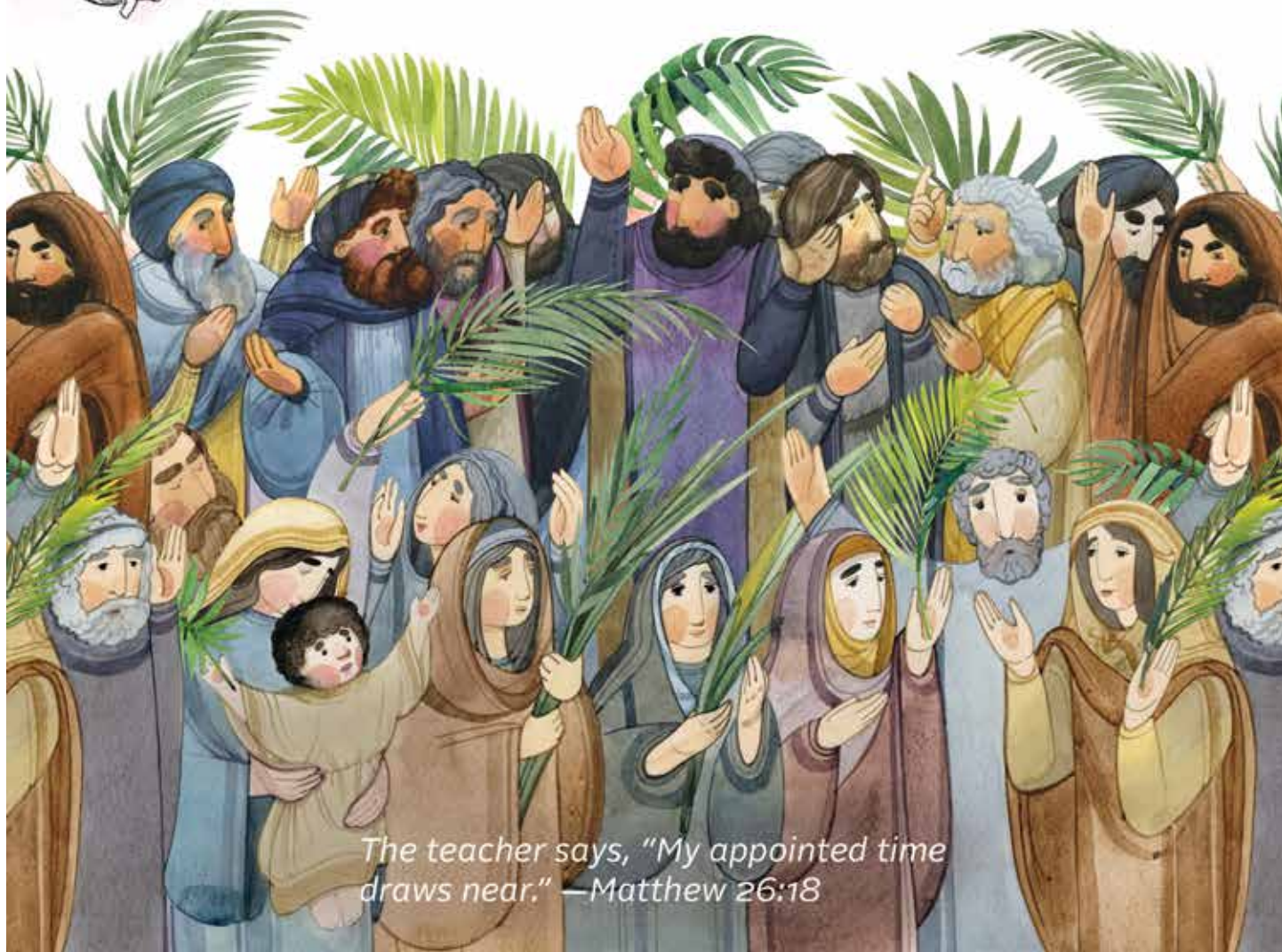


Sat: 5:00pm (SJE) | Sun: 8:00am/10:30am (QR) | 9:15am (SJE) Daily: 8:15am M/W/F (SJE) | Tu/Th/Sa (QR)
Reconciliation: Wed 7:00pm (SJE) | Sat 12:00pm (QR) —Check schedule for holy days of obligation/holidays.



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The teacher says, "My appointed time draws near." —Matthew 26:18

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion | March 29, 2026

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A PALM SUNDAY REFLECTION FROM FR. ARTHUR

Dear OLBS Family,

Palm Sunday begins with celebration and quickly moves into the mystery of Christ's Passion. Jesus enters Jerusalem knowing what lies ahead, misunderstanding, suffering, and the Cross. Yet He does not turn away. Love, after all, is rarely proven in moments of joy, but in the willingness to **walk together when the road becomes difficult**.

In many ways, this mirrors the moment just before a wedding. Couples often speak of excitement and hope, but they also acknowledge that a **shared future will include challenges**. The decision to marry is not a promise that life will be easy, it is a commitment to **face whatever comes, together**.

As we enter Holy Week, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish finds itself in a similar place. There are genuine **signs of life and engagement** among us. Many were moved by February's Parish Mission, **Our Restless Journey, with Fr. Tom McCarthy**. Participation in our **Alpha Pilot and the Spring Alpha** that began in early March has been strong and encouraging. We filled the bus again this year for the **Visitation of Seven Churches on Holy Thursday. Fourteen candidates will be receiving Sacraments** at the Easter Vigil. We continue to see **community forming through social moments** also, such as Women's Club Wine 'n Paint Night, the Men's Group pizza outing, and a joyful Youth Ministry bowling night.

These are hopeful signs that **people are investing in relationship with Christ and with one another**.

At the same time, we remain honest about where we are. While Sunday attendance has been slowly growing since 2020, it is still only a little more than half of what it was prior to the pandemic and becoming Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish (975 currently, compared to 1800 in 2020). Our offertory has grown more slowly, remaining largely flat in recent years. Like couples preparing for marriage, love invites us not to ignore reality, but to **face it with trust and intention**.

Holy Week reminds us that faithfulness does not avoid hard truths. It walks into them, **confident that God is present and at work**.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we are invited to **express that faithfulness through generosity**. Through our Lenten Almsgiving project: **Backpack**

of Blessings supporting St. Dominic de Guzman School in the Philippines; through the **Annual Catholic Appeal: Together We Bring Light**; and as we look ahead, through our **Easter Offertory**, which helps sustain parish life, ministries, and outreach throughout the year.

Palm Sunday does not resolve the story, it asks whether we are willing to walk it together, as **Companions on the Journey**.

In Christ, Fr. Arthur Bautista



Holy Thursday Almsgiving – Backpack of Blessings

As is our OLBS tradition, our Holy Thursday offertory will support our **Lenten Almsgiving Project: Backpack of Blessings**.

Backpack of Blessings will help provide **essential learning spaces for St. Dominic de Guzman Catholic School** in Fr. Arthur's home diocese, a mountainous region of the Philippines. This mission is especially close to Fr. Arthur's heart. As a **product of Catholic education himself**, he understands firsthand the lifelong impact it can have. Over the years, he has **also quietly supported the Dominican Sisters of St. Joseph** in their efforts to build this school, even carrying financial support home during visits to his family to help meet basic needs like utilities.

As we **remember Christ's gift of Himself in the Eucharist** on Holy Thursday, we are invited to respond with generosity, sharing our blessings in a way that brings **hope and opportunity to others**.

Donate using the blue envelopes, scan the code above and on signage, or follow this link: giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/fd00e7eb-d146-421d-b638-a60dcbf4537a

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:15am (SJE)	March 30 + Barbara Weidig
Tuesday 8:15am (QR) 1:40pm (QR)	March 31 + Joan Crum School Mass
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	April 1 + John Pryga, + Joan Crum
Thursday 8:15am (QR) 7:00pm (SJE)	April 2 Morning Prayer <i>Mass of the Lord's Supper</i>
Friday 8:15am (SJE) 3:00pm (QR)	April 3 Morning Prayer <i>Passion of the Lord Service</i>
Saturday 8:15am (QR) 7:30pm (QR)	April 4 Morning Prayer <i>Easter Vigil Mass</i> + Raymond Jakimczyk, + Mike Kelly, + Jim Kelly, Maria Roman
Sunday 8:00am (QR) 9:15am (SJE) 10:30am (QR)	April 5 <i>Easter Sunday: Alleuia! He Is Risen!</i> + Art Christenson + Mom Spaniak + Lou Gennuso, + Jeanie Roller, + Milton R. Moscoso, Diego Orellana, Gabriella Ortiz



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 4/5

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
7:30pm Fr. Art	Dave Cattapan	Jill Meister Peter Meister Bob Lester
8:00am Fr. Erwin	Mary Ellen O'Shea	Deacon Jerry Julie Beesley Larry Zabinski
9:15am	Patty Cortese	VickiLynn Gilman Vicky Lucki Norene koziatek
10:30am Fr. Art	QR Student	Chris Schiffer Dan Schiffer Charles Glomski

MINISTRY & EVENTS

7:45am 8:00am 8:45am 2-5:00pm	Mon-Sat: Morning Prayer (Tele or App) Mon-Sat: Divine Mercy Prior to Mass Mon-Sat: Rosary Follows Mass Tue-Fri: Teen Center Hours
Monday 7:00pm	March 30 Choir Rehearsal (SJE)
Tuesday 1:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	March 31 Lenten Small Group (SJE Rm 2) Weekly Rosary (SJE) Seven Last Words of Christ (SJE)
Wednesday 8:15am 9:00am 3:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	April 1 Adoration begins w/Daily Mass (SJE) Wed Morning Bible Study (SJE Shea Hall) Divine Mercy Chaplet (SJE) Confessions (SJE) Bible Timeline (SJE Shea Hall) Bell Choir (QR) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Thursday 8:15pm	April 2 Bus departs for 7 Churches (SJE) <i>Prior registration required</i>
Friday 7:00pm	April 3 Living Stations of the Cross (SJE)
Saturday 10:30am	April 4 Easter Food Basket Blessing (SJE)
Sunday	April 5 <i>Alleuia! He Is Risen!</i> Children's Liturgy of the Word takes a break for Easter



SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Terry Bauer, Theresa Clark, Richard Conrad, Than Van Faughn, Haley & Marilyn Foss, Eileen & Fran Gascon, Sandy Gran, Michael Gear, Sarah Grzeszczak, Victoria Grzesiakowski, Mayor Craig Johnson, Midge K., Edward Lang, Vincenza Maltese, Laura Tate McCarthy, Eileen Meyer, Alice Mulholland, Debby Novoryta, Don Obrochta, Randy Olsen, Gail Quick, Maria Roman, John Schneider, William Seiwert, Eileen Showalter, Thomas Smith, Tilla Tillnon, Mary Beth Tomaso, Jackie Vrtis, Ben's Sister

Please contact the parish office at (847) 979-0901 to continue to have sick relatives or friends included here.

GRANT UNTO THEM ETERNAL REST

May God bless them and keep them...

Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.

DON'T MISS OUT!

Holy Week Schedule

Daily Mass as usual on Monday (SJE), Tuesday (QR) and Wednesday (SJE) at 8:15am.

On Holy Thursday (QR), Good Friday (SJE) and Holy Saturday (QR) we will have morning prayer in lieu of Mass at 8:15am.

Tuesday, March 31

7pm Seven Last Words of Christ, SJE

Thursday, April 2

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, SJE
8pm Visitation of 7 Churches departs

Friday, April 3

3pm Good Friday Service, QR
7pm Living Stations of the Cross, SJE

Saturday, April 4

10:30am Easter Basket Blessing, SJE
7:30pm Easter Vigil Mass, QR

View complete Lent & Easter schedule here:
olbsegv.org/easter26/

the Seven Last Words of Jesus Christ

Holy Tuesday
March 31, 2026
7:00pm
St. Julian Eymard Church

Rosary Group will lead
rosary prayer at 6pm
before the Service.

Join us for Easter Mass as a family! Celebrate the joy of resurrection and unity on Sunday, April 5th.

Easter Vigil

Saturday, April 4 | 7:30pm QR

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

8am QR
9:15am SJE
10:30am QR



SAVE THE DATE!

Cougar Classic Golf Outing
Friday, June 12, 2026

Kick off summer with a fun day on the course and even better company! Registration details coming soon. Join OLBS parishioners, QR School families, and friends for the **Cougar Classic Golf Outing**. This great event started with a simple idea from a QR School dad who loves coaching and spending time with his kids, and wanted to support the school they all love.

Not a golfer? Come for dinner and fellowship! All are invited as we celebrate and support our shared Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish and Queen of the Rosary School mission of:

- forming young people in faith
- strengthening families
- serving our community

Gospel In Focus: Easter Sunday, 2026

Mary Magdalene, Peter and John find Jesus' tomb empty! *"Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed."* —John 20:8

Discussion Questions

What do you think Mary Magdalene was expecting when she came by Jesus' tomb? How do you think she felt when she found it empty?

What does Jesus' resurrection change about my life?

What do you think most people in our world think about Jesus' resurrection? How can we be a witness to them?

52-Week Mass Discussion Guide for Families:
olbsegv.org/prayer-life/#MassGuide

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Good Friday,
April 3, 2026 | 7pm
St. Julian Eymard Church



OLBS Youth Ministry will present Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday again this year.

Rehearsals begin **February 22, 2026** and will continue **on Sundays at 3pm** at St. Julian Eymard until March 29th.

Questions? Please contact Mr. Van at **(847) 979-0901 x1006** or **MrVan@olbsegv.org**.

Blessing of the
Easter
Food Baskets

Saturday, April 4th | 10:30am

Keep baskets with you when you arrive **do not** place baskets on sanctuary.
(Please note, Basket Blessing will begin at 10:30am, **only one blessing is scheduled.**)



Youth Ministry Fundraiser
PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, April 12th
8am to Noon

Dine in or take out. Free-Will Offering. Proceeds will help defray costs incurred for Summer Mission Trip to CHWC.

Teens, scan code below to sign up!





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"The Lord is
my shepherd,
and I love Him"
-Mia, 6th grade

"I Love you Jesus and I love
Mary too"
-Quinn, PK4

"All hail Jesus
Christ! The
only begotten
Son of God"
-Kyle, 4th
Grade

"Thank you
Christ for
everything that
you've given us"
-Jade, 5th Grade

"Thank you for your
miracles, Jesus"
-Robyn, Kindergarten

"Thank you
Jesus!"
-Max, PK3

"Amen, Hosanna &
Praise the Lord!"
-Armin, 1st Grade



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Your Stewardship Treasure returned to God for the support of our Parish ministries and His Church.

Thank you for your generosity.

<i>Weekly Offertory Goal</i>	\$14,000
In-pew/Mail-in Offertory Mar 22, 2026 (<i>Sunday Attendance: 936</i>)	\$9,245.00
2026 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges (<i>Goal \$61,000</i>)	\$37,280.00

This year's ACA Rebate Project will support replacing our manual signboard with a new digital signboard at QR Church. This upgrade will help us share timely messages, welcome our community, and communicate parish events more clearly and effectively. Thank you for your generosity in helping us stay connected and visible—now and into the future!

Together, We Bring Light!



YOUR OPINION MATTERS!

Help Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament by Sharing Your Input via The Disciple Maker Index Survey is now open!

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June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

July is dedicated to the precious blood of Christ.





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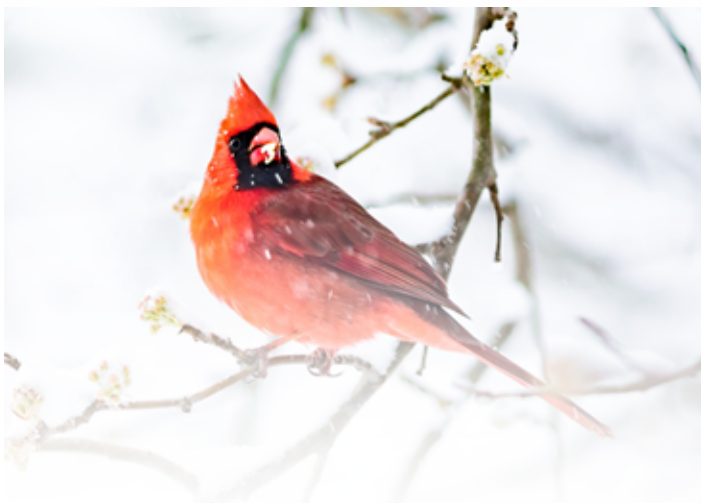
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