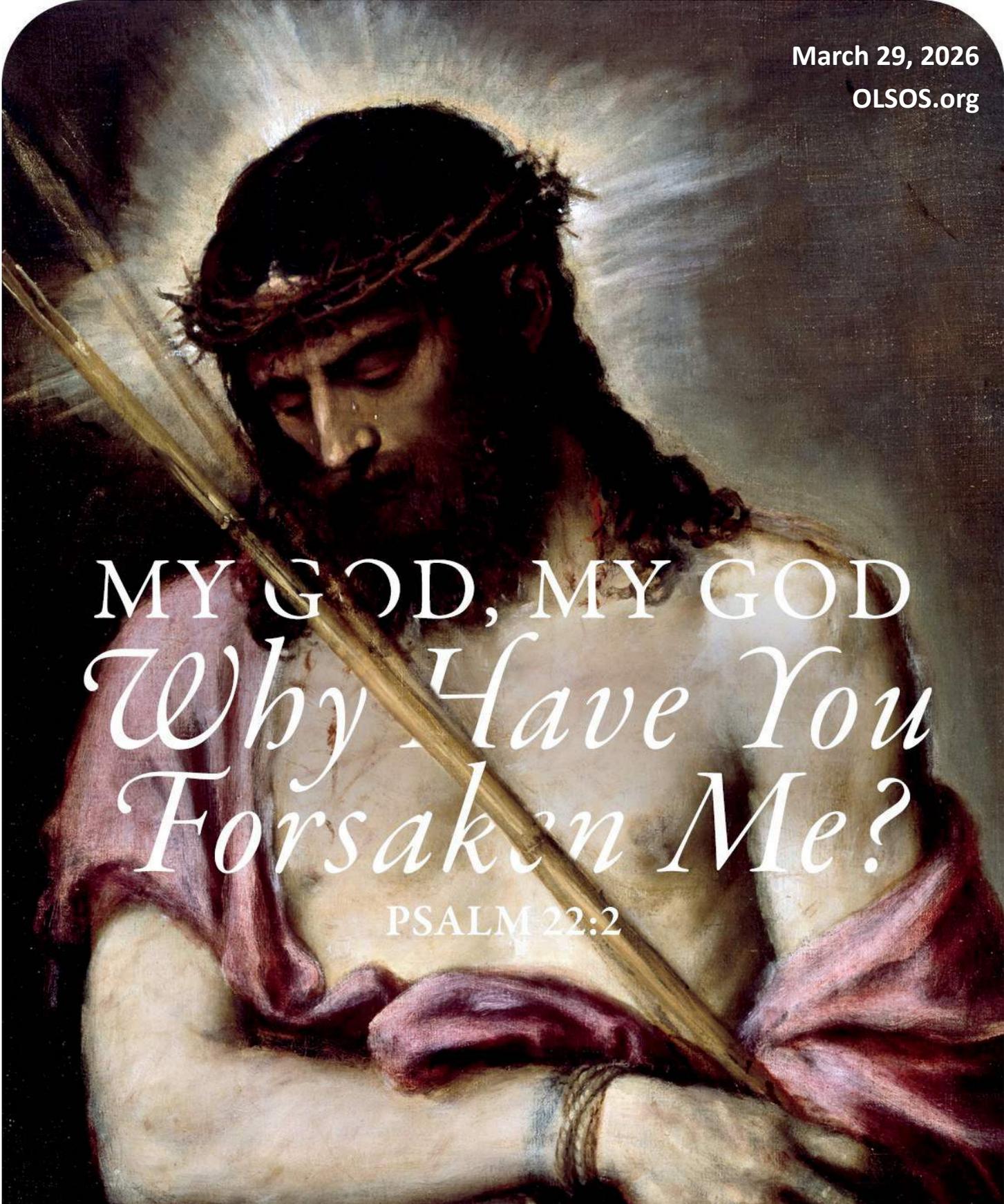


March 29, 2026

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MY GOD, MY GOD
*Why Have You
Forsaken Me?*

PSALM 22:2



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
PALM SUNDAY

WITH MARY, WE BRING PEOPLE TO CHRIST TO LIVE THE LOVE OF GOD

Mass times & information

SAT	4:00 p.m. (Vigil)
SUN	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
MON - THU	7:30 a.m.
FRI	8:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MON - THU 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FRI 8:00 a.m.—Noon

SAT Closed
SUN Closed
Holidays Closed

FAITH FORMATION

313-884-7407

BAPTISMS

Please call the Faith Formation Office (313-884-7407) during the last months of pregnancy to arrange for Baptism classes and schedule the Sacrament.

Everyone has a right to their own sacramental certificate. No one has the right to another person's certificate, except: the parent/guardian of a minor child. (Archdiocese of Detroit)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK/ MINISTRY TO THE SICK

The Church strongly encourages people to receive the Sacrament (Anointing) of the Sick at the early stages of serious sickness or before serious surgeries.

In emergency situations needing the prompt attention of a priest, please call the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Must be a registered member, in good standing, of OLSOS.

Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Newcomers to the parish may register in the Parish Office or online at OLSOS.org. Please notify the Parish Office of address changes.

Adults over 21 need to be registered as an individual member to be considered a Catholic in Good Standing.

Hearing devices are available for use during Mass. Please ask an usher for assistance.



look at each one of them.

Holy Thursday: There is only one Mass on Holy Thursday and that is the “**Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper.**” At this Mass we commemorate the institution of the Eucharist, the institution of the priesthood and Christ’s commandment to love all our brothers and sisters. At this Mass, we also consecrate enough hosts for communion on Good Friday. Following communion, the Blessed Sacrament remains on the altar and then carried in procession to a place of reposition. For us, we process to The Pointe where the Blessed Sacrament will remain until 10 pm. All are invited to come and pray during that time.

Good Friday: The official liturgy of the Church this day is the “**Celebration of the Passion of the Lord**”. Our liturgy, which consists of three parts, will begin at 1:30 when the ministers enter in silence and everyone kneels. The Liturgy of the Word consists of two readings and then the reading of the passion from John’s gospel. After the homily, we have the General Intercessions, i.e., ten intercessions praying for the members of the Church as well as those who do not believe in God. The second part of this liturgy is the Veneration of the Cross. Here our focus is on a cross, not a crucifix, the instrument of our salvation. This year, those who come to venerate the cross will do so with a bow or a genuflection. Holy Communion follows. The Blessed Sacrament that was consecrated the previous evening is then distributed. Following communion and a short prayer, all the ministers and people exit in silence.

Holy Saturday: (Remember there is no 4 pm Mass this day.) On this day the church is still stark and empty. The day and night is one of vigil for the Lord. The liturgy of the whole year is “**The Easter Vigil.**” It begins after sunset and darkness sets (8:30 pm this year) and consists of four parts. The first part is the Service of Light. The church is totally dark, and we begin is a simple introduction as a fire is lit and then blessed. The new Easter or Paschal Candle is prepared, lit and then carried in procession through the dark church as “Christ our Light” is proclaimed three times and the Easter Proclamation (Exsultet) is sung. Following is the Liturgy of the Word. Here a number of readings are proclaimed, the Gloria is once again sung as well as the Alleluia. Part three is the Liturgy of Baptism and one of the real highlights of the night. We bless new water, initiate any new members of the Church through baptism and confirmation, and then together we all renew our baptismal promises. The fourth part is the usual Liturgy of the Eucharist when we receive the great gift of Jesus himself in His Body and Blood. Then we finally conclude the Easter Vigil with the sign of the cross and dismissal, going forth to bring the Light of Christ to the world.

These are truly the most beautiful liturgies of the Church’s year. Hopefully the above explanation gives you a clearer idea as to what will happen during those liturgies.

****** When people get new palms they often wonder what to do with the old. Do not throw them in the garbage. Since they are blessed, they should be burned or buried. The simplest thing is to cut them up in small pieces and bury them in the garden.

****** Monday evening, at 7 pm, the SERF vicariate will have a communal penance service, with individual confessions, at St. Joan of Arc Church. There will be many priests there to hear confessions.

**Archbishop Weisenburger has asked that parishes take up a collection on Good Friday, a long-standing custom in churches to support the holiest of sites in Jerusalem and the Holy Land. The “offering towers” will be used for that purpose as well as baskets. Thank you.

** Thanks to everyone who participated in our Fish Fry in any way. The fryers, bakers, salad and Mac and Cheese makers, the order and money takers, the dinner runners and the dinner fillers (those who filled either the dining room or carryout orders), and of course, Debby Veltri for coordinating this “well-oiled machine.” Thanks to all the people who came to experience our Friday food fare. We hope you had a good meal and enjoyed some company as well. See you again next Lent!

May this week truly be holy for you. Please take the time to pause, reflect and spend some time with our Lord and the Church. Msgr. Gary Smetanka

Vicariate Penance Service with individual Confessions

Monday, March 30: 7:00 pm
at St. Joan of Arc

Holy Week Parish Office Hours

Monday, March 30 - Thursday, April 2: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday, April 3: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Monday, April 6: CLOSED

Holy Hour

April 6th
Holy Hour
Is Cancelled

Prayer Group

every Wednesday at 3:00 pm

in the OLSOS prayer & Eucharistic Chapel
on Morningside,
to pray the Rosary & the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

We pray for world peace and
all the parish intentions

Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday - 11:00 am—2:00 pm
In the parish office chapel

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 30

7:30 a.m. +Georgette Zahar
+Nelson Lezé

Tuesday, March 31

7:30 a.m. +Lillian Rogers
+Joseph Lentine, Jr.
Jean Wersching

Wednesday, April 1

7:30 a.m. +Thomas Lawler
+Joe G. Basirico
+Stephen Yuhase

Thursday, April 2

7:30 a.m. NO MASS
7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord’s Supper
OLSOS Parishioners
Priests, Deacon, & Bishops

Friday, April 3

8:30 a.m. NO MASS
1:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion

Saturday, April 4

4:00 p.m. NO MASS
8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 5

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners
Increase in Religious Vocations

9:30 a.m. +Thomas J. Youngblood
+Mary Otten
+Joseph Zelenak
+Catherine Jaboro

11:30 a.m. +Mary Lou LeFevre
+Dean Tabin
+Aaron Blair
+Eddie Metry, Jr.

Mass Intentions -

Please Note: According to Archdiocesan Policy, the suggested donation is \$10 per Mass per person. Masses can be for the deceased (+) and the living, so please don’t assume that a Mass being said for a living person, means that they are ill, please respect the privacy of all individuals.

Celebrating the Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday - April 2

(No 7:30 am Mass, Chapel closes at 8:00 am for the Triduum)

7:00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Procession follows with the Blessed Sacrament to the Pointe
Private Adoration in the Pointe until **10:00 pm**

Good Friday - April 3

(Church opens at **9:00 am** for private prayer and devotions)

1:00 pm - Stations of the Cross

1:30 pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Followed by the Divine Mercy Novena

Private Veneration of the Cross
and Private Prayer until 6:00 pm

Holy Saturday - April 4

Noon - Blessing of the Food

(No confessions. No 4:00 pm Mass.
Church will be closed until 7:30 pm)

8:30 pm - The Easter Vigil

Blessing of the Easter Fire and Candle

Liturgy of the Word

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Easter Sunday - April 5

8:00 am , 9:30 am, & 11:30 am Masses



Our Sunday Coffee & Donut Ministry

Join Us for Monthly Fellowship and Refreshments!

Enjoy fresh treats and hot coffee while catching up with familiar faces, meeting new friends, and sharing in the warmth of our parish community.

We're always happy to welcome new members to our Hospitality Team! It's a wonderful way to serve your parish and help create a welcoming atmosphere.

Interested? Contact Judy Zedan at jl.zedan@gmail.com for more details.

Dates: April 26, May 17

To volunteer: Please visit our sign up Genius Link:

www.signupgenius.com/go/5080544ADAD2FA1F49-58719949-coffee

Or scan the QR code



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
To bring Holy Communion to the sick and the homebound of our parish.

We are in need of help on 2 days you will be added to a rotating schedule.

Wednesdays

we distribute communion at the Rivers at 11:00 am

Fridays

We distribute communion to individuals in their home starting around 9:00 am

Please contact the Parish Office (313-884-5554).

All volunteers must have completed The Virtus Training

Thank you for considering sharing your gifts in this way.



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Vacation Bible School

August 10th-13th



Camper Registration Opens April 13th

Vacation Bible School is for any student entering
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(Preschool students must be potty trained)

We are looking for both student (Grades 6th - 12th) and adult
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Volunteer Registration Now Open

VOLUNTEERS

NEEDED



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WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA 2027 INFORMATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2026

**12:30PM @ STAR OF THE SEA (THE POINTE)
7:00PM @ ST. JANE FRANCES (SOCIAL HALL)**

If you are interesting in joining our group for World Youth Day,
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If you have any questions, please contact Jack Novak:
j.novak@stargp.org

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This bible study explores what the
Church teaches about death, judgment,
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Evening Session Only

Thursday Evenings: 7:00-8:30pm | Apr 16 - May 14

Questions for all events can be directed to:

Jack Novak: Email: j.novak@stargp.org | Phone: 313-558-7407

Visit our Website: olsos.org/ff

ALMSGIVING INFORMATION

The three traditional pillars of Lenten observance are prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Almsgiving: It is a sign of our care for those in need and an expression of our gratitude for all that God has given to us. Works of charity and the promotion of justice are fundamental components of the Christian way of life we began when we were baptized.

GIANNA HOUSE

Gianna House is a refuge for at-risk mothers, offering support during pregnancy and beyond. Through educational classes on parenting, personal growth, and wellness, as well as essential baby and maternity supplies, Gianna House empowers women with the resources they need to care for themselves and their children.
EASTPOINTE, MI | www.giannahouse.org

CENTER FOR THE WORKS OF MERCY

The Center for the Works of Mercy is a one-stop haven of help and hope, providing food, clothing, healthcare, and support services to those in need. Through programs like the Mercy Food Pantry, Malta Medical & Dental Clinic, and Mercy Clothing Closet, the center transforms lives with compassion and care.
DETROIT, MI | www.ccsem.org/CWM

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DETROIT, MI | www.cabriniclinic.com

Mark the organization(s) you would like to help on the envelopes found in the gathering space. Make checks payable to **OLSOS**.

Envelopes can be dropped off in the offertory boxes, parish office, or brought to the Holy Thursday Mass.



Please pray for:

In memoriam

the parishioners that have had their funerals at OLSOS.

3/30/1967 Maureen Jumer
3/30/1979 Lorie Ann Byrne
3/30/1980 Raffaella Burgio
3/30/1980 Louis Weber
3/30/1984 Grace Mixich
3/30/1997 James Hathaway
3/30/2019 Nelson Leze
3/31/1975 Mary Michaux
3/31/1993 Mary Sherman
3/31/1996 Helen Staskowski
3/31/2003 Mary Lou Wenz
3/31/2005 Kathryn Artner
3/31/2024 Mark Hrabovsky
4/1/1959 Rosanna Jennings
4/1/1971 Frederick VanAssche
4/1/1989 Celine Stibich
4/1/1991 Theodore M. Barthel
4/1/1993 Charlotte Conroy
4/1/1996 Laura Cowden
4/1/2006 Mitchell Malicki
4/1/2008 John Bissa
4/1/2010 Angela Simoncini
4/1/2012 Betty Trentacoste
4/2/1977 Marguerite Crandall
4/2/1979 Robert Petz
4/2/1980 Hilda Garry
4/2/1985 Anthony Brinkman
4/2/1993 James P. Conroy
4/2/1998 Gilbert DiLoreto
4/2/2004 Agnes Borchak
4/2/2012 Stephen Yuhase
4/2/2013 Margaret Saponaro/
4/2/2025 Robert Dudeck
4/3/1969 Runar Anderson
4/3/1971 Walter Sunday
4/3/1976 Kenneth Fisher
4/3/1980 Aubertine Coussement
4/3/1991 Lena Theresa Bologna
4/3/1996 Virginia Alden
4/3/1999 Joseph Baratta
4/3/2014 George Haezebrouck
4/4/1976 William Cavataio
4/4/2003 Paul Trupp
4/4/2005 Fern Pantano

4/5/1958 Stanley Condon
4/5/1967 Gasparro Cataldo
4/5/1976 Margaret Kelly
4/5/1999 Barbara Lemieux
4/5/2000 Elsie Connors
4/5/2001 John Quinlan
4/5/2020 Mary Lou Ferrante

the sick

Jennie Barzotti
Victor Bontomas
Maria Buscemi
Jeanne Collins
Diana Dargan
Barbara Drader
Andrea Drouillard
Ruth Flynn
Cheryl Fox
Mary Anne Gargaro
Christine Mathis
Carol Nowinski
Angie Rubino
Alexandra (Hathaway) Schwegler
Rosalie Soosik
Mary Spatt
Cathy Spindler
JoAnne Spring
Alexis Suppanz
E. Noreen Szymborski
Peter Taormina, Sr.
Joyce Tranchida
Linda Vitale
Mike Walter

those in the military

Connor Barthel
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Josh Duffy
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John Walker

THE KIDS' BULLETIN
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A fun way for Catholic kids to learn about the Faith every week.
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Scripture Readings

For the Week of March 29, 2026

Sunday Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or Mt 27:11-54

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

Tuesday Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday Holy Thursday - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday Good Friday of the Lord's Passion
Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter
Gen 1:1-2:2 or Gen 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 and 22; Gen 22:1-18 or Gen 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rm 6:3-11, Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10

Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord
Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35 (Afternoon or Evening)





AND THE WINNERS ARE...

Congratulations to our raffle winners—we hope you enjoy your star-worthy prizes. Thank you to all who participated and helped make Spotlight a shining success!

**1st prize: \$10,000 or 2-year lease of Ford Bronco
: Tony DiMarko - Ticket #08324**

**2nd Prize: 1 Year of Dining
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Daily: MTWTHF 7:00 a.m.

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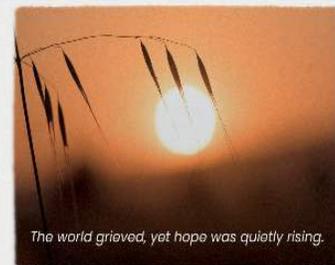


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The world grieved, yet hope was quietly rising.

**First Sunday of the Month
1:00 pm In the Pointe**

April 5th group is cancelled for Easter

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