

The LITURGY

Easter Triduum

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season, and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil.

The liturgical services that take place during the Triduum are:

- Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Good Friday of the Lord's Passion
- Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

When should the Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion take place?

Normally it should take place in the afternoon, at about 3:00 PM, to enable people to assemble more easily. However, pastoral discretion may indicate a time shortly after midday, or in the late evening, though never later than 9:00 PM.

Paschal Candle

A Paschal candle is a big, white candle used in liturgies in the Catholic Church and some other Christian churches. A new Paschal candle is blessed and lit every year at Easter, and is used throughout the Paschal season which is during Easter and then throughout the year on special occasions, such as baptisms and funerals.

The term Paschal comes from the Latin word Pascha, which came from the Hebrew word Pesach, which in Hebrew means 'Passover', and relates to the Paschal mystery of salvation. It is sometimes referred to as the "Easter candle" or the "Christ candle."

This candle should be made of bees wax, never be artificial, be replaced each year, be only one in number, and be of sufficiently large size that it may convey the truth that Christ is the light of the world.

The Paschal candle is the symbol of the light of Christ, rising in glory, scattering the darkness of our hearts and minds. Above all, the paschal candle should be a genuine candle, the pre-eminent symbol of the light of Christ.

Paschal candle, it is the largest candle in the worship space. The candle will display several common symbols:

- The cross, which is the most prominent symbol and most clearly identifies it as the Paschal candle.
- The Greek letters alpha and omega, which symbolize that God is the beginning and the end.
- The year when the particular candle is being used, which represents God amidst the present congregation.
- Five grains of incense (most often red), which are embedded in the candle, (sometimes encased in wax "nails") during the Easter Vigil to represent the five wounds of Jesus: the three nails that pierced his hands and feet, the spear thrust into his side, and the thorns that crowned his head.

The candle remains lit at all worship services throughout Easter season which ends on Pentecost Sunday, during which time it is located in the sanctuary close to the altar.

The Paschal candle is also lit during baptisms to signify the Holy Spirit and fire that John the Baptist promised to those who were baptised in Christ.

The Paschal candle is also lit and placed near the casket or urn during funeral services such as the Mass of Repose and the Mass of Requiem. It is important to note that once lit the candle should remain burning until finished. This is to signify the hope of the resurrection into which Christians are baptised.



Called to *Serve*

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Due to Covid-19, we will not be having Eucharistic Ministers distributing the Holy Communion until further notice. Altar Servers - Wearing Mask while serving is parent's responsibility.

Holy Thursday, April 1

- Altar Server - xxx, xxx, xxx
- Eucharistic min. - Mary & Mike Wade
- Lectors - Denise Crichton
- Ushers - Helen Hill, Janice Cowin

Good Friday, April 2

- Altar Server - xxx, xxx, xxx
- Lectors - Linda Wolfe
- Passion Readers - Joe Neumayer, Larry Duscher
- Ushers - Wade Rice, Tyler Lucas

Holy Saturday, April 3

- Altar Server - xxx, xxx, xxx
- Eucharistic min. - Glenda Poston
- Lectors - Bill Amidei, Rafael Droz, Joe Neumayer, Denise Crichton, Carol Davis
- Ushers - Wally & Sherrie Cossairt

Easter Sunday, April 4

- Altar Server - Jay Becker, Seth Rice, Shane Rice
- Eucharistic min. - Janet Singer
- Lectors - Larry Duscher
- Ushers - John Alt, Tom Florea

This WEEK

- Monday, March 29**
8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
- Tuesday, March 30**
Parish office open
8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
- Wednesday, March 31**
Parish office open
8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
- Thursday, April 1**
HOLY THURSDAY
7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday Mass
- Friday, April 2**
GOOD FRIDAY
6:30 p.m. Good Friday Service
- Saturday, April 3**
HOLY SATURDAY
No Confessions
8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil
- Sunday, April 4**
EASTER SUNDAY
9:00 a.m. Easter Sunday Mass
Soon after - Mass Easter Egg Hunt for Children

CONFESSIONS

Fr. Roger is available for confessions soon after daily Mass; Monday - Wednesday.

Pray For...

Following parishioners and friends are in need of your kind prayers. Let's pray for: Bob Jones, Roland Hall, Tucker Sweeny, Riley, Christine Yocky, Veronika Ward, Megan Gradwohl, Tom & Meghan Haarotick, Renee Rohe, Gwinevere Wright, Michael Youngwirth, Dawn Hackney, Clay Unruh, Isaih Fleck, Shirley Hamilton. Forward your prayer request names to parish e-mail, stannbonnersferry@gmail.com. Names will be listed for 4 weeks; you are welcome to relist if needed.