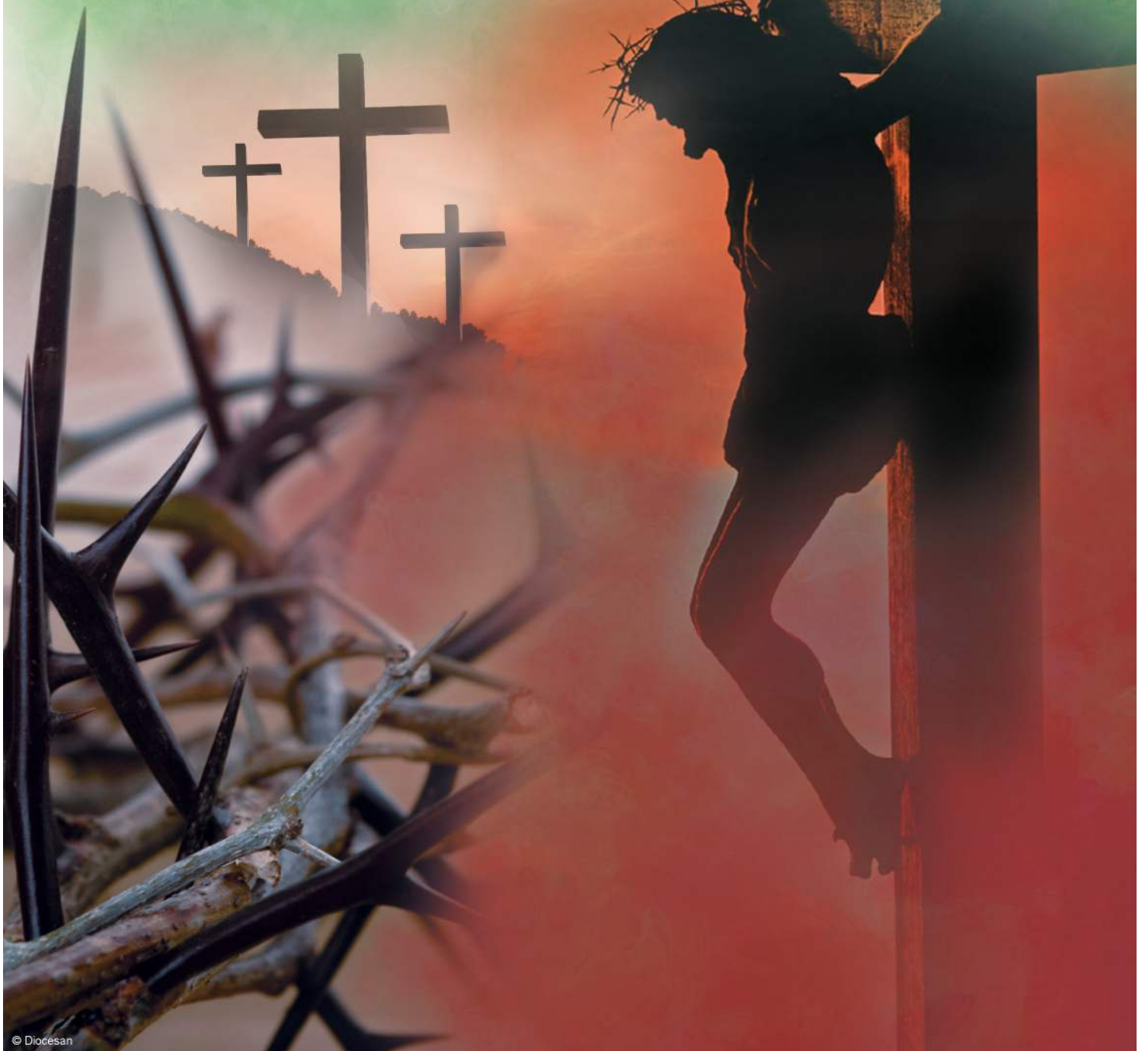


PALM SUNDAY

of the Lord's Passion





Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 28, 2026

8:30AM †Jose T. Gomez by Rosie San Miguel
4:30PM David Valdez Sr. by Dora Garcia



Sunday, March 29, 2026

8:00AM MPB Parishioners
10:30AM †Amador Duran by Rosie Duran
12:30PM James Poczka Birthday by Lynn Dornbusch
7:30PM †Guadalupe Rivera by Lydia Garcia

Monday, March 30, 2026

8:30AM Thanks to God by Romero Jiminez Family
†Constantine Albert Rubashkin by Evelyn Flores
Mass of Thanksgiving by Mary Vasquez
†Asension Castaneda by Family
†Arcadio Rivera by Lydia Garcia
†Dr. Arnold Villarreal by Leonard & Katie May
6:00PM Thanksgiving to Sleeping St. Joseph by John/Toni

Tuesday, March 31, 2026

8:30AM †Antonio Isidro by Cherrie Gerstner
6:00PM †Concepcion Benavidez Barrios by Janie/Veronica

Wednesday, April 1, 2026

8:30AM Victor Alvarado by Robert/Evelyn Flores
6:00PM †Esther Bazan by Michelle Perez

Thursday, April 2, 2026

8:30AM No Morning Mass
6:00PM †Filiberto Valdez Sr. by Valdez Family

Friday, April 3, 2026

8:00AM-12:00PM Confessions
3:00PM Passion of the Lord (Adoration of the Cross)
6:00PM Stations of the Cross
7:00PM Tenebrae

Saturday, April 4, 2026

8:30AM No Morning Mass
8:00PM †Melissa Kraus by Valdez Family



**All Religious Education Classes
St. Maria Goretti Youth Center**

Sun. 8:30am-10:00am PK3-6th Grades (CGS)
Sun. 5:00pm-7:00pm 9th-12th Grades
Mon. 6:00pm-7:15pm 7th-8th Grades
Wed. 4:30pm-6:00pm K3-K5 Grades (CGS)
Wed. 6:15pm-7:45pm 1st-6th Grades (CGS)

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Altar Servers

The Altar Server Program is looking for young men; ages 7+ who are in good standing and have received the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion, and who are interested in deepening their faith and serving the Lord at Mass. As an altar server, they will have the unique opportunity to assist the priest during the liturgy and take an important role in our parish community.

No prior experience is necessary--training will be provided! This is a wonderful way to grow spiritually, build friendships, and contribute to the beauty of our sacred celebrations. If your son is interested, please contact Joseph Hernandez at 361-854-3800 for more details. We encourage all families to consider this special ministry!

The Sanctuary Candles are lit in the Church, St. Jude Chapel, and Adoration Chapel. These candles are perpetually lit for two weeks for your special intention in a high place of honor which lets us know that Jesus is physically present in the Eucharist. They can be in memory of a loved one, for a special intention, in thanksgiving, or any intention. The cost is \$15.00.

March 22, 2026- April 4, 2026



The Church Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in memory of Francisco Flores by Family
The St. Jude Chapel Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Ronnie L. Varnado by Family
The Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in memory of Antonio Isidro by Cherrie Gerstner

Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54 **Monday:** Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11 **Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 **Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; Mt 26:14-25 **Thursday: Holy Thursday - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15 **Friday: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion** Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42 **Saturday: Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter** Gen 1:1-2:2 or Gen 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 and 22; Gen 22:1-18 or Gen 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rm 6:3-11, Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10 **Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord** Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35 (Afternoon or Evening)

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Divine Mercy
Please join us in reciting the Divine Mercy chaplet every Wednesday at 3:00 pm in the St. Jude Chapel.



Each week, a Traveling Vocations Crucifix will be presented to a different Parishioner. The Family / Individual presented with the Crucifix, will pray for an increase in vocations within our diocese and particularly within our Parish. To participate, please visit the Parish Website mpbchurch.org under **ministries-vocation-program selection-traveling vocation crucifix** and sign up.

April 1, 2026 @ 6:45-7:45pm

Family Adoration Nights

Divine Mercy
Please join us in reciting the Divine Mercy chaplet on Sunday, **April 5, 2026**, and every First Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm in the St. Jude Chapel.

First Wednesday Rosary

Recitation of the Holy Rosary through the intercession of St. Joseph in the St. Jude Chapel after the 8:30AM mass every first Wednesday of the month



PRAYER OF ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph, husband of Mary, be with us this day. You protected and cherished the Virgin; loving the Child Jesus as your son, you rescued Him from danger of death. Defend the Church, the Household of God, purchased by the Blood of Christ.

Guardian of the Holy Family, be with us in our trials. May your prayers obtain for us the strength to flee from error and wrestle with the powers of corruption so that in life we may grow in holiness and in death rejoice in the crown of victory.
Amen.

The church office will be closed on Good Friday, **April 3, 2026**, and on Monday, **April 6, 2026**, for Easter. The office will reopen on Tuesday, **April 7, 2026**.

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Our Parish Activities

- Sunday, March 29, 2026**
8:00AM OCIA **GH**
8:30AM K3-6th CGS **SMG**
5:00PM HS RE Y2 **SMG**
- Monday, March 30, 2026**
6:00PM MSRE **SMG**
- Tuesday, March 31, 2026**
8:00PM AA **C2**
- Wednesday, April 1, 2025**
9:00AM First Wed. Rosary **SJC**
9:45AM WINE **SMG**
3:00PM Divine Mercy **SJC**
4:30PM CGS **SMG**
6:15PM CGS **SMG**
6:45PM Family Adoration **C**
6:45PM WINE **SMG**
- Thursday, April 2, 2026**
7:00PM Real Men's Group **SMG**
8:00PM AA **C2**
- Friday, April 3, 2026**
6:00PM Stations of the Cross **C**
- Saturday, April 4, 2026**
- Sunday, April 5, 2025**
3:00PM Divine Mercy **SJC**

Legend:

- C - Church
- C1-C2 - Classrooms in Family Center
- FC - Family Center
- GH - The Great Hall in Family Center
- BR - Brides Room
- RG - Rose Garden
- Sch - MPB School Building
- SJC - Saint Jude Chapel
- SMG - St. Maria Goretti

Please Pray For:

Edna/Edwin Soto, Maria Cantu, Elodia Villarreal, Monica/Elsa Chavez, Alicia Cavada, Theresa Gilbert, and for all those who have asked us to pray for healing and their special needs.



Eucharistic Adoration



Come to me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you..." You are greatly needed! Hours for adoration are available, contact Alice Polansky at 361-737-6360.

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Gift Shop Sale

The gift shop will be having a basket and religious items sale after mass on Saturday March the 28th after 4:30pm Mass and on Sunday March 29th, after 8:00am, 10:30am, 12:30pm and 7:00pm. Thank you in advance for your support!

Food Handler's Class

There will be an in person food handler's class offered in the Saint Juliana Great Hall on **April 14, 2026 at 6:00pm**. The fee will be \$12.00 cash on the day of the class.

Holy Week Schedule 2026

Tuesday of Holy Week (March 31st)
6:30pm - Chrism MASS (church)

Holy Thursday (April 2nd)
5pm - Confessions (church)
6pm - MASS of the Lord's Supper (church)

Good Friday (April 3rd)
8am -12pm: Confessions (church)
2:30pm - Confessions (church)
3pm -The Passion of the Lord & Veneration of the Cross
6pm - Stations of the Cross
7pm - Tenebrae

Holy Saturday (April 4th)
8am -12pm: Confessions (church)
8pm - Easter Vigil MASS

Easter Sunday (April 5th)
(Confessions 30 min. before every Mass)
MASS: 8am
10:30am
12:30pm
No 7:30pm Mass



Retreat

The Quinceanera Retreat dates for 2026 have been scheduled for April 25, July 11, September 26, and November 7. A Quinceanera retreat is a requirement for a Quinceanera Mass. Retreat Fee is \$125. Registration closes on Monday of the week of the retreat.

For more information please contact Tina at tvillegas@mpbchurch.org or 361-854-3800
Registration:
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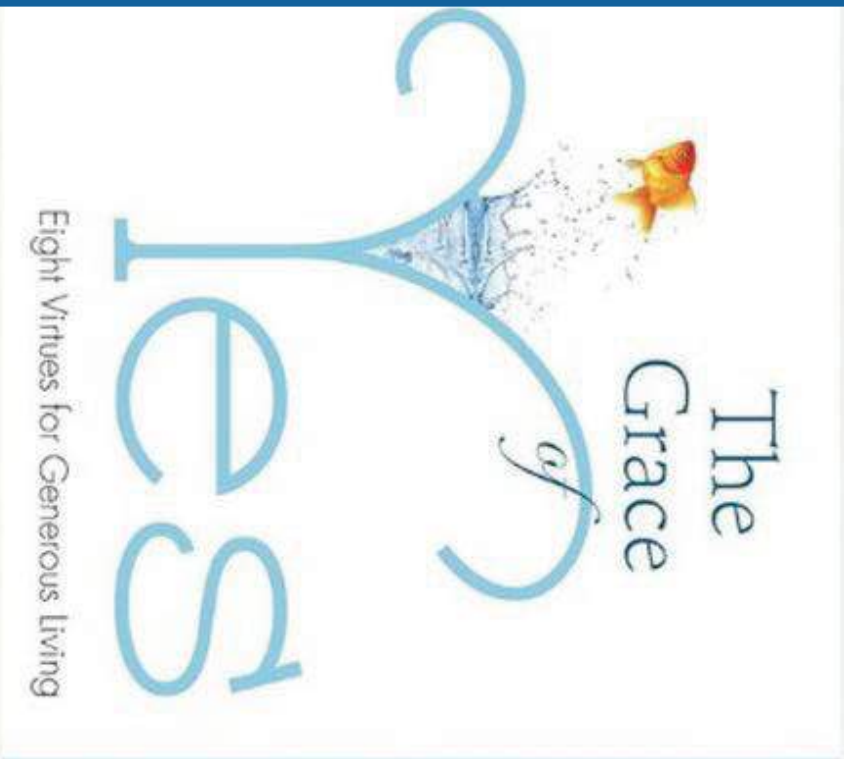
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