

Our Lady of SORROWS CHURCH



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IN MARY'S TEARS AND SORROWS WE FIND GRACE

From our Pastoral Associate:

Palm Sunday kicks off Holy Week, giving us the opportunity to relive the events surrounding the 3 greatest days of history— what the Church calls the Sacred Triduum— Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. These events, while happening in the early first century, bear an eternal dimension that touches us today. I believe it worthwhile to explore this.

When God became man in Jesus Christ, he took time into his eternity. Time, especially the time in which Jesus acts, takes on an eternal dimension. This is why we say that there is always and everywhere one Mass. There are not Masses in the strict sense— but one Mass in which every Mass

throughout all time brings us into contact— this is nothing less than the Last Supper, Suffering, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord. Jesus died only once, but we are constantly brought back to that moment to give our adoration and our worship. The Sacred Triduum is the Church's way of bringing this into sharper focus by separating these events into their own separate liturgies. So beginning with today, Palm Sunday, we wave palm branches as the Cross— representing Jesus, enters the Church— representing the heavenly Jerusalem. On Holy Thursday, we relive the events of the Last Supper including the washing of Jesus' disciples' feet, the Last Supper (in the Eucharistic liturgy), and the procession of Jesus and his disciples to the Garden, a special place in the church made to look like a garden. We then spend time with Jesus in the Eucharist, remembering his words, "Could you not watch with me one hour?"

On Good Friday we relive the Passion of Jesus in the readings, placing ourselves in the crowd by our sins as we call for Jesus' death. We pray for all the world, as Jesus did from the Cross. And we depart in silence, our hearts and minds full of sorrow for the calamitous death of Jesus. We then spend one day in silence. No sacraments are to be performed except for confession, anointing of the sick, and baptism in
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Triduum Schedule

Holy Thursday— 6pm
Good Friday—3pm
Easter Vigil—8pm
Easter Sunday—11am

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Weekly Schedule

Saturday

Confessions 3:30 pm

Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday

Mass 11:00 am

Wednesday and Thursday

Confession 11:30 am

Mass 12 Noon

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday 11:00 am

Baptism and Marriage

Call for information or email
bgeist@oloskc.org

APRIL 13, 2025
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Feasts and Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 12— Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

4:00pm † Russ Daly

SUNDAY, April 13— Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

11:00am The Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

MONDAY, April 14

TUESDAY, April 15

WEDNESDAY, April 16

Noon † Christopher Camarena

THURSDAY, April 17— Holy Thursday

6:00pm The Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

FRIDAY, April 18— Good Friday

3:00pm

SATURDAY, April 19— Easter Vigil

8:00pm The Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

SUNDAY, April 20— Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of the Lord

11:00am The Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows

Please Note: MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are available for the posted times in the bulletin, on our church sign, and on our website. We do have days with openings for intentions coming up. Call or email the office at (816) 421-2112 or bgeist@oloskc.org if you would like to have a Mass said for yourself or a loved one, living or deceased.

Liturgical Assignments

4/12 & 4/13	4:00pm	11:00am
Reader	Nancy Lowdon Lynette Wheeler Deacon Michael Elsey	Bill Copotosto Ann Creedon Maureen Kramanak
Eucharistic Minister	Deacon Michael Elsey	Joe Creedon
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	George Bryde
Usher	Ted Tschirhart	Bill Capotosto

4/17 & 18	Holy Thursday— 6pm	Good Friday— 3pm
Reader	Jim Carley	James Hardy Nancy Lowdon Lynette Wheeler
Eucharistic Minister	Deacon Michael Elsey	Rita Witt
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi George Bryde	John Pileggi Brad Geist
Usher	Ted Tschirhart	Bill Capotosto

4/19 & 20	8:00pm	11:00am
Reader	Ann Creedon	Maureen Kramanak
Eucharistic Minister	Joe Creedon	Deacon Michael Elsey
Server/Sacristan	John Pileggi	George Bryde
Usher		Bill Capotosto

Parish Calendar of Events

- **Apr 13— Palm Sunday**
- **Apr 14— Legion of Mary** at 6pm (Every Monday)
- **Apr 15— Water Garden Society** at 5:30pm
- **Apr 17— Holy Thursday** at 6pm
- **Apr 18— Good Friday** at 3pm
- **Apr 18— Good Friday Holy Land Collection**
- **Apr 19— Easter Vigil** at 8pm
- **Apr 20th—Easter Sunday** at 11am
- **Apr 25— Wedding** at 1:30pm
- **May 1— Knights of Columbus** at 6:30pm
- **May 2— Bible Study** at 7pm
- **May 3— Wedding** at 1:30pm
- **May 3— Wedding** at 6pm
- **May 9— Wedding** at 4:30pm
- **May 17— Wedding** at 1:30pm
- **May 17— Wedding** at 6pm
- **May 18— Tomorrow's Priests: Vocation Collection**
- **May 20— Water Garden Society** at 5:30pm
- **May 24— Wedding** at 1:30pm
- **May 31— Wedding** at 1:30pm
- **Jun 4— Knights of Columbus** at 6:30pm
- **Jun 5— Bible Study** at 7pm
- **Jun 7— Wedding** at 1:30pm
- **Jun 7— Wedding** at 6pm
- **Jun 13— Wedding** at 1:30pm
- **Jun 19— Water Garden Society** at 5:30pm
- **Jun 28— Wedding** at 1:30pm
- **Jul 2— Knights of Columbus** at 6:30pm

Keep watching for more info & dates to come!

Ministries & Reflections



Saint of the Week— St. Longinus

St. Longinus is the Roman centurion who pierced the side of Our Lord while He was hanging on the Cross. St. Longinus, who was nearly blind, was healed when some of the blood and water from Jesus fell into his eyes. It was then he exclaimed "Indeed, this was the Son of God!" [Mark 15:39]. St. Longinus then converted, left the army, took instruction from the apostles and became a monk in Cappadocia. There he was arrested for his faith, his teeth forced out and tongue cut off. However, St. Longinus miraculously continued to speak clearly and managed to destroy several idols in the presence of the governor. The governor, who was made blind by the demons that came from the idols, had his sight restored when St. Longinus was being beheaded, because his blood came in contact with the governors' eyes. St. Longinus' relics are now in the church of St Augustine, in Rome. His Lance is contained in one of the four pillars over the altar in the Basilica of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

Prayer of the Week

Prayer for Holy Week

Most glorious King, blessed are You Who continuously comes to us, leading the way to Heaven. Hosanna in the highest! As I begin this most Holy Week, commemorating Your gift of salvation, I pray that this commemoration will also be a real and transforming participation in Your life, death, and resurrection. Thank You for redeeming us, dear Lord. Please open my heart to receive Your grace fully. Jesus, I trust in You.
Amen.

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cases of emergency. The silence is jarring and moves us to our core. At the Easter Vigil, we carry candles as we wait outside Jesus' tomb, remembering the promises that God made to his people. As we finish these readings, we are met with light—the Gloria begins, bells are rung, lights are turned on, candles are lit and we rejoice exceedingly because Jesus has burst the bonds of death and has risen victorious from the grave. And finally, on Easter Sunday, we race breathlessly with the disciples to see the empty tomb for ourselves. It is a magnificent drama that unfolds over the course of 4 days. In my own personal life, these events have radically transformed who I am. If you have not yet experienced the fullness of the Triduum, I strongly recommend you do so this year.

Good Friday Holy Land Collection

We will have a special collection on Good Friday. This collection will go toward helping Christians who living in the Holy Land. Please be as generous as you are able.

Readings for Holy Week

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15-17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday: 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
Saturday: Gn 1:1-2:2; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; Ez 36:16-28; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rom 6:3-11; Lk 24:1-12
Sunday: Acts 10:34, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

Office of Child & Youth Protection—Sexual Abuse

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org

Weekly Activities & Events

Last Week's Offering

From March 31, 2025 to Apr 6, 2025

Plate _____	\$304.51
Envelopes _____	\$1661.00
Catholic Relief Services _____	\$25.00
Candles _____	\$100.25
Maintenance _____	\$25.00
Poor Box _____	\$50.33
Weddings _____	\$2990.00
Lighthouse _____	\$1.00
Funeral _____	\$300.00
Mass Stipends _____	\$35.00
Online _____	\$391.82

Easter Decoration

We will be decorating for Easter at 9am on Holy Saturday, April 26th. There is a lot that will need to be done, so if you are able to help, we would deeply appreciate it. Thank you for your help in making our parish beautiful for Easter!

The Legion of Mary

Our Lady of Kibeho Praesidium of the Legion of Mary meets every **Monday at 6:00pm in the parish hall except for the last Monday of the month, when we meet at St. Monica's**. The Legion of Mary is a Marian group that seeks to bring Jesus and Mary to the world through acts of evangelization and spiritual outreach. This group collaborates with parishioners of St. Monica's, our sister parish.



Prayers Requested

Pray for Mary Weatherford, Grace Diaz, Sarah Eck, Jim Healy, Mary Healy, Rose Ann Jett, Jane Carey, Jerry Gumminger, Ken Blundell, Allan Schaff, Grace Weatherford, Joe Creedon, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Nolan Davidson, Jay Keen

A Note From The Editor

Announcements and changes for the bulletin must be submitted to the parish office in writing no later than Thursday by Noon. Please indicate which dates you would like the notice to run. Please mail the information to the office or email Brad at the office at bgeist@oloskc.org.

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The Knights of Columbus

Are you looking to make a difference in your community, grow in faith, and build lasting friendships? The Knights of Columbus are calling you! Please contact Arthur Kovach at (816) 574-0900 or arthurkovach@gmail.com for more information.



Email Prayer Chain

If you would like to request prayers, please email our prayer chain at AnnMarie@oloskc.org. If you would like to join the prayer chain to pray for these intentions, please send an email request to be added to the list.

Parish Bible Study

The next Bible study session is on Thursday, **May 1st at 7pm** and we normally meet monthly on the first Thursday of every month. We are studying the Gospel of John, known as the Spiritual Gospel due to its emphasis on Christ's divinity. Our next session explore Jesus' crucifixion, and John's unique additions to the narrative. Please email Brad at bgeist@oloskc.org for updates and details.



Social Outreach Ministry

The parish Social Outreach ministry will be taking monthly donations of perishable and non-perishable food, toiletries, hygiene products, diapers, and laundry items for donation to the food pantry at St. Monica's. **Our monthly collection of these items will take place on April 12 and 13**, and takes place on the second weekend of each month. You can leave your items in the back of the church. If you would like to help with the social outreach ministry, please contact Bill Capotosto at bcapotosto@gmail.com.