for your enrichment—please take advantage of them! All events at Good Shepherd (in bold) unless otherwise noted.

March 27-29 @ St. Thomas More—Regional Retreat “How to See Jesus in the Eucharist” (details on bulletin front)

Penance Services:

March 29 @ St. Thomas More, Indiana—Confessions available from priests of the Region following the 6:30 Evening Session

March 30 @ Holy Family, Seward—7 PM Penance Service

March 30 @ St. Sylvester, Slickville—7PM Penance Service

April 1/2: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Vigil Mass April 1; 4:30 PM Sunday Mass April 2; 9:30 AM

Both Masses will begin with blessing of palms and a procession from the Narthex

April 6: Holy Thursday

Chrism Mass @ Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg—10:00 AM. At this Mass, Bishop Kulick blesses the oils used in Sacraments throughout the following year, and the priests of the Diocese renew the Priestly Promises of their Ordination.

7:00 PM — Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Adoration at Altar of Repose in Social Hall following Mass until Night Prayer at 11:00 AM. Many other parishes in the region will also have Altars of Repose—Some people will travel between several churches to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.

April 7: Good Friday

8:30 AM — Stations of the Cross

2:00 PM—Service of the Lord’s Passion

5:30 PM—“Watch and Pray” Prayer Service

“Burial of the Lord” Service at Our Lady of the Assumption, Lucernemines—7:00 PM—This service, unique to the Franciscan Tradition, is a re-enactment of the veneration of the Lord’s Body and his entombment. A fitting commemoration of Good Friday, especially if you are unable to take part in the Service of the Lord’s Passion earlier in the day.

April 8: Holy Saturday

8:30 AM — Morning Prayer followed by Church Decorating

12:00 Noon — Blessing of Easter Baskets

8:30 PM — Easter Vigil Mass

April 9: Easter Sunday

9:30 AM — Easter Sunday Mass

Children’s Easter Egg Hunt following Mass—we will be outside if possible if there is not rain/snow; please dress for the weather!



*“For He has risen,
just as He said!”*

The Parish Office will be CLOSED April 7—April 10 for the Paschal Triduum and Easter Monday. The office will reopen Tuesday, April 11. Mass schedule for Easter week will be in the Easter Bulletin.

Palm Sunday: Placing of Branches in the Home

The branches that are blessed and brought home on Palm Sunday are to be placed in a prominent place in the home. This may be on or near a Crucifix or an image of Jesus, near a copy of the Bible, or—if a the palm itself is folded into the shape of a cross—displayed by itself. This reminds us that Lent is the slow coming of spring to the earth, the renewal of life. They are like the great “Hosanna” with which we hail the crucified and risen Lord.

After dinner or at another time on Palm Sunday, the household gathers where the palms have been placed with the Cross or image and the Scriptures

All make the sign of the cross.

Leader: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: Hosanna in the highest!

The Leader may use these or similar words to introduce the prayer:

Leader: We have come to the last days of Lent. Today we heard the reading of the Passion. That story will remain with us as we leave Lent behind on Holy Thursday and enter into the Three Days when we celebrate the mystery of Christ passing through suffering and death to life at God’s right hand.

Then the Scripture (2 Cor. 4:10-11) is read:

Reader: A Reading from the Apostle Paul to the Corinthians.

[We are] always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our body. For we who live are constantly being given up to death for the sake of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

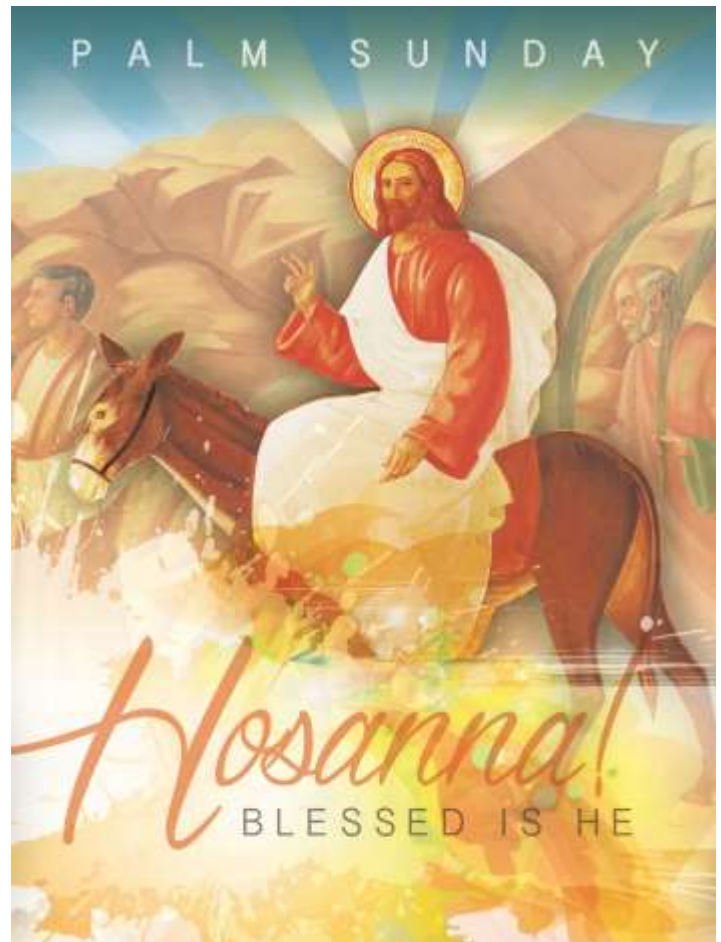
After a time of silence, members of the household may join in prayers of intercession, or a litany, such as Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus, may be prayed.

All pray the Lord’s Prayer together

Leader: Let us pray. Blessed are you, God of Israel, so rich in love and mercy. Let these branches ever remind us of Christ’s triumph. May we who bear them rejoice in his cross and sing your praise forever.

All: Amen.

Together all take the palms to the place where they will be kept through the coming year. The following hymn may be sung to a tune such as “The Old Hundredth” (Praise God



from Whom All Blessings Flow) or “Erhalt Uns Herr” (The Glory of These Forty Days), or may be recited.

O Sun of justice, Jesus Christ
Dispel the darkness of our hearts
Till your blest light makes nighttime flee
And brings the joys your day imparts.

The day, your day in beauty dawns
When in your light earth blooms anew;
Led back again to life’s true way,
May we, forgiv’n rejoice in you.

Leader: Let us bless the Lord

All respond, making the sign of the cross:

All: Thanks be to God.

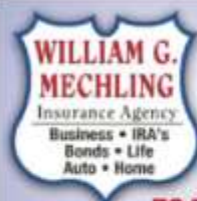
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