

The Church of

St. Margaret Mary

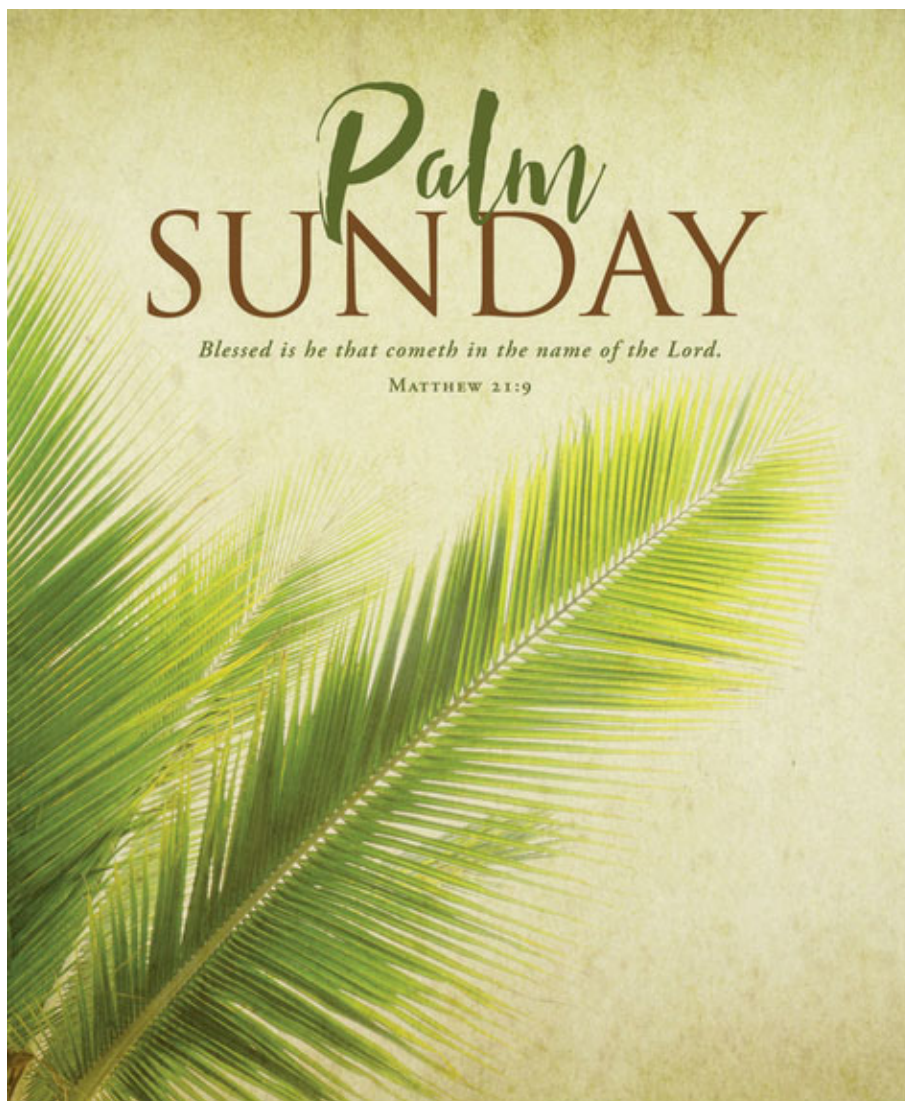
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March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday



**You Are
Welcome Here!**

**We're glad you're here.
Wherever you are
on your journey of faith,
you have a home
with us.**

Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass: 4:00pm
Sunday Mass: 10:00am
Tuesday: 5:00pm Adoration
6:00pm Mass

**View the weekend Masses online at:
www.smm-gv.org.**

**Experiencing the Heart
of Christ, we**

Know Jesus

in Word and Worship.

Live Jesus

in a vibrant, welcoming
Catholic community.

Serve Jesus

in outreach and justice.

Reflection from Father Tom

Holy Week

Do we think this week is any way holier than any other week? Why do we call it “Holy Week”? It is because we are called to focus on our spiritual life and make ourselves to be holy as our Heavenly Father is holy by reflecting the mystical truth of Jesus’ death on the cross and his resurrection on the third day. It is time for reflection and prayer. It is time for soul searching. It is time for an annual retreat. During this time, we check the ‘nuts and bolts’ of our ‘spiritual car’ so that our journey to God will be smooth and meaningful.

Death and Resurrection: The death and resurrection of Jesus are not two different episodes of Jesus’ life, but rather two parts of one act in his life as there cannot be resurrection without death. It is like two sides of one coin. Death is the way to resurrection. When Jesus said to Thomas (JN. 14:6) “*I am the way, and the truth, and the life*”, he meant the way to live is to die. “*Unless the grain of wheat falls to the earth and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat. But if it dies, it produces much fruit.*” (JN. 12:24). ‘Death and resurrection’ are the truth of our life, but we need to remind ourselves of the great truth of our resurrection, as we constantly face the great fear of death in our life. This is why the readings of the Lenten season invite us to understand the mystery of our life, death, and resurrection (life after death).

All will end in Alleluia: Faith in Jesus Christ is our hope to see life after death where we will be relieved of pain and will experience ‘Joy’ in the kingdom of God. All our suffering will end one day and we will be singing ‘Alleluia’ in the presence of God. Thus this ‘Holy week’ is the time to renew our faith filled with hope by our life of love. Let us celebrate the greatest mysteries of our life in Christ our Savior during this holy season.

Prayer: Lord! Lead us through the valley of fear of death to the life of faith. May our spiritual practice during this week permeate in our families that all will be united as a family of love in the Eucharist! Amen.

Easter Flower Memorials

Donor:	In Memory of:
Carl Orstad	Mary Traxor-Orstad

Parishioner Volunteer Thank you !

Thank you to Michael and Cheryl Bloberger for the fantastic Irish Dinner last week! It was so great to celebrate and share a meal with our faith community.

We also thank Rick & Adrienne Riley, Betty McCool, Molly Anderson, Arnie and Brenda Brincks, Nancy Huntley, Diane Stoddard and Joleen Buck who donated desserts and time to help serve us.



Adult Faith Formation



Holy Adult Mind
Follow Soul Faith Spirit Believe
Heart Catholic Formation Christ Understand
Love of God Relationship

Thank you to everyone that participated in the Lenten Small Groups. We especially thank Jean Plucinski and Pat Lord for their time and effort for helping build our Adult Faith Formation and for guiding us through another faith-filled Lenten season.

March 23—March 31

Saturday, March 23

3:30 pm Reconciliation
 4:00 pm Mass † Alexi Navalny
 † Kathleen Spartz

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

10:00 am Mass † Pushpa Mary

Tuesday, March 26

5:00 pm Adoration
 6:00 pm Mass * People of SMM

Thursday, March 28 Holy Thursday

7:00 pm Mass * People of SMM

Friday, March 29 Good Friday

3:00 pm Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 30 Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)

8:00 pm Mass * People of SMM

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday

10:00 am Mass * People of SMM

† deceased * living

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Pastoral Team

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Spiritual Life

Anointing of the Sick

If you, or someone you know of, is ill, elderly or facing surgery, please call the Parish Office.

Baptism

Please call the Parish Center **early** in your pregnancy or adoption process to register for a Baptism Preparation Session.

Marriage

Please call the parish office six months in advance.

RCIA, First Eucharist, Confirmation

Please call the Parish Center.

Parish Pastoral Council

AT LARGE MEMBERS

Michael Bloberger, First Chair.....
 Collin Abram
 Brenda Brincks,.....
 Hannah Ficks, *Second Chair*.....
 Steve Gleason, Secretary
 Molly Anderson

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 Georgeann Wobschall, *Social Ministry*.....

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PRAYER CHAIN

Laurie Geving 763-772-7762



Social Ministry

SAVE THE DATE FOR PRISM'S ANNUAL

This event offers two venues: The Metropolitan Ballroom and Clubroom and Frankies Chicago Style Restaurant.

METROPOLITAN
 BALLROOM & CLUBROOM
 5418 Wayzata Blvd,
 Golden Valley, MN 55416



FRANKIE'S

3556 Winnetka Ave N,
 New Hope, MN 55427

Ticket Information:

- April 1st-14th: \$125
- April 15th: \$150
- VIP TICKET: \$225

includes VIP reception,
 exclusive seating, the first
 choice of parking, and
 fundraising activities.

Ticket Information:

- April 1st-14th: \$60
- April 15th: \$75

VIP RECEPTION: 5:30PM

GENERAL GUESTS: 6:15PM

THURSDAY, MAY 9TH, 2024

FOR MORE INFORMATION: PRISMMPLS.ORG/EVENTS/TOB24

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Monday: Office Closed
Tuesdays through Thursdays : 9:00am
to 3:00pm
Fridays: 9:00 am to 12:00pm

Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions are offered in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as birthday or anniversary), or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

Please contact Mary (marym@smm-gv.org) in the parish office to schedule your Mass Intentions. Suggested minimum donation is \$7.00 or more per Mass.

Devotional Candles

"I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12). In today's culture, lighting devotional candles signifies our prayer offered in faith coming into the light of God. With the light of faith, we petition our Lord in prayer to pray with us and for us to the Lord. The vigil candle that is lit remains so for a period of time and symbolizes how the person desires "to remain present to the Lord in prayer even though we may depart and go about our daily business."

Your donation of \$3.00 is appreciated to defray the cost of the candles.



Lenten Schedule

Stations of the Cross will be at noon (12:00 pm) each Friday.

Holy Thursday, March 28th , 7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross Good Friday, 3:00 pm

Good Friday, March 29th, 7:00 pm

Easter Vigil, March 30th, 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, March 31st: 10:00 am

Daily Bible Readings are available online at the United States Council of Catholic Bishops website
www.usccb.org/bible/readings.

Spring Flower Sale

SPRING FLOWER SALE

Thank you to everyone who generously supported our spring flower sale!

The plants will be available for pickup at the parish office garage on Monday May 13th from 3-7 pm and Tuesday May 14th from 4-7pm.

Questions call Nancy Huntley at 763-522-9437

Lenten Movies Available For Free

Films on the Lives of Catholic Saints & Jesus you can watch for FREE on YouTube:

ST. PETER

The Apostle Peter: Redemption (2016)

<https://youtu.be/AEVH0mrmIdE>

JESUS CHRIST

The Chronological Gospel Movie

<https://youtu.be/0MHzM09fwNI>

STORY OF THE 12 APOSTLES

(History Channel)

<https://youtu.be/5tJbgPQxxzI>

ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO

The Reluctant Saint (1962)

- This Hollywood production stars Oscar winner Maximilian Schell as the "flying saint" who was not expected to accomplish much because he was slow intellectually.

<https://youtu.be/eXxOLNRBdXw>

ST. POPE JOHN PAUL II

Karol : A Man Who Became Pope (2005) & Karol: The Pope, The Man (2006)

- A understandably Polish production, this is yet the most moving and most comprehensive film on the life of JP2. The first movie ends with his election as Pope while the second ends with his death. Anchored by a moving performance by Piotr Adamczyk as Karol Wojtyla.

<https://youtu.be/Itv25RfxvhM>

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