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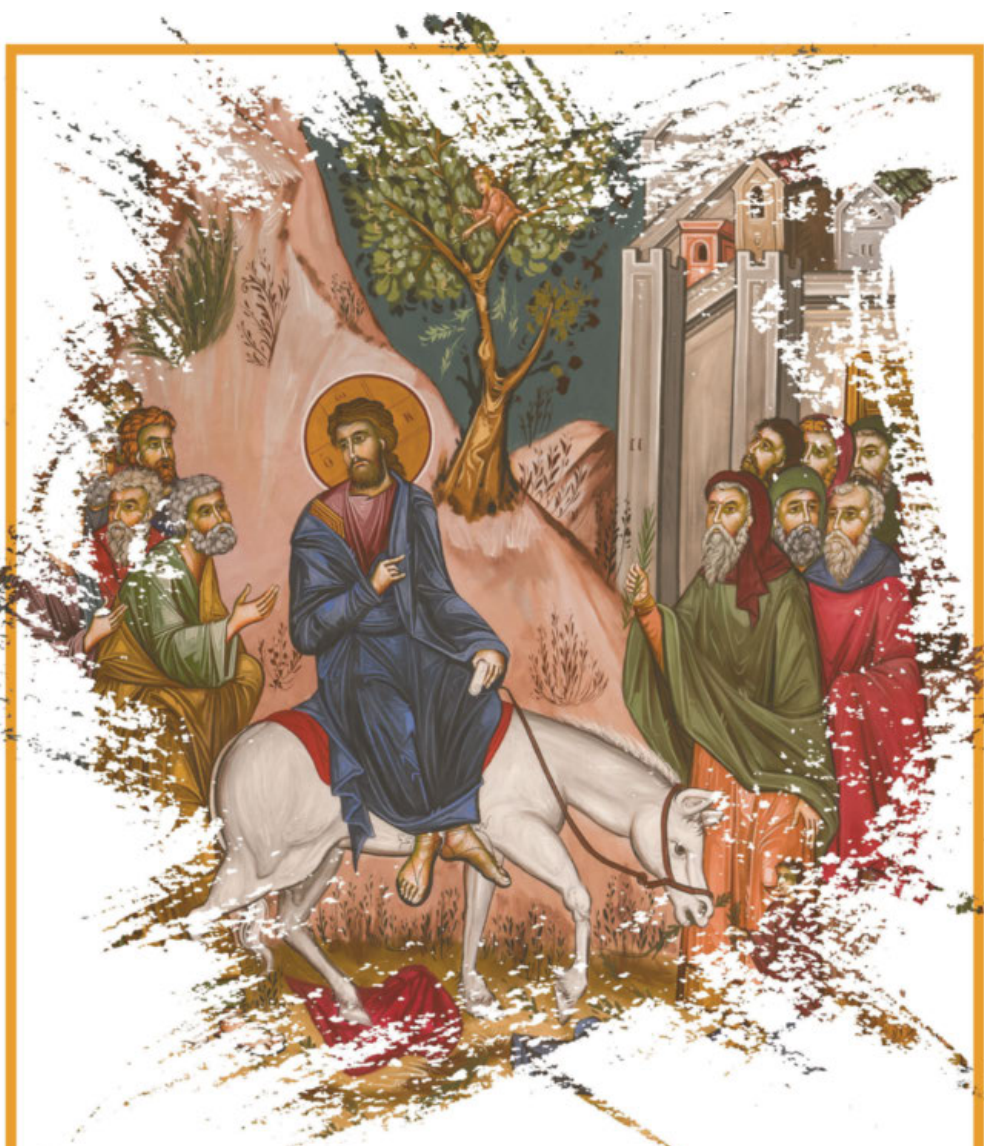
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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday:
8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

*Deadline for content in the
weekly bulletin is noon on
Mondays*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

(Confession 3:15 p.m. - 4:15
p.m.)

**Sunday: Mass 8:30 a.m. &
10:00 a.m.**

(Confession 7:30 a.m.-8:15
a.m. & 9:35 a.m.-9:50 a.m.)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday –Friday: Mass 8:00
a.m. (Confession 7:30 a.m. -
7:50 a.m.)

*Confession can be heard
anytime outside of listed times
by appointment*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays after 8:00 a.m.
Mass until 7:00 p.m.

**The Daily Mass and
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass are
broadcast on our YouTube
channel. Go to our parish
website homepage to find
the direct link.**

THIS WEEK

Monday, March 25th

6:00 p.m. Activities Committee

Tuesday, March 26th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Harold & Kay Strokland by Your Family

Wednesday, March 27th

8:00 a.m. Mass: Evelyn Gendreau by LaRae McDonald

Thursday, March 28th—Holy Thursday

6:30 p.m. Mass: †Jay Hight by Jerry Steen

Eucharistic Adoration following Mass until 8:45 p.m.

Friday, March 29th—Good Friday

3:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 30th—Easter Vigil

8:00 p.m. Mass: †James Haberlack by Karen Haberlack

Sunday, March 31st—Easter Sunday

8:30 a.m. Mass: †Caroline Levi by Gary Levi

10:00 a.m. Mass: For the Parish

†: Indicates deceased

Gospel Meditation

March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

A few months before they married, my twenty-three-year-old sister and her fiancé planned a cross-country road trip to visit his family. My parents told them that they could only go if they slept in separate hotel rooms, offering to foot the bill. It might sound prudish, but my parents wanted the young couple to understand that their approaching unity was close, but not yet. Patience solidifies love.

What could this possibly have to do with Palm Sunday? It's usually overlooked, but the Gospels tell us that, after entering Jerusalem, Jesus "looked around ... and since it was late, went out to Bethany with the twelve" (Mk 11:11) for the night. Who cares? Why include this detail? Jews in those days believed that the new Davidic King would one day re-enter and "marry" the city. A new future marked by fidelity would begin for God's people. Israel's God would be in union with His people forever. Without over-sexualizing the metaphor, perhaps Jesus refused to sleep in Jerusalem to remind us of his marital purpose. He was entering Jerusalem as the bridegroom-king. It was almost time, but not yet. Soon he will sleep in Jerusalem in the tomb and then something new will begin: his one body, his Church.

Lenten challenge: This Holy Week, I challenge you to keep this image in your mind all the way until Easter Sunday: Jesus is the faithful bridegroom who patiently prepares his bride for their new life together. Go to the Good Friday liturgy and kiss the cross. When you do, let that gesture be the long-awaited "I do" to our faithful God, who always waits for us.

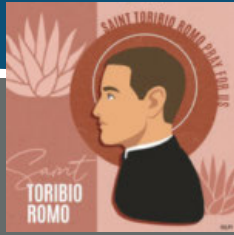
— Father John Muir ©LPi



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Saint of the Week

St. Toribio Romo González (1900 – 1928) was born in Santa Ana de Guadalupe, near Jalisco, Mexico. He entered seminary at the age of 13 and was ordained a priest in 1922 when he was only 22. As a priest, he dedicated himself to serving the faithful in the midst of the Cristero War, a period of intense religious persecution in Mexico during the 1920s and 1930s.



Despite the danger posed by the anti-Catholic government, Romo continued to carry out his pastoral duties. He provided sacraments, offered spiritual guidance, promoted devotion to the Eucharist, and was frequently forced more and more to do so in secret or under the cover of night. He became known for his compassion and selflessness, often risking his own safety to bring consolation and hope to the persecuted Catholic community, and catechesis, as well as the Eucharist, to the poor.

In the late 1920's, a formal law was passed that imposed strict penalties on priests who were found exercising their priestly ministries. Despite the risks, Romo continued to celebrate Mass and administer the sacraments to those in remote areas. For a time, he had to hide in an abandoned distillery in the town of Tequila in order to avoid violence, and celebrated Mass there for the community.

Tragically, on February 25, 1928, Romo was murdered. He was shot twice by government troops who broke into his bedroom while he was asleep. His martyrdom became a powerful testimony to the enduring strength of the Catholic Church in Mexico in the face of discrimination. St. Toribio Romo, pray for us!

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 24, 2024

Sunday:	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins
Thursday:	Holy Thursday
Friday:	Good Friday
Saturday:	Holy Saturday
Next Sunday:	Easter Sunday

FEBRUARY 2024 OFFERTORY

	Actual	Budget
Adult Collections	\$23,107	\$17,500
Student Envelopes	\$0	\$0
Loose Collection	\$2,393	\$1,250
Holy Day Collection	\$1,260	\$833
ACH/Online Giving	\$6,693	\$7,083
February Totals	\$33,452	\$26,666
February Overage	\$6,786	

VIGIL CANDLE PRICE INCREASE

Please be aware that effective immediately, the price of our 6-day vigil candles will change from \$3 to \$4 per candle. Sadly, our costs have risen that much with our latest 30 case order last week. To keep our costs at a minimum, we purchase our candles from a family business in South Dakota and coordinate our delivery with other local Catholic parishes to minimize transportation costs. Unfortunately, the unit price per candle has risen to just under \$4. We thank you for your understanding. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office or Father Phillips.

Mass Ministry Schedule for Holy Week

	Thursday 6:30 PM	Good Friday 3 PM	Easter Vigil 8 PM	Sunday 8:30 AM	Sunday 10 AM
Rosary Leader	No Rosary	No Rosary	No Rosary	No Rosary	No Rosary
Greeter	No Greeters	No Greeters	Volunteers Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer
Altar Servers	Dan Christen, Dakota Johnson, Paul Phillips, Jeff Murtaugh	Dan Christen, Dakota Johnson, Paul Phillips, Jeff Murtaugh	Dan Christen, Dakota Johnson, Paul Phillips, Jeff Murtaugh	Hadley Duchscherer Curt Saari	Julia Young Clare Young
Lector	Carolyn Johnson	Wanda Kalamaha (Reader & Voice) Deacon (Narrator)	Joe Palkovick Randall Cler Brenda Artz	Jacob Mulcahy	Grant Wentz
Eucharistic Minister				Korie Huettl	
In-Home Ministry				Jill & Jerry Aarseth	

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

AT CHURCH OF ST. THERESE, THE LITTLE FLOWER



HOLY THURSDAY MASS:
6:30 P.M.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE:
3:00 P.M.

EASTER VIGIL MASS:
8:00 P.M.

EASTER SUNDAY MASS:
8:30 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.

Penance Service:

March 27th @ 6:30pm Our Lady of Grace



Tyanna Weeks
Benefit Breakfast

Sunday, March 24

Bishop Ryan Catholic School Dining Room
316 11th Ave NW, Minot

8 AM - 1 PM

Pancakes
Scrambled Eggs
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ONLINE GIVING FUNDS

Easter Flowers:

Active from March 18th through April 7th, 2024

Good Friday – Holy Land Collection:

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CHRISM MASS MARCH 25TH

All are welcome to join Bishop Kagan as he celebrates the Chrism Mass on Monday, March 25 at 11 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit during which he consecrates the sacred Chrism and blesses the other oils. The Chrism Mass reminds us of our oneness in Christ through baptism and its holy anointing, made possible by the ministry of the bishop and his priests. Seating for the public will be limited.

WOMEN'S RETREAT APRIL 6TH

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary in Stanley is hosting a Women's Retreat on Saturday, April 6th from 9AM to 3PM. Mother Mary Joseph will speak on the topic "Holiness Reflected Through Saints and Heroes." Registration begins at 8:30 AM, or you can register online at holyroarystanley.com. Cost is \$30, which includes breakfast and lunch.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

During Lent, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring the mercy of Jesus into the hearts of the poor, by assisting many families, providing them with food and assistance with utility and rent bills. St. Vincent de Paul meetings are held on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month in the basement at St. Leo's, beginning with a rosary at 5:10 followed by the meeting at 5:30. (701) 833-1269



It was during the fourth century in Jerusalem that Christians first starting using palm branches in commemoration of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. Today, we continue to use palms in most churches on this Sunday, Catholic and Protestant alike. It is one of those traditions of worship that, no matter how far apart we may seem at times, we continue to share due to our common heritage.

But Palm Sunday is also known as Passion Sunday, because we hear an account of the passion of Jesus Christ during the liturgy. Most churches also share this reading in common. Many Catholic parishes use multiple lectors to proclaim the Gospel, while it is not uncommon for a similar reading or even a performance in many mainstream Protestant churches.

The commonality found in the worship on this particular Sunday seems to highlight the fundamental truth in the observance: Jesus Christ died for everyone. He did not die on a cross for just Catholics, or just Orthodox, or just Protestants. Whether one acknowledges it or not, he was crucified for all those who are born of man. Today, we rejoice not just for what he has done for us but also for what he has done for all of creation.

FIRST COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL RETREAT

Parents of children receiving First Holy Communion on April 7th: the two-day sacramental retreat will take place on April 5th & 6th. We will start at 5:30 p.m. on Friday and 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. **Complete information is available on our website under the FAITH FORMATION tab.**

CRS RICE BOWL DROP OFF

Containers are placed at the entrances to the church to drop off your CRS rice bowls. Thank you for your generosity!

MEN'S GROUP AT OLG

The Men's Discipleship Group meets at Our Lady of Grace every first Saturday of the month at 7:30AM in the lower church SS Anne and Joachim classrooms (CR 2-3). We will begin reading "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist: Unlocking the Secrets of the Last Supper" by Brant Pitre on April 6th. This is a "Must Read." The cost is \$15.00 for the book. We invite you to pray the Chaplet of St. Michael with us at 7:15AM in the main church. All men are welcome to attend.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

All are welcome to attend the continuation of the First Saturday Devotion on April 6, 2024, in Minot at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 9:30 AM; followed by confessions; and Mass will begin at 10:30 AM.

Bishop Ryan Catholic School News

Get Your BR Fund Raffle Tickets Now! This year's Bishop Ryan Fund Raffle features 22 great prizes including cash and a grand prize 2023 CFMoto CForce 4x4! Tickets are \$20 each and the drawing will take place during SpringFest in the Den on April 12th. Get your tickets from any Bishop Ryan family or after weekend Masses!

Get Ready for SpringFest! Spring fever is ramping up and we're getting ready to celebrate a change in season with an evening centered around Lion fun and friendship! Get your tickets now for our annual MANE Event: SpringFest in the Den coming up on Friday, April 12th at Bishop Ryan Catholic School. This 21-and-older event includes delicious food and drink, fun silent auctions and raffles, and live music from Chloe Marie! Tickets are \$60 each, and corporate tables are also available for groups of eight who'd like to dress down and let their manes loose, but those tickets are limited... For more information, contact the Katelyn Denne at (701) 838-3355.

Now Hiring! Bishop Ryan Catholic School is currently accepting applications for the following positions for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year: **Elementary Teacher, Middle School Mathematics Teacher, and a High School English Teacher, High School Physical Education Teacher and a Varsity Football Coach.** For more information on these positions, including how to apply, please visit bishopyryan.com/employment.

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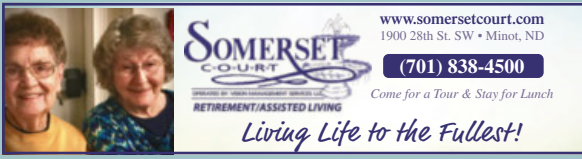
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