

2024

Lenten & Holy Week Schedule

Ash Wednesday, February 14

The Church of Good Shepherd will celebrate Mass with distribution of ashes at 9:00am

At St Augustine Church Eucharistic Ministers will distribute ashes from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. There will be a Mass at St Augustine Church at 6:00 pm.

Stations of the Cross

Will be done each Friday of Lent **beginning on Friday, February 16th at both Churches.**

Stations at St. Augustine will be done at 3:30 pm and at Church of the Good Shepherd at 6:00pm

Confessions

Confessions will be held on Saturday afternoons and Monday evenings throughout Lent.

Church of the Good Shepherd will have confessions on Saturday from 3:30 pm to 4:00 pm and Monday evenings from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm on March 11th, March 18th & March 25th.

Lenten Regulations

Ash Wednesday, February 14th & Good Friday, March 29th :

These are days of **fast and abstinence from meat for all between the ages of 18 and 59 years.** There is a limit of one (1) full meal and two (2) small meals (if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs) but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted on these days.

Days of Abstinence: All Fridays in Lent.

All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat

Palm Sunday, March 24th

We commemorate the Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Mass times will remain the same at both churches and palms will be blessed at all Masses.

Chrism Mass, Wednesday, March 27th

This is a beautiful and solemn liturgy of the church celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford at 11:00am During the mass, the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Chrism are blessed by the Archbishop. Consecrating this Chrism highlights the Archbishop's ministry and our union with him. He will be symbolically present in the Chrism which the priests and deacons will use throughout the year. All are invited to attend this mass.

The Holy Triduum

The three days - Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday Vigil - are actually one great celebration of salvation. This is the summit of the Liturgical Year. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery. The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season, and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil. Each day is unique.

Holy Thursday, March 28th @ 7:00pm

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Mass will begin at 7:00pm. We commemorate the Lord's Supper, the institution of the Eucharist and the Priesthood and repeat the Lord's beautiful example of service. Private adoration will follow with the Church remaining open until 10:00pm

Good Friday, March 29th @ 3:00pm

SERVICE HELD AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE

Our celebration continues with the commemoration of the Lord's passion and death. **The service begins at 3:00pm.** From the end of this service until the consecration at the vigil, the Blessed Sacrament is removed from the Church as a sign of mourning.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held at 6:00pm

AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Holy Saturday, March 30th

- No morning Masses at either Church
- **Blessing of Easter food will be done at 10:00am at Good Shepherd**

The Easter Vigil Mass, March 30th.

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 8:00PM

AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

(no Mass at St. Augustine Church)

Easter Sunday, March 31st We celebrate the

Resurrection of the Lord. **Mass at St. Augustine will be at 9:00am and Mass at the Church of the Good Shepherd will be at 11:00am**