



The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate Holy Week 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Holy Week is the very heart of the entire Church year. The very word "Holy" highlights this week as unique among weeks of the year, as it is the week in which we solemnly recall the events that brought about our salvation. The rituals of the Church throughout this week both remember and make present the passing of Jesus from death to new life. Bold signs and symbols are everywhere during this week, as they tell a powerful story of faith.

The spiritual journey of Holy Week moves quickly and dramatically from Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to His Passion and Death. Holy Thursday rituals, including the institution of the Eucharist, are like a refreshing pause, a few hours of rejoicing before the full reality of Jesus' suffering envelopes us on Good Friday. Then there is a quiet waiting until the glory of the Resurrection dawns upon us at the Easter Vigil, continuing on Easter Sunday, and throughout the Octave of Easter.

Many of the liturgies of Holy Week do not feel like they are finished, as we get up and walk out without music or ceremony. We are left to feel as if there should be something more, and truly we ought to feel that way, for indeed there is more. The best way to truly enter into the experience of Holy Week is to come to the liturgy of each day. Please consider doing that, even if you have never done it before. All of Holy Week should be experienced as one great liturgy, culminating in the Easter Proclamation, "**He Is Risen, Alleluia!**"

We wish you all a very Blessed Easter. May the peace and joy of the Risen Lord fill your hearts and your homes throughout the Easter Season.

**Bishop Matthew Ustrzycki
Fr. Bill Foote
Seminarian Luis Inacio**

**Fr. Ian Duffy
Deacon Quinto Tami
Basilica Parish Staff**

Confessions During Holy Week

Saturday, March 27 10:00am - 12:00pm
 2:00pm - 5:00pm
Tuesday, March 30 5:00pm - 7:00pm
Wednesday, March 31 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Palm Sunday

March 27/28

Vigil Mass of Palm Sunday Saturday at 5:15pm
Palm Sunday Masses 9:00am, 10:30am, and
 12:00noon

Weekday Masses During Holy Week

Monday of Holy Week 9:00am
Tuesday of Holy Week 9:00am
Spy Wednesday 7:30am & 12:15pm
 (Adoration Wednesday Morning)

Holy Thursday

April 1

The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) 9:00am
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for one hour after Mass

Good Friday

April 2

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 9:00am, 12:00pm, 3:00pm
*(Please Note all three Liturgies are the same Liturgy of the Passion.
However, because of Covid restrictions, there is an extra Liturgy this year to
enable more people to attend)*

Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

Holy Saturday

April 3

The Office of Lauds (Morning Prayer) 9:00am
The Solemn Easter Vigil 8:00pm

Easter Sunday

April 4

Mass at Dawn 7:30am
Mass of easter Day 9:00am & 10:30am
Solemn Mass of Easter 12:00pm