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PALM SUNDAY MARCH 29TH 2026

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday April 2nd **6pm** St Francis Xavier

Good Friday April 3rd **3pm** St Francis Xavier

Easter Vigil April 4th **7:30pm** St Francis Xavier

Easter Sunday April 5th

No Mass **7:30am**

English Mass **9:00am** St Patrick's

Latin High Mass **11:00am** St Francis Xavier



final Mass of Thanksgiving at St Patrick's April 10th

Offered by Bishop Thomas A. Daly

Mass **5:30pm** St Patrick's



Following Mass on April 10th there will be a Potluck in the Parish Hall: All are welcome!

Cake and Punch will be provided. Please bring your favorite Casserole or salad (No Desserts). The Hall will be open till 5:20pm before Mass and after Mass to drop things off. Questions call: 206-261-0286



St. Patrick our Patron Pray for us and our families!

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me. Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ lying down, Christ in sitting, Christ in rising up, Christ in the heart of every person who may think of me, Christ in the mouth of every person who may speak of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me!

- St Patrick's Breastplate

WEEKEND SCHEULE

Saturday

3pm – Confessions (**St. Francis Xavier**)

4pm – Vigil Mass (**St. Francis Xavier**)

Sunday

7:30am – Holy Mass,
(**St. Francis Xavier**)

9:00am – Holy Mass (**St. Patrick**)

11:00am – Holy Mass,
(**St. Francis Xavier**)

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“All this has come to pass that the writings of the prophets may be fulfilled,” Jesus says in today’s Gospel (see Matthew 26:56).

Indeed, we have reached the climax of the liturgical year, the highest peak of salvation history, when all that has been anticipated and promised is to be fulfilled.

By the close of today’s long Gospel, the work of our redemption will have been accomplished: the new covenant will be written in the blood of His broken body hanging on the Cross at the place called the Skull.

In His Passion, Jesus is “counted among the wicked,” as Isaiah had foretold (see Isaiah 53:12). He is revealed definitively as the Suffering Servant the prophet announced, the long-awaited Messiah whose words of obedience and faith ring out in today’s First Reading and Psalm.

The taunts and torments we hear in these two readings punctuate the Gospel as Jesus is beaten and mocked (see Matthew 27:31), as His hands and feet are pierced, as enemies gamble for His clothes (see Matthew 27:35), and as His enemies dare Him to prove His divinity by saving Himself from suffering (see Matthew 27:39–44).

He remains faithful to God’s will to the end. He does not turn back in His trial. He gives Himself freely to His torturers, confident that, as He speaks in today’s First Reading, “The Lord God is My help . . . I shall not be put to shame.”

Destined to sin and death as children of Adam’s disobedience, we have been set free for holiness and life by Christ’s perfect obedience to the Father’s will (see Romans 5:12–14, 17–19; Ephesians 2:2; 5:6).

This is why God greatly exalted Him. This is why we have salvation in His name. Following His example of humble obedience in the trials and crosses of our lives, we know we will never be forsaken. We know, as the centurion realizes today, that truly this is the Son of God (see Matthew 27:54). *-Scott Hahn*

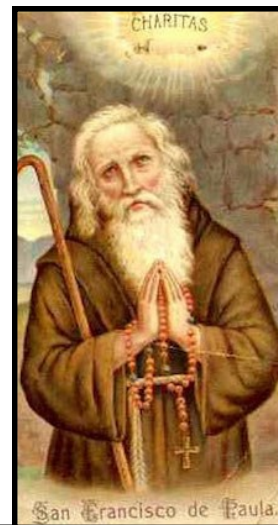
St. Francis of Paola, Hermit April 2nd

St. Francis was born about the year 1416, at Paola, a small city Calabria. His parents were very poor, but virtuous. He learned to read in the Franciscan convent at St. Mark’s, a town in the same province. After spending a year with the Franciscans, he took up his abode in solitude about half a mile from Paola in 1432. Before the Saint was twenty, two others joined him to share in his devout exercises. The neighbors built them three cells and a chapel, in which a priest from the parish church said Mass for them. This is looked upon as the beginning of the Order of Minims, the foundation of which is placed in 1436.

The Order was confirmed by a bull of Sixtus IV in 1474, with St. Francis as Superior General. The first monastery had been built in 1454 and was followed by several others. In 1482, he went to France by command of Sixtus IV, at the request of Louis XI, whose entire conversion he effected before the latter’s death in 1483. St. Francis now established his Order in France, and Charles VIII and Louis XII became its special benefactors.

When his long life of penance was drawing to a close, St. Francis spent the last three months in his cell to prepare for death and eternity. He fell sick on Palm Sunday, 1507, and died shortly thereafter at ninety-one years of age. He was canonized in 1519 by Pope Leo X.

PRAYER: God, the exultation of the humble, You raised St. Francis to the glory of Your Saints. Through his merits and example, grant that we may happily obtain the rewards promised to the humble. **Amen.**



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