

They took palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out:
“Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.”



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

3516 E. Monroe Rd.
Midland, MI 48642-8824

March 29, 2026

Weekend Liturgical Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Exposition/Reconciliation:
Wednesdays 7:15-8:15 p.m.

Mass from Assumption is LIVE
streamed at our SUNDAY Mass, so
keep an eye out for our Flocknote; you
can also check out our Facebook page
and website for a link.

See inside the bulletin for the weekday
schedule of worship services.

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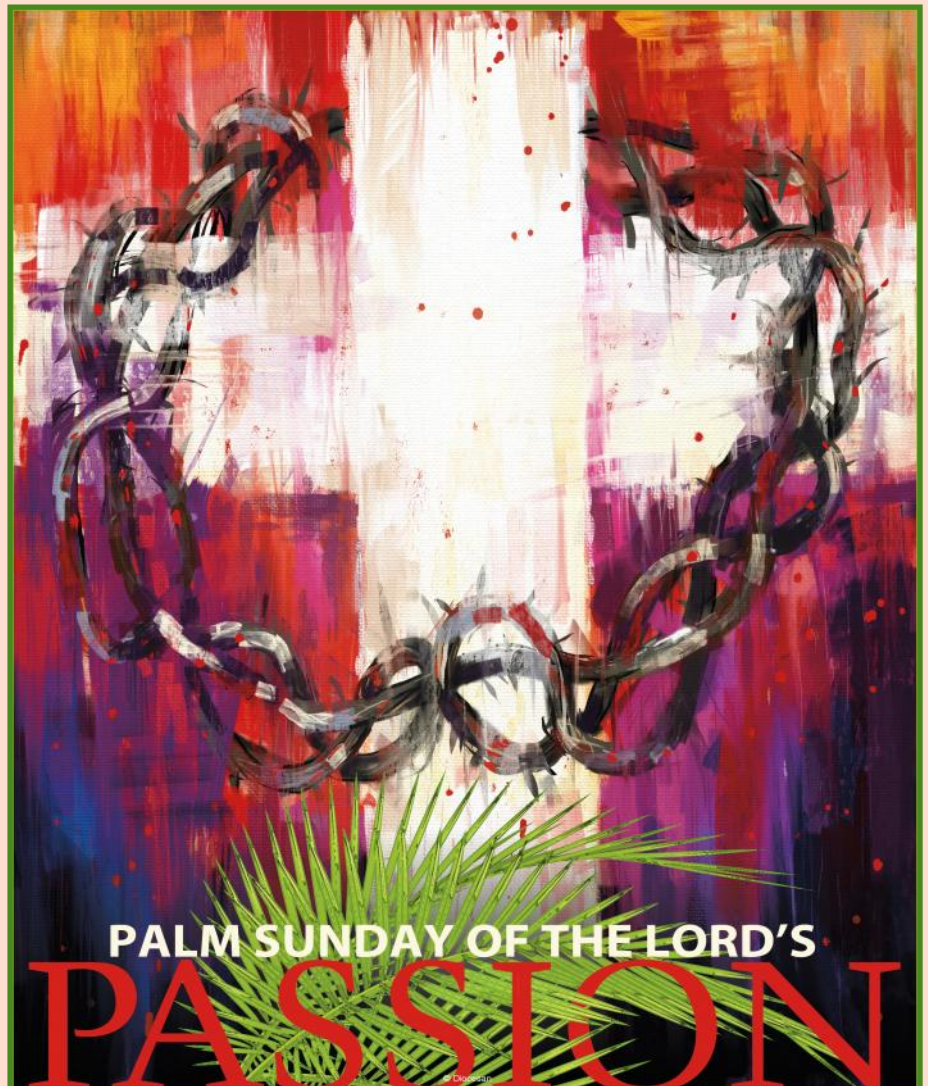
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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S

PASSION

TRIDUUM LITURGY SCHEDULE

Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday Liturgy

(preceded by parish potluck dinner at 5:30 p.m.)

Adoration after Mass, Night Prayer at 10:30 p.m.

Friday, 1:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy

Friday, 8:00 p.m. Ecumenical Tenebrae Service

Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer/Blessing of Food

Saturday, 8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Liturgy

Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Liturgy

From our Director of Parish Life



"Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.'" John 12:23-24

Today we begin our annual liturgical commemoration of Holy Week. It is the week where death and life will contend "in that combat stupendous: the Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal." Jesus refers to his crucifixion as participating in his "hour" of glory. It is easy for us to see how his resurrection reveals his glory. But his brutal, violent, sinful death? Where is the glory to be found in that?

I recently heard an interview on the radio with Terry Tempest Williams, a conservationist and author of the book *The Glorians: Visitations from the Holy Ordinary*. She defines a *glorian* as "a moment where attention is fused, it comes unearned, unbidden, grace" where chronological time falls away and we are present and connected to something bigger than ourselves. What struck me was when she referred to her mother's cancer as a *glorian*. When the interviewer incredulously asked her about this, Williams replied, "the *glorian* doesn't have to be all light, beauty, and wonder . . . it brought us to our knees, focused attention, giving us the strength and the courage not to look away . . . it's an awakening."

Jesus refers to his cross as part of his glorification because it is the pre-eminent expression of the self-emptying love what we hear this weekend from the Letter to the Philippians. The eternal Son of God became one of us purely for the sake of his love for us. "He worked with human hands, he thought with a human mind. He acted with a human will, and with a human heart he loved." (Vatican II, *Constitution on the Church in the Modern World*, no. 22) When the Son took on our wounded human nature, he also took on a death like ours. God who is

Love (1 John 4:8) holds nothing back, is willing to suffer anything for the sake of God's passionate love for us. God's love is a complete self-gift. The cruelty of this world brought Jesus (and brings us) to our knees, but crucifixion of Jesus is the ultimate revelation of the unconditional love that is God's eternal glory if we have the courage to stand at the foot of his cross and not look away.

"Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble! tremble! tremble! Were you there when they crucified my Lord?"

I believe that to experience the liturgies of Holy Week are a *glorian*, if not the *glorian* from which all others derive their meaning. They capture our attention, they encourage us to leave chronological time at the church doors, bring us to our knees and lift us to the heights, and lead us to contemplate the meaning of our life, sufferings, deaths, and resurrections in the light of Jesus' Paschal Mystery. As Archbishop J. Augustine DiNoia, my theology professor, has written, "These celebrations invite us to participate not just spiritually but physically in the events of the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ . . . not just as onlookers but as actors in the events commemorated. We are there—albeit liturgically and sacramentally—but nonetheless really. This is the special grace of the Holy Week liturgies; so profoundly to enter into mysteries of Christ's passion as to receive their benefits in the depths of our hearts." (*Grace in Season*, p. 61-62) This is all the more true during the days of the Sacred Paschal Triduum (evening Holy Thursday through sundown Easter Sunday).

The Triduum liturgy is one great act of liturgical worship in which we enter sacramentally into Christ's Paschal Mystery, which is "the unique event of human history which does not pass away . . . all other historical events happen once, and then pass away, swallowed up in the past . . . the event of the Cross and Resurrection *abides* and draws everything toward life." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 1085)

Being present in person and fully participating in the liturgies of Holy Week can be life-transformative, especially for school-age children and young people. If we open our hearts to the Grace offered during this sacred time, the liturgies of Holy Week are unlike any other week in the church liturgical year. If it has not been your practice to participate in these liturgies, I encourage you to plan to attend them, listening and noticing their riches. If you already know the spiritual power of the liturgies of Holy Week, invite someone (perhaps who has been away from church for a while) to accompany you. **We will be blessed to welcome Fr. Jim Bessert, formerly of the Diocese of Saginaw Office of Liturgy, to present to us on the topic of "Fully Experiencing Holy Week Liturgy" this Monday evening at 6:30.** This is a special opportunity to learn how to better see, listen, touch, smell, and taste the spiritual fruit available to us during this unique week.

The more that we make ourselves available to God with open hearts, the more God will fill us with the Grace of Eternal Life, overflowing through us to bless our world so desperate for meaning, light, peace, hope, and everlasting love.

John

Correction From Last Week

In relating the story of our newly donated *Mary Ark of the New Covenant* statue in last week's bulletin column, I mistakenly stated that Sue LeVasseur, who donated the statue to us, contacted the artist Suzanne M. Young. It was actually Anne Fitak who contacted Suzanne Young to confirm that our new statue was a model created before she sculpted the life-sized statue currently in our church. I wanted to ensure that you had the most accurate account of our newly discovered treasure.



Palm Sunday

"As they were going out, they met a Cyrenian named Simon; this man they pressed into service to carry the cross." Matthew 27:32

Simon literally carried Jesus' cross – and we, too, are called to carry crosses. However, those "crosses" are quite different. They may be of physical, mental or spiritual nature. Everyone's crosses are different. Do we recognize the "crosses" of others, and do we help them to carry those burdens? The Lord calls us to do so.



Worship Schedule

ASSUMPTION	
MON, March 30 Is 42:1-7 Jn 12:1-11	8:00a Mass
TUES, March 31 Is 49:1-6 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38	8:00a Mass 8:30a Rosary <i>Followed by Meditation</i>
WED, April 1 Is 50:4-9a Mt 26:14-25	6:30p Mass <i>Followed by Reconciliation, No Exposition</i>
THUR, April 2 Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15	HOLY THURSDAY 7:00p Holy Thursday Liturgy 10:30p Night Prayer
FRI, April 3 Is 52:13-53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42	GOOD FRIDAY 1:00p Good Friday Liturgy 8:00p Ecumenical Tenebrae Service
SAT, April 4 Gen 1:1-2:2; Gen 22:1-18; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Rm 6:3-11	HOLY SATURDAY 8:30a Morning Prayer w/Blessing of Food 8:30p Easter Vigil Liturgy <i>People of the Parish</i>
SUN, April 5 Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:20:1-9	EASTER SUNDAY 9:30a Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>

V is for Vocation: Our Call to Serve



As we have reflected during Lent on what God is calling us to do in our own lives, we give thanks for the many opportunities to be of service to others here at Assumption. Whether it is centered on community, message, worship, or service, every ministry allows us to become closer to God. We pray, as we do for those discerning God's call to the priesthood or religious life, that many more will open their hearts to helping others through parish ministries.

Learn more about serving here at Assumption:

<https://assumptionmary.org/get-involved/>

Father, we're Your people, the work of Your hands. So precious are we in Your sight that You sent Your Son, Jesus. Jesus calls us to heal the broken-hearted, to dry the tears of those who mourn, to give hope to those who despair, and to rejoice in Your steadfast love. We, the baptized, realize our call to serve. Help us to know how. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.
(adapted from USCCB)



FOOD TRUCK OUTREACH is scheduled for July 22, 2026

In cooperation with the Midland County Food Assistance Network we are planning to host a food truck again this July.

It will take many hands to unload the many pallets of food, load grocery carts at the various food stations, and unload the grocery carts into the cars of those in need—*please sign-up in the gathering space if you can help.*

We are currently taking donations to pay for the food truck as a form of Lenten almsgiving in the gathering space.

Lenten Enrichment Series Monday evenings at 6:30pm

Monday, March 30th

Fully Experiencing Holy Week Liturgy with Fr. Jim Bessert

The liturgies of Holy Week celebrate the principal mystery of our faith, the Paschal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus, which saves us from sin, reconciles us to one another and to the Father, and offers us a share in eternal life. These liturgies are the center around which the entire liturgical year is framed. We experience unique sights and sounds at these liturgies that are meant to bring our faith alive. Fr. Jim Bessert, formerly of the Diocese of Saginaw Office of Liturgy, will help us recognize the deep meaning of these rites and help us to open our hearts to spiritual transformation this Holy Week.

Thank you to all our Lent enrichment presenters this Lent.

Each of them shared their gifts, talents, and unique spiritual insights to help prepare us to enter more fully into the mysteries of Holy Week and Easter.



- This Week -

Sunday, March 29

PALM SUNDAY

9:30 am Mass

No C.L.O.W., No CFF

FOOD PANTRY WEEKEND

K OF C TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE



Monday, March 30

8:00 am Mass

6:30 pm Lenten Enrichment Series

Tuesday, March 31

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Rosary followed by Meditation
No Monicas

Wednesday, April 1

8:00 am Open Door in Kitchen

10:00 am Serving at Open Door

6:30 pm Mass followed by Reconciliation, no Exposition

7:30 pm K of C Meeting

Thursday, April 2

5:30 pm Parish Potluck

7:00 pm Holy Thursday Liturgy
(followed by adoration)

10:30 pm Night Prayer

Friday, April 3

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

1:00 pm Good Friday Liturgy

8:00 pm Ecumenical Tenebrae Service

Saturday, April 4

8:30 am Morning Prayer
w/Blessing of Food

8:30 pm Easter Vigil Liturgy

Sunday, April 5

EASTER SUNDAY

9:30 am Mass



Who: All 5th grade students (from any church and any school)

Do you have a 5th grader? Is he/she looking forward to middle school? Are there things that he/she is nervous about? Do they have questions about what middle school is like? Then register him/her for our Welcome to Middle School event **on April 12 at Assumption!** All 5th graders are invited to this special event designed to give them a taste of what middle school and Middle School Youth Ministry is like! We'll play games, eat pizza, decorate pillow cases, and have time for students to ask current middle schoolers all about middle school and Middle School Youth Ministry! At YM, students can be themselves.

Middle Schoolers Volunteers Needed!

We need middle school volunteers to help out at this event! If you have a middle schooler who would love to share their experiences in middle school and help the 5th graders to feel more at ease with this transition, please sign them up by registering them for the event! Thank you! :)

Register by scanning the QR code. Questions?? Contact Kathy Russell



NOTRE DAME VISION | 2026
June 22-26 / July 6-10

Notre Dame Vision is a 5-day experience on the Notre Dame campus designed to help high school students discover and renew God's call in their lives. Connect with hundreds of other students as you learn from the witness of the saints and develop practices to live your faith. Sharpen your spiritual vision to recognize God's grace at work in your life and immerse yourself in the Notre Dame campus. Sleep in the dorms, eat in the dining hall, and pray at the numerous sacred spaces across campus.

Notre Dame Vision combines the theologically-rich experience of hearing nationally-known keynote speakers with the mentorship of college students. **Cost: \$465 (family pays \$265*, parish pays \$200)**

*Save \$25 by registering by March 31st. Save an additional \$25 if 5 or more register as a group (Please contact Kathy Russell to register as part of a group!)

For more information contact Kathy Russell!

Children's Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

CHILDREN

- Mar 29 No CFF and No CLOW (spring break)
- Apr 5 No CFF and No CLOW (Happy Easter!)
- 12, 19 CFF and CLOW
- 25 First Eucharist Retreat
- 26 **Last CFF and Last CLOW**
- May 3 First Eucharist at 9:30am Mass



If you have any questions about Children's Faith Formation or Children's Liturgy of the Word, please contact Wendy Graveline at cff@assumptionmidland.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

Middle School and High School YM meet on Sunday evenings at Blessed Sacrament from 6-8 pm.

Confirmation Prep meet on Wednesday evenings at Assumption from 6:15-8 pm.

Watch your email and the bulletin for YM news & events!

- April 12 5th grade event 6-8 pm
- 18-19 Y2Y Retreat
- May 31 **Graduation Mass**



Have questions about YM or events, please contact: Kathy Russell (kathyr@assumptionmidland.org)



World Youth Day 2027

Join one million young Catholics on pilgrimage from **August 1-9, 2027 in Seoul, South Korea**, along with Pope Leo XIV, the first American Pope. Young adults, parish leaders, and 16+ high school juniors and seniors with a parent/guardian are invited. **The cost is \$4,699 (paid in installments). Registration deadline is April 15, 2026.**

Go to the following link, or scan the QR code, for more information and to register: saginaw.org/wyd.

For questions, contact Taylor Piotrkowski, Coordinator of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, at tpiotrkowski@diosaq.org or call 989.797.6639.



A retreat for all high schoolers!

Youth 2 Youth Retreat

SAT, APRIL 18 – SUN, APRIL 19

CAMP ROTARY, CLARE, MI Cost: \$70

Join us at Camp Rotary for an unforgettable weekend retreat designed by high school students, for high school students! Leave behind the stresses of daily life and dive into a weekend of self-discovery, faith, and meaningful connections. Participate in thought-provoking discussions led by inspiring mentors who will challenge and broaden your perspective. Experience the joy of community as you share stories, laugh, play games, and sing together around a crackling bonfire under a star-filled sky. **Sign-up today by scanning the QR code. Questions?? Contact Kathy Russell.**

The time to register is now!! Please register before Spring Break!! Deadline to register... Wednesday, April 8th!



Tenebrae

The Service of Shadows



Assumption Parish invites you to

Tenebrae: *The Service of Shadows* Friday, April 3 • 8:00 PM

Tenebrae – meaning "darkness" or "shadows" – is a candle-light service of contemplative music, prayer, and scripture that brings Good Friday to a quiet close. Come and join as we reflect upon Christ's sacrifice on the Cross through the profound symbolism of light and darkness.

All are welcome. Please feel free to invite a friend or neighbor to join us for this ecumenical service.

Looking for a Treasure?
Come to Our Lady of Grace Annual Rummage/Bake Sale

Thurs, April 16

9:30am – 5pm

Fri, April 17

9:30am – 5pm

Sat, April 18

8:30am – 12noon

No early sales...Our Lady of Grace Parish Hall, Sanford



**Divine Mercy Sunday
April 12, 2026**

The bilingual "Heritage Mass" will be celebrated at 2:00 PM at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish in Bay City

The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chapel of Divine Mercy and Eucharistic Benediction will follow. The Mass and the homily will be in English with hymns and some responses sung in English and Polish. All are invited to the Polish-style reception (*Święconka*) in the Parish Center after the Liturgy.

To receive the plenary indulgence and special graces on Divine Mercy Sunday, Catholics should make a sacramental confession within a reasonable time before (or after) the feast, ideally within 20 days, and be in a state of grace, free from attachment to sin.



This weekend is our monthly

Food Pantry Collection March 28/29

Please remember to bring back your blue bags of donations.

Thank you!

You're Invited!!

Join your fellow parishioners in the Knights of Columbus and keep our parish strong!

K of C Exemplification Ceremony

Coming up later this spring

For more info, contact Matt Glaccum
989-430-8622 | md2141@mikofc.org



**Happy
87th Birthday
Bernie LeBeau**
Saturday, March 28th

**Holy Hour for Vocations
with Bishop Gruss**
All are welcome!

Bishop Robert Gruss is encouraging the faithful to join him in a Holy Hour for vocations. He'll be in two parishes across the diocese each month.

Bishop Gruss will be bringing with him a relic of St. John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests, for veneration. The intention of the Holy Hours is to increase vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life within our Diocese, and at the same time deepen our own love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

All Holy Hours are from 7-8 p.m.

When: **Wednesday, April 8, 2026**

Where: **St. Gabriel Parish, St. Joseph Church, Auburn**

Call for Musicians

ELIJAH PART I Felix Mendelssohn

This thrilling oratorio for choir and orchestra tells the story of the prophet Elijah's mission to bring the people of Israel back into God's favor. Themes of justice, mercy, and faith are expressed through this dynamic and emotional work. Come join us for a memorable performance!

Sunday, May 17 • 3pm
Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption
615 Hoyt Ave, Saginaw, MI 48607

Thursday, May 21 • 6:30pm
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish
3516 E. Monroe Rd, Midland, MI 48642

REHEARSALS:

Saturdays beginning March 7
11am-1pm at Assumption Parish

Some scores provided. Bring your own if you have one!

For more information or to participate, please contact
Jim Renfer at jim@assumptionmidland.org

PARISH POTLUCK **HOLY THURSDAY**

All are invited to attend a potluck dinner in the parish hall on:

Thursday, April 2nd
at 5:30pm

Please bring a dish to pass and join fellow parishioners for a meal.

No sign-up required.

Then immediately after the potluck, we encourage everyone to stay for the **7:00pm HOLY THURSDAY** liturgy to celebrate the *Mass of the Lord's Supper*. This will be a wonderful way to gather as community and to begin our Easter Triduum journey together.

We will have adoration after Mass followed by Night Prayer at 10:30pm.



ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

May 19-21, 2026

The parish rummage sale for charity, is coming up soon, just in time for spring cleaning! This is a great chance for parishioners to clean out the clutter and other possessions you no longer need.

DROP OFF SCHEDULE: MAY 14-16 FROM 9 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

These are the available hours for donating items. **PLEASE, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

We are unable to accept large pieces of indoor exercise equipment (treadmills, stationary bikes, etc.), expired baby items like car seats and cribs, non-flat screen monitors or TVs.

SALE DATES ARE MAY 19-21: MORE VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED AND ALWAYS WELCOME!

No experience necessary. Help is needed from May 14-21, times are flexible.

Sign-up sheets are at the welcome circle in the gathering space or contact Emily Richards emily.dale87@gmail.com.

April 2026

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5 Easter Sunday Liturgy 9:30am No CFF No C.L.O.W.*	6 Mass / 8am Y2Y Meeting	7 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am followed by meditation No Monicas Pastoral Council Meeting / 5:30pm	8 Mass / 6:30pm followed by Reconciliation/ Exposition 7:15-8:15pm K of C / 7:30 pm	9 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am Scripture Reflection after Rosary Choir Practice 7pm	10 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am Ecumenical Tenebrae Service / 8:00pm	11 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am Men's Faith Study after Rosary Mass / 4:30pm
12 Mass / 9:30am CFF, C.L.O.W.* Coffee & Donuts after Mass Welcome 5th Grade to YM	13 Stitch and Prayer 9:45am Y2Y Meeting	14 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am followed by meditation Monicas / 3:15pm Christian Service Meeting / 5:30pm	15 Mass / 6:30pm followed by Reconciliation/ Exposition 7:15-8:15pm K of C / 7:30 pm	16 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am Scripture Reflection after Rosary Choir Practice 7pm	17 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am	18 Serving at Open Door / 10am String Workshop 10am Mass / 4:30pm Y2Y Retreat
19 Mass / 9:30am CFF, C.L.O.W.* Y2Y Retreat	20 BeFriender Meeting 1-2:30pm	21 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am followed by meditation Monicas / 3:15pm Finance Meeting 7pm	22 Mass / 6:30pm followed by Reconciliation/ Exposition 7:15-8:15pm	23 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am Scripture Reflection after Rosary Choir Practice 7pm	24 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am	25 Rosary / 8:30am Men's Faith Study after Rosary 1st Communion Retreat Mass / 4:30pm Food Pantry
26 Mass / 9:30am Last CFF Last C.L.O.W.* Food Pantry	27 Stitch and Chat 10am	28 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am followed by meditation Monicas / 3:15pm Faith Form Comm Meeting / 5:30pm	29 Mass / 6:30pm followed by Reconciliation/ Exposition 7:15-8:15pm	30 Mass / 8am Rosary / 8:30am Scripture Reflection after Rosary Choir Practice 7pm		
			1 Open Door Prep 8am Serving at Open Door 10am Mass / 6:30pm followed by Reconciliation 7:15-8:15pm K of C / 7:30 pm	2 5:30pm Parish Potluck Holy Thursday Liturgy 7:00pm 8-10:30pm Adoration 10:30pm Night Prayer	3 Good Friday Liturgy 1:00pm Ecumenical Tenebrae Service / 8:00pm	4 8:30am Morning Prayer w/ Blessing of Food Easter Vigil Liturgy / 8:30pm



What is **Triduum?**

Triduum is a three-day liturgy that commemorates the events of Jesus' Passion, Death, and Resurrection. It follows **Palm Sunday** and lasts from the evening of **Holy Thursday** to the evening of **Easter Sunday**, marking the end of Lent and ushering in a new season of hope and joy. Catholics observe Triduum as the summit of the church year with the following special liturgies:

Palm Sunday

- Procession with palm branches to recall Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem
- Proclamation of the Passion story

Holy Thursday

- Commemoration of the establishment of the Eucharist at the Last Supper, the first Mass
- Presentation of holy oils blessed by the Bishop
- Washing of the feet as a reminder of Christ's love for us
- Adoration and Night Prayer recalling Christ's prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane

Good Friday

- Proclamation of Jesus' arrest, trial, crucifixion, and death
- Veneration of the holy cross
- Day ends with an ecumenical candlelight Tenebrae Service of prayer and song

Easter Vigil

- Most sacred night of the church year
- Begins in darkness
- Blessing of the Easter Fire and lighting of the Paschal Candle
- Singing of the Exultet, the proclamation of the Resurrection
- Old Testament readings and Psalms retracing the story of salvation
- Blessing of the Easter Water
- Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation for adults

Easter Sunday

- Celebrates Jesus' Resurrection
- Renewal of our baptismal promises and sprinkling of the congregation with the Easter Water
- Followed by the Easter Season, 50 days of rejoicing, ending on Pentecost Sunday

***Come join us on a sacred journey through Triduum
to the foot of the Cross and the glory of the Resurrection.***



OPERATION RICE BOWL

We will be collecting all rice bowls beginning this weekend. There will be a designated basket for your donations. *Thank you!*

"May our prayers and fasting unite us with those who hunger. May we share of our blessings with those in need. Amen."

Christ Renews for Women

Christ Renews is an on-going process for personal spiritual renewal of women over the age of 18 that results in the renewal of our faith community. The process begins with a weekend of prayer, talks given by women of our Midland Area parishes, times of silence and reflection, social activities and small group discussion. This is a wonderful time spent exploring our faith and growing in relationship with Christ. It is held at the **Blessed Sacrament Parish Center beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 18th and ending about 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 19th, 2026.** Note: This is not an overnight retreat. The renewal weekend is a gift from the women putting on the weekend to the women attending the weekend. Volunteers provide food and service. There is no cost.

For more information & to register, contact Blessed Sacrament parish office at (989) 835-6777 or Jearthiele@gmail.com



Weekend Offerings

March 21/22, 2026

Weekly Envelopes	\$5,240
Online Giving (3/16-3/22)	\$1,375
Donations	\$1,000
Weekend Total	\$7,615
Weekly Goal	\$9,231
Overage/(Shortfall)	(\$1,616)

March 1-22, 2026

Weekly Envelopes	\$17,850
Online Giving	\$9,589
Donations	\$11,400
Total	\$38,839
Weekly Goal	\$36,924
Overage/(Shortfall)	\$1,915

THANK YOU so much for your continued support in getting your contributions into the office.

Please make out a separate check for the special collections.



Online Giving

It is easy to sign up, just go to our website at:

AssumptionMary.org

If you have any questions: email Sandy at sandym@assumptionmidland.org or call the parish office at 989-631-4447.

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