



# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

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## **“Tenebrae Service”, April 17**

St. Bernard – 7:00p.m.

St. Henry – 7:30 p.m.

## **Holy Thursday, April 18**

*Mass of the Lord’s Supper*

5:30 p.m. – St. Henry

7:30 p.m. – St. Francis

8:00 p.m. – St. Bernard

## **Good Friday, April 19**

*Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion*

12:00 noon – St. Aloysius

1:00 p.m. – St. Bernard, St. Wendelin

1:30 p.m. – St. Henry

7:30 p.m. – St. Francis

## **“Walk With Christ”**

St. Henry Cluster Youth Group

Good Friday, April 19

at 12 noon.

*Assemble in front of St. Henry Church*

## **“The Living Stations”**

St. Bernard Youth Group

Good Friday, April 19

at 8:00 p.m.

St. Bernard Parish

## **Easter Vigil, April 20**

8:45 p.m. – St. Bernard

## **Easter Sunday, April 21**

*The Resurrection of the Lord*

7:30 a.m. – St. Wendelin

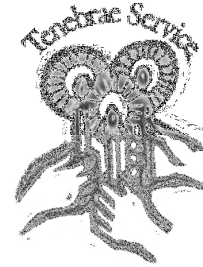
8:00 a.m. – St. Aloysius

9:00 a.m. – St. Henry

9:30 a.m. – St. Bernard

10:30 a.m. – St. Francis

11:00 a.m. – St. Henry



A darkened church may be the best way to encourage us to contemplate the light of Christ. That’s the thinking behind Tenebrae, one of the Church’s oldest practices, dating back more than 1,500 years. Tenebrae is Latin for “darkness” or “shadows” and involves the extinguishing of candles to symbolize the growing sense of betrayal, loneliness, and abandonment, as well as the increasing suffering of Jesus during His Passion. The purpose of the Tenebrae Service is to recreate the emotional aspects of the passion event. Along with the extinguishing of candles, the service includes Scripture readings and music. Towards the end of the service the Christ Candle is removed from view, symbolizing the apparent victory of the powers of darkness as our Lord suffers death. The Service of Tenebrae asks us to think on the cost of our salvation. The singing of Psalm 51, which began our Lenten journey on Ash Wednesday, is the foremost of the penitential psalms, reminding us of God’s endless mercy. After a period of silent meditation, the restoration of the Christ Candle to its place is a foreshadowing of the Resurrection. This service is a prayerful and reflective way to prepare for the Easter Triduum, commemorating Christ’s gift of Himself through the Eucharist, the Passion and Death and leading us into the new life of the resurrection!

*There will be no Exposition on April 18 & 19. You are always welcome to have adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament on those days.*

