

# Dear Padre,

*How do the three sacred oils differ, and how do I dispose of them properly as a sacristan?*

Jesus Christ was anointed priest, prophet, and king. *Christ* means “Anointed One.” The sacred oils assist the members of the Church, who share in Christ’s priestly, prophetic, and royal mission. Catechumens are anointed with the oil of catechumens for God’s help to resist evil, reject sin, and adhere to a lifelong profession of faith as they prepare for baptism. The infirm and elderly are anointed with the oil of the sick to fight against the physical and spiritual debilitating effects of illness through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Chrism, the most important of the three, can only be consecrated by a bishop. It is used for baptism (along with the oil of catechumens), confirmation, the ordination of a priest or bishop, and the dedication of a church and altar.

A repository for the oils—often marked *Olea Sanctae* (“Holy Oils”)—is called an *ambry*. It is usually in a prominent church location near the baptismal font. Each year, when the oils are replaced, a priest, sacristan, or other person may absorb the old oil with cotton and burn it in a thurible or as part of the fire that begins the Easter Vigil. With special care, old oil can also be added to a large burning candle, like the sanctuary lamp. Reverence and safety are proper for whatever method of disposal is used. ●

Fr. Byron J. Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



AMBRY

SHAWNAN PERE

Monday MARCH 30 Monday of Holy Week Is 42:1-7 Jn 12:1-11	Tuesday MARCH 31 Tuesday of Holy Week Is 49:1-6 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38	Wednesday APRIL 1 Wednesday of Holy Week Is 50:4-9a Mt 26:14-25	Thursday APRIL 2 Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday) Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9 Rv 1:5-8 Lk 4:16-21 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15	Friday APRIL 3 Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday) Is 52:13-53:12 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42	Saturday APRIL 4 Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil) Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ex 14:15-15:1 Is 54:5-14 Is 55:1-11 Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28 Rom 6:3-11 Mt 28:1-10	Sunday APRIL 5 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10
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### A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Dear brothers and sisters, we too are invited to “prepare the Passover” of the Lord. Not only the liturgical one: that of our life too. Every gesture of willingness, every gratuitous act, every forgiveness given in advance, every effort patiently accepted, is a way to prepare a place where God can dwell. What does it mean for me today to “prepare”?

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, AUGUST 6, 2025

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# Our Parish COMMUNITY

March 29, 2026

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (A)**

Matthew 21:1-11 / Isaiah 50:4-7 / Philippians 2:6-11

Matthew 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54



“Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.”

MATTHEW 21:9

## From Jubilation to Desolation

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

The adoring crowds, chanting “Hosanna to the Son of David” (Matthew 21:9), capture our attention on this Palm Sunday. We hear the crowds, and we rejoice with them. Sometimes, we forget that not everyone in the crowd is joyful. Some are challenged; some are threatened. For them, Jesus is not Good News; he is not the long-awaited one—he is something entirely different, and he must be silenced.

Our Sunday celebration begins with jubilant crowds and ends with a most cruel death. Those who were once joyful are now silent and dispersed. It appears that the authorities have once again triumphed. Hope is dashed. The promise remains unfulfilled.

Spiritually sit with desolation in the week that comes. Do not jump ahead to the triumphant end of the story. It is true that we are an Easter people, but we must also pay attention to the details of how evil often attempts to silence the good. It is important, as people of faith, to remind ourselves that even when all things seem to be lost, the Father has the last word. His will is accomplished. He is the Creator and the author of the story. We should always prepare ourselves to be surprised. To embrace light instead of darkness. And, even when there is death all around us, to know that there will be life—life in abundance for all. ●

### Reflect

*How am I at keeping in mind the resurrection when my world feels like Good Friday?*

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**Weekday Mass Times**

**St. Anne's: Tobique First Nation: Every Wednesday at 7:00 P.M.**

**St. Mary of the Angels:**

**Weekday Masses:**

**First Friday Mass: No First Friday Mass due to it being Good Friday, April 3rd.**



**Our Lady of Mercy: Memorial Wreath**

**Please contact: Doreen Roach: 506-273-3020.**

### THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

For more information regarding St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Women's League, please contact Mrs. Doris Dickson at 506-273-2489. Next Meeting: Thursday, April 9th at 3:00 P.M.

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS**

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: COUNCIL 6414

**GRAND KNIGHT: WALTER MCDUGALL: CONTACT: 506-273-0499. RECRUITMENT/INFORMATION CONTACT: JAMES FOURNIER: 506-273-2637**

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON: APRIL 20TH, 2026**



### WELCOME TO DIVINE MERCY PASTORAL UNIT

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF EDMUNDSTON Bishop Claude Champagne o.m.i.  
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 OFFICE MANAGER: STILLMAN BAKER 506-273-0189. OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY  
 AT ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS & WEDNESDAY AT ST. PATRICK'S. PLEASE CALL AHEAD OF TIME. FOR ALL SACRAMENTS: Please contact Father Gilbert at 506-273-0065.



**2026 TRIDUUM SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK  
PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH, 2026**

OUR LADY OF MERCY	SATURDAY 3:30 P.M.	FATHER GILBERT
ST. PATRICK	SUNDAY, 9:00 A.M.	BISHOP CLAUDE
ST. THERESA	SUNDAY, 9:00 A.M.	FATHER CURTIS
ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS	SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.	BISHOP CLAUDE
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS	SUNDAY, 10:00 A.M.	FATHER GILBERT
ST. JOSEPH (TILLEY)	SUNDAY, 10:30 A.M.	FATHER CURTIS
ASSUMPTION BLUE BELL	SUNDAY, 11:30 A.M.	FATHER GILBERT
ST. ANNE'S (T. F. NATION)	SUNDAY, 12:00 NOON	FATHER CURTIS

**MASS OF CHRISM: MONDAY, MARCH 30TH:**

7:00 P.M. ASSUMPTION GRAND FALLS BISHOP CHAMPAGNE

**HOLY THURSDAY: APRIL 2ND**

6:00 P.M.	ST. ANN'S (TOBIQUE FIRST NATION)	FATHER CURTIS
6:30 P.M.	OUR LADY OF MERCY (AROOSTOOK)	FATHER GILBERT

**GOOD FRIDAY: APRIL 3RD**

3:00 P.M.	ST. THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS (ANDERSON ROAD)	FATHER CURTIS
3:00 P.M.	ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS (PERTH-ANDOVER)	FATHER GILBERT
3:00 P.M.	ST. PATRICK (2154-ROUTE 130)	P.A. STILLMAN BAKER
3:00 P.M.	ST. THOMAS AQUINAS (PLASTER ROCK)	P.A. ANNE DICKSON & P.A. JUDY ST. PETER
6:00 P.M.	ST. ANNE'S (TOBIQUE FIRST NATION)	FATHER CURTIS

**EASTER VIGIL: APRIL 4TH**

4:00 P.M.	OUR LADY OF MERCY (AROOSTOOK)	FATHER GILBERT
7:00 P.M.	ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS	FATHER GILBERT
9:00 P.M.	ST. ANNE'S (TOBIQUE FIRST NATION)	FATHER CURTIS

**EASTER SUNDAY: APRIL 5TH**

7:00 A.M.	ST. THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS	FATHER CURTIS
9:00 A.M.	ST. PATRICK (2154-ROUTE 130)	FATHER GILBERT
9:00 A.M.	ASSUMPTION BLUE BELL	FATHER CURTIS
10:30 A.M.	ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS	FATHER GILBERT
10:30 A.M.	ST. JOSEPH (TILLEY)	FATHER CURTIS
12:00 NOON	ST. ANNE'S (TOBIQUE FIRST NATION)	FATHER CURTIS
12:00 NOON	ST. THOMAS AQUINAS (PLASTER ROCK)	FATHER GILBERT

**ST. THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS (ANDERSON ROAD)  
EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 5TH) SUNRISE BREAKFAST  
FOLLOWING THE 7:00 A.M. MASS (SERVING AROUND 7:45 A.M.)  
MENU: HAM, EGGS, TOAST, COFFEE, TEA WITH DONUTS & MUFFINS  
COST: BY DONATION**

**Saint Peregrine: Patron Saint of Cancer Patients:**

God, who gave Saint Peregrine an angel as his companion, the Mother of God as his teacher, and Jesus as the physician for his illness; grant, we ask You, that we on earth may intensely love the Blessed Virgin Mary and our Saviour, and in Heaven bless them forever. Grant that through St. Peregrine's intercession, that those suffering from cancer will have a healing physically or spiritually & to accept the will of God, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. AMEN

**Saint Rita of Cascia:**

Saint Rita was married at a young age to Paolo Mancini where at times they had difficulties in their marriage. Her husband was killed in a war leaving her with twin sons who died by disease. She was a woman of faith and joined the Augustinian sisters. She received the Crown of Thorns and she is: Patroness of abuse victims, (battered women) loneliness, marriage difficulties, parenthood, widows, and bodily ills.

**SAINT RITA: PRAY FOR US. AMEN.**

**Ven. Alfred Pampalon:**

For those who are suffering from addictions:  
Good Father Alfred: You are the patron of alcohol and drug addicts, of all who have an addiction of any kind. You are their hope. Please intercede to Jesus that one may be free from these addictions. AMEN.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH-SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH: PALM SUNDAY**

**Our Lady of Mercy Mass-3:30 PM-Sat., March 28** Father Curtis  
+For All the Faithful Departed.  
**St. Patrick Mass 9:00am-Sunday, March 29th** Bishop Claude  
+For Cecil Morrissey by Stephen Gillespie.  
**St. Theresa Mass 9:00 am—Sunday, March 29th** Father Curtis  
+For All the Faithful Departed.  
**St. Thomas Aq. Mass 10:00 a.m. Sunday, March 29th** Father Gilbert  
+For All the Faithful Departed.  
**St. Mary's Mass—10:30am—Sunday, March 29th** Bishop Claude  
+For Leland Clark by Mom +For Lewis Bryson by Lorraine  
+For Leslie Clark by Lorraine and Family  
+For Leitha Ouellette by Her Sister Lorraine.  
**St. Joseph Mass—10:30 am Sunday, March 29th** Father Curtis  
+For All the Faithful Departed.  
**Assumption (BB) Mass—11:30 a.m. Sunday, March 29th** Father Gilbert  
+For Theresa and Narcisse Martin by Daniel and Linda Martin.  
**St. Anne's Mass—12Noon—Sunday, March 29th** Father Curtis  
+For All the Faithful Departed.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH-SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH: EASTER SUNDAY**

**Our Lady of Mercy Vigil Mass-4:00 PM-Sat., April 4th** Father Gilbert  
+For Clayton Theriault by Tim, Heather and Family.  
**St. Theresa Mass 7:00 am—Sunday, April 5th** Father Curtis  
+For All the Faithful Departed.  
**St. Patrick Mass 9:00am-Sunday, April 5th** Father Gilbert  
For the Good Health of Agathe Morrissey by St. Patrick's Parish.  
**Assumption (BB) Mass—9:00 a.m. Sunday, April 5th** Father Curtis  
+For All the Faithful Departed.  
**St. Mary's Mass—10:30am—Sunday, April 5th** Father Gilbert  
+ For Bernadette Albert by Rita and Family  
+For David Michael Finnamore by Mom and Dad  
+For Mark Allen Finnamore by Mom and Dad.  
**St. Joseph Mass—10:30 am Sunday, April 5th** Father Curtis  
+For Joan and Hubert McLaughlin by Anne Marie and Eveleigh Watson.  
**St. Anne's Mass—12Noon—Sunday, April 5th** Father Curtis  
+For All the Faithful Departed.  
**St. Thomas Aq. Mass 12 NOON Sunday, April 5th** Father Gilbert  
+For Cora Eagles by Her Husband Graham and Family.

**PRAYER LIST:  
MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP:  
PRAY FOR US.**



We Pray for all those who are in hospitals, manors, villas and special care homes.

We also pray for:  
Wilfred Finnamore, Brookley Ogden  
Katie Ruff, Gerald Perley,  
Kelly Sappier, Barry Nicholas,  
Sandra Nicholas, Cindy Gagnon,  
Carol Robinson, Mike Blier,  
Sloan Fitzgerald, Dan Dionne,  
Beatrice McLaughlin,  
Brian Gagnon,  
Rejeanne Fournier,  
Erin-Beth Daneluk,  
Corey St. Peter, Bonnie Campbell,  
John Paul Fournier,  
Derick Winzar,  
Marshall Fournier,  
Clinton Robinson, Jeffrey Nyman,  
Anne Marie Levesque,  
Erik Parent, Robert Baker,  
Martina McQuade- Searles,  
Adena Robinson, Mac Paris,  
Janet McIntosh, Eileen McLaughlin,  
Ella Deschenes, Rose Finnemore,  
Agathe Morrissey, Shirley Gamblin,  
Jean Beaulieu, Fern Dee,  
Eveleigh Watson, David Brown,  
Dave & Sharon Eagan,  
Clovis "Sonny" Pelletier,  
Margaret Wells,  
Melodie Kinney, Lawrence Allen,  
Braelyn Rossignol,  
John L. Fournier, Hughette Morin,  
James Fournier's Great Nephew:(Ezekiel)  
Sister Aylmer Doucet &  
Sister Evangeline Poirier.



**ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS (PERTH-ANDOVER) 50/50 BINGO  
BINGO FOR MARCH 29TH HAS BEEN CANCELLED.**

**NEXT BINGO: SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW.**



**ASSUMPTION BLUE BELL (3710, ROUTE 108) FRIDAY NIGHT MUSIC**

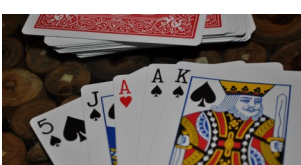
Every Friday evening from 7:00 P.M. until 10:00 P.M. With Keith and country friends.  
Cost: \$5.00. Canteen open. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.



**ST. PATRICK'S: (2154, ROUTE 130 DSL OF GRAND FALLS, N.B. E3Z1N3)  
EVERY SATURDAY IN THE MONTH OF MARCH AND APRIL**

**NEXT SALE WILL BE ON MARCH 28TH: 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. CONTACT: 506-273-0419**

**ASSUMPTION BLUE BELL: (3710, ROUTE 108, BLUE BELL, N.B. E7G2S4)  
NEXT SALE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH FROM 9:30 A.M. UNTIL 3:30 P.M.  
IN REGARDS TO HALL RENTALS AND TO DROP OFF ITEMS, PLEASE CONTACT:  
STEWART DUNSTER: 506-273-5204 OR 506-273-2360**



**ST. THOMAS AQUINAS (PLASTER ROCK) AUCTION 45 CARD GAMES**

Cards every Monday at 1:00 P.M. Cost: \$5.00. Refreshments.

**ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS (PERTH-ANDOVER) AUCTION 45 CARD GAMES  
CARDS ARE CANCELLED FOR THE SEASON. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**