

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Sun. April 13**

**8:00am - All Souls**

**9:30am - Olivia & Gilbert Morgan  
by the Newton Family**

**Sun. April 20**

**8:00am - All Souls**

**9:30am - Clay Eugene Boyd III  
by Lurita Boyd  
Thomasina McDougald  
by Paul McDougald**

### April Lectors

#### 8:00am Mass

April 6 - Barbara Smith

April 13 - Pat Dyer

April 20 - Andre Allen

April 27 - Myrna Draper

#### 9:30am Mass

April 6 - Alice Bragg

April 13 - Holy Name

April 20 - Lurita Boyd

April 27 - Margaret Braun

### Readings for the Week of April 13 2025

Sun., April 13 - **PALM SUNDAY**

Lk 19:28-40 (37)/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

Mon., April 14 - Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11

Tues., April 15 - Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wed., April 16 - Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25

Thurs., April 17 - Holy Thursday) - Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Fri., April 18 - Good Friday - Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

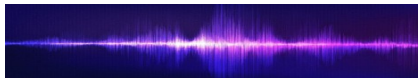
Sat., April 19 - Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Ex 14:15—15:1/Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/ Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12

Sun., April 20 - RESURRECTION OF THE LORD  
Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 (42) or Lk 24:1-12

On Good Friday, April 18th, there will be a collection for the Holy Land

### Special Intentions Prayer for Our Parish

- ◆ Our Deceased Members
- ◆ Our 1st Responders,
- ◆ Health Care Workers
- ◆ Our Military Personnel
- ◆ All those in need of our prayers especially our sick & shut-ins : Lula Bell, Robert Brown, Shirley Hargro, Margie Lewis, Karl Magby, Jewel Marshall, Antionette (Tonie) Newton, Vanessa Newton, Louise Nolley, Marianne Partee, Samuel Ruff, and Josephine Williams. Elise Wilson



We need people who are willing to volunteer be trained as a sound technicians to operate our sound system on a regular basis. Please notify the office to apply for this position.

### GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

April 13, 2025 - Palm Sunday—Luke 19:28-40  
“As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road.” (Luke 19:36) .Consider how useless it is to spread your clothes on the ground for a donkey to walk on. The clothes get smeared with hooves, and who knows the grimy places where they've been? The animal may leave some unsavory presents on them. They may get stolen by a thief looking to make a buck. The thorns, thistles, rocks and muck of the road will leave stains. The clothes may never be useful again, and you'll probably walk home shivering without your normal covering. Yet this is precisely the gesture the people employ to welcome Jesus and his donkey. Why does this detail matter? Wastefulness is an essential part of celebration. Consider the unnecessary extravagance of Christmas decorations, confetti and ticker tape parades, baseball players spraying each other with bottles of champagne after a victory, birthday gifts for kids and so on. This wastefulness signals celebration and therefore participation in higher identities (as believers, winners, and parents, to mention the above examples). That's what the wasted cloaks are all about. Those who donate their cloaks participate in Christ's kingship in Jerusalem — and we savor it two thousand years later. The lesson? Learn how to “waste” money, time, clothes, and food on Christ. We do this at Mass, but in so many other ways, too, like serving the poor, going on retreats, and doing prayerful study. When we practice this holy wastefulness, Jesus will ride into our lives and we'll be more deeply members of his kingdom.

— Father John Muir

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Volunteers are needed to help decorate the Church for Easter on Saturday, April 19, 2025 from 10am to 2pm. There is a signup sheet in the Gathering Space. Your help is needed.

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This year's Bike Fair:

Our 3rd annual Bike Fair will be held at Ss. Columba Brigid Church. They collect donated bikes, fix them up and then give them away to children from our parishes, Family Promise homeless shelter, and the neighborhood.

They have lots of bikes this year so we want to let everyone know about it in our Family of Parishes.

Saturday, April 26th at  
Ss. Columba Brigid Church

A group of volunteers will work on the donated bikes (put air in tires, lubricate etc.) 8 am - 1 pm

Families can bring their children to pick out a bike from 1 pm - 3 pm

Please sign up so that we will know that you are coming

**Parish Financial Information**  
**\*Weekly Totals Include E-Giving**

**April Collections**

	<b>Regular Collection</b>	<b>Martin's Future</b>	<b>Diocese Collection</b>
April 6	\$2,448.00	\$1,037.00	\$20.00
April 13			
April 20			
April 27			
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$2,448.00</b>	<b>\$1,037.00</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>

**Family 21 Events Calendar**

**Holy Week**

**Thur., April 17-Holy Thursday**-Ss. Columba-Brigid (Bi-Lingual Mass) @ 7pm.

**Fri., April 18-Good Friday**- St. Martin de Porres-3pm, Ss. Columba-Brigid-7pm (Bi-Lingual)

**Sat., April 19-Holy Saturday**-Blessed Trinity @ 8:30pm

**Sun., April 20-Easter Sunday**-St. Martin de Porres-Regular Mass Times

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**Sun., May 4** - Women's Guild celebrates-"Wear White-Women's Day" 8am & 9:30am Mass

**Wed., May 21** - Prayer Partner Pot Luck Dinner-Ss. Columba-Brigid@6pm-(Arrival time-5:30pm)

**Sun., June 22** - First Communion

**Sat & Sun. July 19 & 20- Eastside Garden Walk** @ St, Martin de Porres - 10am to 4pm

**Sun., Aug 17**-Annual Picnic (more info to follow)

**Sun., Dec. 21**- St. Martin de Porres Christmas Concert (details to follow)

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**Catholic Relief Services Update:**

In Mali, it's hard to keep girls in school, and even harder to bring them back once they drop out. Around 80% of girls in Mali don't finish high school. But things are changing. Through the DEFI Education for Girls project, funded by Global Affairs Canada, we're breaking down the barriers that have held these girls back for so long. Catholic Relief Services is providing school supplies to create safe spaces for learning. Visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org) for more information! Thanks for your support! Interested in joining our local chapter? Contact Dcn. Jerry or Dcn. Don

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**Catholic Charities Update**

While life can have challenges, no one needs to go through them alone. Families, children, adults and seniors can count on Catholic Charities' professional and highly trained counseling experts for help with day-to-day troubles & serious concerns. Comprehensive services include mental health assessment and evaluation, individual, family and group psychotherapy, psychiatric evaluation, medication management, behavior management, and parenting skills. For more information or to initiate a referral, call the Behavioral Health Central Intake unit at 1-877-448-4466. Thank you for supporting Catholic Charities. We are now at \$9005.00 progressing towards our goal of \$14,470. Laurie Alford & Paulette Lindsay

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**Pilgrims of Hope-- The Pope underscored how Jesus awaits us at the threshold, "especially the most vulnerable," such as the children suffering due to war and hunger, and the elderly often forced to live abandoned and in solitude. He described how the Lord awaits those who have lost homes, fled homelands for safety, lost jobs and cannot find one, those in prisons, and people enduring persecution for their faith. - Let us pray for all of them!**

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Our study of the **Prophets** returns at 6:30 PM on May 12 at Blessed Trinity, in-person. Bibles are available to those who do not have them. We are studying the prophet Amos.

The **Best Kept Secrets of the Catholic Church** series begins on April 28 with Dcn. Don Weigel. Dcn. Don's topic is "The Common Good." With all the talk on the news lately, you will not want to miss this one. Our second topic will be on May 5 with Monica Saltarelli (Mission Manager at Trocaire College) on "Living Simply, Simply Living." Life can get so complicated. Does it have to be? Does God's way lead to a less stress filled life? Come with your questions and hear just what the Church actually teaches. Blessed Trinity, 6:30 PM. Dessert and coffee served. Free-Will offerings benefit the Fr. George Reger Faith Formation Fund and help us to arrange these programs and lectures. Books available to the first 20. See flyers.

**First Communion** classes resume at 6:00 PM on April 24 at Blessed Trinity for those who have completed the first half of the program.

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**Our next Baptism class** for parents of children under 7 has been scheduled for May 4 at 12:30 PM in the school building at Blessed Trinity. Register in advance at your parish office. This will be our last class until fall. You do not need to wait until your baby is born to come to the class. Godparents are also welcome to attend .

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**Our next Family Faith Formation** will be held **Saturday, May 10 from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM** at Blessed Trinity. **All the children of the Family 21 are invited to attend with a parent.**

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**Our first Children's Liturgy of the Word** will take place at St. Martin de Porres on Sunday, May 18 during the 9:30 AM Mass. Children will hear God's Word and participate in a small project to help them understand the readings. This monthly time together will be expanded when we are able to do so.

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**Confirmation 2025:** If you are in at least the 9th grade (including adults) and would like to be Confirmed next fall, now is the time to talk to us! Those who are not attending a Catholic High School and did not participate in the recently ended Introduction to Sacred Scripture Class, please contact Pat Dyer at Blessed Trinity as soon as possible to discuss catching up.

**Lenten Events @ St. Martin de Porres**

**Fri., April 18-Good Friday**- SMdP @ 3pm,

**Sun., April 20-Easter Sunday**-SMdP-Regular Mass & Times

**Women's Guild update:** Women are encouraged to wear white on Sunday May 4. Special envelopes will be available for our May Day collection. We will have a luncheon after the 930 am Mass at the Amherst Buffet 2309 Eggert Rd. All Ladies are welcome, Marianne Partee and Laurie Alford

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**Virtus Online for April - "Protecting God's Children for Adults" Vol 24, No. 4 - "Why Should We Have a "Healthy Caution" Toward Adults"**