

Pre-Mass Announcements for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

Good afternoon **or** morning! Welcome to Saint James the Apostle Church. This weekend, as we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Lent, please silence all cell phones.

Our announcements this weekend are:

- 1) Our next Lenten Holy Hour is Thursday at 6pm.
- 2) Stations of the Cross are on Friday at 2pm and 6pm. After the evening Stations, the Knights of Columbus will serve soup and bread in Sebahar Hall.
- 3) We are collecting old palm branches through Palm Sunday weekend. Old palms may be placed in the baskets on the designated collection table in the narthex.
- 4) Our schedule for Palm Sunday, the Sacred Paschal Triduum and Easter may be found in this weekend's bulletin and posted at our entrances. Please make plans to join us for these beautiful liturgies celebrating the journey of Jesus to His cross and Resurrection.
- 5) The Diocese changed the permitted start time of the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 4th from 7:30pm to 8pm. Therefore, the Easter Vigil Mass will be at 8pm on Saturday, April 4th, not 7:30pm as scheduled and advertised.

Saturday at 4pm and Sunday at 9am ONLY:

- 6) The last opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at our parish before Easter is Sunday, March 22nd at 10am. On Friday, March 27th, individual confessions will be offered by neighboring priests of our Deanery from 9am to 9pm at St. Mark Parish in Wheaton, including 7-9pm with Fr. Keith.

Please check the bulletin, website, and weekly FlockNote for more information.

Our opening hymn is 691, *The Lord is My Savior*, 691. Please stand.