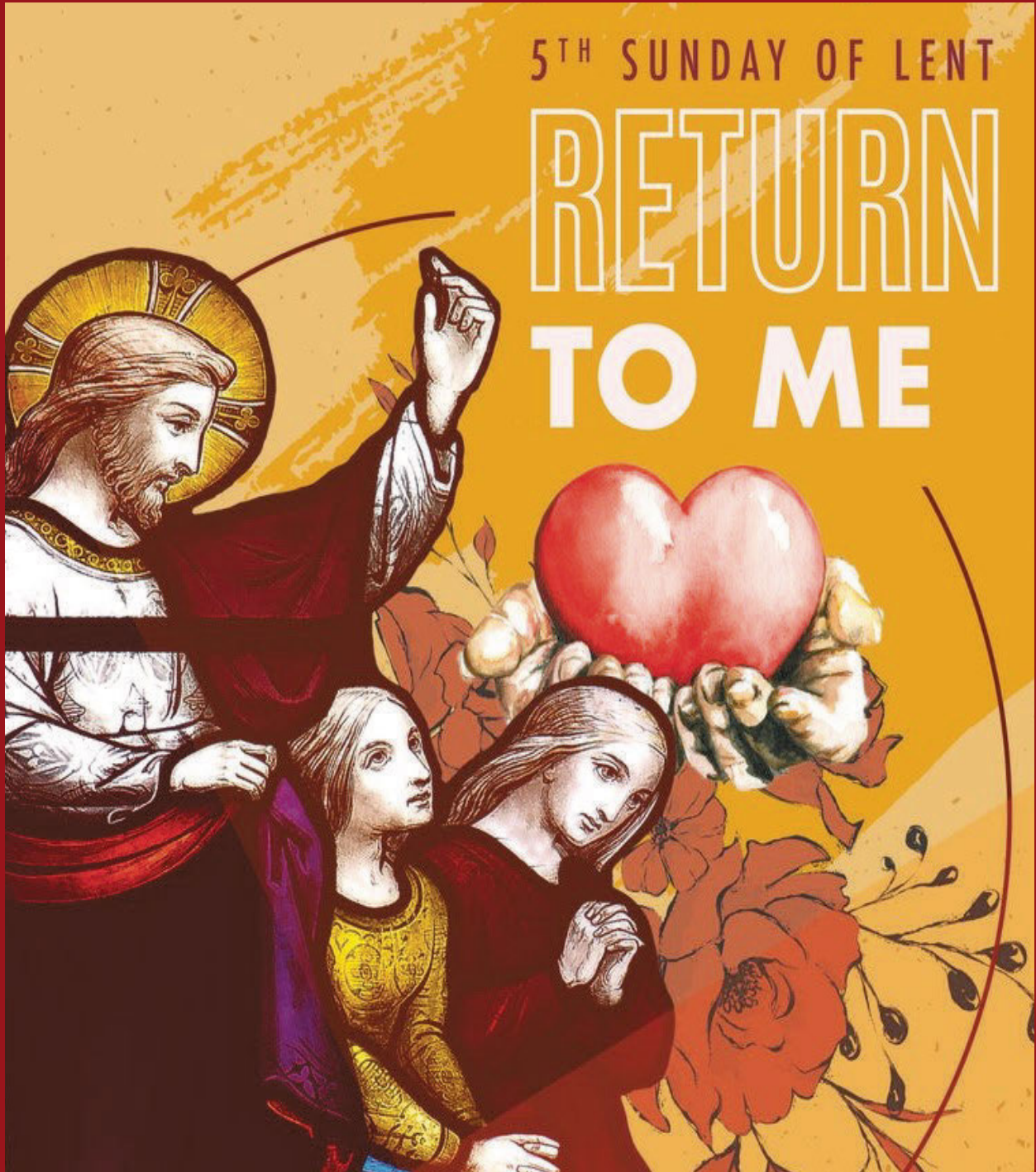




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# PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 4:30 PM

Margaret Allen by Robert Wenderski  
 † Walter & Antoinette Olszewski by Pastucha Family  
 † Anna & Lawrence Pastucha by Pastucha Family  
 † Salma Dib by Sam Zeolla  
 † Seymour Forbing by Pete & Gloria Arciero  
 † Danny Hutsko by Neil Hutsko

### SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 9:00 AM

The People of St. Priscilla  
 † James J Tondreau by Tondreau Family  
 † Paolo & Bianca Giovanardi by Graziano Canini  
 † Fara (Faye) Micciche by Family

### SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 11:00 AM

† Concetta Russo by Family  
 † Luisa D'Emilio by husband Giuseppe  
 † James Swanson by Friends

### SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 1:00 PM

Samantha Irvine  
 † Benito Liu by Jo & Jon Gateley

### MONDAY, MARCH 27, 8:00 AM

† Norman Kauffman by daughter Dorothy  
 † Angelina Griggs by Dorothy

### TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 8:00 AM

† Aldo Pirino by Silvana Carta  
 † Paolo & Bianca Giovanardi Graziano Canini

### THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 7:00 PM

Diane McCabe by Friend  
 † Maria Sinacola by John & Anna Agge

### FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 8:00 AM

† Antonia Ferrera by Maria Iafrate  
 Paolo & Bianca Giovanardi by Graziano Canini

### SATURDAY, April 1, 4:30 PM

† Pietro Mauti by Family  
 † Sophie Olszewski by Barbara Cunmalaj  
 † Frank Nowak 23rd Anniversary by wife, Donna  
 † Peggy Gatteri by Pete & Gloria Arciero

### SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 9:00 AM

Betty & Mark Squier Deborah & Craig Dahl  
 † Antonio Gabbana by Parish

### SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 11:00AM

The People of St. Priscilla  
 † Concetta Russo by Family  
 † Kim Nguyen by Sean Nguyen

### SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 1:00PM

Paul Irvine  
 † John Gasior by Robert Wenderski



God the Father, Hear Our Prayers. Hear Us God The Son. Holy Spirit, Hear Our Prayers. Mercy On Your People Lord.  
**AMEN**

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Anthony Coscia	Steve Lee	Chris Gehringer
Cathy Camilleri	Rosemary Krawcke	Ricky Canini
Mary Himm	Audrey Benzinger	Glen Brown
Joann Seaman	Margaret Gehringer	Steve Moskal
Dennis Belaie	Bill Schneider	Joe Marino
Nancy Giordano	Roger Godbey	Sharon Hamilton
Joann Seaman	Joe Zeniewicz	Daniel Himm
Sylvia DeBrincat	Chuck Stimac	Karen Kelley-O'Brien
Ed Sacha	Ryan Patrick	Dorothy Pongracz
Gregory Dwyer	Mays Family	Jim Pongracz
Mary Giganti	Nathan Stafford	MaryAnn Statetzny
Rob Shepley	Gideon Graham	William Statetzny
Paul Vu	Mary Lou Buechel	Pete Arciero
Magdalena Hang Vu	Jennifer Mattson	Kenneth Ricer
Bernadine Buoncompagno	Pam Pickens	Connie Lark

REMINDER: Names remain on Prayer List for the Sick for 90 days unless the office is notified of continued need or prolonged illness. Please do not ask to add a name to this list without prior permission from the family.



## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Natalie Yurgil	Coast Guard
Benjamin Schmidt	Air Force
Brian Golonka	Army
Kyle Nelson	Marines
Steven Siemieniak	Air Force
Joseph James Prokes	Army

## PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED



**Each Monday following  
Morning Mass  
Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament  
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until Benediction  
at 7:00PM  
with Prayers to  
St. Joseph**

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**"Why did you suffer for me, dear Jesus?  
For love! The nails...the crown...the cross...  
all for the love of me!" -St. Gemma Galgani**

**Alyssa Choraszewski, Director of Religious Education  
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In this weekend's readings we hear one of Jesus' miracles of raising Lazarus from the dead. And not just making Lazarus come back to life after a few minutes or even a couple hours. Jesus woke Lazarus from the dead after Lazarus was in the tomb for full 4 days. Obviously that is a big deal and it is appropriate that homilies and discussions on this reading are focused on the miracle. For you and me, that teaches us that Jesus will, without a doubt, be able to raise us and bring us to glory at his Second Coming (if we are worthy).

It is my hope that you also learned something else in today's reading. No, there is no pop quiz on the city, or who said what, which women were present, etc. You should have also learned that Jesus wept. Jesus' eyes didn't just well up, he didn't "shed a tear." Jesus wept so profoundly that the witnesses said the following:

"Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!'"--John 11:35-36

Lazarus was a friend of Jesus. I have heard it many times "Jesus must have felt awful that he did not help Lazarus sooner and that's why he was so sad." This view point has always been interesting to me. If Jesus had the power to heal the blind and the paralyzed AND raise people from the dead, why would the timing even matter to him? We know for a fact that Jesus did not weep because he was so embarrassed. How do we know that for a fact? We know because Jesus said and did all types of radical things and never once apologized or let criticism slow him down. So why would the timing of his arrival to Lazarus make him embarrassed?

I'm no theologian, but when I reflect upon Jesus weeping this way a few events come to mind. First, I think about The Fall and God must have been grieving when He discovered what Adam and Eve had done. They were supposed to live in perfect communion in paradise with God but God had to curse all of the descendants to a life of suffering and death instead. The second event that comes to mind is Jesus praying in the garden before he is sentenced to death. Jesus prayed and cried so intensely that it wasn't water that streamed down his face--Jesus cried tears of blood. And finally, I also think about Christ's crucifixion. We don't read about Jesus shedding tears in

the Bible and perhaps some of us picture Jesus being strong, brave, and without a single tear that entire day. Personally, I picture Jesus suffering with tears. Not the same type of tears that would have been seen the day he raised Lazarus from the dead. I picture Jesus crying tears with a dutiful silence.

All the tears--in Bethany for Lazarus, in the Garden of Eden, in the Garden of Gethsemane, and the journey to his death--they are all tears that are shed out of love for us. God weeps for you just like He wept for Lazarus. The tears and anguish in the Garden of Eden, God feels that every time we sin, no matter how small. The tears of blood are still shed for us every time we have to suffer and experience death. It was not intended to be this way. We were supposed to all be in communion for all of time, to be in paradise always, to always feel God's closeness and love. God loves you and me so much that He knew how He wanted us to be and when He wanted us to be. Unfortunately, we don't all get the opportunity to be in communion with Him. We can't blame it all on Adam and Eve either. Every day we choose whether or not to take a bite of the forbidden fruit. Every day we decide whether or not to receive the grace of the sacraments (especially Reconciliation). Every day we make choices that determine whether we will make it to heaven or not. God will love you and weep for you no matter what you do because He loves you so much.

*Show Him how much you love Him in return, reconcile yourself with God and be in communion with Him--just as He intended.*



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## The Hour of Our Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 3

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## OFFERINGS

By C Jurkiewicz Dorman ©LPI

*Offer it up.* My grandmother used this phrase with her children, and my mother, in turn, used it with me. It's a kind of verbal heirloom, a gift of wisdom from a generation that knew suffering all too well.

We know it to be true that God will work through our suffering if we invite him to. We know it and we have seen it — we have only to look at Lazarus and his sisters Martha and Mary.

But, often, I invite God into my suffering only to tell Him where I want Him to stand. I make an offering of suffering but expect God to do something very specific with it. *Teach me this, please. Give me this specific grace. Show me this specific answer.*

The happy ending in today's Gospel is not the alleviation of the sorrow Martha and Mary feel because it isn't alleviated, Lazarus is still human, and death still awaits him. Someday, his sisters will have to mourn at his tomb. That loss and pain will not be avoided.

The happy ending is that he is resurrected now, and in doing so, brings so many to belief. The happy ending is that Martha and Mary do not abandon discipleship because things didn't work out exactly the way that they wanted. They run out to meet Christ, eyes dim with tears. They fling themselves into his company and onto his providence.

They made an offering of their suffering, and their happy ending is that their offering was accepted.

**“You are not in the flesh, on the contrary, you are in the spirit.”** — Romans 8:9



## READINGS OF THE WEEK

### MONDAY, MARCH 27

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

### TUESDAY, MARCH 28

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

### THURSDAY, MARCH 30

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

### FRIDAY, MARCH 31

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-4

### SATURDAY, APRIL 1

Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

### SUNDAY, APRIL 2 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

## GOSPEL MEDITATIONS

— Father John Muir

Of all Jesus' miracles, the most unsettling might be when he made a dead person alive. We know of three times when he did so: a girl, a young man, and Lazarus. The miracle teaches us he has the power of life and death. He anticipates his resurrection. Sin hurts us. Some sin kills us, spiritually. The three miracles reveal to us that no matter our circumstances, Jesus can give life to us.

The three miracles are instructive of the three ways we feel dead. The little dead girl symbolizes sin before it has time to mature. She's in bed and, once alive, gets right back to her life. The young man is lying in his casket in a funeral procession. This is sin allowed to fester, to grow and become somewhat normalized. Once raised, he has a short walk back home. Lazarus, a full-grown dead man, lies wrapped in burial bands in the tomb. Once he is raised, much needs to be done. He'll need to remove those bands, find new clothes, and travel all the way back home. That is sin allowed to go all the way, unchecked for months or years. It's the most spectacular of the three and reveals Jesus' glory more than the others.

What hope that should give us, for us and those whom we love! Jesus knows our sin hurts us and can even kill us spiritually. No matter the extent of the damage, he is always ready for the miracle of making the dead fully alive.

**THE WORD OF GOD AS THE BREATH OF LIFE** by Mary Rice

Jesus spoke to Lazarus,  
 cold and lifeless in the tomb  
 Come out! And sorrow's tear gave way  
 to **LIFE**.

Then, as mourners stood and stared,  
 movement—slight and unexpected,  
 gave evidence at the same hour  
 of **LIFE**.

Come out! He spoke again in regal voice.  
 Untie him! - for the burial cloths bind his hands and feet,  
 veil the face that I have loved  
 in **LIFE**.

Yes, release him of all that holds him fast.  
 Undo the ritual that marked his death  
 and free him once again  
 for **LIFE**.

But wait, where are the willing hands  
 to carefully remove the winding cloths  
 and "let him go" in joyful steps  
 to **LIFE?**

Untie him! So that he may walk.  
 Untie him! So that he may speak.  
 Untie him! So that he may join in festive manner  
 As we celebrate  
**NEW LIFE**.

Jesus spoke and all did hear  
 but some among them listened well,  
 obeying Jesus' words,  
 of **LIFE**.

The Father answered Jesus' prayer  
 and happy hearts rejoiced  
 to see God's glory shine in power  
 restoring **LIFE**.

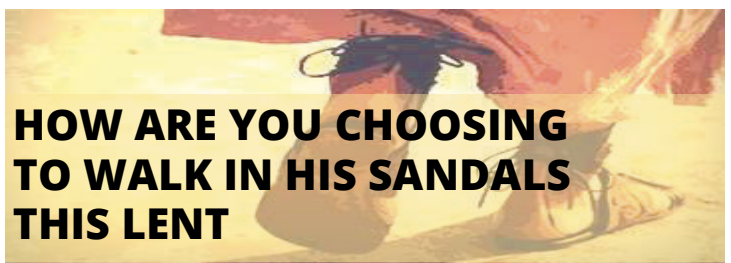
**ALLELUIA!**

**CORRECTION on Last Weeks Article**

FIRST SENTENCE ...Jesse to bring in his youngest son, David,  
**SAMUEL** (not Saul) is delighted. Mea Culpa - Mary



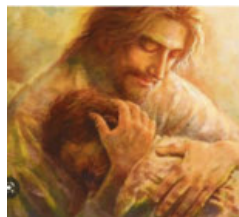
**EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS**  
**YOUR CLEARLY MARKED ENVELOPES**  
**Should have been returned today...**



**HOW ARE YOU CHOOSING TO WALK IN HIS SANDALS THIS LENT**



**SOUP SUPPERS** 6-6:45 PM  
**IN THE ACTIVITY CENTER**  
 March 31 (Last one this year)  
 See below for other events this Lenten Season.



**RECONCILIATION** **IN THE CHURCH**  
**6:00 PM FRIDAY's of LENT**  
 March 31  
**3:30 PM SATURDAY's of LENT** April 1  
 No reconciliation on April 8



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** 7:00 PM  
**IN THE CHURCH**  
 Following Reconciliation and Soup Supper.



**FRIDAY CATHOLIC CAFÉ** 7:30 PM  
 Following Stations of the Cross  
 Our Topic  
**THE BIBLE AND THE VIRGIN MARY**  
**NO SESSIONS ON MARCH 31 /APRIL 7**

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**WELCOMES YOU AT MASS TODAY.**  
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# AROUND THE PARISH

## SEE THE SIGNS

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

When I am driving throughout the United States, I enjoy seeing the billboards that dot the highways speaking for God. A couple of my favorites: "Life is short. Eternity is not. --God"; and "Let's meet at my house this Sunday, before the game. --God." God must have a pretty big advertising budget because he has billboards in pretty much every state!

One billboard I saw read, "You asked God for a sign, and here it is!" After a chuckle, I realized that we are always looking for a sign. We say we believe, but sometimes, we act like we just want to be sure.

In the Gospels, Jesus performs miracles and healings so that people would believe. The healing of Lazarus was surely a profound moment for all who were there. Jesus was able to show that he has power over even death itself, a foreshadowing to his resurrection that will occur in the not too distant future. For all who doubt, be assured that Jesus is the giver of life. He has given living water to the woman at the well, sight to the blind, and now has raised a man from the grave.

As Easter draws ever closer, how many more signs do you need? What else can Jesus do to convince you that his call on your life comes from the source of all life? As the US Bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship lays out, we have been challenged, we are asked to choose, and then our lives will be transformed. May all the signs of God around us, even billboards on the side of the road, move us to choose a path of giving of ourselves like Jesus.



## HELP US DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER

Even an hour of your time will be helpful. Please meet in the activity center. Refreshments provided. Service Hours available.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 8th - 9:30AM**



## New Crayons Created From Your Old Used Crayons

A container for used crayons is located in the Church breezeway

## St. VINCENT de PAUL

### PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED THIS WEEK

Campbell's Chunky Soup, Tuna Fish  
Toothpaste, 4 Pk Toilet Tissue

**Thank you for supporting our pantry.**

DATE	LECTOR	EMHC
APRIL 1 4:30 PM	TONY ALLAM JO GATELEY	PLEASE CONTINUE TO VOLUNTEER
APRIL 2 9:00 AM	DAVE TOTH EVA LEE	
APRIL 2 11:00 AM	BRADLEY STALDER LOU BARRETT	

### USHER SCHEDULE APRIL 2023

Saturday Team **B** Sunday Team **C**

### MARY'S HELPERS APRIL 2023

4th Barb Hargan  
18th M Gallagher/JJ Gallagher




## MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE

We are looking for players age 29 and over for the St. Priscilla men's softball team. The fee is \$70 for the season. There are 14 regular season games mostly on Mondays plus playoffs. Contact Manager Lou Barrett for details at 734-363-0043.

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## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**PALM SUNDAY VIGIL - SATURDAY, APRIL 1**

MASS 4:30 PM

**PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 2**

MASS 9:00 AM & 11:00AM - TLM 1:00 PM

**HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 6**

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 7:00 PM

ALTAR OF REPOSE 8:00 PM - MIDNIGHT

**GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 7**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 12:00 PM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET - 12:30 PM

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION - 1:00 PM

**HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 8**

BLESSING OF FOOD/BASKETS - 11:00 AM

EASTER VIGIL MASS - 8:00 PM

**EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 9**

MASS OF EASTER DAY - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

of EASTER DAY - 1:00 PM



**PLEASE JOIN US**

**IN THE CHURCH TO PRAY THE  
NOVENA OF DIVINE MERCY**

**GOOD FRIDAY** 12:30 PM

Following Stations of the Cross

**HOLY SATURDAY** - 3:00 PM

**EASTER SUNDAY** Approx 2:15 PM

Following Mass - Traditional Latin Mass

**EASTER MONDAY - SATURDAY** - 3:00 PM

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** Approx 2:15 PM

Following Mass - Traditional Latin Mass



## PASSION SUNDAY

Prior to Vatican II, Passion Sunday was the 5th Sunday of Lent and Palm Sunday was observed on the subsequent Sunday.

For many centuries, the 5th Sunday of Lent was called "Passion Sunday," while the Sunday after it was called, "Palm Sunday." Currently the Roman Rite denotes Palm Sunday as "**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**," which combines the two observances.

This Sunday is called Passion Sunday because the Church begins on this day to make the Sufferings of our Redeemer her chief thought. It is called also Judica from the first word of the Introit of the Mass and again Neomania that is the Sunday of the new or the Easter moon, because it always falls after the new moon, which regulates the Feast of Easter Day.

Palm Sunday was the same celebration as it is today, with the procession of palm branches and the reading of the Passion narrative.

The Church simply saw fit to prepare the hearts of the faithful for the Passion of Jesus during the last two weeks of Lent by calling the 5th Sunday of Lent Passion Sunday. After Vatican II, the Church decided to combine the two Sundays.



## BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD BASKETS

SATURDAY, APRIL 8th  
11:00AM  
IN THE CHURCH

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