

Holy Week Schedule 2024 for Phillips Academy Catholic Community

The Church calls the three primary days of Holy Week, Easter Triduum, "the culmination of the entire liturgical year." Beginning on Thursday evening and ending with sundown on Easter Sunday, the Church marks these three days as the holiest of holy time.

These days are seen as one event, one moment marked by the different prayer and liturgies of these days. These prayers are not duplicated. There is only one liturgy each day. All Catholic Churches around the world celebrate these same liturgies.

Our campus Catholic community will gather for worship and Fr. Peter Gori, OSA and the people of St. Augustine Church also welcome our community to join them on these sacred days. St. Augustine's Church is located at 43 Essex St. in Andover.

Reconciliation (Confessions)

At Andover, with Fr. Jack – After Palm Sunday Mass, March 24

St. Augustine Church

Saturdays 11-12 p.m. No Reconciliation on Holy Saturday – March 30

During Holy Week

Monday, March 25: 4-5 p.m. Tuesday, March 26: 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 27: 4-5 p.m.

Tuesday, March 26

• The Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston is one of the great gatherings of the Catholic Church during Holy Week. During this annual Mass, Cardinal Sean O'Malley, and all cardinals, bishops, and priests of dioceses around the country and the world, gather at the Cathedrals of each diocese, to bless the various oils that are used in the sacramental life of our parish throughout the year. It is also a time

for priests and deacons to renew their commitment of service and to receive the prayers and support of the people. The chrism, the sacred oil of Baptism and Confirmation, will be blessed at this Mass. It is this same sacred oil that will be used for the Baptism and Confirmation of some of our Phillips Academy students on our campus during the Easter season. Details/time/live stream information at: bostoncatholic.org

Pray for all those around the world preparing for Baptism and Confirmation.

March 28, Holy Thursday: The Entrance into Triduum/"Three Days"

- 8 a.m. Morning Prayer (simple worship service, scripture and song) St. Augustine Church
- 7:30 p.m. Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper **St. Augustine Church**
 - Procession/Reception of Sacred Oils and Blessed Chrism
 - Liturgy of the Word
 - Washing of Feet
 - Liturgy of the Eucharist
 - Process of Communion/Blessed Sacrament to place of repose in parish center

Student leaders of the Catholic Student Fellowship will walk as a community to the Mass at St. Augustine. Join them on the Cochran Chapel steps by 7:10 p.m. to go together.

March 29, Good Friday

This day commemorates the day Christ was crucified, died, and was buried. Christians traditionally mark this day with quiet, with prayer, and fasting, with refraining from work, and day-to-day activity.

- 8 a.m. Morning Prayer (simple worship service, scripture and song) St. Augustine Church
- 8:30 a.m. Interdenominational Prayer Walk **begins at St. Augustine Church.** Christians from churches throughout Andover will walk to various locations and pray for the intentions of various groups of people in our community (students, officials, seniors, safety personnel). Approximately 2 miles.

12:30 p.m. - Student-led Stations of the Cross, Cochran Chapel

1:00 p.m. – Stations followed by sharing of simple soup and bread meal, Chapel lower level

3 p.m. – Celebration of the Lord's Passion, St. Augustine Church

- Reading of the Lord's Passion According to the Gospel of John
- Veneration of the Cross
- Distribution of Communion

March 30, Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil

The Rite of Reconciliation/Confessions is not offered at St. Augustine (or any churches on this day).

- 8 a.m. Morning Prayer (simple worship service, scripture and song) St. Augustine Church
- 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass
 - Service of Light: Lighting the Easter Fire and Easter Candle
 - Liturgy of the Word with several scriptures
 - Baptisms and Eucharist
 - The Alleluia is sung Easter joy begins!

March 31, Easter, Celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord

5:00 p.m. – Catholic community gathers for festive Easter dinner in Ada's Room in Commons (Friends and family members welcome!)

6:15 p.m. – Easter Sunday Mass, Phillips Academy, Kemper Chapel, followed by festive fellowship/hospitality/desserts

(Kemper Chapel is in the lower level of Cochran Chapel building, entered from the outside, left side of the building. All are welcome!)

See websites for Easter morning Masses at local Catholic churches:

- Saint Augustine Parish, 43 Essex Street, Andover https://staugustineparish.org/mass-schedule/
- Saint Michael Parish, 196 Main St., North Andover https://saint-michael.org/