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#### Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word)  
11:00 a.m.

#### Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

#### Office Hours

Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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# March 24, 2024

## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Today we celebrate Palm Sunday. As we read about the climax of Christ's mission here on earth, we are reminded that He is the Perfect Steward, a model for us all on our stewardship journey.



Our First Reading, from the prophet Isaiah, portrays a suffering servant. The suffering servant, in many ways, foreshadows what Jesus endured during His passion. Even though He didn't deserve such tortures, He humbly submitted to them. His mission as a steward was to fulfill His Father's mission. We, too, play a unique role in our Father's mission by bringing souls to Christ. It simply begins with the witness of our lives.

Today's Gospel shares the account of Jesus' last days on earth, and how He lives them says a great deal about how we should be living ours as faithful stewards. Jesus does many things in these last days, and they all revolve around prayer and service — two trademark actions of a good and faithful Catholic. He hosts a Passover meal in which He gives us His Body and Blood in the Eucharist. He intensely prays to His Father. Lastly, He submits to humiliation, torture and death for our sake, calling out to God the Father in His weakest moments. We might not be called to the same type of prayer and service, but we are all called to commit time in daily prayer with our Lord, and to serve our families, churches and neighbors.

As we embark on this Holy week, let us take some time to reflect on the life of Christ as He is our model Steward, and may we strive to imitate Him daily.

Catholic Stewardship Consultants  
[www.CatholicSteward.com](http://www.CatholicSteward.com)

## Parish Calendar

### Monday, March 25

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Mike Dube †  
9:00 am - 9:30 am - Confession

### Tuesday, March 26

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Marcel Niesink †  
7:30p.m. - Chrism Mass at the Cathedral

### Wednesday, March 27

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Pierette & Georges Cote †  
Wladyslawa Szymiski † | Special Intention  
9:00 am - 9:30 am - Confession

### Thursday, March 28 - Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. - Melanie, Jonathon & Dereck Nogueira †  
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm - Confession

### Friday, March 29 - Good Friday

9:30 a.m. - Stations of the Cross  
10:00 am - 11:00 am - Confession  
3:00 p.m. (Livestream) - The Passion of the Lord

### Saturday, March 30 - Holy Saturday

9:00 am - 10:00 am - Confession  
8:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Easter Vigil

### Sunday, March 31

#### The Resurrection of the Lord

9:00 a.m. (Livestream) - Easter Sunday Mass  
11:00 a.m. - Easter Sunday Mass

## Offerings for February

Envelopes	\$ 38,892.70
Preauthorized Giving	9,938.90
Canada Helps	1,440.15
Interac e-Transfer	3,230.00
Renovations & Repairs	3,160.00
New Years	13.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 56,674.75</b>

Thank you for your generosity

## Are You Being Called?

"Truly, this was the Son of God!"

Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister?

If you think this may be so talk to your priest or reach out to

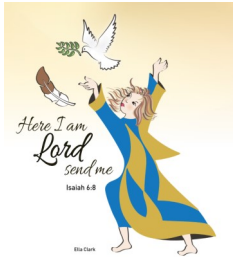
Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603  
or email [frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com](mailto:frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com).

"A beautiful life does not just happen. It is built daily by prayer, humility, sacrifice and hard work."



*St. Julia*  
COUNCIL

## Catholic Women's League Corner: March 23 / 24



- Our pop tab collection will wind up on the weekend of April 13/14. If you have been saving tabs at home, now is the time to bring them in. Thank-you.
- Reminder: the next prayer shawl/rosary-making gathering will be on Wednesday, April 3 at 2pm. Newcomers are always welcome.
- Diocesan Respect for Life Mass: the Cathedral on Monday, April 8 at 7 pm.



## Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2024!

- Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the Reaping our Rights campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, we will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.
- If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or donate online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give).
- Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.



## Prayers for Holy Week

### Sunday

Loving God,  
I am just beginning to realize how much you love me.  
Your son, Jesus was humble and obedient.  
He fulfilled your will for him by becoming human and suffering with us.  
I ask you for the desire to become more humble so that my own life might also bear witness to you.  
I want to use the small sufferings I have in this world to give you glory.  
Please, Lord, guide my mind with your truth.  
Strengthen my life by the example of Jesus.  
Help me to be with Jesus in this week as he demonstrates again his total love for me.  
He died so that I would no longer be separated from you.  
Help me to feel how close you are and to live in union with you.

### Monday

God of love,  
My prayer is simple:  
Your son, Jesus, suffered and died for me.  
I know only  
that I cannot have real strength  
unless I rely on you.  
I cannot feel protected  
from my many weaknesses  
until I turn to you  
for forgiveness and your unalterable love.  
Help me to share this  
strength, protection and love with others.

### Tuesday

God of such unwavering love,  
how do I "celebrate"  
the passion and death of Jesus?  
I often want to look the other way  
and not watch,  
not stay with Jesus in his suffering.  
Give me the strength  
to see his love with honesty and compassion  
and to feel deeply  
your own forgiveness and mercy for me.  
Help me to understand  
how to "celebrate" this week.  
I want to be able to bring  
my weaknesses and imperfections with me  
as I journey with Jesus this week,  
so aware of his love.

### Wednesday

My savior,  
do you invite me to share  
in the glory of the resurrection?  
Please stay with me  
as I struggle to see  
how accepting the crosses of my life  
will free me from the power  
of the one who wants only  
to destroy my love and trust in you.  
Help me to be humble and accepting  
like your son, Jesus.  
I want to turn to you  
with the same trust he had in your love.  
Save me, Lord. Only you can save me.

### Thursday

Loving Provider,  
you gather me in this upper room with your  
son,  
to be fed by your love.  
At that supper, Jesus told us to "love one another"  
and I know that is the heart of his gift,  
his sacrifice for me.  
I ask that I might find the source of my own  
heart,  
the meaning for my own life,  
in that Eucharist.  
Guide me to the fullness of your love and life.

### Friday

My Lord,  
your son has suffered so much, shed so much blood.  
I was born with so many faults  
and my nature is so full of weakness,  
and yet your son Jesus has died on the cross.  
For me.  
I know your grace has the power  
to cleanse me of my many sins  
and to make me more like your Son.  
Thank you for your goodness and love for me.  
I ask you, Father, to watch over me - always.

# Ways to Give to St. Julia Parish

## Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)

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- Set it up once and never forget your offering
- Sustained offering for the parish through regular and consistent giving
- The debit will take place on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of each month (or on the next business day)
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16 Adelene Crescent  
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