# St. John Vianney Church

March 24, 2024
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



Catholic Diocese of Peoria

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Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM Wednesday 5:00 PM-(during Lent)

Reconciliation: Sunday 7:30 AM to 7:50 AM

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Date	Mass Intentions	Given By
Mar 24 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Mass for the People (Missa Pro Populo)	
Mar 27 5:00 PM Note time change	For: Joan Dobbels	By: Carol Dobbels
Mar 31 8:00 AM Easter Sunday	For: Fred DeSplinter	By Theresa DeSplinter
Apr 03 5:30 PM Note time change	For: Reggie & Barb Dunbar	By: Dave & Chris DeKezel

# Serving at Our Lord's Altar

# Lay Ministry Schedule for March 24 - April 3, 2024

Sunday March 24 8:00 AM Extra Min: Don & Sharon Hulin

Lector: Bill Taylor

Servers: Jack Gibson & Suzy Mings

Wednesday March 27 5:00 PM Note time change during Lent

**Lector & Server Volunteers** 

Sunday March 31 8:00 AM Easter Sunday

Extra Min: Bill Taylor & Christian Jackson

Lector: Brian Dwyer

Servers: Sully Jackson & Cameron Stiles

Wednesday April 03 Time resumes to 5:30 PM

**Lector & Server Volunteers** 

**USHERS** 

March: Randy Borkgren & Christian Jackson April: George Bowman & Mark Skelton

**COUNTERS** 

March: Joe Borkgren & Ron Koenigs April: Brian Boberg & Carol Dobbels

Other Weekday Masses:

Woodhull: 8:00 AM Tuesday & Thursday Galva: 8:00 AM Wednesday

For Prayer Chain requests contact:

Terri Borkgren: 309-945-2628 or Julie Dwyer: 309-507-1627

#### **Dates to Remember:**

Apr 07: Confirmation at Cathedral in Peoria

Apr 21: Ladies Luncheon at noon

Apr 28: Breakfast after Mass- Honorees

**On Wednesday, March 27th** there will be a 5 PM Mass here, followed by a potluck. There will not be Stations of the Cross.

**Holy Week & Easter Schedule** 

March 28th Holy Thursday Mass 5:30 PM Woodhull 7 PM Kewanee March 29th Good Friday 3:00 PM Kewanee 5:00 PM Galva March 30th Holy Saturday 8:00 PM Kewanee



March 31st Easter Sunday Mass 8:00 AM Cambridge 9:00 AM Kewanee 10:00 AM Galva 10:00 AM Woodhull 11AM Kewanee (Spanish)



#### ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Before going into the hospital, please call Fr. Ghislain at 309-852-4549. If you are

admitted to the hospital or nursing home prior to Fr. Ghislain anointing you, please tell admittance that you are Catholic. They will arrange for the designated chaplain to anoint you and will notify Fr. Ghislain.

#### PRAY FOR THE SICK

Xander Carlson, Donna Dobbels, Robert Franck, Tom Montgomery, Bob Olson, Mary Lou Robinson Judy Brockway Skelton, and Ron Swanson. Please pray for the sick, their loved ones, and caregivers. May they never lose sight of the love of God.

Combine Bulletins will begin on a weekly basis starting on March 31st. Due to the publisher's deadline, information you want placed in the bulletins will need to be submitted to your parish secretary at least 14 days in advance of that week's bulletin. Thank you for your cooperation.

Trivia Question (answer on last page)
Where did the Agony in the Garden take place?
a) Garden of Eden
b) Garden of Gethsemane
c) Garden of Golgotha
d) Garden of God

# Last Week's Gifts to God

March 17, 2024

Collection: \$ 747.00 Building Fund: 580.00 Sunday Total: \$1327.00

### ADA Update as of March 4, 2024

Our Goal: \$12,998 Pledged: \$7,425 # of Pledges: 34 Received: \$7,425 We are still \$5,573 short of our goal. If not met, the money must be paid out of our General Fund. It is still not too late to contribute. The appeal runs through the end of August.



The new Living Faith booklets for March-May are available at each door. Everyone is invited to take one home.

# Blessings to Our Confirmands

Asher Brandau, Camden Galle,
John Gibson, Brayden Johnson and
Braylen Littrel will be confirmed by
Bishop Tylka on Sunday, April 7th at the
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate
Conception in Peoria. Please remember
them in your prayers as they continue on
their faith journey.

*Our 60th Celebration!* On May 5th, Bishop Tylka will be joining us for our 8 AM Mass and breakfast afterwards to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the beginning of our St. John Vianney parish. If anyone would like to assist with the preparations in any way, please sign up at the back table.

## Palm Sunday Prayer

Loving God, give us joy in our hearts as we shout Hosanna, welcoming Jesus our King with palms, celebrating all that we hope for as the Easter story unfolds. Then as the journey of Jesus turns towards Good Friday, help us know that You are with us when the celebration turns to sadness. Give us the faith we need to follow You on the way of the cross, which leads to life. Amen



Today we celebrate Palm Sunday — the beginning of our Holy Week. Our liturgy starts with the account of Jesus humbly entering into Jerusalem riding a donkey. People put cloaks and palm branches in His pathway crying, "Hosanna,

blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" It is with great joy that Christ was being honored as king, still in the same breath, we are filled with sorrow as we reflect on Christ's passion and death. Thankfully, we know the glorious outcome of this painful journey. Today, as we read about the climax of Christ's mission here on earth, we are reminded that He is the Perfect Steward, a model for us all on our stewardship journey.

Our First Reading, from the prophet Isaiah, portrays a suffering servant. The suffering servant, in many ways, foreshadows what Jesus endured during His passion — "I gave my back to those who beat me... my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting." Christ endured such tortures, knowing that He did not deserve them, but still He humbly submitted to them. We see that throughout Christ's life, His mission as a steward was to fulfill His Father's mission. He became man for a reason, and He humbly and obediently submitted to that mission for each one of us. We, too, play a unique role in our Father's mission by bringing souls to Christ. And it simply begins with the witness of our lives. Let all that we do, including the way we speak and act, reflect our mission in this life.

This message is re-echoed in our Second Reading, from St. Paul to the Philippians. St. Paul says, "Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself... he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." We see again that although our Lord deserved every honor and praise from man while on earth, He chose the path of service and humility, sacrifice and love. He gave us everything in that moment. This truly was an overflowing gift for each one of us. So how can we share our gratitude with the Gracious Giver? We can bring service, humility, sacrifice and love into all areas of our lives — our homes by the way we treat our family members, into our church by the way we welcome and serve our neighbors, and into our workplaces by the way we speak and act.

Our Gospel today shares the account of Jesus' last days on earth, and how He lives them says a great deal about how we should be living ours as faithful stewards. Jesus does many things in these last days, and they all revolve around prayer and service — two trademark actions of a good and faithful Catholic. He first hosts a Passover meal in which He gives us His Body and Blood in the Eucharist. He then intensely prays to His Father. Lastly, He submits to humiliation, torture and death for our sake, calling out to God the Father in His weakest moments. We might not be called to the same type of prayer and service, but we are all called to commit time in daily prayer with our Lord, and to serve our families, churches and neighbors in the various ways God is calling us to do so. No matter our state in life, we are all called to be faithful stewards through prayer and service. As we embark on this Holy Week, let us take some time to reflect on the life of Christ as He is our model Steward, and may we strive to imitate Him daily.

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