

APRIL 1 & 2, 2023



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WELCOME to all who have come to worship and pray with us this weekend. We are glad you are here!

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Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

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Offered during 11:00 a.m. Mass
(Sept - June)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
**Or by appointment*

ADORATION (1 HOUR)

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

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Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



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PALM SUNDAY

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Welcomes YOU!

Whether you are new to our parish, or have been with us for many years, your presence leaves a unique mark on the life of our church. As your Pastor, I am excited you are with us today to build an even stronger parish community now and into the future.



Fr. Ross Campbell

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Paul Patrick
Tuesday	Rev. Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean-Pierre
Wednesday	Oblates of Mary Immaculate
Thursday	Holy Thursday
Friday	Good Friday
Saturday	Holy Saturday

OFFERTORY

Envelope Contributions	\$ 5,412.00
Loose Collection	\$ 575.80
Online Donations	\$ 1,571.70
Total Collection	\$ 7,444.68

THANK YOU!

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REMEMBER YOUR PARISH Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. Francis Xavier Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, APRIL 4 8:00AM
- Intentions of Vera Fedorik

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5 8:00AM
+ Edmund Kulak

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5 7:00PM
+ Jeremy Prieur
+ Angelo Giglia
+ Maria Grazia Chiaravalloti
+ Sonia Lyssette Amatuzio
- Intentions of Pascal Onemheghie
- Intentions of MaryAnne Onemheghie

THURSDAY, APRIL 6 8:00AM
NO MASS

THURSDAY, APRIL 6 7:00PM
- For the Parishioners

FRIDAY, APRIL 7 8:00AM
NO MASS

FRIDAY, APRIL 7 11:00AM
Good Friday Service

FRIDAY, APRIL 7 3:00PM
Good Friday Service

EASTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 8 - Easter Vigil 8:00PM
- For the Parishioners

SUNDAY, APRIL 9 8:00AM
- For the Parishioners

SUNDAY, APRIL 9 10:00AM
- Mass for the Parishioners

SUNDAY, APRIL 9 12:00PM
- Mass for the Parishioners

APRIL 1 & 2, 2023

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, APRIL 3

Isaiah 42.1-7; Psalm 27.1, 2, 3, 13-15;
John 12.1-11

TUESDAY, APRIL 4

Isaiah 49.1-6; Psalm 71.1-2, 3, 5-6, 15+17;
John 13.21-33, 36-38

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

Isaiah 50.4-9a; Psalm 69.7-9, 20-21, 30+32-33;
Matthew 26.14-26

THURSDAY, APRIL 6 - HOLY THURSDAY

Exodus 12.1-8, 11-14; Psalm 116.12-13, 15+16bc, 17-18;
1 Corinthians 11.23-26; John 13.1-15

FRIDAY, APRIL 7 - GOOD FRIDAY

Isaiah 52.13 - 53.12; Psalm 31.1+5, 11-12, 14-15, 16+24;
Hebrews 4.14-16; 5.7-9; John 18.1 - 19.42

SATURDAY, APRIL 8 - EASTER VIGIL

Genesis 1.1-2.2; Psalm 104.1-2a, 5-6, 10+12, 13-14, 24+35c;
Exodus 14.15-31; 15.20, 1++; Exodus 15.1-2, 3-5, 6-7, 17-18;
Isaiah 55.1-11; Isaiah 12.2-3, 4bcd, 5-6
Romans 6.3-11;
Matthew 28.1-10

SUNDAY, APRIL 9

Acts 10.34a, 37-43; Psalm 118.1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
Colossians 3.1-4; John 20.1-18++

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Tuesday - 4th	8:00 am - Mass 6:30 pm - RCIA 6:45 pm - Card Club 7:00 pm - First Reconciliations (Our Lady of Peace)
Wednesday - 5th	8:00 am - Mass 7:00 pm - Mass 7:45 pm - Adult Choir Practice 7:45 pm - KofC General Meeting (7969 Council)
Thursday - 6th	8:00 am - NO MASS 7:00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper 8:00 pm - Adoration 10:00 pm - Adoration Ends
Friday - 7th	8:00 am - NO MASS 11:00 am - Good Friday Service 3:00 pm - Good Friday Service 7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross
Saturday - 8th	11:00 am - Food Blessing 8:00 pm - Easter Vigil
Sunday - 9th	8:00 am - Easter Sunday Mass 10:00 am - Easter Sunday Mass 12:00 pm - Easter Sunday Mass

ACCESSIBLE SEATING NOW AVAILABLE AT ST. FRANCIS!

A very special **THANK YOU** to Marc Carmel for spending many hours of his "Retirement" in our church assisting in the needs of our Parishioners.

Marc has done an amazing job creating 4 accessible seats at the front of the church. The 2nd and 3rd pews on both sides of the aisle are now accessible for wheelchairs and walkers. A special shout out to his hard-working assistant (Fr. Ross) for all he has done with this very important and necessary project.

You are
Appreciated



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER - CWL

ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON

Sunday April 30, 2023

at 12:30 pm

The Order of Sons of Italy Hall, 499 King St. E.

Tickets are \$40.

Tickets can also be purchased from:

Josie Merolli (905-643-2970),
Mickie Puglia (905-662-5304),
Mary Ann Centofanti (905-662-6100),
and from the Parish Office.

Deadline for purchasing tickets is **Tuesday, April 25th**.
Get your tickets early. Join us and bring your friends.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 16, 2023



Are You Ready?

Resources can be picked up in the Narthex.

2:30 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
2:35 p.m.	Silent Personal Prayer
3:00 p.m.	Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
3:30 p.m.	Benediction
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Divine Mercy Mass

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Start Date: Friday, April 7, 2023

Feast Date: Sunday, April 16, 2023

Using ordinary rosary beads, begin with:

Our Father ... Hail Mary ... The Apostle's Creed

On the large bead before each decade:

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Thy Most Beloved Son and our Lord Jesus Christ in atonement for our sins and the sins of the whole world.

On the ten small beads of each decade:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Conclude with:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world (x3)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 7, 2023

7:00 PM

Walk with Jesus on this holiest of nights

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday - April 6, 2023

No Morning 8:00 am Mass

7:00 pm Mass - Intentions for the parishioners
8:00-10:00 pm Adoration

Good Friday - April 7, 2023

11:00 am Good Friday Service
3:00 pm Good Friday Service
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday - April 8, 2023

11:00 am Food Blessing

EASTER VIGIL

Holy Saturday - April 8, 2023

8:00 pm Mass - Intentions for the parishioners

EASTER SUNDAY

Easter Sunday - April 9, 2023

8:00 am Mass - Intentions for the parishioners
10:00 am Mass - Intentions for the parishioners
12:00 pm Mass - Intentions for the parishioners

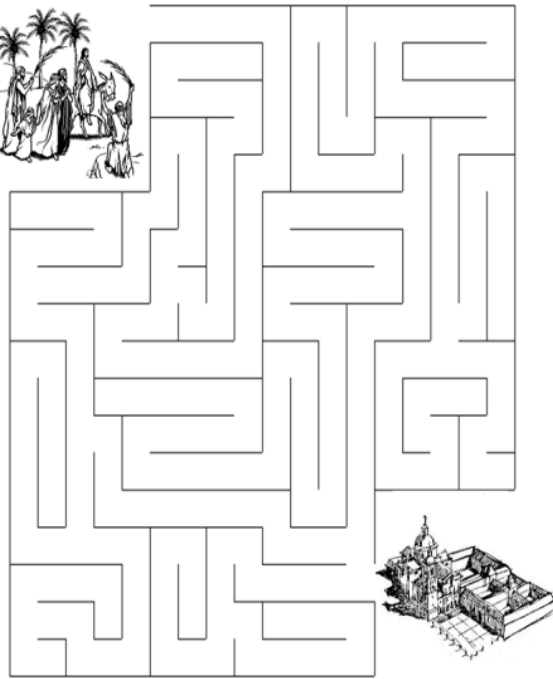
COVERING OF CROSSES AND IMAGES

Crosses and images in the church are now veiled. What is the reason for this? The veiling of crosses and images is a sort of "fasting" from sacred depictions which represent the paschal glory of our salvation. Just as the Lenten fast concludes with the Paschal feast, so too our fasting from the cross culminates in an adoration of the holy wood on which the sacrifice of Calvary was offered for our sins. Likewise, a fasting from the glorious images of the mysteries of faith and the saints in glory culminates on the Easter night with a renewed appreciation of the glorious victory won by Christ, risen from the tomb to win for us eternal life.



YOUTH MINISTRY

GOSPEL ACTIVITY



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WHAT'S COMING UP?

Children's Liturgy - April 2
Children's Liturgy - April 9
Liturgy of the Hours
(ZOOM) - April 11
ABLAZE Group - April 15

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

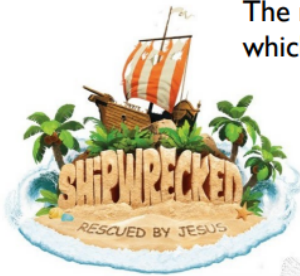
In today's two Gospel readings, we hear about Jesus being joyfully welcomed into Jerusalem but then being turned on and crucified just a few days later.

- ♥ The people greeted Jesus as their Lord... do you try to make Jesus the Lord of your life?
- ♥ Which person in the story of Jesus' suffering and death sticks out to you the most, and why?
- ♥ Jesus died on the cross for you. How does that make you feel about him?



BIBLE CAMP 2023!!

Once again this summer our in-person Vacation Bible Camp for students going into Grades 3 and up is back! This year's theme is SHIPWRECKED – Rescued by Jesus!



The registration package, which has all the details, is now available at the parish office and on the youth ministry page of the parish website. Hope to see you at camp!



SANTH SUPERHEROES

Blessed Notker "the Stammerer"
(840-912)

Feast Day: April 6

Patron of: those with speech impediments, musicians

Notker talked with a stammer all his life but didn't let it discourage him.

BIBLE TRIVIA!

What did Jacob give to his brother Esau in exchange for Esau's firstborn status?

Last week's answer:

Laughter



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St. Francis Xavier Parish,
Stoney Creek



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WEEKLY RECIPE

Recipe taken from: <https://sallysbakingaddiction.com/>

HOT CROSS BUNS

Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup (180ml) **whole milk**, warmed to about 110°F
- 2 and 1/4 teaspoons **active dry yeast** or **instant yeast** (1 standard packet)
- 1 teaspoon **granulated sugar**
- 1/2 cup (100g) packed light or dark **brown sugar**
- 5 Tablespoons (70g) **unsalted butter**, softened to room temperature and cut into 5 pieces
- 1/2 teaspoon **pure vanilla extract**
- 2 large **eggs**, at room temperature
- 1 teaspoon **salt**
- 1 and 1/4 teaspoons **ground cinnamon** (see note)
- 1/2 teaspoon **ground nutmeg**
- 1/2 teaspoon **ground allspice**
- 3 and 1/2 cups (438g) **all-purpose flour** or **bread flour** (spoon & leveled)*
- 1 cup (140g) **raisins** or **currants***

FLOUR CROSS

- 1/2 cup (63g) **all-purpose flour** or **bread flour**
- 6–8 Tablespoons (90–120ml) **water**

ORANGE ICING

- 1 cup (120g) **confectioners' sugar**
- 3 Tablespoons (45ml) fresh or bottled **orange juice** (or use milk and a splash of vanilla extract for plain icing)

Prepare the dough: Whisk the milk, yeast, and granulated sugar together in the bowl of your stand mixer. Cover and allow mixture to sit for about 5 minutes or until foamy on top. **If you do not own a mixer, you can do this in a large mixing bowl and in the next step, mix the dough together with a large wooden spoon or rubber spatula. It will take a bit of arm muscle. A hand mixer works, but the sticky dough repeatedly gets stuck in the beaters. Mixing by hand with a wooden spoon or rubber spatula is a better choice.**

Add the brown sugar, butter, vanilla extract, eggs, salt, cinnamon, nutmeg, allspice, and 1 cup (125g) flour. Using the dough hook or paddle attachment, mix on low speed for 30 seconds, scrape down the sides of the bowl with a rubber spatula, then add the remaining flour and the raisins. Beat on low speed until the dough comes together and pulls away from the sides of the bowl, about 2 minutes. Dough should be a little sticky and soft. If it's too sticky and not pulling away from the sides of the bowl, mix in additional flour 1 Tablespoon at a time.

Knead the dough: Keep the dough in the mixer and beat for an additional 3 minutes or knead by hand on a lightly floured surface for 3 minutes.

1st Rise: Lightly grease a large bowl with oil or nonstick spray. Place the dough in the bowl, turning it to coat all sides in the oil. Cover the bowl with aluminum foil, plastic wrap, or a clean kitchen towel. Allow the dough to rise in a relatively warm environment for 1-2 hours or until double in size. (I always let it rise on the counter. Takes about 2 hours. For a tiny reduction in rise time, see my answer to *Where Should Dough Rise?* in my Baking with Yeast Guide.)

Grease a 9×13 inch baking pan or two 9-inch square or round baking pans. You can also bake the rolls in a cast iron skillet or on a lined baking sheet.

Shape the rolls: When the dough is ready, punch it down to release the air. Divide the dough into 14-16 equal pieces. (Just eyeball it—doesn't need to be perfect!) Shape each piece into a smooth ball, pinching it on the bottom to seal. I do this entirely in my hands and you can watch in the video above. Arrange in prepared baking pan.

2nd Rise: Cover shaped rolls with aluminum foil, plastic wrap, or a clean kitchen towel. Allow to rise until puffy, about 1 hour.

Preheat oven to 350°F (177°C).

Add the cross: Whisk the cross ingredients together, starting with 6 Tablespoons of water. You want a thick paste that will pipe easily. Add remaining water if needed. Spoon paste into a piping bag or zipped-top bag. (No need to use a piping tip if using a piping bag.) Snip off a small piece at the corner. Pipe a line down the center of each row of buns, then repeat in the other direction to create crosses.

Bake the rolls: Bake for 20-25 minutes or until golden brown on top, rotating the pan halfway through. If you notice the tops browning too quickly, loosely tent the pan with aluminum foil. Remove from the oven and allow rolls to cool for a few minutes as you prepare the icing.

Make the icing: Whisk the icing ingredients together, then drizzle or brush on warm rolls. Serve immediately.

Cover leftover rolls tightly and store at room temperature for 1-2 days or in the refrigerator for up to 1 week.

EASTER FLOWERS DONATION 2023

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OR

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Amount of Donation

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Envelope Number:

The names of those whom your donation is being made in memory of or in honour of will appear in the Easter Bulletin.

Please bring your form and donation to the Office no later than **Tuesday, April 4 @ 4:00 pm** if you want the names to appear in the Easter Bulletin. We cannot guarantee that there will be time to include your intentions if your form is received past this date.




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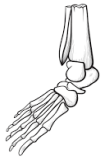
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