

APRIL 13, 2025 | PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION



THE PARISHES OF

ST. MARY

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Farmersville, IL 62533

ST. RAYMOND

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Raymond, IL 62560

ST. MAURICE

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End of Monday

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

5:00 pm St. Mary: Karl Jordan

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

8:00 am St. Raymond: The People of Our Parishes

10:00 am St. Maurice: Marge Brockamp

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

8:00 am St. Mary: Frank & Eleanor Baros

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

8:00 am St. Raymond: Sheila Masten

EASTER TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17

7:00 pm St. Raymond: Joe Martin

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18

- No morning Mass at St. Maurice -

12:00 pm St. Mary: Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm St. Raymond: Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm St. Maurice: Good Friday Service

EASTER VIGIL, SATURDAY, APRIL 19

- No 5:00 pm Mass at St. Mary -

8:00 pm St. Mary: Messe Dorothy

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20

8:00 am St. Raymond: The Tucker & Powley Families

8:00 am St. Mary: The People of Our Parishes
(Fr. Daniel McGrath Presiding at St. Mary)

10:00 am St. Maurice: Lester & Bernetta Curvey
and Kenneth Curvy II

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS

3:00-3:30 pm St. Maurice

4:00-4:30 pm St. Mary

SUNDAYS

7:00-7:30 am St. Raymond

ADORATION

ST. RAYMOND

8:30 am Wednesday - 8:00 am Thursday

Adoration will be held in the main church while our chapel is having repair work done

ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 9:00 pm Wednesday

FATHER'S COLUMN

Then the criminal said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Human life is like a great way of the cross. Even though we go to the chapel or church during Lent for this devotion and follow through the different stations, the Way of the Cross is everywhere. We travel it every day, even in spite of ourselves and without being aware of it.

In the liturgy of this Palm Sunday, we hear the Way of the Cross, the journey of Jesus's suffering and death. But the Way of the Cross is also something that we deeply embody in our everyday actions and interactions.

When we think of the crosses we encounter today, it is easy to name events of death and destruction where people die of disease, and famine, and lack of resources. We see the greed and hate present in the ways people talk to and treat each other, especially people with different ideologies, beliefs, or cultural backgrounds. We see systemic racism and xenophobia that is so commonplace in our lives that we might not even be aware of it.

But the cross is more than this; it is more than just death and destruction. The cross is life. We see examples of this life when people practice humility and kindness in solidarity with each other. We encounter this life in self-giving, like Jesus who gave of himself for others. This love is an essential and unavoidable part of the cross.

Do we recognize this self-giving in our midst? Are we willing to see examples of this self-giving love in those we encounter? In teachers, in doctors, in first responders? In the self-giving love of parents caring for their children and children caring for their parents? In those who listen and hear us when we need to talk? Do we practice this self-giving we see in Jesus's suffering, death, and resurrection? When we do, we realize that suffering and death never win. Life and love always prevail. That's the deepest meaning of Jesus' Passion and death.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

April 14: Sts. Tiburtius, Valerianus & Maximus, Martyrs

April 15: St. Abbondio

April 16: St. Benedict Joseph Labre

April 17: St. Simeon, Bishop and Martyr

April 18: St. Galdinus, Bishop

April 19: St. Leo IX, Pope

April 20: St. Agnes of Montepulciano, Virgin

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, April 12:
Patty Clarke
Mary Ann Rimini

Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 19:
Mary Jane Schmidt
& Patty Clarke

Easter Sunday, April 20:
Emily Martin
& Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, April 26:
John &
Mary Jo Brown

Saturday, May 3:
Mary Ann Rimini
& Emily Martin

LECTORS

Saturday, April 12:
Carol Hupp

Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 19:
Mary Jane Fuchs

Easter Sunday, April 20:
Tony Krager

Saturday, April 26:
Dan Martin

Saturday, May 3:
Kathy Rovey

ST. RAYMOND

APRIL

LECTOR Christine Meisner
CANTOR Chris Mizera
HOSPITALITY Joe Pope
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Larry Weitekamp
Dianne Hampton

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:
April 6: Hocking/Krager
April 13: Dick Lyons
April 20: Carl Marten
April 27: Noller/Morehouse

SERVERS:

Sun, April 6: Avery Pope
Freddie & Lucy Wagahoff

Sun, April 13: Dan Held

Holy Thursday, April 17:
TBD

Easter Sunday, April 20:
Avery & Luke Pope
Austin & Addy Nicol

Sun, April 27: Denny Held

ST. MAURICE

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

LECTOR Dale Brockamp

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Catherine O'Connell
Larry Goebel
Ed Goebel

USHERS Mark Langen
Dan & Linda Johnson

SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun
Rian Dearnorff

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18

TBD

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20

LECTOR Ed Goebel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Catherine O'Connell
John Bergschneider
Marietta Dunkirk

USHERS Mark Langen
Dan & Linda Johnson

SERVER
Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR APRIL 3/4

St. Mary: \$5,345

St. Raymond: \$9,675

St. Maurice: \$2,467

OUR PRAYER LIST

Martha Beeler, Thelma Goebel, Debbie Lucas, Drake Lucas, Mary Lou Langen, Trent Boston, Ron Painter, Carol Ann Harding, Martha Reed, Deanne Kirby, Heather Miller, Virginia Murphy, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Vickie Norris, Millie Olsen, Greg Weitekamp, Jim Weitekamp, Brant Weitekamp, Mike Sheedy

Remember to pray for our Pope, Bishop, Priests and seminarians, and for the increase of vocations to priesthood and religious life.

To add a name to the prayer list, please email Kateri at kmarten@stmm.org and specify how many weeks you'd like that name to appear for (1 week up to a maximum of 12 weeks). You're always welcome to re-add the name at the end of this period if the need for prayer is still present, but this will help keep the list focused and fresh.

St. Maurice Cemetery Decorations Notice

Please remove all ground decorations by April 13 in preparation for the mowing season. Thank You!

St. Raymond Food Pantry Service Project

Please bring your filled totes back to the church today, Sunday, April 13.

Study on The Gospel of Matthew

Each Tuesday with 2 options for location/time:
- 10:00 am in Farmersville at the Parish Rectory
- 6:30 pm in Raymond at the CCD Hall

Please note: our 2 locations are not in sync on sessions.

Family of Faith

Classes are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Fuller Street Building in Morrisonville starting at 6:00 pm

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

HOLY WEEK Q&A

Question: Why are images and statues covered during Holy Week?

Answer: It is generally thought that this practice traces back to parts of Germany where there arose a tradition of completely covering the altar with a cloth during the Lenten season. This cloth kept the altar hidden until Holy Week during the reading of the Gospel that states the curtain of the temple was rent in two. This covering served a practical purpose of letting everyone know that it was Lent but also was a symbolic image of communal penance, being separated from the table of the Lord. Over time the covering of more images became a common practice and eventually was reduced from the entire Lenten season to just the last week or two.

In modern times this practice survives during Holy Week as a stark reminder of the importance of the week and as a way to keep us focused solely on the Passion of the Lord during the final week of Lent. Without the Paschal Mystery, none of the images are possible nor do they have any meaning.

Training for St. Raymond Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Friday, April 25 at 6:00 pm in the CCD Hall

Movie Afternoon for Confirmandi & 1st Holy Communion Candidates

A block of 15 tickets has been pre-purchased for our youth to attend the movie *Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality* showing at the AMC 12 Theater in Springfield on Sunday, April 27 at 4:00 pm.

For more info, contact Mary Jane Fuchs 217-414-3140

New Film on Carlo Acutis in Theaters April 27-29

Discover the incredible life of soon-to-be Saint Carlo Acutis in *Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality*. This powerful new documentary film explores his life, legacy, and the impact of technology on young people today. Learn more at CarloAcutisFilm.com.

Meeting with Centennial Campaign Team for St. Mary & St. Maurice Parishes

Monday, April 28 at 4:00 pm
at the Fuller Street Building in Morrisonville

May Crowning at Our Lady of the Highways Shrine

Saturday, May 3 at 10:30 am
Bring a lawn chair and sack lunch

Springfield Deanery CCW Meeting

Saturday, May 3 at 10:00 am at St. Joseph Church Parish Center, 1345 N. 6th Street, Springfield.

Agenda includes: Sr. Mary Ellen Backes speaking on the Water For Women program, lunch (a \$5 donation is suggested), a business meeting, and tour of the Ronald McDonald House in Springfield.

All women are invited to attend! RSVP by April 27 to Diane Mounce 217-971-2350 (call or text)

St. Louis Catholic School Nokomis Registration Open

Registration is now open for the 2025-2026 school year for children Pre-k through 8th grades. Transportation is available for Hillsboro, Raymond and Morrisonville students! Interested individuals can contact the school for a registration packet by calling the school office at 217-563-7445 or emailing at school@slsk8.org.