

Building Together

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

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812-937-2200 ~ Monday-Friday 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

**MARCH 29, 2026
PALM SUNDAY**

MASS TIMES

Tuesday: 7:30 AM St. Nicholas (SN)
Wednesday: 7:30 AM St. Joseph (SJ)
Thursday: 7:30 AM Mary, Help of Christians (MHC)
Saturday: 5:00 PM St. Nicholas
Sunday: 7:00 AM Mary, Help of Christians
[Livestreamed on our YouTube]
9:00 AM St. Joseph Church
11:00 AM (Spanish/Español) St. Joseph Church

Confessions offered 1 hour before Mass through Lent or by appointment.

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Saint Francis of Assisi Parish
(All Times are CDT)

Tuesday
7:30am: St. Nicholas

Wednesday
7:30am: St. Joseph

Holy Thursday
6:00pm: The Lord's Supper at SJ

Good Friday
3:00pm: Stations of the Cross at SJ
4:00pm: Stations in Spanish at SJ
6:00pm: Passion of the Lord at SJ

Holy Saturday
8:00pm: Easter Vigil at SJ

Easter Sunday Masses
7:00am at Mary Help of Christians
9:00am at St. Joseph
9:30am at St. Nicholas
11:00am (Spanish) at St Joseph

Parish Events Calendar

Mar. 29 (Sunday) Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Mar. 30 (Monday) Monday of Holy Week
Boy Scouts Pack Mtg SJ PC 5:30pm

Mar. 31 (Tuesday) Tuesday of Holy Week
Cleaning Day at SJ Church 8:30am CDT
- More hands make the workload less

Apr. 1 (Wednesday) Wednesday of Holy Week
SJ and MHC - Quilting
Spanish Choir practice 6pm
First Communion - Class

Apr. 2 (Thursday) Holy Thursday

Apr. 3 (Friday) Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

Apr. 4 (Saturday) Holy Saturday

Apr. 5 (Sunday) Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Have a heartfelt Holy Week!

Dear Brothers and Sister,

In Holy Week we relive the incredible act of mercy God has shown us through Christ. Pope Francis says the very name of God is mercy. God is love and at the core of love is mercy. Another word for love is compassion. This week Jesus will ascend his cross and God's mercy will be fully revealed. This week, we will be with Jesus leaning on the rock in the garden asking for guidance from the Father. Acclimating to the will of God is not for babies. In a sort of inhuman mockery, they will crown Jesus the Christ with a crown of thorns. Jesus will initiate a supper like no other supper the world has ever known. This week is called Holy because it transcends all other weeks; it transcends time; it is Kairos – God's most revealing moment in all time.

Like Peter, we have denied the Christ, not once, twice or even three times, but time and again. This makes me recall the words to Peter at a different time and place, "How many times must I forgive my brother?" "Seven times seventy times," Jesus said. This is the week Pilate washes his hands, a sort of gesture that plays out in each of our lives every time we don't want to get involved, or when we fail to stand up for a person who is being treated unjustly. This is the week when we run away with Jesus' closest friends because we might be next. This is the week when the crowd is easily persuaded to condemn an innocent person. Each of these people transcends time because they are us and we are them. You might say, "Not me! I will not do such things." Yet, I don't know of anyone whose faith has been tested so severely.

Though most of the week we hear about the last days and hours of Jesus, the Father has the last word. The body is carried away so lovingly by his mother and laid ever so reverently in a tomb. The stone is rolled across the entrance and the tomb is sealed. Yet even this cannot contain the author of life. Holy Week invites us to walk with Jesus to glory. The cross has always been a human obstacle to our concept and belief in God. There cannot be any rational explanation for God to love each of us so intimately. Yet, God loved us so much that he gave us his only Son so that we can share in the life of God. This week, when you reverence the cross, remember the love God has shown you. No matter our path in life, all are invited to kiss the very instrument of our redemption.

May this year's Holy Week lift your minds and hearts to God!

Deacon Jim

Ministry Schedule

Holy Thursday April 2, 2026 SJ 6pm

Lector: Needed
Eucharistic: Lisa Day, Need 1 more
Servers: Need 2
Gift Bearers: Needed
Greeters: Need 2
Sacristan: Needed

Good Friday April 3, 2026 SJ 6pm

Lector: Lilly Ward
Narrator: Lisa Day
Voice: Needed
Eucharistic: Melissa Ward, Need 1 more
Servers: Need 2
Greeters: Need 2
Sacristan: Needed

Saturday April 4, 2026 SJ 8pm Easter Vigil

Eucharistic: 3 Needed
Sacristan: Needed
Lector: Ridy Schaefer, Need 3 more
Ushers: Need 4
Servers: Need 4
Greeters: Paul Dauby, Janet Dauby

Sunday April 5, 2026 MHC 7:00 am Easter

Eucharistic: Leslie Begle, Bryce Denning
Sacristan: Rose Pund
Lector: Stephanie Dilger
Ushers: Jeff Dilger, Danny Gogel,
Lori Gogel, Chuck Pund
Servers: Tanner Dilger, Miah Rahman
Greeters: Doris Gries, Erick Taylor
Rosary: Marilyn Woebkenberg

Sunday April 5, 2026 SJ 9:00 am Easter

Eucharistic: Claire Brinkman, Angie Schmidt,
Adie Morrison, Cindy Morrison
Sacristan: Tina Gehlhausen
Lectors: Aimee Arnold
Ushers: Wayne Brinkman, Damian Arnold,
Greg Arnold, Roger Kern
Servers: Molly Tempel, Kade Tempel
Greeters: Susan Brinkman, Kim Balbach
CLOW: Katrina Cochenour, Natalie Tempel

Sunday April 5, 2026 SN 9:30 am Easter

Eucharistic: Need 2
Sacristan: Stella Bennett
Lector: Teep Schlachter
Ushers: Need 4
Servers: Need 2
Greeters: Need 2

Sunday April 5, 2026 SJ 11:00 am Easter

Eucharistic: Carina Mosqueda, Gela Ibarra
Lectors: Carmen Castillo, Cristina Martinez
Ushers: Volunteers
Servers: Yareissy Perez, Leslie Rodriguez,
Jocelyn Dubon
Sacristan: Gela Ibarra

Stewardship of Treasure from 3/15/26

Parish Envelopes: 122

Collection at all Sunday Masses: \$ 5,887.55

Mail Drop: \$ 1,055.00 Online: \$ 325.00

IRA: \$ 500.00

Week Total: \$ 7,767.55

Budget amount needed \$10,000.00

Thank you for your continued support!

Mass Attendance 682

SN 5:00pm: 115

MHC 7:00am: 146

SJ 9:00am: 245

SJ 11:00am: 176

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have pledged to the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Our parish goal is \$133,625.00 and as of this weekend, our parish has \$ 80,159.00 pledged, with \$ 69,018.20 collected.

Out of 633 families there have been only 178 families that have pledged.

If you haven't yet made your gift, contact the Parish office for a pledge card. Or you can make a check payable to CMA and bring it to the office and we will fill out a card for you.

Your pledge is very much appreciated!

Our 2nd Collection is for our Lenten Almsgiving campaign to support our local groups helping those in need.

St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP)
North Spencer Community Action Center (NSCAC)
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
Bags of Blessings and More.

As of today we collected \$ 2,536.10

First Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 9am and 11am Masses on Sunday, April 19, 2026

Mass Intentions

Sat. Mar. 28 (5 pm) Dcn. Jim & Marilyn Woebkenberg
55 Year Wedding Anniversary

Sun. Mar. 29 (7 am) For Guidance (Psalm 119:105)

Sun. Mar. 29 (9 am) Chris Shreve

Sun. Mar. 29 (11 am) Las Benditas Almas del Purgatorio y Los Inmigrantes

Tue. Mar. 31 7:30 am) Steve Hauser

Wed. Apr. 1 (7:30 am) For those struggling with Faith

Sun. Apr. 5 (7 am) Easter Flower Memorials

Sun. Apr. 5 (9 am) Easter Flower Memorials

Sun. Apr. 5 (11 am) Easter Flower Memorials

If there is a funeral, the weekday Mass will be canceled for that day.

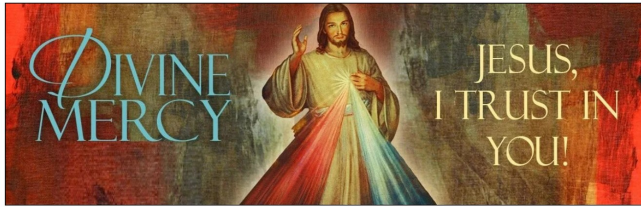
Please call the office to reschedule your Mass intention.

**** Masses will only be scheduled 3 months in advance.**

Also, please limit Masses to 3. Thank you.

Faith Formation/Confirmation/
Youth Group/CLOW Group

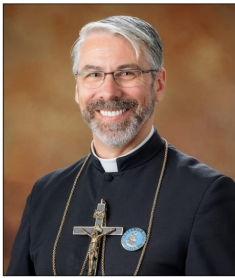
First Holy Communion Class
April 1



SPECIAL DIVINE MERCY MASS AND HOMILY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8
7:00 PM EDT

ST. MARY OF THE VISITATION CATHOLIC CHURCH
317 N. WASHINGTON ST., HUNTINGBURG, IN



Fr. Ken Geraci,
Fathers of Mercy

- Frequent guest on EWTN
- Author of *Spiritual Warfare and Divine Mercy*

Fr. Ken will share the importance of Divine Mercy Sunday and how to obtain the massive amount of graces poured out on this special day.

2026
PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE
Graduation Mass
HONORING THE CLASS OF 2026

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH
ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, DALE

Sunday, MAY 17, 2026
AT 9:00 AM

RSVP: 937-2200 or tbrandes@evdio.org or scan QR code

This Mass will celebrate high school, college, trade school, and military graduates!

Please check your calendars and let me know as soon as possible if you will be attending.

The Knights of Columbus graciously host a delicious breakfast for this and we need to provide them an accurate guest count.

Thank you!

- CUP
- DISCIPLES
- EUCHARIST
- FEET
- FELLOWSHIP
- ARREST
- BETRAYAL
- BREAD
- COMMUNION
- CRUCIFIXION
- PRIESTHOOD
- REDEMPTION
- RESURRECTION
- SACRIFICE
- SHARING
- TABLE
- TEACHINGS
- UNITY
- WASHING
- WINE
- JUDAS
- LAST SUPPER
- LOVE
- PASSOVER
- PETER

- FORGIVENESS
- GARDEN
- GETHSEMANE
- HYMN
- JESUS



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PALM SUNDAY

- THE PALMS are a sign of acclamation.
- THE COMMEMORATION of Jesus' entrance to Jerusalem begins Holy Week.
- IT REPRESENTS the proclamation and recognition of Jesus as the only Son of God.
- DON'T THROW AWAY your palms, keep them so that they are burned as ashes for the following year.

Regarding Funeral Donations

If anyone asks about contributing to a certain cause or item, please instruct them to make the check payable to St. Francis of Assisi Parish and on the memo line note the specific purpose for the donation.