St. Raymond de Peñafort
Lincoln St. & Elmhurst Ave. Mt Prospect, IL

2026 Holy Week Triduum Worship Schedule

Holy Week is the most sacred week in our Church's liturgical year, beginning with Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday. On Palm Sunday, we carry blessed palm branches to symbolize Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem as we recount the story of Jesus' death and Passion. During the remaining days of Holy Week, we continue to pray and reflect on Jesus' suffering and sacrifice in the final days of his life.

Monday-Wednesday March 30-April 1, 2026

8:30 am *Daily Mass*

Holy Thursday - April 2, 2026

9:00 am *Morning Prayer*

7:00 pm *Liturgy of the Lord's Supper*

Adoration will be held in the Church immediately following the liturgy until 10:30 pm

Good Friday - April 3, 2026

9:00 am *Morning Prayer*

12:00 pm *Stations of the Cross*

3:00 pm *Passion of the Lord*

7:00 pm *Taizé Prayer*

Holy Saturday - April 4, 2026

9:00 am *Morning Prayer*

10:00 am *Easter Basket Blessing*

Egg Hunt immediately following

7:00 pm *Easter Vigil*

Please note:

- No 4:00 pm Confession on Holy Saturday.
- No 5:00 pm Mass on Holy Saturday.

Easter Sunday - April 5, 2026

7:00 am

9:00 am

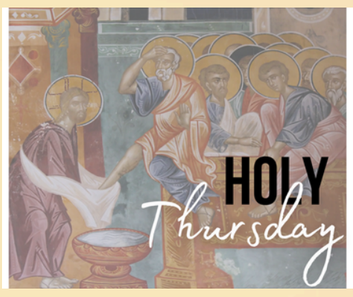
11:00 am

Additional seating will be available.

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 12, 2026

3:00-5:00 pm *Adoration and Divine Mercy Chaplet, followed by Benediction at 4:45 pm*

All events will be livestreamed through our website.



On Holy Thursday, we are invited to remember and celebrate four events: the Last Supper, the Washing of the Apostle's feet by Jesus, Christ's despair and prayer in Gethsemane, and the arrest of Jesus. At the end of Mass, the sanctuary is stripped of all decorations, and the Eucharist is transferred to the Altar of Repose instead of the Tabernacle. We are invited to pray and spend time with Jesus in the same way that He invited His Apostles.

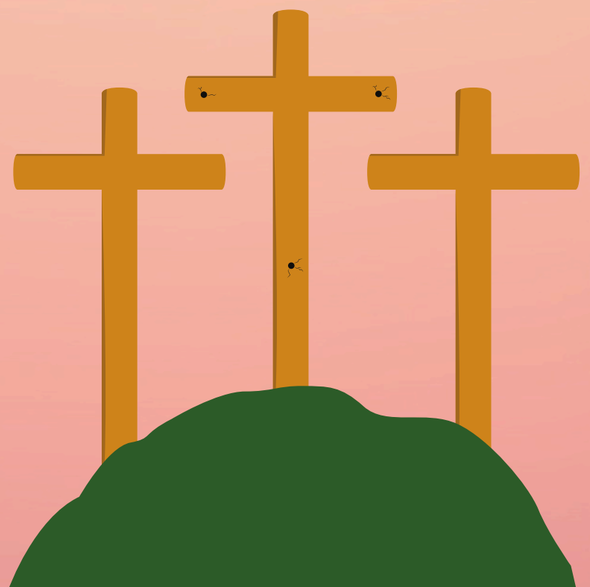
On Good Friday, we remember Jesus dying on the Cross out of love for each of us. This is the only day during the year that we do not celebrate Mass. Instead, we have a Communion Service where we are gathered to venerate the Cross.

In the evening of Holy Saturday, we celebrate the Easter Vigil. At the Easter Vigil, we hear our story of salvation through different readings. You will notice that the entire church is dark at the beginning of Mass. The Light of Christ will shine through the darkness once the Paschal candle is lit. Light is then spread throughout the church as individual candles are lit, calling each of us to go out in the world and be the light for others.

When we have OCIA candidates, they receive the Sacraments of Initiation and are welcomed into the Catholic Church. This year, we welcome eight new members.

Easter Sunday is a day of celebration! We celebrate Jesus rising from the dead, and His tomb is empty. Our celebration continues for 50 days!

As we prepare for Holy Week, we invite you to participate in the different services at St. Raymond. Each service will bring you closer to Jesus as he suffers and dies for our sins. We hope you can join us for one or all of our services.



Office Hours for Easter 2026

Good Friday, April 3	**8:30 am to 12:00 pm**
Holy Saturday, April 4	**9:00 am to 1:00 pm**
Easter Sunday, April 5	**Office closed**
Easter Monday, April 6	**Office closed**

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