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## CLERGY

**Bishop:** Most Rev. Peter Baldacchino, J.C.L.  
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**Deacons:** Deacon Ed Fierro  
Deacon Ruben Gutierrez



## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



## SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES / MISAS

### WEEKENDS / FINES DE LA SEMANA

**Saturday Vigil/Vigilia los Sabados:** 5:30 p.m. (English)

**Sunday/Domingo:** 7:30a.m., 11:00a.m. (English)  
9:00a.m. (Español)

### WEEKDAYS / DÍAS DE LA SEMANA

**Mon. to Sat.:** 8:15 a.m. (English)

**Tuesday:** 6:00 p.m. (Español)

**Thursday:** 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour (Español)

**Friday:** 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (English)

**Baptisms:** Call office for information

**Confessions in Church:** Mon., Wed. & Fri.: 7:30am-8am; Sat.: 4pm-5pm  
Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00am-8:15am

**OR ANYTIME BY APPOINTMENT WITH ONE OF THE PRIESTS**

**Anointing of the Sick:** Upon Request

**Marriage:** Call Parish Office for Preparation at least 6 months  
in advance and before setting a firm date.



Registration: We welcome new parishioners, winter visitors and visiting friends to our parish. New members are encouraged to visit the IHM office to complete a registration form. We encourage you to use your envelope even if your donation is a modest one; this helps us to know that you are an active parishioner.





# RECENT EVENTS

1. Diocese of Las Cruces Chrism Mass on Tuesday, March 19, 2024.
2. St. Patrick's Day Celebration in Finley Hall on Sunday, March 17, 2024.
3. Diocese of Las Cruces Priest Assembly 2024 and Retreat with Retreat Master Father Felix Medina-Algaba from the Archdiocese of Denver, CO.





**“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord...  
Hosanna in the highest!”** (Mark 11:9-10)

Dear Brothers and Sisters: Today we celebrate the triumphant entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. He entered the city mounted on a colt, according to the words of the prophet, “Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass.” (Matthew 21:5)

The animal chosen indicates that it was not a triumphal entry, but that of a King meek and humble of heart. However, the multitudes gathered in Jerusalem, almost unaware of this expression of humility—or perhaps recognizing in it a messianic sign—greet Christ with words full of joy: “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” (Matthew 21:9) When Jesus enters Jerusalem, the whole city is in agitation. People are asking themselves, “Who is this?” And the crowds [say], “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee.” (Matthew 21:10-11)

We as good Catholics, like the people of Israel, need to recognize Jesus as the King we have been expecting. Where can we find him? In the Eucharist! Among the people! This is the time and place when we repeat the acclamation of the people of Israel.

On the other hand, the liturgical readings present the suffering Messiah to us. They refer first to his sufferings and his humiliation. Today we are called to contemplate the crucified Lord, to accompany him in his passion. I pray that your heart may be moved by such a powerful sign of love and that may you respond in the same way, with the same love.

At the same time, I ask the Lord to grant me the grace to lead you to a true understanding of the mystery of faith we are going to celebrate. However, this is only going to be possible if you understand that this path is a ‘journeying together’ action. One of the greatest challenges today is that we live in an individualistic and relativistic era, where we want to do our own thing. Please do not allow anything or anyone to divide you, because we have been on a journey together for these forty days.

In the coming days, like always, we are going to assemble in the name of the Lord to celebrate his Pascal mystery. The coming Liturgical celebrations have the power to transform us if we open our Hearts to the motions of the Holy Spirit. I invite you to come to the Liturgical celebrations or Eucharist with the proper disposition. I invite you to actively participate and not come just as spectators. Father Felix Medina from the Diocese of Denver, Colorado and our retreat master for this year’s priestly assembly taught us something powerful; he said about the liturgical celebration, “We are going to be here to open the treasures of the Church, the whole point of these days is our sanctification.”

Contemplate the signs; meaning the sacramental signs that will be perceptible to our senses. I highly invite you to find yourself in this story of the passion of Christ.

Another great recommendation of Father Felix Medina is to fully participate in the liturgy. I interpret his advice in this way: Live the whole triduum. Don’t do it part-time, because it is one Liturgy that begins on Palm Sunday and ends with the Resurrection of the Lord. Prioritize it, give the first place to the Lord. This Holy week join yourself to Christ and to each other.

“What Christ is offering to you in the Eucharist is his very life. The Eucharist is a sacrament of unity, you cannot go without everybody, be open to God’s grace and to each other.” (Father Felix) Invite your children and your neighbors to actively participate; to see the beauty of God’s love and His desire to share his Divine life with us. We cannot be forced, but we can help others to see the Truth. Don’t get tired or discouraged when reaching out to your brothers and sisters in the peripheries of the spiritual life and announcing to them the crucified and risen Christ!

Happy Palm Sunday!

Sincerely, Father Alejandro Reyes Cardenas

**“Bienaventurado el que viene en el nombre del Señor...  
¡Hosanna en las alturas!”** (Marcos 11:9-10.)

Queridos hermanos y hermanas: Hoy celebramos la entrada triunfal de Jesús en Jerusalén. Entró en la ciudad montado en un pollino, según las palabras del profeta: “Di a la hija de Sión: He aquí que tu rey viene a ti, humilde, y montado en un, y en un pollino, hijo de asna”. (Mateo 21:5.)

El animal elegido indica que no se trataba de una entrada triunfal, sino de un Rey manso y humilde de corazón. Sin embargo, las multitudes reunidas en Jerusalén, casi sin darse cuenta de esta expresión de humildad —o tal vez reconociendo en ella un signo mesiánico—, saludan a Cristo con palabras llenas de alegría: «¡Hosanna al Hijo de David! ¡Bendito el que viene en el nombre del Señor! ¡Hosanna en las alturas!» (Mateo 21:9.) Cuando Jesús entra en Jerusalén, toda la ciudad está agitada. La gente se pregunta: “¿Quién es este?” Y la gente decía: “Este es el profeta Jesús, de Nazaret de Galilea”. (Mateo 21:10-11.)

Nosotros, como buenos católicos, al igual que el pueblo de Israel, necesitamos reconocer a Jesús como el Rey que hemos estado esperando. ¿Dónde podemos encontrarlo? ¡En la Eucaristía! ¡Entre el pueblo! Este es el momento y el lugar en que repetimos la aclamación del pueblo de Israel.

Por otro lado, las lecturas litúrgicas nos presentan al Mesías sufriente. Se refieren en primer lugar a sus sufrimientos y a su humillación. Hoy estamos llamados a contemplar al Señor crucificado, a acompañarlo en su pasión. Rezo para que tu corazón se conmueva con un signo de amor tan poderoso y para que respondas de la misma manera, con el mismo amor.

Al mismo tiempo, pido al Señor que me conceda la gracia de conducirnos a una verdadera comprensión del misterio de la fe que vamos a celebrar. Sin embargo, esto solo va a ser posible si entiendes que este camino es una acción de “caminar juntos”. Uno de los mayores desafíos hoy en día es que vivimos en una era individualista y relativista, donde queremos hacer lo nuestro. Por favor, no permitas que nada ni nadie te divida, porque hemos estado en un viaje juntos durante estos cuarenta días.

En los próximos días, como siempre, nos reuniremos en el nombre del Señor para celebrar su misterio pascual. Las próximas celebraciones litúrgicas tienen el poder de transformarnos si abrimos nuestro Corazón a los movimientos del Espíritu Santo. Os invito a venir a las celebraciones litúrgicas o a la Eucaristía con la debida disposición. Los invito a participar activamente y no venir solo como espectadores. El Padre Félix Medina de la Diócesis de Denver, Colorado y nuestro maestro de retiros para la asamblea sacerdotal de este año nos enseñó algo poderoso; Sobre la celebración litúrgica dijo: “Vamos a estar aquí para abrir los tesoros de la Iglesia, el objetivo de estos días es nuestra santificación”.

Contempla las señales; es decir, los signos sacramentales que serán perceptibles a nuestros sentidos. Te invito a encontrarte a ti mismo en esta historia de la pasión de Cristo.

Otra gran recomendación del Padre Félix Medina es participar plenamente en la liturgia. Interpreto su consejo de esta manera: Vive todo el triduo. No lo hagas a tiempo parcial, porque es una liturgia que comienza el Domingo de Ramos y termina con la Resurrección del Señor. Priorízalo, dale el primer lugar al Señor. Esta Semana Santa únense a Cristo y a los demás.

“Lo que Cristo os ofrece en la Eucaristía es su vida misma. La Eucaristía es un sacramento de unidad, no se puede prescindir de todos, estar abiertos a la gracia de Dios y a los demás”. (Padre Félix) Invite a sus hijos y a sus vecinos a participar activamente; para ver la belleza del amor de Dios y su deseo de compartir su vida divina con nosotros. No podemos ser forzados, pero podemos ayudar a otros a ver la Verdad. ¡No os canséis ni os desaniméis cuando os acerquéis a vuestros hermanos y hermanas en las periferias de la vida espiritual y les anunciéis a Cristo crucificado y resucitado!

¡Feliz Domingo de Ramos!

Atentamente, Padre Alejandro Reyes Cárdenas

## MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE MISAS

~ Readings of the Week ~

### VIGIL MASS/VIGILIA: Saturday/Sábado, March 23

Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18a, 19-20, 23-24/

Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47

- 5:30 PM Jared Daniel Medina (by Danny Medina)  
For the Good of the Order of the Knights  
of Columbus (by Les Flores)

### SUNDAY/DOMINGO, March 24

- 7:30 AM For the Intentions of the Pope (by Les Flores)  
†Carlota & Antonio Flores (by Les Flores)
- 9:00 AM †Victoria & Edward Morales y Familia  
(por Mannie Morales y Familia)  
†María Jesús Loya  
†El Descanso del Señor Antonio Becerra Perez  
(por Cuca Becerra)
- 11:00 AM †Luis Garcia (by Family)  
†Mr. & Mrs. Harold Duranty (by Margaret)

### Monday/Lunes, March 25

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

- 8:15 AM †Joe Madrid (by Cathy Madrid)

### Tuesday/Martes, March 19

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

- 8:15 AM †Anthonette M. Alejandres (by JoAnn Marquez)  
Souls in Purgatory (by Gloria Lithgow)
- 6:00 pm †El Descanso de Santitos Nájera de Becerra  
(por Cuca Becerra)

### Wednesday/Miércoles, March 26

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

- 8:15 AM †Diego Carabajal (by Dorothy Terrazas)

### Thursday/Jueves, March 27

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16c, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

- 8:15 AM †Diego Carabajal (by Dorothy Terrazas)  
Virgen de Guadalupe
- 7:00 PM Diocese of Las Cruces  
IHM Parish Community  
Vocations for Our Parish

### Friday/Viernes March 29

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

- 8:15 AM NO MASS
- 3:00 PM Veneration of the Cross - Communion Service

### Saturday/Sabado, March 30

(1) Gn 1:1—2:2/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35

(2) Gn 22:1-18

(3) Ex 14:15—15:1/(Ps) Ex 15:1-6, 17-18

(4) Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13

(5) Is 55:1-11/(Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4-6

(6) Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8-11

(7) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Pss 42:3, 5; 43:3-4/(Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6

(8) Mk 16:1-7

- 8:15 AM NO MASS

## WHAT IS HAPPENING

Deacon Ed Fierro would like all Sacristans, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Cantors to meet with him on Monday, March 25 at 6:30 pm in the Cathedral.

### **Holy Thursday Mass** **Thursday, March 28**

**7:00PM**

*Not a Holy Day of Obligation*

#### **The Altar of Repose:**

*Adoration will begin after  
Mass in Finley Hall Until*



### **Good Friday**



**Friday, March 29**

*Not a Holy Day of Obligation  
But Highly Encouraged*

**English: 3:00PM**



### **Easter Vigil**

**Saturday, March 30**

*The bilingual Mass*

*will begin outside  
with the blessing of the  
Easter Candle  
at*

**8:00PM**



**Sacrament of  
Reconciliation  
(Confessions)**



**Have returned to the back of the church**

and Can Be Received:  
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 7:30AM – 8AM  
Tuesday and Thursday: 8AM – 8:15AM  
Saturday: 4PM – 5PM  
Or any time by appointment with  
one of the priests



## Parish priest in Gaza: 'We have endured relentless Calvary for months'

Father Gabriel Romanelli, parish priest of the Holy Family Catholic parish in Gaza, speaks of the "extremely grave" situation in the Gaza Strip, likening the situation of Christians in the Strip to Christ on Calvary.

"The situation continues to be extremely grave and worsens by the hour. Our Christians have faith and hope in the Essential, in Jesus Christ," according to Fr. Gabriel Romanelli. "They have been enduring relentless Calvary for months," he adds. The parish priest of the only Catholic parish in Gaza explains how the rest of the population feels greatly disheartened, as there are no visible signs of peace or an end to violence and death. In an interview with SIR, an Italian Catholic news agency, Fr. Romanelli laments the terrible toll of the war, saying, "This conflict has already resulted in more than 32,000 deaths, 12,000 of which are children." He himself has been stuck in Jerusalem since the war broke out on October 7, yet he constantly stays in touch with his parishioners in every possible way. The members of the parish have been taking refuge for months in the parish compound along with other displaced Christians, totalling about 600, who have lost everything in the bombings.

### A scene of desperation

Fr. Romanelli spoke of reports from inside Gaza which he has received from his parochial vicar, Fr. Youssef Asaad, who remains in the parish.

"You cannot imagine the pain we are experiencing and the desperation of the people," Fr. Asaad said.

He described the scene in the area surrounding the parish in Gaza City, with mountains of rubble, garbage, and burst sewers. The rain that continues to fall is a blessing on the one hand, but worsens the hygienic conditions as it causes high humidity, intensifying the smell of decomposed bodies that are still under the rubble.

"Despite everything," adds Fr. Romanelli, "they pray for peace every day and offer their suffering and hardships for a ceasefire and the release of the hostages."


Referring to his parish in Gaza, the parish priest reported that the kitchen had reopened, yet it is still very dangerous for people to venture out.

"Humanitarian aid," he explains, "airdropped by the USA and other international countries, as well as those arriving by sea, haven't reached everyone. They haven't reached the parish. However, some parishioners managed to obtain flour, and the oven has resumed producing bread. This is a great blessing for our displaced people. The Latin Patriarchate also provides assistance. Our hope is that we can return to cooking twice a week."

### Threat of famine

Once again, UNICEF, the UN children's agency, has intervened on the dire humanitarian situation. The regional director for the Middle East and North Africa, Adele Khodr, says the lack of action by the world is shocking, while children succumb to a slow death. Oxfam, a British aid agency, has also sounded the alarm, speaking of "catastrophic levels of hunger in Gaza."

According to Paolo Pezzati, spokesperson for Oxfam Italy's humanitarian crises: "Never before have we witnessed such a grave situation unfolding in such a short time. In a few days, the population in the north of Gaza will be facing a real famine, a situation that will also arise in the south very soon without a ceasefire and an adequate humanitarian response."



The Roman Catholic Diocese of Las Cruces requires that **all clergy, employees and volunteers** undergo a background check, participate in a VIRTUS Protecting God's Children Training Module, and sign a code of conduct **every five years**.

For questions in complying with these requirements please contact our Safe Environment Coordinator, Mary Frances Garcias for Assistance. [mgarcia@rcdlc.org](mailto:mgarcia@rcdlc.org) or 575-222-4235

## SAINT OF THE WEEK



### ST. CASTULUS, MARTYR ON THE VIA LABICANA

St. Castulus was a chamberlain, of the Emperor Diocletian, who hid Christians during the persecutions. Betrayed by an apostate, he was arrested and tortured, but remained faithful to Christ to the very end. According to tradition, he was buried alive in a quarry on the Via Labicana near Rome.



## Around the World and Here at Home, The Catholic Relief Services Collection Reveals Christ's Love to Those in Need

On Sunday, March 10, 2024 many dioceses in the United States will observe the traditional Lenten practice of almsgiving by participating in The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection support the work of Catholic organizations that aid victims of war and natural disasters, help build peace in places of conflict, and minister to migrants and others with specific pastoral needs.



By participating in this year's collection, you help the Church reveal Christ's love to people in need around the world and here in the United States. You can give at Mass or through your parish's online/e-giving platform. #GiveCatholicTogether also accepts funds for the collection.

### PARISH BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the Church to minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, offer religious education, and undertake social and charitable works. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

It is vital that we support Christians living in the Holy Land, in order to maintain a Christian presence in the very land made holy by the life, death and Resurrection of Jesus.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

**PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

# Gaza: la Orden de Malta está dispuesta a ayudar cooperando con la Iglesia

La Orden de Malta responde sin demora a la petición de cooperación del Cardenal Pizzaballa, Patriarca de Jerusalén de los Latinos. El gran Hospitalario De Franciscis: "Estamos estudiando cómo podemos intervenir especialmente para prestar servicios médicos y gestionar la distribución de artículos de primera necesidad". Mientras tanto, en la Franja la gente sigue muriendo bajo las bombas mientras falta de todo, incluso agua.

## Federico Piana - Ciudad del Vaticano

Ciertamente no es fácil imaginar llevar ayuda humanitaria a Gaza mientras arrecian las incursiones israelíes, muy a menudo parece una tarea casi imposible. Sin embargo, la Soberana Orden Hospitalaria Militar de San Juan de Jerusalén de Rodas y de Malta no se echó atrás cuando el Patriarca de Jerusalén de los Latinos le pidió ayuda urgentemente. El Cardenal Pierbattista Pizzaballa lo hizo confiando sus propias esperanzas y las de la Iglesia universal en una carta personal dirigida al Gran Maestre de la Orden, Frey John Dunlap, y leída públicamente durante los trabajos de la 30ª Conferencia Hospitalaria Internacional celebrada en Cracovia del 15 al 17 de marzo.



## Fase embrionaria

El Gran Hospitalario de la Orden de Malta, Frey Alessandro de Franciscis, explica a los medios vaticanos que, con esa carta, el cardenal Pizzaballa "nos pide que colaboremos con el Patriarcado de Jerusalén para responder al menos a dos grandes emergencias: proporcionar servicios médicos, especialmente en la zona norte de la Franja, hacia la ciudad de Gaza, y ayudar en la distribución de artículos de primera necesidad, como ropa, alimentos y agua". De Franciscis - que a nivel internacional puede considerarse el "Ministro de Sanidad" de la Orden de Malta y es el principal responsable de la ayuda humanitaria - entra en detalles, señalando que esta cooperación "se encuentra en una fase embrionaria: todavía estamos reflexionando sobre nuestras capacidades existentes, recurriendo a algunas de nuestras organizaciones, para arrojar luz sobre cómo iniciar esta aventura".

## Situación dramática

Aunque la situación en la Franja se ha vuelto dramática y peligrosa, con enormes dificultades para gestionar la circulación en las zonas del interior separadas por pocos kilómetros, la Orden de Malta se siente tranquila por un hecho: "Fue la única autoridad religiosa de la zona que solicitó nuestra ayuda", afirma el Gran Hospitalario, "y que actualmente es respetada por todas las partes implicadas: será la que negocie las condiciones de seguridad garantizadas para que podamos llevar a cabo nuestra misión".



## ATENCIÓN ADORADORES

La Capilla del Jesús de la Misericordia estará **CERRADA PARA LA ADORACIÓN** después de:

Misa de la Cena del Señor

**JUEVES**

**28 de marzo de 2024, 7:00 p. m.**

(LA ADORACIÓN SERÁ EN FINLEY HALL HASTA LA MEDIANOCHE)

La Capilla **volverá a abrir y la ADORACIÓN se reanuda después de:**

Misa diaria de 8:15 am

**Lunes 1 de abril de 2024, a las 9:00 am (aprox.)**

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**AUG. 26 - SEPT. 06, 2024**

Departure from El Paso, Texas





**PRAY FOR THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH WHO ARE ILL**

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| Nellie Rigales Vigil  | Fatima Aguilar Ortiz  | Raymond Telles       |
| Mike & Inez Frietze   | Donna & Jimmy Graham  |                      |

**The office is updating the names on the prayer list. Please contact the office if you wish to have the name of loved ones continue to be on the prayer list.**

**Collections: 3-17-2024**

- Sunday Collection: \$5367.00
- The Building Fund: \$1265.00
- Mail Donation: \$1406.08
- Front Office: \$2109.00
- Online Donations: \$3314.60
- St. Patrick's Day Event: \$560.00
- Gift Shop: \$1400.00

- Upcoming Collections
- March 29: Good Friday
- Upcoming 2nd Collections:
- March 24: United in Ministry
- March 31: Easter
- April 7: St. Mother Teresa
- During Lent,
- CRS Rice Bowl Program

**Did you know you can sponsor?**

Mass Intentions Weekday: \$10.00 • Weekend: \$15.00 • Prayer Request: Free  
**\*\* Please request Mass Intentions at least 2 weeks in advance.\*\***



**ATTENTION ADORERS**

The Jesus of Mercy Chapel will be **CLOSED FOR ADORATION** after the: **Mass of the Lord's Supper THURSDAY**

**March 28, 2024, 7:00 pm**

(ADORATION WILL BE AT FINLEY HALL UNTIL MIDNIGHT)

The Chapel will **re-open and ADORATION** will resume after the: **8:15 am Daily Mass**

**Monday, April 1, 2024, at 9:00 am (approx.)**

*HAPPY EASTER!!*

**Pope Francis:**

**'I too am a child of migrants'**

Pope Francis sends a message to a group of migrants gathered in Lajas Blancas, Panama, referring to migrants as “the face of Christ”, whom the Church lovingly offers “relief and hope.” In a letter dated March 21, Pope Francis addressed a group of migrants gathered in Lajas Blancas, Panama. The Pope spoke of wanting to accompany them personally, and expressed his understanding for their situation.

“I too am a child of migrants,” he said, “who set out in search of a better future.”


He thanked the bishops and pastoral workers who take his place in serving them. The Pope said they represent “the face of a mother Church who walks with her sons and daughters, in whom she discovers the face of Christ and, like Veronica, lovingly offers relief and hope on the Way of the Cross of migration.” The Holy Father added that migrants “represent the suffering body of Christ when they are forced to leave their country, to face the risks and tribulations of a difficult journey, when they find no other way out.” He appealed to the migrants to never forget their human dignity, and not to “be afraid to look others in the eye,” as they are “not disposable.”

He reassured them that they “are also part of the human family and the family of God's children.” The Pope thanked the migrants for their presence and asked them to pray for him.



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## Important Dates at IHM

### Season of Lent

Wednesday, Feb. 14 –

Sunday, Mar. 31

No Meat on Ash Wed. or any Fridays during this season

### Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday

Sunday, March 24

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule except:

### Procession:

Begins at 10:15AM at Valley View Park and will process to IHM to continue the 11:00AM Mass



### Holy Thursday

Thursday, March 28, 2024

English: 7:00PM

The Altar of Repose – Adoration will begin after Mass in Finley Hall Until Midnight

### Good Friday

Friday, March 29, 2024

No Meat

English: 3:00PM

### Easter Vigil

Saturday, March 30, 2024

Bilingual Mass: 8:00PM

### Easter Sunday

Sunday, March 31, 2024

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

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