

WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – ST. MARY

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Live the Gospel! Whatever it takes.

*If you are interested in joining our parish, becoming Catholic, marriage prep, baptism prep, confirmation, funerals, returning to the Church, spiritual direction, information on grief support, would like communion brought to you, inquiring about an annulment or have other concerns, contact Father Soja 920-445-4560.

*Questions regarding religious education and registration can be addressed to Carolyn Lemanski 715-528-3008

*Call St. Vincent de Paul Conference for assistance with basic needs: 715-528-2030

*To schedule a Mass intention, volunteer for a parish ministry, rent the parish hall, request a prayer shawl or request prayers, call the parish office. 715-528-3310

****Parish Office hours: Tuesday - Friday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.****

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday - 8:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Tuesday Mass - 8:30 a.m. 3/28/23

Friday - 8:30 a.m.

1st Fri. 10:00 a.m. Florence Health Services

Confession available 30 minutes before all Masses

Holy Hour on 1st Thursday - 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, and Benediction.
 Other Thurs. Reconciliation/private prayer *we will begin praying the Rosary for all priests at 5:00 pm*

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 28- For vocations to the priesthood
 Friday, March 31 - For our Confirmation Students
 Sat. April 1 - + Sharon Macaulay
 Sunday, April 2 - + Nick & Irene Dal Santo, Tony DeMuri and Leo Syrjanen

Ministry Schedule April 1 & 2

Saturday

Sacristan - Brant & Cindy Brolin
 Eucharistic Minister -
 Lector - Yvonne Leslie & *volunteer needed please*
 Servers - open
 Ushers - Open - volunteers appreciated

Sunday

Sacristan - Roy Rietz
 Eucharistic Minister - Sally Neuens
 Lector - Kathy Jazinski & Bill DeGroot
 Servers - open
 Ushers - Lead usher - Mike Lemanski

Money counters - Dan & Kathy Jazinski
 Church/Office Cleaning - Caitlyn Kelley

Thank you!

Holy Thursday: **We are looking for some volunteers to have their feet washed at Holy Thursday Mass at St. Stanislaus.** Father would like 12 volunteers. Ideally, 4 volunteers from Armstrong Creek, 4 from Goodman and 4 from Florence. Please call Evie at 715-336-2631 or call/text Debbie at 920-639-0595. Thank you.

Next weekend as we gather for **Palm Sunday please set your things in your pew and gather in the parish hall to begin the procession with palms into the church.

Please Pray for our **Confirmation Students** and their sponsors. **William Kelley/D'Nelle Kelley, Breyson Kelley/Blake McLain, Lucy Ruebens/Lori Weinfurter and Jackson Robinson/Becky Kelley.**

◇ *Mass on Tuesday, March 28th will be at 8:30 am and not 5:30 pm. Fr. Soja will be traveling to Green Bay for an all day workshop on Wednesday.*

Thank you for your generosity to the **World's Poor Collection** last weekend. **We raised \$328.65!**

Stations of the Cross during Lent.



Fri. @ 9:00 am **after** the 8:30 am Mass

Tues. @ 5:00 pm **before** the 5:30 pm Mass

We are in need of Sacristans for Sunday Mass.
 Please contact Fr. Soja or the office if you can help.

Sacristan Ministry is a "behind the scenes" service which can be performed by individuals or couples. The entire service of this ministry occurs before and after the Mass Liturgy. **Training provided!!**



Sharing the light of Christ! Bishop's Appeal 2023
Our 2023 Goal is \$10,226 We have raised \$8,440

Your gift truly helps bring the heart and hands of Christ to our children, young adults, families and neighbors here in northeastern Wisconsin. To make a gift today, envelopes are in the pews and entryway, visit the Bishop's Appeal website at www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give, or call Tammy Danz toll-free at 877-500-3580, ext. 8123. **We kindly ask that all donations be mailed directly to the diocese at PO Box 23001, Green Bay, WI, 54305-3001. (Checks payable to CF/Bishop's Appeal).** Thank you!

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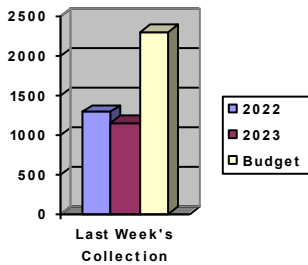
Friends, Holy Week, begins on Palm Sunday, 2nd April 2023. Holy Week is a time when Catholics gather to remember and participate in the Passion of Jesus Christ. It encompasses the three most sacred days, known as "Triduum". It begins at sundown on Holy Thursday, reaches a high point at the Easter Vigil, and concludes with evening prayer at sundown on Easter Sunday. The liturgical celebrations during the Triduum on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday are rich with symbolism and flow from one to another in a seamless way. While it may appear as if these liturgies are separate and distinct, they are intended to be one continuous celebration that commemorates the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. For this reason, Catholics are encouraged to observe the entire Triduum by attending all of the liturgies.

Let us make this Holy Week more meaningful by following 12 ways;

- 1. THINK PRAYER.** If you have to work or go to school during Holy Week, think about how you can incorporate prayer breaks into each day.
- 2. MAKE AN ADDITIONAL SACRIFICE** by fasting and abstaining from meat on Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday in addition to Good Friday.
- 3. DON'T WATCH TELEVISION** from sundown on Holy Thursday until Easter morning.
- 4. GO** to confession.
- 5. SET ASIDE** 10 minutes every day to read Passion accounts in the Gospels.
- Make it a point to **FORGIVE** someone on Good Friday.
- 7. PRAY** the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary.
- 8. OFFER UP** any pain or difficulties you experience during Holy Week and unite your sufferings with the pain of Christ.
- 9. PRAY** the Stations of the Cross.
- 10. ATTEND** all of the Triduum liturgies.
- 11. INVITE** family members, friends and neighbors — especially people who have strayed from the church — to come to church with you.
- 12. VOLUNTEER** to help decorate your parish on Holy Saturday for Easter. ~Fr. Soja

Holy Week schedule for the 3 parishes of St. Mary's in Florence, St. Stanislaus Kostka in Armstrong Creek and St. Joan of Arc in Goodman with Fr. Soja.

<i>Holy Thursday</i>	6:00 pm	AC	St. Stanislaus Kostka
<i>Good Friday</i>	12:00 noon	FL	St. Mary's
	3:00 pm	GM	St. Joan of Arc
<i>Holy Saturday</i>			
<i>Blessing of Baskets</i>	11:00 am	AC	St. Stanislaus Kostka
<i>Easter Vigil</i>	8:00 pm	AC	St. Stanislaus Kostka
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	8:30 am	FL	St. Mary's
	10:30 am	GM	St. Joan of Arc



Sat. General Collection	Loose...\$53.00	Envelope...\$200.00	Total...\$253.00
Sun. General Collection	Loose...\$113.00	Envelope...\$417.00	Total...\$530.00
Electronic Transfer	General...\$375.00		Total...\$375.00
Total General Collections		\$1,158.00	

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