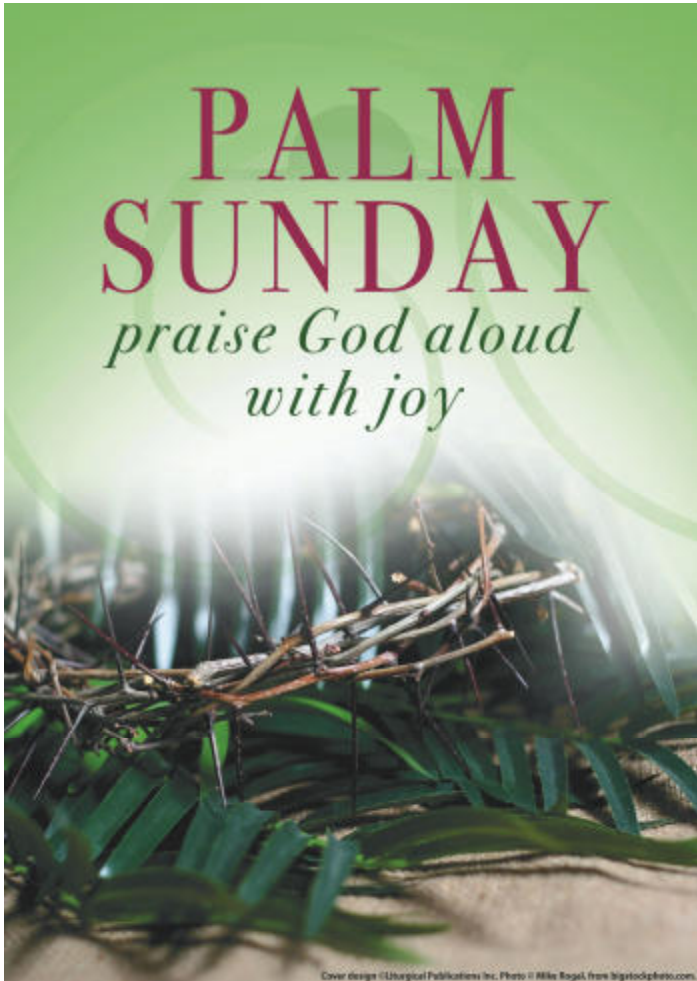




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 Palm Sunday

# GESU CHURCH

“We worship joyfully and serve humbly as the Spirit leads us.”



## SOWERS OF THE SEED

On the weekend of April 28<sup>th</sup>, Gesu Parish will begin a new ministry (actually a restart) of lay written articles in the Gesu bulletin that reflect on the Sunday scriptures. Seven lay people have answered the call to share their reflections on the Word from the weekend liturgy on a rotating basis with other lay writers, under the name of Sowers of the Seed (from the gospel story in Matthew 13 of the farmer sowing seed).

The mission of this ministry is: To prayerfully reflect on the Sunday scriptures and to connect the scriptures with the everyday life of parish members and the life of the parish through clearly written articles in the Church bulletin, with the intent of helping to deepen parishioners’ relationship with God, the Word and parish life.

Those who were invited and have accepted the call represent a diverse cross section of the parish and both have a spiritual knowledge of scripture and regular participation in parish life. They are: Clay Barker, Sr Judy Mouch, Peter Wolf, Pat Jones, Danny Patton, Dianne Patterson Schultz and myself. Our hope is that you will find our reflections a good addition to the fine homilies we hear from our priests each week.

We will welcome your feedback to the writers themselves, to Fr Peter and to myself. We as a team will be evaluating this ministry in September. May the Holy Spirit be with these Sowers of the Seed and with the rich soil that receives the seed each week in your reading.

### Ignatian Moment: Three Consequences of Doing Things to Excess St. Ignatius, *The Letters of St. Ignatius Loyola*

The first is that God is not really served in the long run, as the horse worn out in the first days does not, as a rule, finish the journey.  
 Second, gains that are made with this excessive eagerness are not usually kept. “One who moves too hurriedly misses the way” (Proverbs 19:2); and if he missteps, the further he falls, for he will not stop until he has reached the bottom of the ladder.  
 Third, there is the danger of being careless about overloading the vessel. There is danger, of course, in sailing it empty, as it can then be tossed about on the waves of temptation. But there is also danger of so overloading it as to cause it to sink.

*Talk to God about the balance in your life. Is the ship empty or overloaded?*

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**Pastor's Notes**

We enter Holy Week. A Tradition unlike any other. Filled with familiar sights, sounds and smells. Something old, something new. The already but not yet. Grace abounds...everywhere.

Be with Jesus as he enters Jerusalem on a donkey, as he shares the Passover meal with his friends, carries the cross to Calvary, dies as a common criminal, and is raised in glory on the Third Day. The divinity hides itself. All out of love for you and me. Grace abounds... everywhere.

Let us walk the journey together here at Gesu. Support one another by your presence at each Holy Week liturgy. We are in this together. Life, Death, Resurrection: the core of our faith. Take it all in! Let the graces of Holy Week wash over our lives and our world. Let Jesus love us just as we are. Grace abounds...everywhere.

Be assured of my prayerful support. Please pray for me, too.

Fr. Peter

Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum are upon us! Please plan to celebrate as many of the liturgies of Holy Week that you can.

**Holy Week Schedule****Holy Wednesday**

April 17, 2019

Taize Evening Prayer  
Gesu Church Chapel

**Holy Thursday**

April 18, 2019

Evening Mass, 7:30 pm; adoration until 10:00 pm

**Good Friday**

April 19, 2019

Stations of the Cross, 12:00 pm  
Liturgical Service, 1:30 pm  
March for Peace, 6:00 pm

**Holy Saturday**

April, 20, 2019

Blessing of Easter Food, 2:00 pm  
Easter Vigil with Baptism of Catechumens

**Easter Sunday**

April, 21, 2019

Mass at 8 & 10:30 am  
Easter Egg Hunt in the Community Green, 12:00 Noon

**THE WEEK AHEAD****Monday, April 15**

Yoga, 5:30  
Bible Study, 6 pm  
Scripture, 7 pm  
Book Club, 7 pm

**Tuesday, April 16**

Staff Meeting, 10 am  
UDCA Residential Stnds. Mtg. 6 pm

**Wednesday, April 17, Holy Wednesday**

Muirland Street Block Club mtg. 6 pm  
UDCA Traffic Calming, 6 pm  
Evening Prayer in Church, 7 pm  
AA, 7:30 pm

**Thursday, April 18, Holy Thursday**

School Prayer Service, 2:30 pm  
Yoga, 5:15 pm  
Boy Scouts, 6-9 pm  
Evening Mass, 7:30 pm; adoration until 10:00 pm

**Friday, April 19, Good Friday**

Stations of the Cross, 12 noon  
Sacrament of Reconciliation (after the Good Friday Liturgy),  
3:00 pm

March for Peace, 6 pm

**Saturday, April 20, Holy Saturday**

Blessing of Easter Food, 2 pm  
Easter Vigil with Baptism of Catechumens, 8:30 pm

**Sunday, April 21, Easter**

Mass at 8 am and 10:30 am  
Easter Egg Hunt in the Gesu Community Green 12 noon

**The Parish Center Offices will be closed April 19th thru April 22nd for the Easter Holiday.**

The Easter Bunny is still looking for eggs for Easter Sunday. Please bring taped candy filled eggs only, to church on Palm Sunday. Thank you.

**Calling All Soup Makers**

On Good Friday, April 19, 2019, Gesu is having their annual Walk of Peace at 6:00 pm. Immediately following the walk, Gesu will serve soup and bread in the school social hall. If you can help make soup or bring bread. Please call Jackie Fulbright at 313-891-8713 or 313-409-1044.

**Mark your calendars!**

Gesu's 5th annual, Good Friday evening tradition, the Walk for Hope will take place on April 19th at 6:30 pm. This year we will be incorporating the purple ribbons and will meet at the Gesu green to cut the ribbons then gather on the school lawn to pray before marching. Make sure to write out a prayer request on a ribbon and encourage your friends and neighbors to join you.

May your Lent continue to be blessed.

Please send your announcements and prayers of the faithful to this email address:

[gesuannouncement@gmail.com](mailto:gesuannouncement@gmail.com). Deadline for announcements is Wednesday. Thank you.

**Please pray for those experiencing illness or other problems. May God grant them peace!**

**Note: Names will be listed for 4 weeks. Please call the parish office to add or remove names from the list.**

Lucille & Luke Allen	Tinney Barnes
Dan Mioduszewski	Clarice Hardaway
Brandon Tolhurst	Darrow Harden
Fr. Norman Dickson, S.J.	Fr. Robert, Scullin, S.J.
Calvin & Mellowees Hart	Grant Leeper
Diane Bryant	Mia Lamb
Walter Redmond	Dennis Burnett
Elaine Attaway	George Brooks
Herbert Ford	Shirlee Sullivan
George Williams	Gloria Taylor
Donald Harris	Rita Pavlosky
Barbara Glamb	Naomi King

Prayers will continue at Ministry Meetings and during General Intercessions of the Mass. Gesu parishioners will be contacted periodically.

**Nursing Home**

Gladys Harper	Tammy Pitrowski
Roy Washington	Barbara Wilson
Mabel Ann Greason	Leo P. Brennan
Jesse Taylor	Madolyn Merriwether

**Homebound**

Blanche Dodson	Dorothy Morrow
Clifton Few	Leonard Ellison
Doris Washington	Arnett Jordan
Marguerite Jordan	

**MASS INTENTIONS April 15-19, 2019**

**MONDAY - 15TH**

5:30 pm Joyce Fruge—Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

**TUESDAY - 16TH**

5:30 pm James Maurer—JoeMaurer & Family

**WEDNESDAY - 17TH**

5:30 pm Louis H. Lindeman—The Family

**THURSDAY - 18TH, Holy Thursday**

**FRIDAY - 19TH, Good Friday**

**Funerals**

Please call the parish office at 313-862-4400 to schedule a funeral. Thank you.

**Prayer**

Dear God, I want to take a minute, not to ask for anything from you, but to simply say, thank you for all I have.

**Gesu Church**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

*"We worship joyfully and serve humbly as the Spirit leads us."*

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**Monday through Friday: 9 am-4 pm**

**Closed for lunch, 12 pm-1 pm**

**Parish Office closed on Saturday & Sunday**

Pastor:	Peter Etzel, S.J.
Associate Pastor:	Phillip Cooke, S.J.
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**Celebration of the Eucharist**

Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday, 5:30 pm

Weekends: Saturday, 5:00 pm

Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Secular Holidays: Mass at 9:30 AM

Holy Days: Mass at 5:30 pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 4-5 pm or by appointment with the Pastor

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**PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

Registered: If you are not registered and want to be in the parish and want envelopes, please fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Center. Thank you.

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A Registration form will be sent to you in the mail. Thank you.

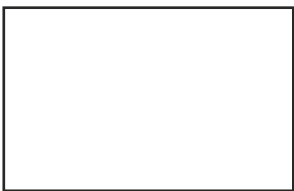
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