



# THE ANNUNCIATION

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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**Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday**

**April 14, 2019**

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## Nursery

Our nursery is available for infants through 4-year-olds from 8:45 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. The nursery is located in the Sunday School Building. Nursery Director Meg Zehmer and Nursery Assistant Cassie Vestal will be happy to help you get your child settled into the nursery.

## Worship bags

We provide worship bags that contain a coloring page based on the Gospel reading of the day. They are in the front of Little St. Mary's and in the wood bins near the entrances to New St. Mary's.

## Sermons available

Find past sermons available on St. Mary's website at [stmarysgoochland.org/sermons](http://stmarysgoochland.org/sermons) to hear audio and download print versions.

## Connect with us

We would love to learn more about you! If you are a visitor, please pick up a **welcome card** from one of our ushers or in the back of a pew.

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*Would you like to write for us? Contact Ashley Cameron at [acameron@stmarysgoochland.org](mailto:acameron@stmarysgoochland.org)*

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## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

**9 a.m.** Holy Eucharist Rite One, *Little St. Mary's*

**9:30 a.m.** Parish Breakfast, *Parish Hall*

**10 a.m.** Lenten Spiritual Practice, *Parish Office*

**10 a.m.** Sunday School and Confirmation Class, *Sunday School Classrooms and Education Building*

**10:50 a.m.** Palm Sunday Procession, *Terrace*

**11 a.m.** Holy Eucharist Rite Two, *New St. Mary's*

**Noon** Cookies and Coffee, *Café and Parish Hall*

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## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT ST. MARY'S

Beginning this morning, Christians all over the world enter the most sacred time of the year, Holy Week. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday and continues until we arrive at the New Creation of Easter morning! All the fullness of Christian faith is anchored and turns on the events of Holy Week and Easter. We hope that you join in this great pilgrimage through the week and enter into the great mystery of the Passover of Jesus Christ from death to life. Here are the services of Holy Week and Easter that mark our pilgrimage:

### **Sunday, April 14, Palm Sunday, the Passion of our Lord Jesus**

**Christ:** Both our 9 a.m. service in Little St. Mary's and our 11 a.m. service in New St. Mary's include the Liturgy of the Palms signifying Jesus' triumphant and last entrance into Jerusalem. The center of this service focuses on a dramatic reading of the Passion Gospel narrative, read in parts describing the concluding days and hours of Jesus life.

### **Thursday, April 18, Maundy Thursday, 5:30 p.m. in New St.**

**Mary's:** The Maundy Thursday liturgy enacts that Last Supper of Jesus with his disciples and includes a footwashing, Holy Eucharist, and the Stripping of the Altar. *Even if you would prefer not to come forward to have your feet washed, we hope that you join with your sisters and brothers to hear Jesus' final farewell in his commandment to 'love one another as I have loved you'.*

### **Friday, April 19, Good Friday, 12 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. in New St.**

**Mary's:** In the Good Friday liturgy, the people of God are called to gather together at the foot of the Cross of Jesus.

### **Saturday, April 20, Holy Saturday/Great Easter Vigil, 7 p.m. in**

**New St. Mary's:** The ancient liturgy of the Church begins outside in the churchyard with the kindling of fire for the first light of Easter. The service continues in New St. Mary's with the proclamation of God's Saving Story of love from our first beginnings until today. Then we celebrate the First Eucharist of the Resurrection of Jesus!

### **Sunday, April 21, Easter Day! 'Christ is risen! The Lord is risen**

**indeed!':** Two celebratory, festive liturgies of the Feast of the Resurrection of Jesus will be celebrated in New St. Mary's at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. We celebrate Holy Baptisms at both services to welcome new lambs into the flock of Christ. An Easter Egg Hunt for the children of the parish follows the 11 a.m. in the churchyard!

See more at [stmarysgoochland.org](http://stmarysgoochland.org)

**WELCOME!** Whether it is your first Sunday at St. Mary's, or your 401<sup>st</sup>, we're glad that you're with us. Please feel free to introduce yourself to a greeter, an usher, or one of our clergy, and **consider filling out a welcome card**. We invite you to join us on future **Sundays** at 9 a.m. for Eucharist or at 11 a.m. for Eucharist or Morning Prayer, on Wednesdays for **Noonday Prayer** at 12 p.m. in beautiful and quaint Little St. Mary's, for a **class** or **Bible study**, or for many of our other **fellowship** and **outreach** offerings. **Little St. Mary's** and **New St. Mary's** are also **open** Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and available to you for prayer and reflection. See the back page to get a sense of what we have going on around St. Mary's.

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES



**Maundy Thursday**, Thursday, April 18 at 5:30 p.m. in New St. Mary's  
**Good Friday**, Friday, April 19, at 12 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. in New St. Mary's  
**Easter Vigil**, Saturday, April 20, 7 p.m. in New St. Mary's



### EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21

**9:00 a.m.** Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism in New St. Mary's  
**11:00 a.m.** Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism in New St. Mary's  
**12:15 p.m.** Easter Egg Hunt for toddlers – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students in the Churchyard

## DATE WITH THE DAFFODILS

**Purchase your tickets today** for St. Mary's second Outreach Gala – Date with the Daffodils – benefiting St. Mary's mission and outreach programs! St. Mary's hopes you will join us for a lovely evening with **delicious food, exciting auction items, and fun dancing on Friday, April 26 at 6 p.m.** sponsored by the Wilton Family. **Please mail in the RSVP card or go online at [www.stmarysgoochland.org/gala](http://www.stmarysgoochland.org/gala) to purchase tickets.** We're also selling tickets today in the **Parish Hall at 10 a.m.** This event is not exclusively for St. Mary's parishioners, so please invite your friends, family, and neighbors! **It's going to be a wonderful evening and we look forward to seeing you there!**

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION AND ADULT EDUCATION

**Men's Spiritual Practice continues this Tuesday, April 9** at 7:30 a.m. Bob Hetherington invites men of all ages to participate in a **one-hour time of silence, reflection, sharing, and prayer** that focuses on the Gospel reading for the following Sunday.

Take time during this season of Lent to **gather in the sacred space of Little St. Mary's** to be fed by God's goodness and renewed in body, mind, and spirit. Please join us for an abbreviated service of **Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing at 12 p.m. on Wednesdays**. Also, this is a **perfect time and place to bring someone** who may be in need of a gathering space to be loved on by God's healing presence.

## ALTAR GUILD

On **Saturday, April 20 at 9 a.m.**, the Altar Guild invites **anyone interested to come help 'flower' New St. Mary's** for Easter services. Please **bring your clippers and every blooming thing** from your garden. Also, please help clean up on **Tuesday, April 23 at 9:30 a.m.** **For any questions**, please call Margaret Lundvall at (804) 358-2048.

## FELLOWSHIP

**Parish Breakfast is served this morning** beginning at 9:30 a.m. While you enjoy a delicious meal join us for a **churchwide Easter egg stuffing party!** Please grab some candy and plastic eggs to assemble in the Parish Hall. **Your assistance in this wonderful event for our children is greatly appreciated!**

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

**St. Mary's Easter Egg Hunt is a longstanding tradition on Easter Sunday morning.** All children, toddlers through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, are invited to participate. **Gather on the terrace after the 11 a.m. service** on Sunday, April 21. We will send them out into the Churchyard in age groups.

**Children are invited to gather and "unhide" our beautiful wreath alleluias** that have been tucked away in the church. We will hang them in the windows of New St. Mary's to help **get ready for Easter on Saturday, April 20 at 9:30 a.m.**

A wonderful St. Mary's Easter tradition is the "**flowering of the cross**." Before the 11 a.m. service, the children are invited to join in a **beautiful procession into the church** with flowers to decorate the cross. **Please gather in the New Parish Hall at 10:50 a.m. with flowers from your yard.** There will be extra flowers available if needed.

**Vacation Bible School registration is now open!** Gather for a fun week "at sea" with Jonah and the Whale! The week has changed this year to **June 24 - 28 and is open to all children ages 3 to rising 3rd grade.** Pick up your registration form this Sunday in the Dover Lounge. **Space is limited so sign up early!**

Also, **VBS On-the-Go for rising 4th and 5th is BACK this year!** A week of outreach and learning in our larger community **is the week of June 24-28.** Registration for this camp is also open.

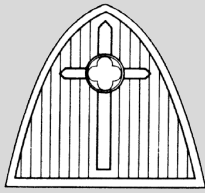
**Save the date for a family picnic and Taco Truck Sunday!** This year after Children and Youth Sunday, St. Mary's invites you to a family picnic on Sunday, May 5! In honor of Cinco de Mayo, we've booked **Boka Tako Truck** for after the 11 a.m. service. Tacos are \$4 each. In addition, chips, salsa, and drinks will be served. We hope you will bring a blanket and **join us for a fun afternoon of fellowship and family time!**

## ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

**Save the date for St. Mary's Episcopal School's Spring Carnival!** Gather your friends and family **after the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, April 28** and join in on the **fun of bounce houses, kid-friendly carnival games, face painting, and more!** Food will be provided by Firehouse Bar-B-Que and King of Pops. **Tickets are \$10 per child** with a max of \$30 per family.

### ARE YOU NEW? OR A RETURNING VISITOR? CONNECT WITH US!

- ❖ **New to St. Mary's?** First time or returning visitor? Please help us get to know you by filling out a **welcome card** found in the back of every pew.
- ❖ **Need a nametag?** Please **sign up for one** in the back of the church or make a temporary one. If you already have one, **please remember to wear it** to help make St. Mary's a warm, welcoming place.
- ❖ **Are you receiving St. Mary's emails?** Stay up to date with weekly emails about upcoming events and opportunities and receive reflections **directly to your inbox go to [stmarysgoochland.org](http://stmarysgoochland.org)** to sign up.
- ❖ **Are you following us on Instagram?** We love sharing fun facts, behind the scenes, and our beautiful campus. Make sure to **follow us @stmarysgoochland**
- ❖ **Do you like our Facebook page?** You can find recent sermons, reflections, information about upcoming events, pictures from events, and more by liking us at **[facebook.com/St.MarysGoochland](https://facebook.com/St.MarysGoochland)**
- ❖ **Do you know St. Mary's has a YouTube channel?** You can watch past adult forums, Vacation Bible School videos, and more by subscribing at **[youtube.com/user/StMarysGoochland](https://youtube.com/user/StMarysGoochland)**



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**This Week at St. Mary's**

**Sunday, April 14, Palm Sunday**

Holy Eucharist Rite One, 9 a.m., *Little St. Mary's*

Parish Breakfast, 9:30 a.m., *Parish Hall*

Spiritual Practice with Bob, 10 a.m., *Parish Office*

Sunday School and Confirmation Class, 10 a.m., *Sunday School*

*Classrooms and Education Building*

Procession of the Palms, 10:50 a.m., *Terrace*

Holy Eucharist Rite Two, 11 a.m., *New St. Mary's*

Cookies and Coffee, 10 a.m., *Café and Parish Hall*

**Tuesday, April 16**

Men's Spiritual Practice, 7:30 a.m., *Parish Office*

Staff Meeting, 2 p.m., *Rector's Office*

**Wednesday, April 17**

Lectionary Bible Study, 10 a.m., *Library*

Holy Eucharist with Prayers of Healing, 12 p.m., *Little St.*

*Mary's*

Pastoral Care Team 3, 4 p.m., *Parish Office*

**Thursday, April 18, Maundy Thursday**

Outreach Committee, 8:30 a.m., *Parish Office*

Maundy Thursday Service, 5:30 p.m., *New St. Mary's*

Adult Choir, 7:30 p.m., *Choir Suite*

**Friday, April 19, Good Friday**

Good Friday Service, 12 p.m., *New St. Mary's*

Good Friday Service, 5:30 p.m., *New St. Mary's*

**Saturday, April 20**

A.A., 10 a.m., *Education Building Classroom*

Great Easter Vigil, 7 p.m., *New St. Mary's*

**Sunday, April 21, Easter Sunday**

Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism, 9 a.m., *New St. Mary's*

Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism, 11 a.m., *New St. Mary's*

Easter Egg Hunt, 12:15 p.m., *Terrace and Churchyard*

**Coming Up**

**Monday, April 22, Easter Monday**

*Church Office Closed*

**Thursday, April 25**

Finance Committee, 8 a.m., *Parish Office*

**Friday, April 26**

Date with the Daffodils, 6 p.m., *Parish Hall*

**Sunday, April 28**

Holy Eucharist, 9 a.m., *Little St. Mary's*

Sunday School, 10 a.m., *Sunday School Classrooms and Education Building*

Holy Eucharist, 11 a.m., *New St. Mary's*

Cookies and Coffee, 10 a.m., *Café and Parish Hall*

SMES Spring Carnival, 12:30 p.m., *Churchyard*

Youth Cooking Class, 4:30 p.m., *Kitchen*