
✠ HOLY WEEK 2012 AT ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ✠

SPY WEDNESDAY

DAY OF FAST

6:30 PM The Office of Tenebrae

8:30 PM Church decorating for Holy Thursday

MAUNDY THURSDAY

DAY OF FAST

On Holy Thursday, your hearts should be filled with a true love, and a lively gratitude towards Christ, for having instituted the Eucharistic Sacrifice and Sacrament, in which and by which He might not only always be with us to the end of the world, but might also unite Himself to us, in such a manner that we should abide in Him and He in us.

9:00 AM Pontifical High Mass, Blessing of the Oils, Procession to the Altar of Repose, Vespers, Stripping of the Altar, Potluck Luncheon

Adoration continues at the Sepulchre until 12:00 Noon on Good Friday.

1:30 PM The Maundy (Washing of the feet)

6:30 PM The Office of Tenebrae

All Night Adoration

GOOD FRIDAY

DAY OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE

On Good Friday, be penetrated with a very lively sorrow for the sufferings which Christ, our Saviour, deigned to endure for us, by expiring for our sins on a cross, and by shedding for our redemption the last drop of His blood.

On this day, you should assist at the sermon on the Passion, and at the whole Divine service. You should adore Jesus Christ on the Cross with sentiments of compunction, love and gratitude; in a word, you should spend the whole of that day in prayer, meditation, and works of charity

Adoration at the Sepulchre continues till Noon

Adorers are especially needed and welcome during the morning

11:25 AM Stations of the Cross

12:00 PM Tre Ore

12:15 PM Mass of the Presanctified, Adoration of the Cross

2:15 PM Tre Ore Devotions and Sermon

3:00 PM Blessing with the Relic of the True Cross, Vespers

3:00 PM Confessions

6:30 PM The Office of Tenebrae

8:30 PM Church decorating for Holy Saturday

Come when you can; leave when you must.

HOLY SATURDAY

FAST AND ABSTINENCE ENDS AT NOON

On Holy Saturday, honor Our Saviour in the tomb. This mystery formerly gave such pious occupation to the faithful, that, disregarding their own comfort, they passed the day and the night in prayer, without food and without rest; because they remembered that by their Baptism, which may be called the sacrament of the death and burial of Christ, they were buried with Him in the tomb, and with Him they arose therefrom to a new life.

The Church still retains the custom of administering solemn Baptism to the neophytes on Holy-Saturday, and prepares for it by solemnly blessing, on that day, the water used in Baptism. Assist with piety at that holy ceremony, and there renew the promises of your Baptism. New fire is also blessed, signifying the new life which we receive from Christ, whose glorious Resurrection is represented by the everburning paschal candle.

8:00 AM Easter Vigil: Blessing of the Fire, Prophecies, Blessing of the Font, Holy Baptism, First Mass of Easter, Vespers, Blessing of Easter Food

Everyone is invited to the complimentary Easter Luncheon following Mass.

4:00 PM Confessions

EASTER SUNDAY

5:30 AM Solemn Matins and Lauds

7:30 AM Easter Sunrise Low Mass

9:00 AM Solemn High Mass

11:30 AM Low Mass with Benediction

5:00 PM Vespers

(No 5:45 PM Mass on Easter Sunday)

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

GOOD FRIDAY 3:00 - 4:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY 4:00 - 5:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY: BEFORE ALL MASSES
