# Diocese of Peoria St. Malachy Church and School

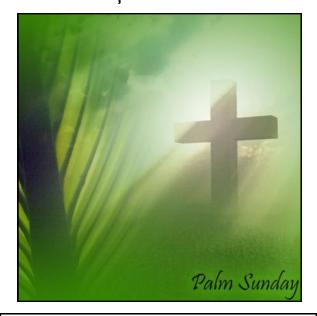
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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 2, 2023



### Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 am

#### **Reconciliation:**

Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Lentén Reconciliation: Monday-Thursday 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm

For activities in the Quad Cities, go to: http://catholicquadcities.com Traveling? www.masstimes.org to find Masses

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Mass Intentions

MONDAY, April 3 8:00 am Harley & Mary Chaffee +	Holy Week	Altar Servers: April 3-9			
TUESDAY, April 4 8:00 am Marie Higgins +	Holy Week	Daily M-T-W: Reese Schaaf, Bradlee Larson Holy Thursday: 7:00 pm: Leila Bries, Joe Mroz Saturday: 8:00 pm: Samantha Minnaert, Joe Mroz			
WEDNESDAY, April 5 8:00 am Francis VanMeenen +	Holy Week	Sunday: 8:15 am: Remi Rahmus, Bradlee Larson Sunday: 10:30 am: Jenna & Jonathan Freedhoff			
5:45 pm For an Increase in Voca FRIDAY, April 7 3:00 pm SATURDAY, April 8 8:00 pm For all the sick and suffe SUNDAY, April 9	Good Friday - Celebration of the Lord's Holy Saturday Easter Vig tring Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Tuesday, April 4 is cancelle	Passion il Passion il Lord Jesus Christ, You have made Yourself PRESENT to us in every age, through the Holy Eucharist. Help us to make You more widely KNOWN, that You may be greatly LOVED			
Weekend Mass Schedules: St. Anthony/Atkinson Sacred Heart/Annawan Thu		OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm, Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am -1:00 pm			

4:00 pm Saturday 9:30 am Sunday 8:00 am Sunday

Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm, Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am -1:00 pm Bulletin articles MUST be submitted no later than Noon on Tuesdays.

### **READINGS FOR Sunday - April 9, 2023**

#### 1st Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

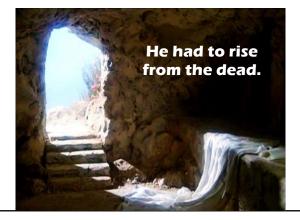
We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. **Responsorial: Psalm 118** 

*R./:* "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Seek what is above, where Christ is.

**Gospel: John 20:1-9** *He had to rise from the dead.* 



# Come, let us Adore Him Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Thursday 4:30 pm (1st Fridays, & 1st Saturdays at 8:30 am)

# Weekly Calendar

Monday, April 3

Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm Parish Chapel Eucharistic Adoration 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Chapel

#### Tuesday, April 4

Cancelled Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm Rm A Circle 14 - 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm YR Women's Support Group 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Rm C RCIA 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm CR

#### Wednesday, April 5

Women's Bible Study 8:00 am - 9:00 pm YR School Stations of the Cross 9:00 am Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm - 12:30 CCD K-5 - 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm Oasis 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm YR CCD 6-7 - 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm Celebration Choir Practice 6:15 pm - 7:15 pm Church Adore 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm Church

#### Thursday, April 6

Lenten Reconciliation 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm Parish Chapel The Rock 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm YR Holy Thursday Mass of the Lords Supper 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Friday, April 7

Good Friday Service of the Lords Passion 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Saturday, April 8

Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm Sunday, April 9

Easter Sunday Mass 8:15 am Easter Sunday Mass 10:30 am

"The less we have, the more we give. Seems absurd, but it's the logic of love. " - Mother Teresa

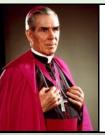


Holy Thursday: April 6 Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 pm \* Good Friday: April 7 Stations of the Cross: Noon & 7:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 pm \*

# Easter Schedule

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass April 8, 8:00 pm \*

**Easter Sunday** April 9 8:15 am \* & 10:30 am \* Services will be live streamed



"Show me your hands. Do they have scars from giving? Show me your feet. Are they wounded in service? Show me your heart. Have you left a place for divine love?" Venerable Fulton Sheen

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

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A Note From the Pastor

Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

As we enter into Holy Week, we enter into Our Lord's Passion. As I explained last week, this is what all of this first phase of the Eucharistic Revival has been leading toward. The Church celebrates in a deeper way Our Lord's Paschal Mystery (His saving Passion, Death and Resurrection), which is made present at every single Mass. We commentate the inauguration of this mystery at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. On Good Friday, we remember His Body being broken and His Blood being poured out upon the cross. And the mystery comes full circle when this one Liturgy (the Sacred Triduum) reaches its grand conclusion: the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night, which begins the celebration of Easter that continues for the next eight days.

Since we have to go through the cross to get to the Resurrection, let us consider what it means to keep our eyes open to encounter the Suffering Christ. The following reflection from Saint Teresa of Calcutta\* will help us to do that, while also offering us one final reflection on our Lenten theme of meeting the Lord in the present moment.

"True love is about giving; and giving until it hurts. We have been created to love and be loved, and God has become man to make it possible for us to love as He loved us. He makes Himself the hungry one, the naked one, the homeless one, the sick one, the one in prison, the lonely one, the unwanted one... You need a deep freedom to be like Jesus. See, He could have been born in a palace, yet He chose to be poor... Are we so free that we can be completely naked with Jesus there on the cross? Love is not about patronizing and charity isn't about pity, it is

about pouring ourselves out for others. Charity and love are the same -with charity you give love, so don't just give money but reach out your hand also. Charity begins today. Today someone is suffering, today somebody is in the street, today somebody is hungry. Our work is for today, vesterday has gone, tomorrow is yet to come. Do not wait for tomorrow. Do you want to do something beautiful for God? There is a person who needs you. This is your chance. Have a deep compassion for people. To be able to have a heart full of compassion we need to pray. My secret is very simple: I pray. Through prayer I become one in love with Christ. I realize that praying to Him is loving Him. Make every effort to walk in the presence of God. To see God in everyone you must live your morning meditation throughout the day. The fruit of silence is prayer, the fruit of prayer is faith, the fruit of faith is love, the fruit of love is service, the fruit of service is peace. Nothing can make me holy except the presence of God, and to me, the presence of God is fidelity to small things. Fidelity to small things will lead you to Jesus.... Don't search for Jesus in far lands - He is not there. He is close to you; He is with you. Just keep the lamp burning and you will always see Him... The future is not in our hands. We have no power over it. We can only act today."

Opportunities to Come, Adore Him in the coming weeks:

- Every Monday (3-8 PM) and Thursday (4:30-5:30 PM)
- April ADORE: Wednesday, April 4, 7:30 PM

• Monday, April 17: Holy Hour for the Hungry, including a collection for the Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry, 7 PM

- First Friday Mass, Adoration and Divine Mercy Chaplet: May 5, 8 AM
- First Saturday Mass, Adoration and Rosary: May 6, 8 AM

Come, Let Us Adore Him: Our Source, Summit & Center. *"I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer" (Luke* 22:15).

In Christ through Mary, Fa and Pat

Fr. Daniel P. Gifford St. Malachy, Pray for us! St. Teresa of Calcutta, pray for us!

\* This reflection is compiled from various quotes of St. Teresa taken from the book, "Do Something Beautiful for God." It has been used for the Holy Hour for the Homeless and will return for the Holy Hour for the Hungry.



Altar and Rosary Board Meeting We will have a meeting to discuss upcoming events, distribution of funds, and follow ups on what we have accomplished. We will meet.

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room. Mark your calendars and be sure to come.

### Circle 14

Spring has sprung the grass is riz, I wonder where Circle 14 is? Why its in the Youth Room Tuesday April 4, 2023 at 1:30 pm. Hope to see you there!

# Prayer, Fasting & Almsgiving

#### Here are a few ideas of Prayer Fasting & Almsgiving:

**Prayer:** Learn a new way to pray... pray with the scripture asking the Holy Spirit to be with you, as you read and study God's word.

**Fasting:** Give up something for the sake of the environment, let your Lenten fast do double duty by giving up something that will benefit God's creation as well. Give up warm showers to save energy (and water); give up meat and reduce carbon emissions; turn off unnecessary lights (the darkness will be appropriately Lenten); give up unnecessary car trips (use the time walking or biking to pray); or give up soda.

**Almsgiving:** Choose a favorite cause, then as a family find a way to raise as much money as you can for that cause. Visit someone that is homebound or in a nursing home.

# College Scholarship Applications for Graduating High School Seniors:

Knights of Columbus Scholarship Parents Club Scholarship Youth Ministry Scholarship The Scholarship forms are all available on the bulletin board in the Narthex and on the website.



The deadline for ALL scholarships is MAY 1.

### Narthex Upgrades in Progress:

You may have noticed some recent adjustments to the layout of our narthex. The goals of this effort include making information and printed materials easier to locate, as well as fostering a more comfortable and hospitable space to encourage and promote fellowship. These upgrades may be a work in progress, so please feel free to offer feedback. But, please do not take the initiative to make changes, including adding materials to tables or bulletin boards without approval. Please know that any materials added without approval may be removed. Thank you.

# RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults **Next Session:** Tuesday, April 4, 2023 6:00 pm **Topic:** Make up/Review Session/Practice If you or someone you know is interested, please contact: Dcn. Mike Sigwalt (309) 502-9243)



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Managing God's Gifts To Us

#### Parish Sacrificial Giving:

1% donated to: Inspire Continuing Care

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Upcoming Cursillo Weekends	Upcoming TEC Weekends
Men's: October 19-22, 2023	April 22-24, 2023 (Boys)
Women's: November 16-19, 2023	June 24-26, 2023 (Girls)
Men's: February 22-25, 2024	August 5-7, 2023 (Girls)
Women's: March 21-24, 2024	October 7-9, 2023 (Girls)
For more information visit:: https://nwcursillo.com	For more info, visit www.northwest-tec.com
DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS   Please Pray for these Seminarians:   Dcn. Nathan Hopper Blake Miller Ryan Mann   Luke Olson   Peter Schoonmaker   John Assaf   Are you feeling called to serve as a priest or other religious?   If so, contact Fr. Chase Hilgenbrink:   309-671-1550 or email him: fr_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org   He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."	Geneseo Community Choir & Children's Choir Invitation The Community Choir of Geneseo will be celebrating their 15th anniversary this summer. The theme is "Perspective". The Community Choir includes those entering 8th grade & older adults. Rehearsals are: Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 pm beginning Wednesday, May 31 - June 21 in the GHS concert hall. The performance is Wednesday, June 28 at 7 p.m. in the GHS concert hall. If interested , please call Pam Edwards, 309-944-6641 or email (singplay53@gmail.com) by May 12. Students entering grades 4-7 are invited to sing in the Children's Choir. They will rehearse June 22, 23, 26, 27, 28 and will perform with the Community Choir on June 28. Registration forms are available through your Geneseo elementary and middle school choir instructors or contact Pam Edwards. The deadline to register is May 12. More information is available on the Community Choir of Geneseo Facebook page.

#### Will YOU attend the celebration of "The Three Days?" Holy Week: The Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday (April 6), Good Friday (April 7), Holy Saturday (April 8), and Easter Sunday (April 89

#### All are encouraged to attend as many of the services as possible!

These are the holiest days of the year for Catholics because they recall the last events in the earthly life of Jesus and his resurrection from the dead, through the Scriptures, music, and the symbols of fire, candles, and water.

#### Holy Thursday 7:00 pm:

We recall the evening Jesus and his Apostles ate the "Last Supper" Liturgy of the Word; The Washing of Feet; The Celebration of Mass; The Procession to transfer the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose

#### Good Friday 3:00 pm:

Our Lord's Passion and Death: Reading the Passion of our Lord according to the Gospel of John; Adoration of the Holy Cross; Communion

#### Holy Saturday, the Easter Vigil 8:00 pm:

The "most holy night" of the Church's calendar:

Blessing of fire, Preparation of the Easter Candle and Service of Light: The Easter Proclamation; Liturgy of the Word; Blessing of Water; Confirmation and Reception into the Church of one Candidate; Renewal of Baptismal Promises; Liturgy of the Eucharist

#### Easter Sunday 8:15 am and 10:30 am"

The most important day of the liturgical year, celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus! Liturgy of the Word; Renewal of baptismal promises; Liturgy of the Eucharist

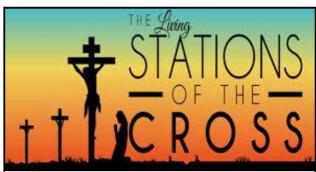
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As part of our Lenten Traditions, please join us in a very moving and reverent presentation of

# "The Passion of Christ"

Presented by: St. Malachy High School Youth Group **Oasis** Led by: Joe DePauw,

& Dcn. Bob Thoene

# Sunday, April 2nd at 8:00 pm St. Malachy Church

\*Lights go out at 8:00 pm\*

\*\*It will be dark if you enter after the program begins\*\*

Questions? Contact Bob Thoene at 563-529-0529





### \**Celebrating Divine Mercy*\* Original music by: **We The Least** ~ Hors d'oeuvres ~ Free will offering

~ Free Will offering ~ Merchandise for purchase ~ All Are welcome! Saturday, April 15, 2023 St. Malachy Parish Hall



### Divine Mercy Sunday Celebrations April 16, 2023

**St. Anthony - Atkinson** 204 W. Main Street, Atkinson, IL 3:00 pm Exposition - Blessed Sacrament 3:15 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 4:00 pm Benediction Reconciliation available during the Holy Hour for Divine Mercy

St. John the Baptist - Rapid City 1416 Third Ave., Rapids City, IL 1:00 pm Exposition begins 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Confessions 2:00 pm Rosary 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Hour Divine Mercy Chaplet Veneration of Image Evening Prayer Benediction



Dear Father Gifford and the Congregation of St Malachy Church,

We extend our heartfelt appreciation for the amazing manner in which we all celebrated Father Mike's life. Your presence, your love, and the support extended to us was overwhelming. We often heard "... thank you for sharing him with us...". The reality was: you were his family and you shared him with us. We were honored to be welcomed and we will treasure all the stories shared.

The devotion this morning on the Inspirations app began with this one simple statement: Christianity is an action. Now ponder that for a moment: Christianity is an action. What could be more appropriate for Father Mike than that statement? Over the years, we witnessed him in action at the church, in the community, and with the diocese.

The devotion goes on to state: "It (Christianity) is many things - philosophy, theology, tradition but it's action first. More than book knowledge, more than great conviction, Christianity moves believers to Godly action". As a congregation remember how many positive actions took place at St. Malachy over the last two decades.

Webster Dictionary (on-line) defined the word action as:

a. a thing done: deed

b. the accomplishment of a thing usually over a period of time, in stages, or with the possibility of repetition

c. actions plural: behavior, conduct

d. Initiative, enterprise

The Webster definition did not state a specific volume in which an action was completed or addressed, it simply stated: "a thing done". Father Mike accomplished numerous deeds in his calm, quiet, and humble manner. Christianity is an action.

Truly, we will never know the amount of effort & time he put into his work or even his spiritual life, but what we do know is that by the Grace of God he worked tirelessly in a Christian manner (action) for the better of the community and St. Malachy.

Please note we will be distributing memorial gifts in Father Mike's honor to the following three organizations: Geneseo - Atkinson Food Pantry, St. Malachy's School, and St. Judes Children's Hospital.

In closing, no matter how crooked your path may be, let your actions speak volumes, and may you be blessed in God's Grace.

With kind regards, The Pakula Family



### PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are less than 2% of the population. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic hit particularly hard the Christians in the Holy Land. Most of them depend on pilgrimages to work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

#### PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land visit: www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday

# Did you Know?

Your child can attend a Catholic School Financial Assistance Available



Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2023-2024 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed.

Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website www.cdop.org under Catholic Education and then under Financial Assistance. Consult the detailed protocols and procedures and checklist for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award.

Parents must apply online at: online.factsmgt.com/aid. Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2023-2024 school year must reapply.

Deadline date for the completed application is April 28, 2023. Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2023.

Another funding opportunity is also available due to the Invest in Kids Act legislation in Illinois. Students may be eligible for up to 100% of tuition and fees under a new program for tax credit scholarships (TCS). Details on how to apply and who qualifies are available on the Empower Illinois website at www.empowerillinois.org. Students who receive a TCS are ineligible to receive a Spalding award.

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