

HOLY WEEK

APRIL 13: PALM SUNDAY

Schedule of Masses with the distribution of palms:

- 5:30PM (Saturday, April 12) REV. MSGR. W. RONALD JAMESON (cantor)
7AM REV. JOHN HURLEY
9AM REV. ISAAC SAGASTUME (cantor)
11AM ROBERT CARDINAL MCELROY (choir), with Blessing of Palms
1PM MOST REV. EVELIO MENJIVAR (en Español, con coro), with Blessing of Palms
5:30PM REV. JOSEPH MCHENRY (contemporary choir)

APRIL 14: MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

- 7:30AM Mass
8:30AM to 1PM *The Cathedral closes at 8:30AM and reopens at 1PM.*
† 2PM CHRISM MASS & BLESSING OF OILS, ROBERT CARDINAL MCELROY, celebrant, concelebrated by the priests of the Archdiocese (choir)
5:30PM Mass

APRIL 15: TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

- 7:30AM Mass
11AM *No Confessions*
† 12:10PM COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE, REV. ISAAC SAGASTUME
5:30PM Mass

APRIL 16: WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

- 7:30AM Mass
11AM to NOON Confessions
12:10PM Mass
5:30PM Mass
6:15PM to 7PM Confessions
7:30PM TENEBRAE (choir), REV. MSGR. W. RONALD JAMESON

† Interpreted for the Deaf

APRIL 17: HOLY THURSDAY

- 8AM *The Cathedral opens.*
9AM Morning Prayer, St. Anthony Chapel
11AM to NOON Confessions
12:10PM MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, REV. MSGR. W. RONALD JAMESON (contemporary choir)
5:30PM SOLEMN MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, ROBERT CARDINAL MCELROY (bilingual in English & Spanish) (choir), *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10PM*
9:45PM Night Prayer, St. Anthony Chapel
The Cathedral closes at 10PM.

APRIL 18: GOOD FRIDAY

- 8AM *The Cathedral opens.*
9AM Morning Prayer, St. Anthony Chapel
11AM to NOON Confessions
NOON REFLECTION ON THE LORD'S PASSION, RITA FERRONE, friend of the Cathedral, award-winning writer, and respected speaker on issues of liturgy and church renewal in the Roman Catholic tradition.
1PM LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION, ROBERT CARDINAL MCELROY (choir)
4PM LITURGIA DE LA PASIÓN DE JESUCRISTO, ADORACIÓN DE LA CRUZ, Y SAGRADA COMUNIÓN, MOST REV. EVELIO MENJIVAR (en Español, con coro)
7:30PM Stations of the Cross, REV. MSGR. W. RONALD JAMESON (in English)

APRIL 19: HOLY SATURDAY

- 8AM *The Cathedral opens.*
9AM Morning Prayer, St. Anthony Chapel
11AM to NOON Confessions
NOON to 7PM *No Masses. The Cathedral closes at Noon & reopens at 7PM.*
8PM EASTER VIGIL, ROBERT CARDINAL MCELROY (bilingual in English & Spanish) (choir)

APRIL 20: EASTER SUNDAY

- Schedule of Masses:*
7AM REV. JOHN HURLEY
9AM ROBERT CARDINAL MCELROY (choir)
11AM REV. MSGR. W. RONALD JAMESON (choir)
1PM REV. ISAAC SAGASTUME (en Español, con coro)
5:30PM REV. JOSEPH MCHENRY (contemporary choir)
The Rectory is closed today & Easter Monday, April 21.

MASSES & CONFESSIONS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Sunday Masses:

- 5:30PM Saturday Vigil Mass (cantor and organ)
7AM Mass
9AM Mass (cantor and organ)
11AM Mass (Schola Cantorum and organ)
1PM Mass in Spanish (Spanish Choir, instruments, piano and organ)
† 5:30PM Mass (Contemporary Choir)
† Interpreted for the Deaf

The choirs sing from the first Sunday after Labor Day until the Baptism of the Lord, and then again from Ash Wednesday until the Solemnity of Corpus Christi.

Weekday Masses:

7:30AM, 12:10PM & 5:30PM

Saturday Masses:

7:30AM & 12:10PM

Masses on federal holidays:

7:30AM & 12:10PM

Confessions (except Holy Days and federal holidays):

Monday to Friday, 11AM to Noon
Saturday, 4 to 5PM
By appointment

The Cathedral is located at 1725 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W., between Connecticut Avenue and 17th Street. The nearest Metro rail station is on the Red Line at Farragut North (L Street exit). Metro bus routes stop at Connecticut Avenue and M Street, a few hundred feet to the west of the Cathedral. Metro information can be obtained by contacting 202-637-7000 or www.wmata.com.

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LENT & HOLY WEEK 2025

A JUBILEE YEAR

Schedule of
Liturgies & Events



Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson
Rector
Rev. Joseph McHenry
Rev. Isaac Sagastume
Parochial Vicars

Each year on Ash Wednesday, we are reminded that all we see and experience in our world will pass away. Our only hope is in the Lord, who will rescue and bring us to eternal life in Him. While we battle with the trials and sufferings of this world, God is constantly there to refresh us. My prayer for you this Lenten season is that you will reach out to the Lord with a spirit renewed through prayer and penance and with an ever-increasing awareness of the depth and power of His love and mercy. I hope that this Lent will be a time when all of us will grow ever deeper in our love for the Lord Jesus and His Church.

Please join us to experience this season of penance and renewal through liturgies, musical events, prayer, lectures, and other programs. Our aim is to provide you with ample opportunities for prayer, study, reflection, and reconciliation here at the Cathedral.

—REV. MSGR. W. RONALD JAMESON, Rector

ASH WEDNESDAY MARCH 5

Schedule of Masses with the distribution of ashes:

7:30AM	REV. JOHN HURLEY
11AM	REV. ISAAC SAGASTUME (cantor)
12:10PM	ROBERT CARDINAL McELROY (choir)
1:15PM	REV. JOSEPH MCHENRY (cantor)
3PM	Stations of the Cross
5:30PM	REV. MSGR. W. RONALD JAMESON (cantor)
7PM	REV. ISAAC SAGASTUME (en Español, con cantor), followed by the <i>Via Crucis</i> (en Español)

Ashes will not be distributed outside of Mass. No confessions are scheduled today.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The *Via Crucis* is a journey made in the Holy Spirit, the divine fire that burned in the heart of Jesus and brought him to Calvary. The Stations are prayed in English throughout Lent on Fridays at 6PM and in Spanish on Sundays at 2PM, and on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday at the times listed.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

In addition to the regularly scheduled Confessions, Confessions are heard during Eucharistic Holy Hour on Monday, March 17, 6 - 7PM and Wednesday, April 16, 6:15-7PM.

LENTEN MUSIC

MUSICAL AND THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION

Monday, March 10, 7PM, North Conference Room and Cathedral

Start your Lent with a well-tuned ear to the treasures of the music of the season. Tom Stehle, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy and Director of Music Ministries, leads a 75-minute musical and theological reflection on the hymns, chorales, motets, and chants of Lent. Cathedral Organist Paul Hardy will also participate. No previous musical experience is required to enjoy and appreciate the way music can convey profound insights and promptings of the Spirit at this special time of the year.

TENEBRÆ

Wednesday of Holy Week, April 16, 7:30PM

In this ancient and time-honored Liturgy of Tenebræ, the SCHOLA CANTORUM leads the assembly in the singing of psalms and canticles while soloists chant the traditional Lamentations of Jeremiah.

REFLECTION ON THE LORD'S PASSION

Good Friday, April 18, Noon

RITA FERRONE, friend of the Cathedral, award-winning writer, and respected speaker on issues of liturgy and church renewal in the Roman Catholic tradition gives a reflection on The Lord's Passion, joined by the SCHOLA CANTORUM.

All musical programs are given in the Cathedral and are open to the public. Free-will donations are greatly appreciated. For more information, contact Thomas Stehle, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy and Director of Music Ministries, at tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org.

LENTEN FAITH FORMATION

MEDITATION GROUP

Experience a way of meditation rooted in Jesus. Join us for meditations sessions led by L.J. MILONE:

In-person in the St. Francis Chapel – Mondays & Wednesdays, 12:45 – 1:05PM

On Zoom – Sundays at 1:30PM & Wednesdays at 8PM
Find Zoom links at stmatthewscathedral.org/Meditation.

LENTEN MORNING RETREAT: LENTEN REFLECTIONS FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS

Saturday, March 8, 9 – 1PM, North Conference Room
Presented by Deacon Michael Meyer.

HAPPY NOTHINGNESS: JUBILEE RETREAT SERIES

Mondays, March 10, March 24, and April 14, 7 – 10PM, Cathedral

Spiritual Teaching & Contemplative Silence, presented by L.J. MILONE. A brief talk followed by silent prayer.

ADULT FAITH CLASSES

Wednesdays, March 12 through April 9, 7 – 8:30PM, North Conference Room, presented by L.J. MILONE.

Join us for a series of adult classes covering the following topics: the Trinity, the Incarnation and Grace, the Hard Sayings of Jesus, the Our Father, the Scrutiny Gospels, and the Paschal Mystery.

LIGHT THE CITY

Saturday, March 15, 6:30 – 10:30PM

Come help spread the love of God in Christ to the people of Washington, DC! Parishioners will gather on the steps of the Cathedral after the 5:30PM Mass to invite passers-by in to pray. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the main altar for Adoration. We need volunteers excited about their faith to invite people in! To volunteer, email L.J. MILONE at ljmilone@stmatthewscathedral.org.

THE LITTLE WAY OF ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

Tuesdays, March 18 through April 8, 7 – 8:30PM, East Conference Room

This series of mini-retreat sessions is presented by L.J. MILONE on the Little Way of St. Therese of Lisieux.

CATHEDRAL BOOK CLUB

Thursday, April 10, 7 – 8:15 PM, West Conference Room

REV. JOHN HURLEY leads a discussion of “Dagger John: Archbishop John Hughes and the Making of Irish America,” by John Loughery.

For more information on our Faith Formation offerings, contact L.J. Milone, Director of Faith Formation, at ljmilone@stmatthewscathedral.org.

OTHER LENTEN EVENTS

SIMPLE LENTEN MEALS

Simple Lenten Meals are offered on Friday evenings of Lent in the North Conference Room at 6:30PM, following the 6PM Stations of the Cross. Each Friday a parish group sponsors a simple meal with the opportunity for almsgiving to a community-based charitable organization. For a list of the charities and the groups serving the meals, see the weekly Cathedral eletter updates during Lent.

ADDITIONAL ALMSGIVING OPPORTUNITIES

St. Matthew's Social Justice Committee offers several opportunities for charitable giving during Lent. Visit stmatthewscathedral.org or contact Anthony Arreaga, aarreaga@stmatthewscathedral.org, for more information on the following:

- Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl
- Lenten Food Drive with the John S. Mulholland Family Foundation
- Adopt-a-Family Easter Gift Card Drive

Are you looking for ways to use your time and gifts to help the community and those in need? Our Social Justice Ministries offer many ways to serve. For more information, contact Anthony Arreaga, Coordinator for Social Justice Ministries, at aarreaga@stmatthewscathedral.org.

† COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

Tuesday, April 15, 12:10PM

Experience God's mercy and forgiveness at “Come Home for Easter,” a communal penance service in the Cathedral, with REV. ISAAC SAGASTUME as president, and many priests available for individual Confessions in multiple languages, including Spanish, Italian, German, and American Sign Language.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Communal prayer in the St. Anthony Chapel is open to all. Morning Prayer is prayed at 9AM on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. On Holy Thursday, Night Prayer is prayed at 9:45PM. Prayer leaflets are provided.

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