

FIRST SUNDAY

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Liturgy Schedule

*10:00 AM Sunday
St. Mary Magdala
2800 Rolston Street
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*9:00 AM Sunday
Angola Crosswood
3805 North St. Road 127
Angola, IN 46703*

EASTER IS UPON US

This is the most sacred time of the year. The earth is filled with new birth, plants are blossoming, flowers are budding or already bursting forth, the birds are singing and the warmth of the season bids us all to come outside for a walk. All of creation is celebrating the resurrection.

This is the time of renewal, the time of new birth.

Come to the feast! Join us at the sacred banquet!

LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR FORT WAYNE AND ANGOLA COMMUNITIES

FORT WAYNE - St. Mary Magdala Spiritual Center

Holy Thursday, 7:00 PM

Good Friday, 1:00 PM

Holy Saturday, 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday, 10:00 AM

ANGOLA - St. Mary Magdalane Chapel

Good Friday, 7:00 PM

Easter Sunday, 9:00 AM

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Remember in your prayers Cyndi Smith who is recovering from her surgery. Pray also for Phyllis, Lois, Bob, and Bill and all those who are dealing with cancer at this time. Pray for our troops and for those who have returned from combat that they may find true peace. Remember all those who are sick in our community or who are isolated and unable to be with us each Sunday.

Pray for those who are unemployed or underemployed, ill or in need of prayer. Pray for the leaders of our church, for Archbishop Peter and Bishop David as well as all our local leaders. Remember also those who are alone and lonely, and for those who have no one to pray for them.

Remember especially our benefactors, those who help us through their generous gifts of time, money and prayers. Pray also for our enemies and those who have different points of view, who see God in a different way or who may not be able to see God at all.

TIDBITS FROM FR. TOM

A time is coming when all will hear his voice and come out, those who have done good will rise to live.

John 5: 29-29

A day is coming when everyone will hear Jesus' voice. Some will hear his voice for the very first time. It's not that he never spoke, it's that they never listened. But others will be called by a familiar voice. They are servants that opened the door when Jesus knocked. Now the door will be open again. Only this time, it won't be Jesus who walks into our house, it will be when we will walk into his.

Fr. Karl Rahner, one of the great theologians of Vatican II once wrote: "We cannot deny that here below man can have experiences of grace that give him a feeling of liberation, open totally new horizons to him, make a deep impression on him, transform him, shaping, even over a long period of time, his deepest Christian attitude." That is what really matters! This is how we can become more like Christ.

God wants to fill us with grace as we ponder The Passion this week. He wants to make a deep impression in our souls and cut us to the heart with his love. So look up to heaven every day this week, and thank God for giving himself to you so fully.

Go Bless,
Fr. Tom

God, who has adorned the whole earth with flowers is crowned with thorns.

Byzantine Liturgy

Clergy Schedule April

Date	Angola	Fort Wayne
Holy Thursday		Cliff+
Good Friday	Tom+	+Bob
Holy Saturday		John+
Easter, Apr 8	Joan+	John+
April 15	+Bob	Cliff+
April 22	Tom+	John+
April 29	Joan+	+Vince
May 6	+Bob	John+

MONDAY SCHOOL

We continue to meet on Monday evenings at 7:00. Join us for an interesting discussion. We are finishing up Borg & Crossan's book, *The Last Week*, about the week of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. When we finish that we will return to our reading of Huston Smith's book on world religions. We meet at St. Mary Magdala Spiritual Center at 2800 Rolston. Join us.



Mary Magdalene . . . is no one-dimensional woman. Here is no penitent sexual sinner, but rather a grateful and loyal friend of Jesus. Love for him made her strong, bold, and courageous. She becomes for all of us, the model of faithful discipleship. She, who stayed and suffered with her dying master - of this Mary we can say, "See how much she loved him."

Heather Gilmour

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READINGS FOR SUNDAYS AND FEASTS IN APRIL

Holy Thursday

April 5, 2012
Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday

April 6, 2012
Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25
or
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
John 18:1-19:42

Holy Saturday Vigil

Old Testament Readings and Psalms
Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26
Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8-13 and Psalm 46
Genesis 22:1-18 and Psalm 16
Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 and Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18
Isaiah 55:1-11 and Isaiah 12:2-6
Baruch 3:9-15, 3:32-4:4 or Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6
and Psalm 19
Ezekiel 36:24-28 and Psalm 42, 43
Ezekiel 37:1-14 and Psalm 143
Zephaniah 3:14-20 and Psalm 98
New Testament Reading and Psalm
Romans 6:3-11 and Psalm 114
Gospel
Mark 16:1-8

Resurrection of the Lord

April 8, 2012
Acts 10:34-43
or
Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
or
Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18
or
Mark 16:1-8

Second Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2012
Acts 4:32-35
Psalm 133
1 John 1:1-2:2
John 20:19-31

Third Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2012
Acts 3:12-19
Psalm 4
1 John 3:1-7
Luke 24:36b-48

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2012
Acts 4:5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3:16-24
John 10:11-18

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2012
Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21 John 15:1-8

Remember those Baptismal Promises?

Do you reject sin so as to live in the freedom of God's children?

Do you reject the glamor of evil and refuse to be mastered by sin?

Do you reject Satan, father of sin and prince of darkness?

Rite of Baptism/Chrismation

To renounce Satan thus is not to reject a mythological being in whose existence one does not even believe. It is to reject an entire worldview made up of pride and self-affirmation, of that pride which has truly taken human life from God and made it into darkness, death and hell. And one can be sure that Satan will not forget this renunciation, this rejection, this challenge: "Breathe and spit upon him!" A war is declared! A fight begins whose real issue is either eternal life or eternal damnation. For this is what Christianity is about! This is what our choice ultimately means!

Alexander Schmemmann