

CHRISTIAN JOY

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Rejoice, O Jerusalem! Exult with joy, you that have been in sorrow!

Introit – Isaiah 66:10

In the heart of Lent, the Church invites Her children to joy (the purple vestments give way to rose vestments). Even as they weep for their sins, even as the time of the Passion draws near, when we will see Jesus humiliated, mocked, despised, the Church has Christians sing on this Sunday: Rejoice, O Jerusalem! Exult with joy, you that have been in sorrow! The joy of today may seem out of place. Yet it is very legitimate, because it is an effect of the increase of charity in us. As St. Thomas Aquinas explains, the supernatural virtue of charity has for interior fruit both peace and joy.

By our Lenten efforts, we have weakened the old man in us and developed our union with God. That of itself is already a source of joy. We are happy to have pleased our Lord and to have consoled our Lady.

Moreover, we can feel Easter approaching! Already we begin to glimpse from afar the resurrection of our Lord. It is not encore the full joy that we are going to experience at Easter, but it is the beginning of that joy. That joy stimulates our courage and strengthens us in our desire to remain faithful to our resolutions.

Lord Jesus, for more than three weeks now I have been drawing nearer to You, with Your help. Today, I promise You to try to take greater care in my thanksgiving after Mass. Moreover, I want to do everything that depends on me to spend this day in peace and joy. Help me to pursue my efforts all the way to Easter and beyond, so that I might one day hear You say to me, “Because thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will set thee over many; enter into the joy of thy Master” (Mt. 25:21).

(Taken from *Toward Easter* by Fr. Patrick Troadec)

Our Lady of Sorrows

Roman Catholic Church

Society of Saint Pius X

750 E Baseline Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85042

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2026

Fr. John Mark McFarland: Rector, Prior
Fr. Thomas Buschmann: Pastor
Fr. Thomas Scott: Assistant
Fr. Frank Kurtz: Assistant
Fr. David Fulton: Assistant
Fr. Samuel Fabula: Principal
Brother Benedict: Maintenance
Brother Isaias: Sacristan



Sunday, Mar. 15 <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass: 7:00AM • 8:30AM • 11:00AM <i>Confessions during the Masses</i> Vespers: 5:30PM
Monday, Mar. 16 <i>Ferial</i>	Mass: 7:30AM
Tuesday, Mar. 17 <i>Ferial</i>	Mass: 7:30AM
Wednesday, Mar. 18 <i>Ferial</i>	Mass: 7:30AM
Thursday, Mar. 19 <i>St. Joseph</i>	Mass: 8:30AM Vespers: 6:00PM
Friday, Mar. 20 <i>Ferial</i>	Mass: 7:30AM Stations of the Cross: 6:00PM <i>Confessions 6:00PM: Frs. Buschmann & Fabula</i>
Saturday, Mar. 21 <i>Ferial</i>	Mass: 7:30AM • 8:30AM <i>Confessions 7:30AM: Fr. Buschmann</i> <i>Confessions 8:30AM: Fr. Fabula</i>
Sunday, Mar. 22 <i>Passion Sunday</i>	Mass: 7:00AM • 8:30AM • 11:00AM <i>Confessions during the Masses</i> Vespers: 5:30PM

Church Office: 602-268-7673
ourladyofsorrows@sspx.org

Sacramental Emergency: 602-935-8767
ourladyofsorrows.org

Announcements

Schedule Changes This Week: Please note that there will be only one Mass Monday through Friday this week. Confessions and Benediction are cancelled on Thursday. Vespers at 6:00 PM Thursday for the Feast of St. Joseph. Confessions will be heard Friday beginning at 6:00 PM.

Ladies Auxiliary Meeting: All women of the parish are invited to a meeting on Tuesday, March 17th at 7:00 PM in Boyle Hall. Fr. McFarland will give a talk, we will discuss upcoming parish events, then will end with a social hour.

Holy Hour for Mothers: Please join us on Friday, March 20th from 10:00 - 11:00 AM in the church as we spend one hour with Our Lord praying for parish vocations and the intentions of our families.

Cavaliers Baseball: All parishioners are invited to the Academy's home games this week – Thursday, March 19th at 6:30 PM and Friday, March 20th at 6:00 PM.

Pilgrimage: This summer, two of our Altar Boys, Anthony Papandrea and Rocco Obernuefemann, will walk the Camino de Santiago, the ancient pilgrimage route in Spain. Please visit their booth outside church today and next Sunday, March 22nd, where you may submit your prayer intentions for them to offer along the way. No donation is required.

HNS Men's Softball Game: All men of the parish are invited to participate in a softball game hosted by the Holy Name Society on Sunday, March 22nd at 1:00 PM.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be after the 10:00 AM Mass on April 5th. Please donate candy (no chocolate) or small religious items and plastic eggs. Donations can be placed in the baskets either in the vestibule or Boyle Hall.

No Food or Drinks in the Church. Please do not bring any food or drinks (*including water bottles*) into the church. The only exception is baby bottles. We are finding too much food & trash in the pews. If your children require food or drink during Mass, please take them outside.

2026 Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday March 29

7:00 AM - 9:50 AM	Confessions
7:30 AM	Low Mass
10:00 AM	Solemn High Mass with Blessing of Palms and Procession
5:30 PM	Vespers

Parish Mission Monday, March 30

5:30 PM	Rosary
6:00 PM	Conference
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Confessions
7:00 PM	Mass

Parish Mission Tuesday, March 31

5:30 PM	Rosary
6:00 PM	Conference
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Confessions
7:00 PM	Mass

Parish Mission Wednesday, April 1

5:30 PM	Rosary
6:00 PM	Conference
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Confessions
7:00 PM	Mass

Holy Thursday April 2

8:00 AM	Tenebrae
5:00 PM – 6:50 PM	Confessions
7:00 PM	Solemn Vespers Mass (Washing of Feet, Adoration in Chapel until Midnight)

Good Friday April 3

8:00 AM	Tenebrae
1:00 PM	Confessions
2:00 PM	Stations of the Cross
3:00 PM	Solemn Afternoon Liturgy

Holy Saturday April 4

8:00 AM	Tenebrae
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Confessions
9:00 PM	Confessions
10:00 PM	Easter Vigil, followed by Solemn Mass at Midnight

Easter Sunday April 5

12:00 AM	Midnight Mass
7:30 AM	Low Mass
10:00 AM	High Mass
Midnight & 10:00 AM	Confessions