Come Celebrate

On the evening of Holy Thursday, Lent comes to an end, and we enter into the "Three Days" that are the center of our year: The Sacred Paschal Triduum.



On these Three Days, the Church is at its best.

In song, scripture and ritual we proclaim the heart of what we believe and celebrate throughout the year. We gather often – at church, at home – during the Triduum to reflect on the central reality of our faith, the death and resurrection of Jesus. During these Three Days, Christians renew their vows and new Christians are initiated. These are the "high holy days" of Christianity.

You are invited to make these Three Days different from all the other days of the year.

Adults in the community are invited to plan ahead so that the entire time from Holy Thursday evening until the Easter Vigil is free of social engagements, free perhaps even of work, free of entertainment, free of meals except for the simplest nourishment.

Because of the importance of these days, we are not merely invited: We are *all* needed to be present in the Church.

All of us need the whole community together on its greatest days, <u>the evening of April</u> <u> 2^{nd} </u> <u>through the evening of April 4th</u> in this year of the Lord, 2015.

Begin plans now to celebrate with your community the three most important days in our year.

<u>Together</u> we journey through Lent. <u>Together</u> we come to font to renew our Baptismal promises. <u>Together</u> we welcome the newest members of our parish family. <u>Together</u> we share the joy of the Easter feast as we share in the Eucharistic banquet of heaven.

Join us for this year's Paschal Triduum.