

lent & holy week

calendar

Confession Schedule Lent and Holy Week



The complete schedule of confessions is found in the calendar to the right. →

All Parishioners are kindly requested to please plan confessions as early as possible in the season of Lent in order to avoid overwhelming last-minute crowds.

Please note: There are no confessions during Masses in the church. Also, there will be NO confessions after 2pm on Good Friday, nor on Holy Saturday.

STATIONS of the CROSS in English are prayed on Fridays of Lent at 7pm.

Horario para Confesiones durante Cuaresma y Semana Santa



Puede encontrar el horario completo de confesiones en el calendario a la derecha. →

Favor de planificar sus confesiones lo más pronto posible para evitar dificultades a última hora.

Recuerde, que NO habrá confesiones después de 2pm el Viernes Santo, NI en Sábado Santo.

Tendremos **EL VIA CRUCIS** en español cada viernes durante la cuaresma a las 7:30pm (Primero Viernes, 10 de marzo, a las 7:30pm)

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
March		1	2 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 7:30pm	3	4	5 8:00am - 8:30am & 3:30pm - 4:30pm
2nd SUN						
6 3rd SUN	7	8	9 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 7:30pm	10	11	12 8:00am - 8:30am & 3:30pm - 4:30pm
13 4th SUN	14	15	16 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 7:30pm	17	18	19 8:00am - 8:30am & 3:30pm - 4:30pm
20	21	22	23 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 7:30pm	24	25	26 8:00am - 8:30am & 3:30pm - 4:30pm
27 5th SUN	28	29	30 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 7:30pm	31	April 1	2 8:00am - 8:30am & 3:30pm - 4:30pm
3	4 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 7pm	5	6 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 7pm	7	8 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 7pm	9 8:00am - 8:30am & 3:30pm - 4:30pm
10 PALM SUNDAY	11 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 8:30pm	12 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 8:30pm	13 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 8:30pm	14 HOLY THURS	15 GOOD FRIDAY	16
17 EASTER SUNDAY	18	19	20 11:30am - 12pm & 6:30pm - 8:30pm	21	22	23

The discipline of the Church includes abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent (solid purple days) and fasting from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting includes one regular meal, and the other two small meals are not to exceed a regular meal in quantity, with nothing between meals.



Holy Thursday

APRIL 14
(No 6:30am or 9am Masses)

8AM - St. Mary Church
Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)

7:30PM - St. Mary Church
Mass of the Lord's Supper

The concelebrated Mass of the Lord's Supper commemorates the institution of the Eucharist and the Priesthood by Jesus at the Last Supper. The commandment of love is symbolized by the Mandatum, or footwashing, where Jesus teaches, "As I have done, so must you also do." Parishioners are encouraged to join in the ancient procession of the Blessed Sacrament to Saint Mary Church, where adoration will continue until midnight as we accompany Jesus in his agony in the Garden of Gethsemane.

Following Mass
Adoration in the Parish Life Center
Followed by Night Prayer beginning at 11:45pm. (Liturgy of the Hours)

Good Friday

APRIL 15
(No 6:30 or 9am Masses)

8AM - St. Mary Church
Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)

12 - 3PM - St. Mary Church
Confessions

12 - 3PM - St. Mary Church
"Tre Ore," The Seven Last Words

Although not a part of the formal observance of the Sacred Triduum Rites as such, this is a traditional custom of many churches. The seven last words of Jesus as he is crucified on the cross are presented every 25 minutes, each with a congregational hymn and choral selections. Clergy will give a reflection for each of the words of Jesus and the Three Hours will conclude with the public praying of the Stations of the Cross.

3PM - St. Mary Church
The Passion and Veneration of the Holy Cross (English)

We assemble in observance of Christ's saving death, by reading the narrative of his Passion, praying for the Universal Church, venerating his Cross in this ancient Rite and receiving Holy Communion which was consecrated on the previous evening at the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

The Good Friday collection assists the maintenance of the Shrines in the Holy Land.

7:00PM - St. Mary Church
Stations of the Cross

7:30PM - St. Mary Church
El Via Crucis (En Español)

10PM - St. Mary Church
Night Prayer

Holy Saturday

APRIL 16
(No 9am, 5pm or 7pm Masses or Confessions)

8AM - St. Mary Church
Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours)

11AM - St. Mary Church
The Blessing of Easter Food

For those who practice the beautiful Eastern European custom of having Easter foods blessed, please place baskets of traditional foods on the steps along the front of the altar.

8:30PM - St. Mary Church
The Easter Vigil

What Sunday is to the week, Easter Sunday is to the year. This holiest of nights we celebrate the victory over death and promise of eternal life given to us by Jesus Christ in his resurrection from the dead. The Liturgy includes the Service of Light, the Vigil of Readings and Psalms, the Celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation for those who have prepared all year for initiation in the Catholic Church, and Liturgy of the Eucharist. Please note the unusual time that we begin: it marks the end of twilight and the beginning of the Solemnity of Easter Sunday.

Easter Sunday

APRIL 17
8AM, 10:15AM, 12:30PM (BILINGUAL)

The Resurrection of the Lord

ALL Easter Masses will be celebrated at the Fredericksburg Expo Center

Please note: there will be NO 2pm nor 5pm or 7pm Mass on Easter Sunday!

Masses will not be held at the church or at Holy Cross Academy on Easter Sunday