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MARCH 22, 2026 - 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

PASSION SUNDAY

9:00 am – Holy Mass of the Eucharist to be celebrated in the Traditional rite.

OPENING HYMN

“TO THEE, WE COME, O LORD OUR GOD”

To Thee we come, O Lord, our God,
 Before Thine altar, Father
 Thou knowest best our yearning hearts;
 This supplication answer.
 Lift up from want Thy people, Lord,
 Bless us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.
 Under Thy cross we stand prepared,
 To serve Thee with devotion;
 Be it with sweat of blood or tears,
 Or humble resignation.
 For we Thy people are, O Lord,
 Save us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.



ENTRANCE HYMN
 (Daniel 12:2-3)

V. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake: Some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace.
 R. But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever.

V. Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered.
 R. O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

OPENING PRAYER

V. The Lord be with you.
 R. And also with you
 V. Let us pray. Heavenly Father, Your Son has made the grave holy and a place of hope for Your people. May we who die in Him also rise in Him. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.
 R. Amen.



LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EZEKIEL
 (Ezekiel 37:12-14)

Thus, says the Lord GOD: O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them and bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people! I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the Lord. I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.

V. The Word of the Lord.
 R. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL
 (Hosea 6:1-2)

V. Come, let us return to the Lord, For it is He Who has torn and He will heal us; He has struck down, and He will bind us up.
 R. After two days He will revive us, on the third day He will raise us up, that we may live before Him.

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS
 (Romans 8:8-11)

Brothers and sisters: Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you. Whoever does not

have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to Him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness. If the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the One who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through His Spirit dwelling in you.

V. The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

TRACT

(Romans 6:8-9)

V. If then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him.

R. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more, death no longer has power over Him.



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT JOHN

(John 11:1-45)

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with you.

V. A reading from the Gospel of John

R. Glory be to You, O Lord.

Now a man was ill, Lazarus from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who had anointed the Lord with perfumed oil and dried His feet with her hair; it was her brother Lazarus who was ill. So, the sisters sent word to Him saying, "Master, the one you love is ill." When Jesus heard this, He said, "This illness is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So, when He heard that he was ill, He remained for two days in the place where He was. Then after this, He said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea." The disciples said to Him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just trying to stone You, and You want to go back

there?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in a day? If one walks during the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. But if one walks at night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." He said this, and then told them, "Our friend Lazarus is asleep, but I am going to awaken him." So, the disciples said to him, "Master, if he is asleep, he will be saved." But Jesus was talking about his death, while they thought that he meant ordinary sleep. So then Jesus said to them clearly, "Lazarus has died. And I am glad for you that I was not there, that you may believe. Let us go to him." So, Thomas, called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go to die with Him. When Jesus arrived, He found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away. And many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet Him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in Me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to Him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, the One who is coming into the world." When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary secretly, saying, "The teacher is here and is asking for you." As soon as she heard this, she rose quickly and went to Him. For Jesus had not yet come into the village but was still where Martha had met Him. So, when the Jews who were with her in the house comforting her saw Mary get up quickly and go out, they followed her, presuming that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw Him, she fell at

His feet and said to Him, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping, He became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Sir, come and see." And Jesus wept. So, the Jews said, "See how He loved him." But some of them said, "Could not the One who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?" So, Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to Him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So, they took away the stone. And Jesus raised His eyes and said, "Father, I thank You for hearing Me. I know that You always hear Me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that You sent me." And when He had said this, He cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So, Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what He had done began to believe in Him.

V. The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

THE NICENE CREED

**I believe in One God, the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth
Of all that is seen and unseen.**

**I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
The only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father.**

**God from God, Light from Light, True God
from true God, begotten not made
Of one being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made
For us and for our salvation.**

**He came down from heaven:
By the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary
AND BECAME MAN.
For our sake, He was crucified
under Pontius Pilate
He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day He rose again
in fulfillment of the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and
is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
To judge the living and the dead
And His kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The Lord and Giver of Life
Who proceeds from the Father,
With the Father and the Son
He is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in One, Holy, Catholic and
Apostolic Church
I acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
I look for the resurrection of the dead
And the + life of the world to come. Amen.**



OFFERTORY VERSE

(Revelation 20:6a)

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

**V. Blessed and holy is the one who shares in
the first resurrection. The second death has
no power over these.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**V. Almighty, ever-living God, receive this
offering and lead our hearts back to You.
Through the merits of this spotless Sacrifice may
we receive the promise of eternal inheritance.
We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus
Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.**

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Let us Pray: Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

COMMUNION VERSE

(Isaiah 26:19a)

V. But your dead shall live, their corpses shall rise; awake and sing, you who lie in the dust.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

V. Let us pray. Lord of life and death, You have redeemed us with the precious blood of Your Son. Through this Eucharist we have received, keep us firm in the confession His name so that we may gain eternal life as He promised. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.



PASSION SUNDAY

“And Jesus said: “I am troubled now, but what should I say? Father, save Me from this hour. But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour.”
- John 12:27

Today, on this Passion Sunday, Christians around the world, will begin a two-week period of somber reflection and are drawn, to the events that took place in Jerusalem c. 29-30 AD.

From today, through Palm Sunday, we will recall the events of the Passion of Jesus the Christ, culminating with the Solemnity of the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday.

As followers of the Lord Jesus, we are called upon to walk the “Way of the Cross” with Him and meditate upon the significance of His death.

For many Christian denominations, Passion Sunday is expressed with the covering of crosses and statues, candlesticks and altar frontals in purple, as you see in our church, In a period of sorrow, which calls upon each of us to reflect our lives not only of our relationship with Him, but to grow

Even, some of our Liturgy is changed with this Passion Sunday. For example, the Entrance Hymn is changed. The “Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,” is replaced with “Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered” with the response: “O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.”

Do you know that the word “Passion” comes from the Latin word “pati” which means to “suffer.” Now, Webster defines “Passion” as “a strong feeling, especially of anger, love or desire,” and the word “Passion” is associated with the sufferings of Christ between the night of the last supper and His crucifixion.

The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John tells us a lot about the Passion of Jesus. They tell us that Jesus knew what was going to happen to Him; and how He was to suffer for man for the sins of mankind. In Luke 9:22, Jesus prophesied: “For I, the Son of Man, must suffer many terrible things, and I will be rejected by the leaders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law, and I will be killed.”

My brothers and sisters: The sufferings of Jesus were not only those of intense physical agony, but also an intense mental ordeal for Him. Jesus was to be scorned and hated by those whom He came to heal and to save. How painful it must have been for Him, having this unconditional love, not only to be spurned, and denied, and thrown back at Him with so much such hatred. In Luke, we read, that not only Pilate, but even king Herod tried to save Jesus from death, but

many of the religious leaders, as Jesus prophesized, called for his death.

In Luke 23:13-16, we read: “And Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. ¹⁶I will therefore have him flogged and release him.”

When we talk of the Passion of our Lord, we also recall the emotional pain Jesus himself endured prior to His arrest.

In Luke 22:44, He talks about the pain that Jesus went through in the Garden of Gethsemane

"And He [Jesus] prayed more fervently, and He was in such agony of spirit, that His sweat fell to the ground like great drops of blood." Having seen others being crucified, Jesus knew of the pain and suffering, He would soon experience. But His death was to be His mission. As Jesus prayed to the Father, in the Garden of Gethsemane, that the cup of His ordeal and passion be taken away, in the end, He ended His prayer to the Father with these words: “Not as I will but Yours be done.” That is the most intense part of the Passion of Jesus; that He chose to die for my sins, for your sins and for the sins of the world.

The Passion of Jesus should cause each of us to stop and bring to our minds and hearts today, that not only was there a deep Passion of suffering, which Jesus took upon Himself, on a cross, where He was crucified, for; but Jesus showed us another passion, a deeper and a more intense than His own suffering; it was the Passion of divine love; that He, as the Lamb of God, did all this, because of Love. He was to forgive all of us, a sacrifice, for the sins of all my faults past, present and future by offering Himself as payment for my sins. Amen.



“Let this mind be in you which is in Christ Jesus.”
- Philippians 2:5

Some might find this saying of Paul somewhat presumptuous or bold. How could Paul know what was in the mind of Christ Jesus and instruct others to have the same mind in Christ Jesus?

I am sure that Paul heard stories about Jesus from the Apostles following his conversion on the road to Damascus. But what took place when Jesus appeared to Paul as a great light, that caused a change and a transformation in Paul. He was to experience a “rebirth,” the shedding of the “old self,” unto a new creation.

If we look into the “mind of Jesus,” what do we see? Forgiveness, sympathy, and love. As Paul was a “persecutor,” of Christians, he became after his transformation, a “protector” and “defender” of the Christian faith.

In the Gospel of Jesus, we see the forgiveness that each and every one seeks as they walk humbly the “Way of the Cross.” From the Gospel last week of the “Prodigal Son” to the woman caught in the act of adultery, the message is the same.

Christ stands ever before us and through one’s contrition and repentance, the forgiveness of sins and the rebirth of the individual into a “new creation” takes place. But this “rebirth” had a price, and it was offered on a cross at Golgotha. To say that “one’s sins are forgiven” is one thing, but if but for a moment, we consider the very act by which sins are forgiven, the message of Lent becomes very real.

We are reminded of the words of St. Paul in his letter to the Philippians: “Brothers and sisters: I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish.” Paul came to know the Lord on that road to Damascus, as we, through humility and seeking to know the Lord,

have met or will meet the Lord on our own roads of life.

May we all in these last two weeks of Lent, prepare ourselves for not only the deep sorrow of the crucified Lord, but also prepare for that great joy of the Resurrection of the One who offers not only forgiveness of sins, but also gives eternal life.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES

FRIDAYS at 12:00 Noon
Stations of the Cross



NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY

9:00 am - Holy Mass to be celebrated with the blessing and distribution of psalms to the faithful

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

MARCH 31, 2026

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

4:00 pm – Mass of Chrism , the Blessing of Holy Oils, and Renewal of Priestly Vows, to be held at Holy Cross Parish - Central Falls, RI

APRIL 1, 2026

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

12:00 pm – Bitter Lamentations- Reflections on the Passion of the Lord, Jesus Christ

APRIL 2, 2026 – MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:00 pm – Holy Mass of the Eucharist, vespers and the stripping of the altars

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2026– GOOD FRIDAY

9:00 am – Stations of the Cross.

7:00 pm - Mass of the Presanctified with the Adoration of the Cross of Christ, and the stripping of the altars.

APRIL 4, 2026 – SATURDAY OF HOLY WEEK

9:00 am – Holy Saturday Service with the blessing of the new fire, the four prophecies of the and the blessing of water.

Following Holy Saturday services, the traditional Polish blessing of Easter food will take place in our church as well as at 1:00 pm.



SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026 – SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST

9:00 am – **SUNRISE SERVICE** – Holy Mass with the Procession of the three symbols of Easter: The Pascal Candle, the Glorified Cross of Jesus and the Statue of the Resurrected Lord.



PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

“And He sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.”

- Luke 2:9

May we pray this day, for the health and healing for all those, who we remember through our prayers;

George and Janet Sadowski, Wayne and Pat Shaw, Richard Foster and Maryann Foster, Carolyn and Michael Rapalye, Karen Herzig, Paula Winn, Marge Sanderson, Brandon Poe, baby James, Stefanik Gadecki, Liam & Evelyn Spatcher, Jennie Harrington, Eric Rose, Lori Lukomski, Mick Szumski, Toka Bara, Laurie Lis, Todd Odell, David Moskin, Laurie Lis, Renata Wos, Jan Clark, Zoe Kinnunen and for others.

Let us Pray: O Lord, God of mercies , in Your kindness, stretch out Your hand and heal all our brothers and sisters who are in any way are ailing. Deliver them, according to Your will, from all their present sicknesses and illnessness, and grant them recovery in Jesus’ holy name. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You. Ame

PARISH CALENDAR AND NEWS

DAILY MASS at 9:00 am

8:45 am - Morning Devotions

9:00 am - Holy Mass of the Eucharist

Mon. March 23rd – Mass of Thanksgiving

Tues. March 24th - Feast- Gabriel, Archangel

Wed. March 25th – Solemnity – Annunciation
of BVM

Thurs. March 26th – Mass of Health & Healing

Fri. March 27th – Mass for Saints & Martyrs

Sat. March 28th - Mass – Holy Name of Jesus



LECTORS PROCLAIMING THE "WORD"

Passion Sunday, March 22nd – Shirley M– Floyd

Palm Sunday, March 29th - John Harrington

Easter Sunday, April 5th - Josh Tudryn



GAŁABKI - STUFFED CABBAGE

The following is the schedule for making gałabki for our upcoming Spring and Food Sale:

Tues - March 24th @ 9:30 am - Core and Boil cabbage.

Wed - March 25th @ 12:00 Noon - Mix meat & rice mixture. Line roasting pans.

Thurs - Mar. 26th @ 8:00 am - Rolling meat mixture in cabbage and place in roaster pans.

Fri., March 29th @ 9:00 am - Packaging gałabki, weighing and setting price.



OUR ANNUAL SPRING FOOD & BAKE SALE

SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH

On Saturday, March 28th, our Parish will hold its Spring Annual Food and Bake Sale in our Parish Hall from 9 AM – Noon.

Many traditional Polish foods such as pierogi, gałabki and kapusta will be available, as well as home baked apple pies cakes and pastries will be available, as well as various soups & sandwiches.

Sue Dibrindisi has asked for donations and gift cards. A raffle that will also be held at our Spring & Food & Bake sale.



OUR PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAMS

"Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others."

- Philippians 2:4



OUR FOOD MINISTRY

"I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat."

- Matthew 25:35

One of our ministry, is to help to "Feed the Hungry, will be held on April 18, 2026 from 10:00 am until supplies last.

I wish to thank Sue Dibrindisi and Mary Tudryn for handing out groceries this month, as well all those who have donated to our food ministry.

I also want to acknowledge the anonymous donation of 10 hams that were donated to our food ministry.

Donations of items needed as well as monetary gifts will be greatly appreciated.

We are still in need of the following:

- Cereals and instant oatmeal.
- Fruit juices, - V8, Apple and Cranberry juices.
- Powder milk / condensed milk.
- Hot chocolate and tea bags.
- Pasta and spaghetti sauce.

- Boxes of Mac-n-cheese.
- Canned tuna in water.
- Canned meats- chicken, salmon,
- Ramen noodles.
- Soups- all varieties.
- Canned veggies and fruits.
- Children's snack packs

Please note: The following items collected will be placed in gallon size Zip-lock bags which will be handed out to people in need.

- Toothpaste- travel size & toothbrushes
- Socks
- First aid kits = – travel size
- Personal cleaning wipes
- Protein bars
- Gift cards to Dunkin Donuts



LENTEN COLLECTION BOXES

I, as Pastor, wish to thank all, who during this season of Lent gave of their resources to help others in need. As previously announced, our Parish Committee will decide where these funds may best serve our community.



OTHER DIOCESAN NEWS

I recently received a letter from our Diocesan Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Paul Sobiechowski, assigning myself, as the Administrator of the Holy Mother of the Rosary PNCC in Chicopee, MA.

Along with my current responsibilities as the Pastor of Holy Name of Jesus PNCC, here in South Deerfield, I will strive, to the best of my ability, to govern both Parishes.

I also have been asked by our Bishop, to form a three-member committee of each Parish, that will review and share together in the compensation and expenses of myself, involving both Parishes.

The three-member committee from Holy Name of PNCC, here in South Deerfield, will be Eric Dibridisi, our current chairman, Buddy Lafleur and Peg Kostiuk with the alternate Linda Puchalski. For Holy Mother of the Rosary PNCC, in Chicopee will be Ronald Kmuchta, the chairman of the Parish Committee, Laurel Curylo, Marlene Owczarski and Christine King as an alternate. We hope to all meet soon after Easter.



ED MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMISSION CALL TO PRAYER

In the month of **March**, our Eastern Diocese of the PNCC. has called upon all its members and friends to offer prayers at 12:00 noon each Wednesday, for the intention of Peace in our world.

All-powerful and eternal God, we look forward to the day when nations will no longer wage war against nations, and all people will live in security and peace. No matter what conflicts may face us, strengthen our will to work for peace. As we seek justice and oppose evil, may our purpose be to achieve peace and accord among all nations and peoples. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

NATIONAL MISSION & EVANGELISM WORKSHOP – MAY 29-31, 2026

The 25th National Mission & Evangelism Workshop of the PNCC will take place at St. Joseph's PNCC, Westfield, MA. This year's theme is "Living in Faith Every Day."

Information on the upcoming workshop may be found in the vestibule of our Church or by seeing Shirley, Sue or Mary Tudryn.