



Our Mother Of Good Counsel

Very Rev. Grzegorz P. Podwysocki • Pastor

**“Blessed is He who comes in the name
of the LORD!”**

Mark 11:9



Palm Sunday

March 24th, 2024

Weekday Mass

Tues-Friday 8:00am

Weekend Mass

Saturday 4:00pm (English)

Sunday 7:30am (English)

Sunday 9:00am (Polish)

Sunday 10:30am (English)

Sunday 12:00pm (Polish)

Confession

Saturday 3:00-3:45pm

1st Friday 5:30-6:45pm

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Office Hours

Tues-Fri 9:00am-3:00pm

Faith Formation Hours

Tues & Thurs 9:00am-3:00pm

Wednesday 9:00am-4:30pm

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Tuesday March 26

- Buniak Family

Wednesday March 27

- Jozef Libuszowski

Thursday March 28

- † Patricia Sungaila

Saturday March 30 7:30pm

- All Living and Deceased Parishioners of Our Mother Of Good Counsel

Sunday March 31 5:30am

- † Jan Ludwina Budz
- † Władysław Czubiak

Sunday March 31 7:30am

- † Loretta Gargas

Sunday March 31 9:00am

- † Stanisław Takuski
- † Chmura Family

Sunday March 31 10:30am

- † Nicholas Wagner

Sunday March 31 12:00pm

- † Dla Boga wiadomej osoby
- † Mark Gubała 1 rocznica śmierci
- 60 urodziny dla Jana Gubała
- Krystyna Rejlich z okazji urodzin.

The Parish Office will be closed on:
Thursday March 28,
Friday March 29,
and Monday April 1



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL

If are planning to contribute to the Easter flowers and decorations, envelopes are due this weekend. Please remember to print clearly!

You may put the envelope in the collection basket or turn it in at the office.

This memorial will be in the bulletin the weekend after Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday).

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions



The lamps this week burn for...

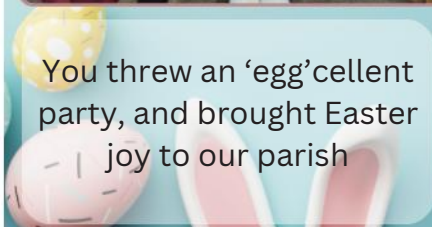
- † Helena Biziak
- † Dominik Biziak

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHONERS

The Szuba Family
 The Bukala Family
 The Sobolak Family



Thank you to our teen volunteers and the CCW lovely ladies in our CCW



You threw an 'egg'cellent party, and brought Easter joy to our parish



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday March 28

5:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper English
7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Polish
8:00pm Adoration at the Altar of Repose

Good Friday March 29

2:30pm Stations of the Cross English
3:00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord English
7:00pm Celebration of the Passion of the Lord Polish
8:00pm-11:00pm Adoration at the Tomb

Holy Saturday March 30

11:00am, 12:00pm, 1:00pm:
Basket Blessing Bilingual
7:30pm Easter Vigil Bilingual
9:00pm-10:00pm Adoration at the Tomb

Easter Sunday March 31

5:30am Resurrection Mass Polish
7:30am Mass English
9:00am Mass Polish
10:30am Mass English
12:00pm Mass Polish

ROZKŁAD MSZY ŚWIĘTYCH NA WIELKI TYDZIEŃ POSTU

Wielki Czwartek:

5:00pm Msza Święta po angielsku
7:00pm Msza Święta po polsku

Wielki Piątek:

2:30pm Droga Krzyżowa po angielsku
3:00pm Liturgia po angielsku
7:00pm Liturgia po polsku

Wielka Sobota Wigilia Paschalna:

Poświęcenie pokarmów o godzinie
11:00am, 12:00pm, 1:00pm:
7:30pm Dwujęzyczna Msza Wigilijna

Niedziela Wielkanocna:

5:30am Msza Święta Rezurekcyjna
7:30am Msza Święta po angielsku
9:00am Msza Święta po polsku
10:30am Msza Święta po angielsku
12:00pm Msza Święta po polsku



Pick up schedule for Divine Mercy Signs

If you ordered a Divine Mercy sign, pick-up will be in the Narthex on Holy Saturday (March 30) during Blessing of the Baskets from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Payment must be received at pick-up. We accept payment by cash or check

Jeżeli ktoś zamówił obraz Boskiego Miłosierdzia, będzie można go odebrać z tyłu kościoła w Wielką Sobotę (30 Marca) podczas święcenia pokarmów. Płatność za obraz należy dokonać gotówką lub czekiem.

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD BLESS



**Adrian Hyc who was
recently Baptized into our faith**



St. Joseph's Corner

On this last Sunday of Lent, we celebrate Palm Sunday, a time of joy and solemn reflection. Our Lord's Passion begins with His triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

In the biblical narrative, we witness Jesus's humble procession through the city, as he is greeted by crowds laying palm branches before him and proclaiming "Hosanna"—in Hebrew, a cry for divine help, or literally "Save." Hosanna, from Hebrew through Greek and Latin before finally being translated into English, became an exclamation of praise.

In welcoming Jesus with this cry, the crowd acknowledged Jesus as the embodiment of God's saving presence among them. He wasn't a political figure or military leader; He was the incarnate Son of God, the Savior whose mission transcended earthly kingdoms and temporal concerns.

Yet, amidst the grandeur surrounding Jesus as he walked through the gates of the holy city lies a profound lesson in humility, service, and selflessness. This lesson may have easily gone unnoticed amongst the fanfare, but it becomes undeniably clear upon careful reflection.

While we should always try to follow Jesus' example in our own lives, we know that we will always fall short. Still, we are called to walk the path of humility, service, and selflessness. For inspiration and encouragement, our Lord gives us none other than his earthly father, St. Joseph.

While St. Joseph's story takes a backseat to Jesus's ministry, his pivotal role as Guardian of the Redeemer cannot be overstated. As Catholic fathers and husbands, we are called to emulate St. Joseph's virtues of faith, obedience, and steadfast love within our own families.

Our Call as Husbands and Fathers

As Husbands and Fathers, we should draw inspiration from the exemplary life of St. Joseph and renew our commitment to our role as head of the domestic Church—the spiritual leaders and guardians of our families—where Christ's presence is felt every day.

We must commit ourselves to prayer and pray for God's guidance and strength to fulfill our vocations. Let us strive to be faithful stewards of our families and to foster an environment where faith flourishes, virtues are cultivated, and love abounds.

As we begin our journey through Holy Week, let us walk in the footsteps of St. Joseph with courage, humility, and unwavering love. Pray that the Holy Spirit may make us a beacon of Christ's light to guide our families and communities and a source of Christ's strength to uplift and empower those in need so that together, we may bear witness to the transformative power of God's love in the world.

-Sebastian Abbinanti

FAITH FORMATION

For further information on any of the items below, or on the Religious Education program, please contact Janet Litterio in the Faith Formation Office at 708-301-0214. FAX #: 708-301-6356.

Visit our parish website omgccc.org for the RE schedule and other Faith Formation information throughout the year.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

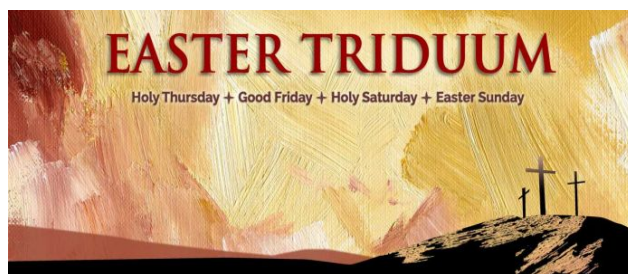
*****March 27-Reconciliation Gr 3-7 CHURCH*****

Grades 1 and 2 are off.

April 3—CLASS

April 10—CLASS

April 17—Last Class



Here are some ideas to incorporate the Triduum and the Easter season into our Domestic Churches.
Thanks to Joyce Donahue for sharing her ideas.

Make the Triduum a priority. Be present in the liturgical celebrations of the Triduum, from sundown on Holy Thursday until sundown on Easter Sunday. Holy Week is the most important time in the life of our faith as we accompany Jesus through his Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Fast from those things that distract you from being present to Jesus.

Make Holy Thursday special. Whether you can be in church or not on Holy Thursday night, try a family foot-washing ceremony followed by a quiet meal, perhaps beginning with breaking and sharing bread.

Experience the Passion. Wear red on Good Friday in solidarity with the suffering of Jesus. If you are unable to attend a Passion service, pray the Stations of the Cross or meditate on artwork or music that represents the suffering and Death of Jesus on the Cross.

Make the Easter Vigil a priority. Holy Saturday is a day of preparation for the Easter feast. We have the traditional blessing of Easter baskets, be sure to have your baskets ready that morning. Cook, clean, and prepare your Easter dinner as much as possible on Saturday so that on Easter Sunday you can concentrate on Jesus more and worry less about preparations. At sundown, the most wonderful liturgy of the year begins with the blessing and lighting of the paschal candle. Experience the story of Salvation, and the celebration of the Resurrection. If you are unable to be at church that night, light a candle and read as the story of the Resurrection shift from sorrow to joy. On Easter morning, we begin a new day, leaving Lenten sorrow and drabness behind. Put on those new clothes, reminiscent of your new life in Christ at Baptism.

Fill your house with music, light, and flowers, and let the feasting begin! This is when we claim our identity as an Easter people. As Missionary Disciples, we must make time for him in his Word and the Eucharist.

HOW THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION IS USED



What is the Pontifical Good Friday Collection?

**It supports the people of the Holy Land
and the pilgrims that visit.**

At the request of the Holy Father, the Franciscans of the Holy Land promote the Pontifical Good Friday Collection in the United States and other parts of the world. Funds are distributed at the direction of the Vatican's Congregation for the Oriental Churches. A portion of the funds are directly allocated to the educational and ecclesial projects in the Middle East. The rest of the funds collected in the United States and a number of other countries support the ministries and programs entrusted by the Holy See to the Holy Land Franciscans. The Franciscans have served in the Holy Land for 800 years.

**The Pontifical Good Friday Collection
provides, Humanitarian, Liturgical,
Pastoral, Archaeological, Charitable,
Educational services, as well as care for
the Holy Places.**

Serving those in need in the Holy Land

- **250** friars **11** countries
- **65** sanctuaries and **23** parishes
- **6** guest houses for pilgrims
- **30** youth served by Bethlehem Boys' Home
- **63** apartments restored for families in need
- **1,020** employees in Israel and Palestine
- **17** schools with more than **10,000** students
- **509** university scholarships
- **56** Friars preparing for the priesthood
- **700** refugees aided on the island of Rhodes
- **8,000+** Syrian families aided
- **650+** families in Lebanon assisted
- Construction of a Catholic school in Cana

Help us continue to serve!

Commissariat of the Holy Land
1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC 20017
www.MyFranciscan.org/good-Friday

Ministry Schedule

	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Sacristan	Usher
Holy Thursday March 28 5:00pm	Lisa Lorek Mary Ann Mesich Dawn Nolan	Jennifer Galka Phil Gosewisch	Patti Mulligan	Andy Smigielski Jim Mulligan Phil Gosewisch
Holy Thursday March 28 7:00pm	Ryszard Kloc Józef Staszczka Bernice Szaflarski	Agnieszka Witek	Andrzej Kas	Artur Leja Andrzej Kas Wieslaw Mos Eugeniusz Blachut
Good Friday March 29 3:00pm	Lisa Lorek Monica Shaub	Patti Mulligan Bill Shaub	Arlene Fassola	Andy Smigielski Tony Angelo
Good Friday March 29 7:00pm	Ewelina Szafran Jasia Para Katarzyna Karpiuk	Grażyna Staszczel	Artur Leja	Czesław Bisaga Edward Matoniak Witek Szaflarski
Easter Vigil March 30 7:30pm	Ed Wereldsma Józef Staszczka Bernice Szaflarski Jasia Para	Art Smigielski Agnieszka Witek Józef Staszczka Kazimierz Wilk	Patti Mulligan Andrzej Kas	Andy Smigielski Ken Marcin John Swiniarski Jim Mulligan
Resurrection Mass March 31 5:30am	Ewelina Szafran Józef Staszczka	Józef Staszczka, Marian Gal	Artur Leja	Artur Leja
Easter Sunday March 31 7:30am	Mary Ann Mesich Patti Mulligan Mike Gatto	Darcy Trudelle Bill Shaub	Patti Mulligan	Jim Mulligan Tony Angelo
Easter Sunday March 31 9:00am	Ryszard Kloc Jasia Para	Grażyna Staszczel	Bożena Bisaga	Czesław Bisaga Witek Szaflarski Edward Matoniak Sławomir Budz
Easter Sunday March 31 10:30am	Timothy Finlon Denise Holub Melissa Dopke	Jennifer Galka	Dawn Nolan	Phillip Gosewisch
Easter Sunday March 31 12:00pm	Katarzyna Karpiuk Bernice Szaflarski	Wiola Gołąb Barbara Miskowicz	Andrzej Kas	Andrzej Kas Artur Leja Wiesław Mos Eugeniusz Blachut



**Sunday
April**

7

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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Make sure to eat a healthy
meal and drink plenty of
water before donating.

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DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!



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Rev. Maciej Stelmach

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Sacraments

Baptism

Catholic parties should be members of Our Mother of Good Counsel Parish. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Marriage

Catholic parties should be members of Our Mother of Good Counsel Parish. They should contact the Parish Office at least six months before the wedding to allow time for preparation.

Funerals

Call the Parish office to schedule an appointment to make preparations for the Mass.

Eucharist for homebound

If you or a member of your family is unable to attend Mass please contact the Parish Office for the Sacraments of the Eucharist.

For Anointing of the Sick, Hospital Visits

Please contact the office. Please do not wait until prognosis is imminent.

Religious Education

Grades 1-8 (Call Faith Formation Office)
Classes meet Wednesday, 6-7:30 PM-September through March.

Newcomers

Welcome to our Parish! Please contact the Parish Office to register or visit our website omgccc.org

Vocations for Religious Life

Considering Religious Life? For more information about vocations for the Religious Life, please visit vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org

Prayer Request Line

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