

Holy Week and Easter at St. Michael's



Palm Sunday, March 28

At all services, the liturgy will focus on the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem as the Messiah. We begin with a festive procession outside, waving palm branches and singing his praises.

Tenebrae, Tuesday March 30, 7 pm

This service is a dramatic blend of the themes and moods of Holy Week, with special music and readings from various sources, including scripture.

Maundy Thursday, April 1

9:30 Eucharist – focus on the Last Supper

6 pm 'Dialogue with the Deacons: Jesus' Servant Ministry'

7 pm Eucharist and Footwashing – we hear readings about Jesus' call for us to be servants, as he was; we wash one another's feet, strip the altar, and begin an all-night watch with Jesus in the church, remembering his time in the Garden of Gethsemane.

Good Friday, April 2

12-3 Liturgy – readings from the Passion Narrative, homilies, lengthy contemplative silences, Stations of the Cross, and chant fill this time that Jesus was on the cross.

Parish Pilgrimage to Chimayo – walk the Way of the Cross with other parishioners and thousands of pilgrims to the historic, healing church in Northern New Mexico.

7 pm Liturgy – the Passion Narrative, sermon, and music from our 11:15 Sunday choir.



Holy Saturday, April 3, 9 am

A very short service of waiting by the tomb, hoping for new life. Followed by decorating and preparing our sacred space for Easter services. Help needed!



Easter Sunday, April 4

6 am The Great Vigil – an outdoor fire in the early morning darkness, with the light slowly increasing as readings of God's renewing Spirit are shared, the Resurrection is triumphantly proclaimed, Holy Baptism, and a breakfast following.

9am Eucharist – with our usual 9 am Sunday music, a festive liturgy of Resurrection, and a breakfast following.

10:30 - Godly Play, Easter Story and Resurrection Party for Children.

11:15 Eucharist – with our 11:15 choir and instrumental ensemble, featuring portions of Bach's Easter Oratorio.

5:00 pm Eucharist - Festive bilingual Eucharist and Easter potluck to follow.