

# Holy Week and Easter Schedule 2023



**Tenebrae: Wednesday, April 5**

**7:00pm Service of Shadows**

An ancient service of prayer, and meditation with music. (About 30-45 minutes)



**Maundy Thursday: Thursday, April 6**

**7:00pm Eucharist, Foot Washing, Stripping of the Altar**

On the last night Jesus spent with his friends, he gave us the 'commandment' to love one another. We remember this night by gathering to receive Holy Eucharist, participating in the foot washing, and waiting in darkness as the altar is stripped (remembering the hours of Jesus betrayal and arrest). Following the service, the church is open for meditation.



**Good Friday: Friday, April 7**

**12:00 noon Stations of the Cross Location TBD**

**7:00pm Holy Eucharist, with Music**

On Good Friday, we remember Christ's suffering and death with Stations of the Cross at noon. At 7:00pm, we receive 'reserved sacrament' rather than celebrating a new Eucharist meal to remember that this was the day of Jesus crucifixion and death.



**Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 8**

**7:00pm, Lighting of the New Fire (Woodward Avenue entrance), Baptism and Holy Eucharist, followed by Festive Reception**

Our community gathers around the altar fire to hear the stories of God's work in our world throughout history and in the present through the great Salvation Stories. We baptize and welcome new members into our community, and we celebrate the Resurrection with joy. It is a service of deep mystery, beauty, and darkness which is overcome by light. Bring bells to ring! A Festive reception follows. Bring something to share.



**Easter Sunday: Sunday, April 9**

**8:00am, Festal Eucharist *Bring bells to ring***

**10:15am, Festal Eucharist *Bring bells to ring***

This festival Eucharist proclaims the risen Christ, the fulfillment of hope, the triumph of justice, and the immortality of love. Special music is shared at both services. Bring bells to ring! The children in our parish receive flowers, and the flowers that adorn the altar are delivered to our homebound parishioners following the service.