

March 25, 2018 | Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

St. Mary

CATHOLIC CHURCH



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

DAILY MASSES

Monday 8:00 am
Tuesday 12:10 pm
Wednesday 8:00 am
Thursday 9:30 am @CC

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Or by appointment

ADORATION

Monday 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Friday 7:00 am - Noon

Welcome to St. Mary!

If you are new to our community and not yet registered, we invite you to call or stop by the Parish Office. Forms can be found on our website: www.solonstmary.org

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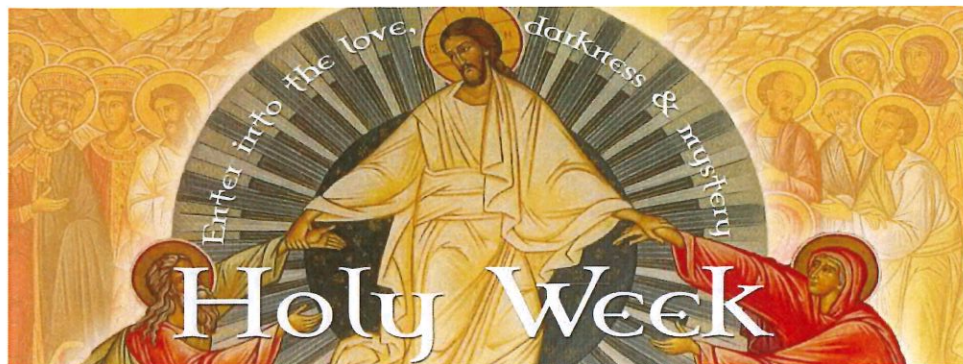
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Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 1:00 pm



Good Friday March 30 3:00pm Service

"Jesus, like a servant, washes the feet of his disciples. If we approach Holy Communion without being sincerely ready to wash the feet of one another, we don't recognize the Body of the Lord. It is the service, Jesus gives himself entirely."
Pope Francis



Holy Thursday March 29 7:00pm Mass Adoration until 10pm

"Adoring the Cross, looking to Jesus, let us think of love and service. May we offer our lives as a gift of love to our brothers and sisters, in the imitation of Jesus. No one knows when our lives will end, but we ask for the grace to say: 'Father, I did what you asked. It is finished.'"



Easter Vigil March 31 8:30pm Mass

"At times the dark of night seems to penetrate the soul; the heart no longer finds the strength to love. Behold the Easter Mystery! On this holy night the Church gives us the light of the Risen One, a flash breaks through the darkness and announces a new start."
Pope Francis

Easter Sunday Masses, April 1st: 8:30am & 10:30am

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Gospel Meditation

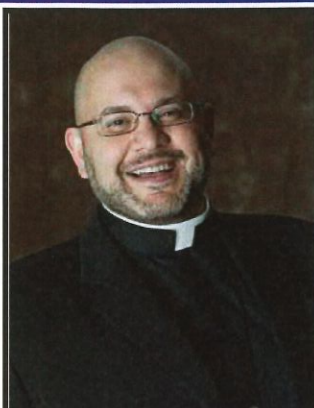


Our humanity bleeds through today's Gospel passages in more ways than one. We see both elation and fall, hope in the midst of the darker sides of our natures. **If we allow it, these Gospels hold a mirror to our own fickle hearts. The crowds cry "Hosanna" and the Apostles profess allegiance unto death. In a manner of days - even hours - Jesus is betrayed, abandoned, denied, condemned, tortured, and executed. As God, he could have stopped this horrific narrative from unfolding, but he doesn't. He allows free will to play itself out.**

There are nearly two millennia between this spectacle and us. **We can stand safely removed, if we choose. But Lent invites us to return to this story. Lent invites us to find ourselves in the people we encounter there.** Are we the repentant woman at Bethany? Are we naysayers of such lavish piety? Have we acted in a way that betrays those we love or denies what we know to be good and true? Have we fallen asleep in our faith? Have we unfairly accused others of a crime or immorality we imagine, though perhaps they didn't commit? Do we help others carry their burdens? Do we stand in solidarity with those who suffer? Do we care for the dying?

This week, take up today's Gospel again. Look carefully at the Passion narrative and sit with it in silence. **Find yourself in the story and ponder its meaning for your own life. Journey with Jesus to the foot of the Cross so that you too may say, along with the faithful centurion, "truly this man was the Son of God!"**

Lenten Parish Mission - Fr. Carlos Martins

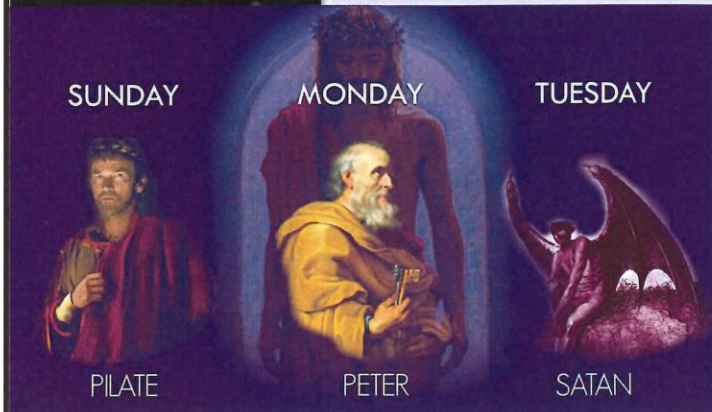


Fr. Carlos Martins, who brought the Treasures of the Church—Relic Tour to St. Mary in Solon will present a

Lenten Parish Mission

St. Patrick, Cedar Rapids
7pm Sun, Mon, Tues
March 25-26-27

Jesus Conversations With:



Helping Hands



Helping Hands assists with Bingo at the Solon Nursing Care Center the 1st Thursday of each month. The chair for the month of April is Joan Burnhardt. She will need approximately three helpers. If you would like to assist with Bingo on April 5, please contact Joan at 624-3527. Thank you!

Catholic Messenger

Cost of The Catholic Messenger is \$29 per year for 50 issues—print or E-edition. Your subscriptions help offset the cost to St. Mary which is \$9,450.00 for 2018. As of 03/19/18, \$3,316.00 in subscriptions have been purchased. Thanks for your generous support!!

Baptism Classes



Parents having a child baptized at St. Mary's for the first time are asked to attend all 3 sessions of our Baptism Classes.

Spring : April 10, April 24, & May 8
Classes are from 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Please register the Friday before the first session.

Area Reconciliation Schedule



When is the last time Jesus set you free in this great sacrament of mercy?

Sunday, March 25	St. Patrick	2:00 pm
Monday, March 26	St. Mary, Solon	7:00 pm
Monday, March 26	St. Thomas More	7:00 pm
Tuesday, March 27	St. Wenceslaus	7:00 pm

Steubenville Conference



Marriage on Tap

Saturday, April 14th 6-8:30 pm



Marriage on Tap is a monthly date night. **ALL** married couples are invited to attend (newly married, those with children any age and empty nesters) and lap babies are welcome. Childcare will be provided.

Our children are growing up in a digital world. Technology is part of their lives. 73% of children are exposed to pornography before age 18. This informational meeting will provide guidance for parents to equip themselves for ongoing conversations about pornography with their children. This month, Dcn. Phil & Julie Paladino will present *Internet Images: Protecting Your Children from Pornography*.

Dinner will be potluck. Please, note what you will share when you RSVP (entrée, side dish or dessert). Feel free to bring your own beverages if you prefer something other than water or lemonade. Please register online at www.solonstmary.org by Friday, April 13th. Questions? Email: Lindsey@solonstmary.org.

Weekly Collections

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March 17-18, 2018

Offertory	\$5,729.80
Catholic Messenger	\$ 60.00
Catholic Relief	\$ 25.00
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Building Fund	\$ 80.00
Easter Flowers	\$1,049.09

Money Counters:

03/26 - Cheryl, Linda M., Margaret, Kathy
04/02 - Donna, Kay, Rosemary, Margaret

Thank you for your continued support of St. Mary!

How Our Parish Prays



Ben, Terry, Rose, Michelle, Will and Joe McAtee

After a recent Saturday archery meet in Davenport, Michelle was on her phone looking for a nearby Mass when Terry suggested they go to the Sacred Heart Cathedral. The whole family, clad in orange, attended Mass together, as they do every weekend. Despite the parent's work schedules including weekends and the activity schedules of four children, attending Mass as a family is a priority, the most important part of their week.

Eating dinner together as a family is also important, even if it is at 8:00pm after practices and chores. With the meal blessing, a prayer rock is passed around as they each share thankfulness or prayers for those in need. Sometimes it stalls on the youngest, Will, as he gives thanks for each of the livestock. It has circled their table hundreds of times. Each room has a crucifix hanging over the doorway, reminding them of God's presence.

Michelle shared that the faith practices taking place in her and her siblings families, were passed on to them by parents and grandparents. Each Sunday they went to the 7:00am Mass, followed by breakfast and chores together. When staying overnight with 90 year old grandma Eileen, they both got down on their knees for evening prayer. She remembers walking past her parent's bedroom around midnight, after her dad finished second shift, and seeing him on his knees praying by his bedside. When she reminds her kids to say a quick prayer thanking God before going to sleep, they remind her that Grandpa Daryl says it doesn't count unless you are on your knees.

On the night St. Mary's hosted the Tour of the Relics – their family had a busy evening along with a lot of homework, yet they came. Michelle shared the saints really came alive to her kids. It was a peaceful and moving experience to be among the 100+ saints, a connection which continues to grow since that evening. Several months earlier, Michelle shared with us how her dad took some of her family to the tour when in Cedar Rapids. This prompted our parish to invite them to Solon. And somehow we were bumped to the top of a four year wait list.

Pope Francis often speaks of the ripple effect the faith of parents and grandparents has throughout generations – for the good or for the bad. As he did in this tweet: *"How important grandparents are for family life, for passing on the human and religious heritage so essential for each and every society!"* Thank you Grandma Eileen.

Parish Information

Baptism: Parents having a child baptized at St. Mary's for the first time are asked to attend all 3 sessions of our Baptism Class. Call the parish office to register for classes and to schedule a Baptism 624-2228. No Baptisms are scheduled during Lent.

Marriage: Preparations must be made at least 6 months in advance of the marriage date. No Weddings are scheduled during Lent.

Homebound Communion: Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Holy Communion to the sick and elderly of the parish. Call the parish office if you would like Communion brought to your home.

Holy Anointing: Do not hesitate to call the parish office in case of serious illness/injury.

Prayer Line: If you want to be part of the prayer line or need prayers, please call the parish office or email solonstmary@diodav.org

Mom's Book Club/Play Group: Meets every other Wed. Contact Lindsey if interested at Lindsey@solonstmary.org

Meals for Moms - Expecting a new arrival?: Please call the parish office when your baby arrives, so we can arrange for meals to be delivered.

St. Mary Cemetery: Parishioners and family members seeking information about burial plots can call Mark Haight at 319-521-2544.

Parish Hall Rental / Event Scheduling: Please call JoEllen Ritchie, Hall Manager, at 319-624-2407 or email joellen@solonstmary.org to schedule your event.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Saturday, March 31, 8:30 p.m. Mass

Cantor / Musician	K. Uhlenkamp / S. Olsem
Servers	I. Jedlicka, M. Rehnke, E. Suchomel
Lectors	W. Ahern-1, M. Harney-2
Eucharistic Ministers	S. Ahern, A. & K. Haluska
Greeters	R. Kasperek, N. Springer
Ushers	D. Barta, N. Erusha, D. Harney
Sacristan	D. Thompson

Sunday, April 1, 8:30 a.m. Mass

Cantor / Musician	Oceans & SMC / C. Brock
Servers	R. Helle, G. Helle, A. Thole
Lectors	J. Wilkinson-1, L. Hugeback-2
Eucharistic Ministers	M. Mahoney, V. Schnor, J. Shulista
Greeters	J. Koehn, C. Zangerle
Ushers	F. Klima, A. Mahoney, J. Shulista
Sacristan	S. Schnor
HBC	Chuck, Nancy

Sunday, April 1, 10:30 a.m. Mass

Cantor/Musician	Oceans & SMC / C. Brock
Servers	D. Bruck, P.J. Carey, C. Miller
Lectors	K. Light-McGroary-1, L. Carey-2
Eucharistic Ministers	D. Bruck, M. Klouda, T. Mitchell
Greeters	C. Bruck, M. Pattison
Ushers	K. Miller, S. O'Neill, K. Stahle
Sacristan	T. Brown

Mass Intentions

Mon.	26	8:00 am	Thomas Nicknish
Tues.	27	12:10 pm	James Yakish
Wed.	28	8:00 am	Helen Reinsch
Thurs.	29	9:30 am	No Mass @CC
Thurs.	29	7:00 pm	Don Sheedy
Fri.	30	7:00 am	No Word & Adoration
Fri.	30	3:00 pm	Passion of the Lord's Service
Sat.	31	8:30 pm	Lois Lawrence
Sun.	01	8:30 am	Loretta Miller
Sun	01	10:30 am	Vernon Smith

Parish Calendar

Monday, March 26

8:00 am Mass
8:45 am LIFT - Senior Exercise
5:30 pm Helping Hands
6:00 pm to 10:00 pm Adoration
6:30 pm Parish Council
7:00 pm Following the Call of Christ Study
7:00 pm Confessions



Tuesday, March 27

12:10 pm Mass - potluck lunch to follow
6:30 pm RCIA

Wednesday, March 28

8:00 am Mass
8:45 am LIFT - Senior Exercise Group
6:30 pm Youth
6:30 pm Adult Bible Study

Thursday, March 29 - Holy Thursday

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper,
Adoration until 10:00 pm

Friday, March 30 - Good Friday

2:30 pm Stations of the Cross
3:00 pm Passion of the Lord's Service

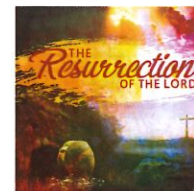


Saturday, March 31 - Holy Saturday

6:30 am Fishers of Men
8:30 pm Mass - Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 1 - Easter Sunday

7:00 am Fishers of Men
8:30 am Mass - Easter
10:30 am Mass - Easter



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