

St. Peter Catholic Church

Palm Sunday
March 29, 2026



Mass & Confession Schedule

Saturday Vigil	5 p.m.
Sunday	8:15, 9:45(Latin), & 11:30 a.m.
Mon., Wed., & Fri.	8:30 a.m. & 11:15 am
Saturdays	8:30 a.m.
Tuesday	No Public Mass
Thursday	7 p.m.
Holy Hour (Thursday)	7:30 p.m.
Adoration (Friday)	9 - 11 a.m.
Holyday of Obligation	8:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m., & 7 p.m.

Confessions

Mon, Wed., Fri., Sat.	10 minutes after morning Masses
Thursday	7:30–8:30 p.m.
Saturday	4–4:45 p.m.

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Mass Intentions and Feasts

Palm Sunday (Readings: Mt 21:1-11 (37)/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54 (38) Pss II)

March 28 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Aidan Brooks

March 29 8:00 a.m.

The Lee Family

9:45 a.m.

Winnie Bukowski

12:00 p.m.

For all parishioners

Monday— Monday of Holy Week

March 30 8:30 a.m.

Norma Dietrich+

11:15 a.m.

Hannah & Brian Lam

Tuesday— Tuesday of Holy Week

March 31 Private Mass

Mello Family

Wednesday— Wednesday of Holy Week

April 1 8:30 a.m.

Tim Hart+

11:15 a.m.

Ramon Coe

Thursday— Holy Thursday

April 2 7:00 p.m.

Brooks Family

Friday— Good Friday

April 3 3:00 p.m.

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday— Holy Saturday

April 4 8:30 a.m.

NO MASS

4 p.m. Confessions

8:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Paul & Kelly Mooney

Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for the following parishioners and their relatives:

Elaine Viguerie

Nicholas Hovey

Eileen Hawkins

Jim Haley

Lindy Klaus

Kathy Eggers

Ronin O'Neill

Neil and Bernadette O'Heir

Leigh Sargent

Ray Mifflin

Michelle Suess

Tara Cintorino

Gabrielle Barros

Stephanie DiNapoli

Shirley Franey

Robert B. Beattie

Mike Cioffi

Baby Kevin

Jerry Bowerman

Joanne Sellors

Ministry of Mercy

*"Growing in our Catholic Faith
through the Works of Mercy"*

The Ministry of Mercy wishes everyone a very blessed Holy Week and Easter.

Polishing Vessels for Holy Week – Monday, March 30, at noon:

Anyone interested in helping polish the church vessels for Holy Week and Easter is invited to join us in Fr. Albert Social Hall after the 11:15 AM Mass on Monday, March 30. Please note that the meeting time has changed to allow us to also polish the vessels and candlesticks used for the last Mass. If you have any questions, please email us.

St. Peter's Easter Egg Hunt, Easter Sunday, April 5th: This year, St. Peter's Church will host its Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday, April 5, between the 9:45 and 11:15 Masses. The hunt will take place on the church's front lawn. All eggs will be filled with candy, and twelve of the eggs will also contain a Miraculous Medal on a chain. There will be one special egg that holds a rosary, and the recipient of this egg will receive an Easter basket with a statue of Mary and other items.

Ministry of Mercy Meetings – Monday, March 30th and Monday, April 13: Our next meeting will take place on Monday, March 30th, after the 11:15 a.m. Mass, around noon. During this meeting, we will polish the church vessels in preparation for Holy Week.

Divine Mercy Novena

Our Lord specifically asked that the Divine Mercy Chaplet be recited as a novena especially on the nine days before the Feast Of Divine Mercy (which is April 12th this year). Our Lord said to St. Faustina, *"Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death."* Good Friday is when this novena starts. Leaflets of the Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet are available to you as you enter the church.

More Announcements

-Be sure to save the date for the **Virginia March for Life**, which will be held on April 22nd, 2026!

-**St. Peter's Parish Girls Club** - Magnolia Girls: A virtue leadership club serving St. Peter's parish girls from 1st Holy Communion to 6th Grade. Magnolia Girls will be assisting the Ministry of Mercy ladies on Monday March 30th to polish the church vessels at noon, following the 11:15am mass. We will meet for mass, polish the vessels, and then have lunch. For questions contact Myla Beasley at myilagan@gmail.com.

Easter Schedule for 2026

Holy Thursday, April 2: Maundy Thursday Mass at 7 p.m., followed by veneration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Alter of Repose until midnight.

Good Friday, April 3: Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord and Veneration of the Cross at 3 p.m., and Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 4: No morning Mass. Easter Vigil Mass at 8 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 5: Masses are at the usual 8:15 a.m., 9:45 a.m., and 11:30 a.m. *The Easter Egg Hunt will take place between the second and third Masses, at approximately 11:00 a.m.*

Holy Week Confessions

Fr. Beres will be available for confession from 7-8 PM on the Monday and Wednesday of Holy Week.

Upcoming Second Collections

April 12: Building Fund and Maintenance

April 19: St. Peter's Local Outreach

April 26: Catholic Home Missions

May 3: Building Fund and Maintenance

Dear Chickens:

Please ask your care takers to only leave egg cartons in the closet, in the hall by the external office door entrance. It is the same closet as the lost and found and the food pantry donations. I am afraid that your care takers have become like you, but instead of dropping eggs all over the place, they are leaving egg cartons all over the parish. Like eggs left in random places, I am afraid that cartons left in random places will likely be lost. Thank you my bird-brained friends!

- Fr. Beres

Tenebrae

Meditate on Our Lord's betrayal, crucifixion, and burial by praying the Office of Tenebrae, April 2-4, starting at 5 AM. Basic programs will be provided - please bring a Bible (and an unobtrusive light) to follow along with the psalms and Scriptural passages. If you are interested in taking part in the chanting the office, please contact Ben Salmon at besalmon@outlook.com.

Pastor's Piece

Dear Folks,

We are blessed this Easter to have two families coming into the Church this year. All 3 Sacraments of initiation will be celebrated at the Easter Vigil. I know that it is a little longer Mass than normal but if you have never been, this one will give you the most bang for your buck! The Sacraments are of course the way in which we enter into the Passion, Death and Resurrection of our Lord that we are remembering this week. We remember them as past events but in the Sacraments they are made present today in our lives. Please pray for those entering into the Church this Easter and ask the Lord to renew His saving mysteries in your lives.

**God Bless,
-Fr. Beres**