

*A Place to Share God's Word, Faith, Family Life & Fellowship*  
St. Peter Claver St. Pius V Catholic Church – “One in the Spirit”



# Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

April 2, 2023

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:30 a.m.

## DAILY MASSES

Mondays 8:00 a.m.  
Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.  
Thursdays 8:00 a.m.  
Fridays 8:00 a.m.

## HOLY DAYS

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### Religious Education

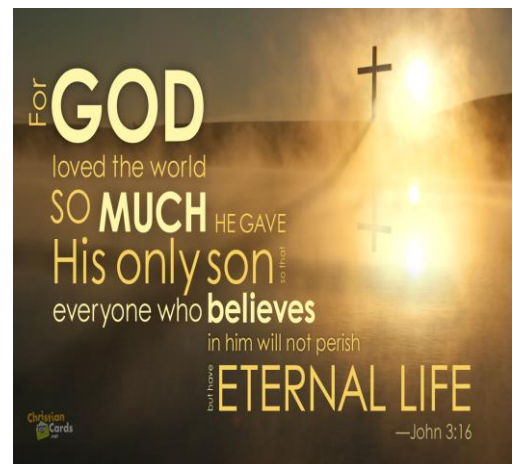
Elementary & First Communion  
Sundays: Immediately following Mass

High School & Confirmation  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays – 11:00 a.m.

RCIA – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays – 7 p.m.  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays – 11 a.m.

### Baptism & Marriage Preparation

By Appointment



*Thank You!*

*Our church door is always open to everyone. Thank you for attending, and we hope to see you again soon!*

*"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."*

**Mark 11:24**

## ***PASTOR'S CORNER***

“Two big consequences/repercussions/misfortunes that an educated individual who rejects/avoids/detests truth/objectivity suffers/experiences are intellectual temperament and intellectual cardiac arrest!! Such a person goes to war with himself/herself; and the result is an endless psychological torture!! It's a matter of integrity and an act of class to acknowledge truth/objectivity, even when it threatens or challenges one's comfort!!”

## **Upcoming Events/Meetings**

**April 6** – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

**April 8** – Harper's Helpers

**April 12** – RCIA

**April 13** – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

**April 15** – Pastoral Council Meeting/Health & Wellness Meeting

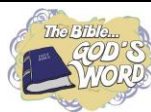
**April 16**– Elementary RE Class/Ladies Auxiliary#219 Meeting/RCIA

**April 19** – Emergency Food Distribution

**April 20** – Health & Wellness Exercise Class

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## **Weekly Readings**



**Sunday:** Mathew 21:1-11/ Isaiah 50:4-7/Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/ Philippians 2:6-11/  
Matthew 26:14—27:66

**Monday:** Isaiah 42:1-7/Psalm 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/ John 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Isaiah 49:1-6/Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/John 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Isaiah 50:4-9a/ Psalm 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/ Matthew 26:14-25

**Thursday:** Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14/ Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18/ 1 Corinthians 11:23-26/  
John 13:1-15

**Friday:** Isaiah 52:13—53:12/ Psalm 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25/ Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9/  
John 18:1—19:42

**Saturday:** Genesis 1:1—2:2/ Psalm 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35/ Exodus 14:15—15:1/  
Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18/

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### **March 25 & 26**

Total Attendance – 124

Total Collections –\$4,402

Year to date collections -\$68,205.37



The week leading up to Easter Sunday is known as Holy Week, and it starts on Palm Sunday. The final day is Holy Saturday. Easter is the start of the Easter season in the liturgical year, not a part of Holy Week.

**Palm Sunday** - On this day, we commemorate the triumphal entry of Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, on a donkey into Jerusalem. On that day, the people presented Jesus with palms, an act usually reserved for victorious leaders. At Mass, we commemorate this by giving out palms to the faithful, who may keep them for a while to use as devotional items. During the Liturgy, the palms are blessed. Some of the faithful may carve crosses out of palm frond pieces. These palms eventually make their way back to the church to be burned. Historically, their ashes are kept and distributed at the Ash Wednesday rituals the following year.

**Holy Thursday** - Every Mass commemorates the Last Supper, but Holy Thursday is especially significant. Jesus climbed the Mount of Olives to pray after dinner. The Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration practice, in which we are invited to spend an hour in prayer with Jesus who is genuinely present in the Eucharist as His Body, Blood, and Divinity, is inspired by this event. It was Holy Thursday night when Jesus was taken into custody.

**Good Friday** - We remember Our Lord's trial, punishment, and crucifixion. Jesus was hauled before Annas that morning, who accused him of blasphemy. Jesus was then brought before Pilate for a trial. Despite the fact that Pilate discovered no evidence of Jesus' guilt, he consented to have him crucified in order to calm the mob and stop a riot. The Tabernacle is left vacant in our churches as a sign that Christ has gone.

**Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil** - Even though it is observed on Holy Saturday evening, Easter officially begins with the dramatic Easter vigil service. Attending this lovely service ought to be a priority for all Catholics. There are four sections to the vigil: Service of Light; Liturgy of the Word; Liturgy of Baptism; and, Liturgy of the Eucharist.

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**First Communicants** – Please pray for Jean Marie Dasso and Dylan Washington as they prepare for First Communion on May 21.

## OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

**Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries.** Our Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries is an opportunity to thank our Savior for His great sacrifice on Calvary through small acts of love. Join us in creating a welcoming home for His merciful heart and for those who need His grace and mercy through the ministries supported by the Annual Appeal.

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**Chrism Mass 2023** will be held on April 3 at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen at 7:30 pm. If you have questions about registration, please reach out to [Kathi.Schissler@archbalt.org](mailto:Kathi.Schissler@archbalt.org).

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**Harper's Helpers** will serve the Sandtown-Winchester Community again on Saturday, April 8th, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. The menu is sandwiches, snacks and a drink. If you'd like to volunteer and/or make a donation, please use the link on the church's website.

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**Free Concert Series** at the Immaculate Heart of Mary, 8501 Loch Raven Boulevard, will feature the U.S. Army Field Band Soldiers Chorus on April 16 at 4 p.m. in the Church.

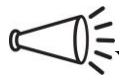
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**Prison Ministry Volunteers Needed** - Correctional facilities in our area are looking to resume prison ministry programs and are in search of new volunteers. All necessary training is provided. For more information please contact Deacon Seigfried Presberry for more information: 410-547-5575 or [spresberry@archbalt.org](mailto:spresberry@archbalt.org).

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**SuperKids Camp** is Parks & People's FREE six week academic summer camp for Baltimore City rising 1st-5th graders. Monday - Thursday from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; June 26th-August 4th, closed July 3rd & 4th. Breakfast, lunch, and transportation are included! To register visit: [parksandpeople.org/programs/superkids-camp](http://parksandpeople.org/programs/superkids-camp)

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You have three (3) ways to submit bulletin items/church announcements: email to [saintpeterpius@gmail.com](mailto:saintpeterpius@gmail.com); contact form on the church's website; or text to (443)527-5478. All announcements must be received no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

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