

OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

HOLY MON.: MARCH 30 6:30 AM & 5:30 PM
HOLY TUES.: MARCH 31 6:30 AM & 5:30 PM
 11:00 AM - **Chrism Mass @Cathedral**
HOLY WED.: APRIL 1 6:30 AM & 5:30 PM
HOLY THURS.: APRIL 2 6:00 PM **Mass of Lord's Supper**
 7:00 - 10:00 PM **Solemn Adoration**
GOOD FRI.: APRIL 3 2:00 PM **Passion Walk (OLPS)**
 3:00 PM **Celebration of Lord's Passion**
 6:00 PM **Stations of the Cross**

HOLY SAT.: APRIL 4 3:00-4:00 PM **Sac. of Reconciliation**
 8:00 PM **Easter Vigil w/ Svc. of Light**
EASTER SUN.: APRIL 5 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM



2026 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:

The Diocese of Alexandria is conducting its **2026 Annual Diocesan Appeal**, with the theme ***"Embracing the Future of Hope."*** This is an opportunity for us to unite with all Catholics in our Diocese and the universal church to share our blessings and to show our concern for one another. **The ADA lets us act together as a family** and to support programs and services no single individual or parish can offer alone. **Your gift is very important, and is vital to the success of the Appeal.** Every registered household in the Diocese will receive a letter and brochure from Bishop Marshall.

All gifts will be used solely for the restricted priorities of the 2026 ADA: Seminarian Education; Maryhill; Youth, Young Adult, Campus & Hispanic Ministries; Retired & Infirm Priests; & Faith Formation.

Please take time to prayerfully consider what you will give in support of these vital causes of our Diocesan Church.

Thank You.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

Monday, March 30
 6:00 A.M. Weekday Lenten Adoration (Church)
 10:00 A.M. Outreach Ministry (St. Timothy Center)
 6:00 P.M. Men's ACTS (MR)
Tuesday, March 31
 6:00 A.M. Weekday Lenten Adoration (Church)
 6:00 A.M. That Man Is You (DPC)
11:00 A.M. Chrism Mass (Cathedral)
 6:15 P.M. OCIA (MR)
Wednesday, April 1
 6:00 A.M. Weekday Lenten Adoration (Church)
1:00 P.M. 1st Grade Passion Play (Church)
 5:00 P.M. LAST Parish Supper for the school year(DPC)
 6:00 P.M. Holy Thursday Servers Rehearsal (Church)
Thursday, April 2
 6:00 A.M. Weekday Lenten Adoration (Church)
6:00 P.M. Holy Thursday Mass (Church)
Friday, April 3
 6:00 A.M. Weekday Lenten Adoration (Church)
 7:00 A.M. Adoration (Church)
 2:00 P.M. Passion Walk (OLPS)
3:00 P.M. Good Friday Service (Church)
 6:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross (Church)
Saturday, April 4
 8:00 A.M. Decorating the Church for Easter
 10:00 A.M. Easter Vigil Servers Rehearsal (Church)
 11:00 A.M. OCIA Candidates Practice (Church)
 3:00 P.M. Confessions (Church)
8:00 P.M. Easter Vigil Mass (Church)
Sunday, April 5 EASTER SUNDAY
 9:00 A.M. Adult Contemporary Choir (Music Room)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The altar society is in need of volunteers to help decorate the church for Easter on Saturday, April 4 at 8:00 am. Men and women are needed. Please contact Kasey Gill at (318) 792-5522 for more information. Thank you!



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE PASSION WALK:

OLPS is hosting the Passion Walk again this year on Good Friday, April 3rd at 2:00 P.M Join fellow parishioners on the "Way of the Cross" around the block of OLPS. Water is available. Stay for the Good Friday service at OLPS at 3:00 P.M.

OLPS SCHOOL BULLDOG BYTES

STARBASE: Please keep our 5th graders in your prayers as they travel back and forth this week to Camp Beauregard to attend STARBASE. The STARBASE program was created to allow fifth-grade students to explore the world of science, technology, engineering, and math. (STEM).

1st GRADE PASSION PLAY: Please keep our 1st graders in your thoughts as they continue to prepare for the annual Passion Play. They have been working so hard to learn their parts and the songs to share with us this beautiful message. Parents are invited to attend the show this Wednesday, April 1st at 1 pm in the Church.

NO SCHOOL MASS: There will be NO SCHOOL MASS on Holy Thursday, April 2nd.

SCHOOL EASTER BREAK: Thursday, April 2nd will be the last day of school for students before Easter Break. The School will be closed for the Easter break from Friday, April 3rd, until April 10th. Classes will resume on Monday, April 13th.

CAN DRIVE: Save the Date: We will have a can drive on April 22nd during the morning carpool. All cans may be delivered to the front of the cafeteria. Please have all cans dropped off by 9 am.

CRAWFISH BOIL OFF: Please save the date for the annual OLPS School Crawfish Boil Off on **Saturday, April 18.** Tickets are now available online at <https://secure.ggiv.com/for/olpscrawfishboiloff/event/994213/reeview?launchmodal>. Individual tickets are \$50 or gather your friends and reserve a table of 8 for \$750. Please note, the deadline for team registration is Tuesday, March 31st.

THE ALTAR CANDLES will burn this week in loving memory of **ALEX EKERMAYER, JENNIFER MARIEN AND JOSEPH MARIEN, JR.** by their family.

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT will burn this week in loving memory of **ALEX EKERMAYER, JENNIFER MARIEN AND JOSEPH MARIEN, JR.** by their family.

OLPS YOUTH



CCD: CCD meets on Wednesday evenings at the school from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. during the school year. CCD serves Pre-K through 5th grade and OCIC. For more information, contact LeeAnn Borrel at leeann.borrel@olpschurch.org.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH: We will meet on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 P.M. in the DPC/ Fr. Menard Room. For more information, contact Felicia Schneider at jrhigh@olpschurch.org.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH: High school youth meet on Sundays after 5:30 P.M. Mass in the Divine Providence Youth Center during the school year. For more information, contact youth@olpschurch.org.

CONFIRMATION: Confirmation is for 11th grade students. For more information, contact the church office or kevin.malone@olpschurch.org.



OLPS PARISH SUPPERS are held every Wednesday from 5:00-6:30 P.M. in the DPC. The Knights of Columbus Council 8029 prepares the suppers. **Meals are \$6.00 per plate.** **April 1 Menu:** Baked chicken, rice dressing, cole slaw, bread, and dessert. **This will be the last parish supper for the school year. See you in the Fall.**

ST. TIMOTHY FOOD PANTRY is in need of canned meat (Spam), canned fruit, bottles of squeeze jelly, corn, and green beans for the monthly food bags. If you are able to donate these items, they can be left in the Food Pantry box in the Church or dropped off at the church office.

SAVE THE DATE: ACTS will be holding a **Spring Family Event** for all parishioners on May 2nd at Maryhill Retreat Center. More information to come.

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Church Office/Rectory Telephone: 445-3693
 Youth Center Telephone: 445-9748, ext. 229

Fr. Rusty Rabalais, *Pastor*
 Fr. Thomas Kennedy, *Parochial Vicar*
 Fr. David Braquet, *Part-time Ministry*
 Fr. Joy Antony, *In Residence*
 Rev. Mr. Les Glankler, *Deacon*
 Julie Bayone, *Parish Manager*

Renea Ducote, *Bookkeeper* / Margaret Shiver, *Receptionist*

Meredith Rhoads, *Principal of OLPS School*

Grae McCullough, *Director of Music Ministry*

Jordan LaCour, *Coordinator of Programs*

Felicia Schneider, *Coordinator of Jr. & Sr. High Youth*

LeeAnn Borrel, *Coordinator of CCD*

Steve Gauthier, *Coordinator of OCIA*

Toni Ihle, *Coordinator of Church Nursery*

Matt Bruyninckx, *Finance Council Chair & Steve Gauthier, Pastoral Council Chair*

Chad Soprano, *School Council Chair*

SACRAMENTS/LITURGY/DEVOTIONS

Mass: Saturday 4 PM

Sunday 7, 9 & 10:30 AM; 5:30 PM

Weekdays: 6:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Holy Day of Obligation: Vigil - 5:30 PM

Holy Day: 6:30 AM; 12:05 P.M. & 5:30 PM

Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 3:00 - 3:50 PM; Sundays 5:00 - 5:25 PM
 and Weekdays before Mass

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptismal Preparation Class by appointment.

Register in advance by calling the Church Office (445-3693).

Baptisms are ministered by appointment.

Sacrament of Holy Eucharist: For the sick and homebound.

Contact Jordan LaCour at the church office, 445-3693.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact our Parish Priests at 445-3693.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: The Blessed Sacrament is exposed
 from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM every Friday in the Church.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAMS

CCD - During the School Year

Junior & Sr. High Youth - Wednesday & Sunday evenings during the school year

MASSES OF THE WEEK

SUN., MARCH 29:	PALM SUNDAY
7:00 A.M.	Alex Ekermeier, Jennifer Marien and Joseph Marien, Jr.
9:00 A.M.	Chris W. Tompkins; In honor of all Manna House staff and volunteers; David and Charles David Ezernack; Evelyn Bartow; Wien Denley; Sister Philomena Malveaux, S.S.F.; Bob and Jim Foster; In thanksgiving to St. Lucy
10:30 A.M.	Our Parish Family
5:30 P.M.	Michael Thomas LaBorde
MON., MARCH 30:	
6:30 A.M.	Alma LaCour
5:30 P.M.	Charles and Marie Ozanne
TUES., MARCH 31:	
6:30 A.M.	Carmelo Go
5:30 P.M.	Al Aldridge
WED., APRIL 1:	
6:30 A.M.	Jim Gentry
5:30 P.M.	Frank and Frances Constantino and Raymond Constantino, Sr.
THURS., APRIL 2:	HOLY THURSDAY
6:00 P.M.	Adam Jeansonne
FRI., APRIL 3:	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
3:00 P.M.	Service of the Lord's Passion
SAT., APRIL 4:	EASTER VIGIL
8:00 P.M.	Our Parish Family/Priests Intentions
SUN., APRIL 5:	EASTER SUNDAY
7:00 A.M.	Priests Intentions
9:00 A.M.	Priests Intentions
10:30 A.M.	Priests Intentions
5:30 P.M.	Priests Intentions

FOCUS MISSIONARIES

Please keep in your prayers the young adult Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) Missionaries from our community: Andrew Armstrong, Emilie Duncan & Jake Scherer.

READINGS FOR MARCH 29

Isaiah 50:4-7; Ps. 22; Philippians 2:6-10; Matthew 26:14---27:66

IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL LAURENT

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mr. Laurent and the souls of all our parishioners who have recently died and for the consolation of their families.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Diane Ardoin; Bridget Ardoin; Michele Ardoin; John 'Lad' Baker; Muriel Beach; Evelyn Beebe; Cilton Bordelon; Doris Bordelon; Laura Maupin Bounds; JoAnne Brundrett; Mary Bush; John Cangelosi, Sr.; Judy Cangelosi; Jason Chumley; Katelyn Coburn; Ann Craft; Clara Crooks; Charles Anthony D'Amico; Sandra Daniel; Judy Deason; Sarah Derbonne; Karl Diegelmann; Cecile Ducote; Dianne Dyson; Judy Dyson; Beaux Erickson; Jana Fontenot; Johnny Foster; Mary Ann Greiner; Carolyn Gremillion; Pam Guillory; Celia Halbert; Scott Hallinan; Robert Hanson; Floyd Hebert; Alfred and Fran Hempen; Jim Herrington; Stephanie Howard; Jimmy Lachney; Mary Laird; Angel LaJaunie; Madison Lefter; Sister Gloria Lewis; Katie Medica; Carley McGinty; Elaine Michiels; Reneé Nichols; Jimmy Normand; Freddie Palomo; Caroline Pearson; Chip Perot; E.J. Rabalais; Dewey Richard; Steven Ryland; Hope Sansing; Jerry Searcy; Susan Sellers; Amanda St. Romain; Andrea Stradley; Gustavia Thibeaux; Eloise Thiels; Theresa Thornhill; Paul Weis; Madeline White; Joel Wood, and all the homebound of our parish community.

GIFTS REPORT - CHURCH SUPPORT

Income needed for Mar. (five Sun.'s)	\$132,000.00
Gifts on previous weekends in Mar.	\$81,424.00
Gifts given last weekend	\$23,245.00
Amount needed for Mar.	\$27,331.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR CHURCH PARISH !