

# Palm Sunday

April 9, 2017

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## Holy Week Schedule

### Holy Thursday

Thursday, April 13—7:00 p.m.

Mass of the Lord's Supper

with Washing of Feet, followed by

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight



### Good Friday

Friday, April 14—3:00 p.m. Service

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

**Reminder: Fasting and Abstinence are to be observed on Good Friday.**

No "Way of the Cross" on Good Friday



### Holy Saturday

Saturday, April 15—8:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil Mass

### Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 16

**NO 7:00 a.m. MASS**

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



Mass of The Resurrection of the Lord

## Lenten And Good Friday Regulations

Lent runs from Ash Wednesday until the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. **Fasting** is to be observed on Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 but not yet 59. **Abstinence from meat** is to be observed by all Catholics age 14 and older on **Good Friday**. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

## Easter Flower Memorials

Envelopes are available at church entrances for those wishing to make a donation for flowers to be used on the altar at Easter. Those making a donation in memory of *deceased relatives or friends* are asked to please **PRINT** names **LEGIBLY**, as the names of all person remembered will be listed in a special Easter insert. The contributor should also give his/her name and phone number in case we need to verify any of the information. (Please keep in mind the available insert space when submitting a list of names.) **Deadline for submission of names to the Church Office is No Later than Monday, Morning, April 10 at 7:00 a.m.**

## Offertory Giving

We are at the doorsteps of Holy Week when we remember Christ's passion. Jesus humbled Himself and let go of everything, emptying Himself for us. During this Lent, how have we joined the Lord? Have our prayer, penitential practices and almsgiving moved us to humble ourselves before the Lord? Have we let go of things that keep us from being authentic stewards for Christ? How have we "emptied" ourselves so when we approach the table of the Lord, we can be nourished by His body and blood? As disciples of Christ and stewards of His gift of faith, it is time to evaluate our lives under the cross.

<b>Weekly Budgeted Need</b>	<b>\$7,100.00</b>
<b>Last Sunday</b>	
Envelopes (Adult)	\$6,422.00
Loose	821.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,243.00</b>
<b>Progress Report</b>	
Cumulative Budget	\$284,000.00
Cumulative Income	282,692.68
<b>Ahead &lt;Behind&gt;</b>	<b>&lt;\$1,307.32&gt;</b>

## Good Friday's Holy Land Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical collection, you become an instrument of peace in a troubled land. Your support means that our church in the Middle East will conduct parish ministry, provide Catholic education, feed the hungry, build housing for Christians, maintain shrines and operate refugee centers in the Holy Land. Like Simon of Cyrene, you can help carry the cross under very difficult circumstances in the Holy Land.

## Office Holiday Schedule



The Church Office will be closed on Friday, April 14, and Monday, April 17. It will reopen on Tuesday, April 18, at 1:00 p.m.

## Church Decorating For Easter

Volunteers are needed to help decorate the church for the Easter celebrations. We will meet at the church Saturday, April 15, at 9:00 a.m.

**Mass Intentions Requested****Monday, April 10***(Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11)*

No Mass Scheduled

**Tuesday, April 11***(Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38)*

8:00 a.m. Cathy Downey

**Wednesday, April 12***(Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25)*

6:30 p.m. Purgatorial Society

**Thursday, April 13 Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper***(Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15)*

7:00 p.m. Parishioners

**Friday, April 14 The Passion of the Lord***(Is 52:13-53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42)*

3:00 p.m. Service

**Saturday, April 15 Easter Vigil***(Gn 1:1-2:2; Ex 14:15-15:1; Is 55:1-11;**Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6:3-11; Mt 28:1-10)*

8:00 p.m. Carlo Zito, Larry & Barbara Laughlin, J.C. Spiers, Maurice Poche, Kern & Mary Kittel, A.J. Sconza Jr., Rosemary Poche, Eugene Blanchard Jr., Tina Mangano, Ken & Adele Salzer, Raye Ann Story, Kyle Story, Louis Mangano Sr. & Jr., Lee & Yvonne Tracey, Joseph D'Antoni Jr., Roszczynialski Family, Isabel Margario

**Sunday, April 16 Easter Sunday***(Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9)*

7:00 a.m. NO MASS

8:30 a.m. Ronnie & Betty Lambert, Stephen Hall, Andrew Lambert, Henry Jorns, Jennifer Papa, Margaret Clayton, C.J. Lightell Sr., John & Madeline Schloegel, Catherine Lambert, Adele Salzer, Paul Hodgson, Amy Fandal, Steve Koch, Brandt Family

10:30 a.m. Parishioners



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**WEEKLY EVENTS**

**Legion of Mary**—Monday 7:00 p.m. in St. Anthony Hall

**Tuesday Morning Rosary**—Tuesday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and the St. Jude Novena in St. Anthony Hall

**RCIA Tracks I & II**—Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in classrooms

**Apologetics**—Wednesday, April 12, at 7:05 p.m. in the Parish Hall: Topic: "Why Christ?"—a multimedia presentation that substantiates the existence of God using science, history and reason; exposes the fallacies of atheism.

**Divine Mercy Novena**

Please join us in praying the Divine Mercy Novena beginning Good Friday, April 14, and ending Saturday, April 22, at 6:00 p.m. each night here at Sts. Peter and Paul Church. There will be a Divine Mercy prayer service at 3:00 p.m. on the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23. St. Faustina began the practice that a Novena be started on Good Friday which asks for prayers each of the nine days for a different group of souls in order to immerse them in the sea of God's Mercy. Mass, Confession and Communion are required on Mercy Sunday. Our Lord promised to the souls who follow these requests a complete remission of sin and punishment.

**5th Annual Spring Fling****Sponsored by St. Luke Ladies Club**

St. Luke's Family Life Center

Friday, May 5

Doors Open at 11:30 a.m.

Catering by Terry Lynn's Café

Fashion Show Silent Auction 50/50 Door Prizes  
\$30.00 per ticket

Tickets available at St. Luke's Office

For more info, call Melanie Lewis at

985-966-1984

**With Deepest Sympathy**

Our heartfelt sympathy on the death of **Jerry Charles Templet, Sr.**, beloved brother of Deacon Gene Templet (Sissy).

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention**

"That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering them-

**Tabernacle Lamp**

This week the Tabernacle lamp in the Sanctuary burns in memory of the **Widows Group**.

**Pray For The Sick**

Valdeana Bauer, Audrey Bonnet, Diana Bradshaw, JoAnn Brewin, Sonia Braud, George & Wanda Butko, May Caballero, Patricia Cuccia, Dotsy Chedville, Pat Downey, Steve Dunn, Marcelle Ernewein, Amy Fandal, Carroll Fourcade, Julia Drake, Jeanette Gomez, Doris Hall, John Howard, Virgie Hurstell, Allen & Joan Jagneaux, Maria Kalcic, Gloriette Kiern, Elizabeth Kittel, Pat Langsford, Cheryl Martin, Shirley Matthews, Vito Montalabano, Shelia Morgan, Jessie O'Dell, Cheryl Poiroux, Marlene Ragusa, Robert Reinecke, Ed Roszczynialski, Adele Salzer, Cathy Smith, Darlene

## Knights Of Columbus Scholarship

Sts. Peter and Paul Parish Knights of Columbus Council 11814 is now accepting scholarship applications from our graduating high school seniors who wish to continue their education. Applicants must be an active member of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish. Applicant's family must be registered and supporting members of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish. Forms are available at the Church Office during regular business hours. The deadline for submission of the completed application is Tuesday, April 18, before 4:00 p.m.



## The Holiest Week Of The Year

Because it marks the anniversaries of some of the most important events in the Bible, the week before Easter is called Holy Week.

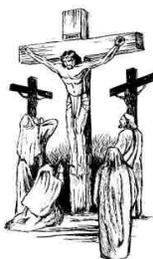
It was natural that Easter should become the most important day on the Christian calendar. For the first several centuries after Christ, Sunday—the day of Christ's Resurrection—was the only important day of the week. The disciples and early followers of Jesus just could not stop talking about the Resurrection; it became the chief subject every Sunday.

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday did not become a part of congregational worship until about the fifth century. It was during that era that Christians began to travel again to the Holy Land. While they were there, they retraced Jesus' steps to the Upper Room and to Calvary. These processions made deep impressions on European pilgrims and were carried back to their homelands.

The day on which the Lord's Supper was shared became Maundy Thursday, the name coming from the "new commandment" that Jesus gave His disciples, to love one another as He loves us.

Good Friday commemorations also began to take place. Services during the time of darkness in the afternoon, and Friday evening services remembered the Lord's death and burial.

During Holy Week we, too, have the opportunity to remember what our Lord has accomplished for us. Do not miss the rich opportunities God is giving us.



## For You To Say

Jesus, Tomorrow is not guaranteed, so I want to live life joyously and befriend death, knowing it is urging me not to waste time.

## Hail To The King

On the Sunday when Jesus entered Jerusalem, a crowd greeted Him with palm branches waving and cheers on their lips: "Hosanna! Blessed be He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel" (Jn 12:13). Although Christ was a humble, all-loving King, He was King nevertheless. The new Testament calls Christ "Lord of Lords and King of Kings" (Rev 17:23). It looks forward to the day when Christ the King will rule over all the world and will reign forever and ever. It is very fitting that on Palm Sunday we not only acknowledge Christ as Lord and Savior but King as well.



Hail to the King!

## Guide Book Advertising Opportunity

We have contracted Guide Book Publishing (GBP) to publish a Guide Book and Directory for our congregation that will be updated and delivered directly to your homes annually. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries and organizations plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and mailed to each member at no cost to our church. Local businesses are being solicited to advertise in the book. GBP would prefer to place advertisements from members of our congregation over your business's competitors. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the office at 958-863-3475, ext. 3, during business hours.

## Update Membership Information

Does the Church database have your family membership correct? Here is your chance to update your information with any changes, additions or deletions for our annual Guide Book and Directory.

Please let us know if you have changed your phone number, have a new address and/or if you want your address and/or phone number published.

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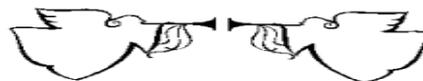
*In Loving Memory*

*Hugh J. Bodin*

*Shirley B. Bodin*

*Leslie Strikmiller, Sr.*

*Josephine Strikmiller*



*Together forever*

## What Is the Triduum?

Holy Thursday! Good Friday! Holy Saturday! These days are “holy” and “good” because they celebrate Christianity’s most sacred events—the passion, death and Resurrection of Jesus. At no other time in the Church’s liturgical year are such solemn feasts commemorated in so short a span of time. These truly are the Christians’ high holy days.

Lent, the penitential period of time preceding the Triduum, is technically over. Another liturgical period, the solemn paschal Triduum (Latin word meaning “three days”), begins with the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday and ends with Vespers on Easter Sunday.

Although Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday have not been designated as holy days of obligation, the Church regards these days as special. Catholics are more aware of the holiness of this time, and so, in addition to celebrating the solemnities in church, we also pray specially during this time.

Do you want to enter more fully into the mystery of these holy days? Do you want the Triduum spirit to inspire your personal Scripture reading? Do you want to absorb more fully the deeper significance of the season? Do you want the flavor and spirit of the sacred Triduum to take on meaning in your life? You can make all these spiritual gifts your own.

Pray. Use personal prayer and quiet time by reflecting and meditating on the Scripture. You can better appreciate the theology and rituals of the solemn Triduum liturgies, rich in symbolism, if you first savor the Scripture readings that focus on this tradition. Then, with some historical background, you are prepared to enter more fully into the Easter Triduum.

### Holy Thursday

Holy Thursday celebrates Christ’s institution of the Eucharist and the priesthood. This day is called “Maundy Thursday” because Jesus gives a command (*mandatum*) to His followers to be an example of service to others. He does so by washing His apostles’ feet (Jn 13:34).

On the morning of Holy Thursday, in cathedrals of diocesan seats all over the world, the bishop celebrates the Chrism Mass. This liturgy commemorates, in a special way, Christ’s institution of the priesthood. The bishop and priests recommit themselves to their ministry and vocation as the continuation of Christ’s sacramental mission.

During this celebration, the chrism and the holy oils that will be used throughout the year in the administration of the sacraments are blessed by the bishop and taken back to parish churches. The oils left over from the previous year are disposed of in a reverent way.

The official beginning of the Triduum takes place the evening of Holy Thursday, the Mass of the Lord’s Supper. The tabernacle, empty of consecrated hosts, portrays the solemn spirit of the evening. The liturgy begins as a joyful celebration with festive music, ringing of bells and the singing of the Gloria. The music is then muted and will not be heard again until the Easter Vigil.

Other rituals and symbolic actions make this liturgy unique. In imitation of Christ who washed His apostles’ feet at the Passover, for example, the rite of washing the feet of twelve persons is often incorporated into the liturgy after the homily. Only enough hosts for the Good Friday service are consecrated. After Communion, the tabernacle is emptied, and a solemn procession takes the consecrated hosts to an altar of repose. This altar can be at another location in the church, a side altar or in a chapel for continued adoration during the evening or throughout the night. The Mass of the Lord’s Supper ends in somber stillness as the altar is stripped bare and the priests, ministers and congregation exit in silence.

### Good Friday

Although it is not a holy day of obligation, many Catholics realize the solemnity of Good Friday and make a point of attending services.



### Crowds

“*Judas, one of the Twelve arrived, accompanied by a large crowd, with swords and clubs*” (Mt 16:47).

A crowd is nothing more than a gathering of individuals. Yet individuals behave differently in crowds than on their own. Studies have considered the wisdom of crowds: the experience of many people counts for something and should not be dismissed. But crowd behavior can be erratic too. It can lead to mob violence or riots that few individuals involved would have chosen personally. Crowds propel much of the action in the Passion story. First, they honor Jesus with praise and palm branches. Next, an armed mob nabs Him in Gethsemane. Many false witnesses come forward at His sham trial convened by the Sanhedrin. A roomful of priests and elders seal Jesus’ fate. An audience screams for Barabbas to go free and for Jesus to be crucified. Crowds mock Jesus as He dies on the Cross.

Individuals make calculated decisions: Judas, Caiaphas, Pilate, the centurion, Mary Magdalene, Joseph of Arimathea. Crowds go where the tide of events takes them.