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PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

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The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced. —Isaiah 50:7a



JESUS, REMEMBER ME

Our Lenten journey of conversion has brought us to the holiest week of the Church year. With palm branches in hand we enter the holy city of Jerusalem, proclaiming, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord." From this grand entrance into the city, we follow the Lord Jesus as He shares His last meal with His disciples, institutes the Eucharist, is arrested, betrayed, and killed. Each year this celebration of Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion plunges us into the saving mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. The Lord's forgiveness of the repentant thief reminds us that reconciliation awaits those who put their faith in Christ. Let the repentant thief's words become our own this day: "Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom" (Luke 23:42).

PASSION/PALM SUNDAY

Blessed Palm will be distributed by the ushers at the conclusion of all the Masses today.

Holy Week Confession/Masses - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, March 29th, 30th, 31st, after the 6:45 A.M. and 12:15 Masses

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 1st

7 P.M. - Mass of the Lord's Supper - Spanish/English - Procession and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

The Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

On this night, Our Lord instituted the Eucharist at the last supper. He prepared the Sacrificial Meal that should unite all of us to Himself as we eat the Living Bread come down from heaven. We are gathered in Spirit with the Apostles to receive from Jesus the great gift of His own Flesh and Blood.

As a parish we come together to celebrate joyfully the Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper. Every parishioner is invited to be present tonight. Holy Thursday is the night we recall the greatest gift we have in the church. - the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Also, on this holy night, we thank the Lord for the gift of priesthood, as priests they have renewed their vows of the priesthood with Cardinal Rigali. Our Extraordinary Ministers will this night renew their commitment to the Lord and this community in service both at His altar and to the sick and infirm. We wash the feet of 12 parishioners, symbolizing the 12 Apostles recalling Our Savior's maundatum - His command to love one another! After the evening Mass, there will be private adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the altar of Repose until 11 P.M.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2nd

Join us for the **Outdoor Stations of the Cross at 12 noon.** We will process through town praying for the needs and problems of our Coatesville Community. We will be joined by our Hispanic Community and other Christian Churches from the area. We will proceed rain or shine. We will meet and begin at St. Cecilia old schoolyard. Any persons or families interested in carrying the wooden cross from station to station, please call the Rectory between 9:30 A. M and 4:30 P.M.

Bishop Robert P. Maginnis will celebrate **3:30 P.M. Solemn Liturgy of the Passion and Death of Christ.**

Join us for this Sacred Time as we reverently recall that day Christ died for us. This Liturgy offers you an opportunity to receive Our Lord in Holy Communion.

7:15 P.M. - Hispanic Liturgy

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 3rd

4:15 P.M. Easter Vigil - 7:15 PM Hispanic Easter Vigil

The Night Watch of the Lord's Resurrection

As the day of Resurrection approaches, the Church spends a night in prayerful vigil - waiting at the Lord's tomb. This Holy Night is the most solemn liturgy in the entire year, the central mystery of our redemption - Christ's saving death and glorious resurrection.

The Vigil has four main parts: *the Service Of Light, the Liturgy of the Word, the Liturgy of Baptism, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.*

Please join us as we prepare ourselves to fully appreciate our heritage rooted in Jesus Christ. "May the Light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds."

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4th

Regular Sunday Masses - 7:00, 9:00 & 11:15 AM

We have been privileged to share this Lent with you. We wish to re-live Holy Week with you. We look forward to the joys for Easter with all of you - Our Parish Family.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy which is celebrated the Sunday after Easter be preceded by a Novena of Chaplets to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday. In her diary, St. Faustina wrote that Jesus told her: "On each day of the novena you will bring to My Heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy...On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls. By this novena I will grant every possible grace to souls". (Diary 1209, 796) You may pray the Chaplet privately or join with others in Church. It will be recited after Mass during the week and according to the following schedule: Friday, April 2nd, 6 P.M. - April 3rd, 10:30 A.M. - Easter Sunday, 8:45 A.M. - Monday, Thursday and Friday, 6 P.M. - Saturday, April 10th, at 4:50 P.M. **The Novena will conclude on Sunday, April 11th, at 3 P.M.** The Novena prayers will be available in the vestibule on March 28th.

The collection for the *Holy Places In The Holy Land* will be taken up on Good Friday. The proceeds are used not only for the upkeep of the Holy Shrines, but also for the charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land.

The Church will be open Good Friday from 8 AM until after the 3:30 PM Service for Adoration.

EASTER EGG HUNT (DELIVERY)

The Easter Bunny is having trouble with the mud from the snowy winter along with some scheduling problems. To avoid muddy paws and conflicts he has decided to deliver his Easter Treats this year. He will distribute the treats for children attending PREP to the individual classes today. Children not in the PREP PROGRAM are asked to come to Saints Hall between the 9 A.M. and 11:15 A.M. Mass to pick up their treats and prizes. Those who find metallic eggs in their baskets will again this year be able to choose a special prize.

SAVE THESE DATES

April 18th Bake Sale
May 2nd Mother's Tea

CONGRATULATIONS

Patrick Kane and Austin Wildauer will receive the Parvuli Dei, the Catholic religious emblem for cub scouts at the 9 A.M. Mass on March 28. The Parvuli Dei emblem offers the scouts an opportunity to explore God's love for them, their place in the parish community and their responsibility of service to others. Pat and Austin have completed their Cub Scout requirements and are now members of Boy Scout Troop 23.

IMMACULATA UNIVERSITY HOSTS

4TH ANNUAL SPIRITUALITY DAY

Immaculata University's Spirituality Under the Dome series announces its 4th Annual "Spirituality Day" on Saturday, April 10th, beginning at 8:30 A.M. to 3:15 P.M. in Alumnae hall. The registration fee is \$35 and participants must pre-register. Chris Lowney, author of *Heroic Leadership* and, his most recent book, *Heroic Living* will be the keynote speaker.

JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT IN CONCERT

Eves of Reflection - "Lessons in Simplicity in the Light & Peace of Jesus" (A free will offering will be taken). Tickets are required. Please call 1-888-716-9504 for concert ticket reservations. Friday, May 14th, at 7:30 P.M. Teaching by John Michael Talbot on "Lessons in Simplicity."

ANNUAL LONGABERGER BASKET BINGO

On **March 26th**, Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will host the Annual Longaberger Basket Bingo. Contact Patrice Arvay at 610-942-4114 with any questions or to purchase tickets.

PJPII COMMUNITY SUMMER CAMP

The camp is open to all children in the community entering grades K-8 in September 2010. For more information go to our web, www.popejohnpaul2sch.org or contact Terry Altschuler at 610-384-5961 X 5410.

REGISTRATION PJPII

Kindergarten is filling fast for the 2010/2011 school year. There are a few spaces available. PJPII will be having tours and registration on April 14th. For an appointment, please call 610-384-5961.

Paragraph 730 of the CATECHISM OF THE Catholic Church states:

At last Jesus' hour arrives: He commends His spirit into the Father's hands at the very moment when by His death He conquers death, so that, "raised from the dead by the glory of the Father," He might immediately give the Holy Spirit by "breathing" on His disciples. From this hour onward, the mission of Christ and the Spirit becomes the mission of the Church: "As the Father has sent me, even so I send you."

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH CARDINAL RIGALI

Good Friday, April 2, 2010 at 7:30 P.M.
Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary
100 East Wynnewood Rd.
Wynnewood, PA 19096

Parking will be at St. Joseph's University (entrance to parking lot is on 54th St. below City Ave). Shuttle buses will be available for transportation to/from the Seminary beginning at 6:30 P.M. (No parking will be available on the Seminary grounds). Candles will be provided at the Seminary (suggested offering - \$2 per candle/protector). If you are planning to attend call Kathy at 215-965-8280 with the number expected to participate.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	Mar 27	8 AM	Richard Weaver By The Mostyn Family
		4:15 PM	Walter J. & Joe Kita By Connie
Sun	Mar 28	7 AM	All Parishioners
		9 AM	Bill Hrisko By The Mostyn Family
		11:15 AM	Gerald Nye By Pierre & Karen Annaballi
Mon	Mar 29	6:45AM	Charles Zaleski By The Zaleski & Pappas Family
		12:15 PM	Eugene A. Bock, Jr. By Maura & Joe Hook
Tues	Mar 30	6:45AM	Phylis Guisepe By The Swisher Family
		12:15 PM	Mary & Louis Larkns Sr. By Tom & Ellen Cerritelli
Wed	Mar 31	6:45 AM	Vincent J. Barnes By Jerri & Lou Branson
		12:15 PM	Richard Alferez By Marie Denisewicz
Thur	Apr 01	7 PM	Holy Thursday Deceased Priests
Fri	Apr 02	12 PM.	Good Friday Outdoor Stations of the Cross
		3:30 PM	Solemn Liturgy of the Passion & Death of Christ - Bishop McGinnis
Sat	Apr 03	4:15 PM	Holy Saturday Deceased Religious
Sun	Apr 04		EASTER SUNDAY
		7 AM	Michael & Agatha Rostich By Mary Tandarich
		9 AM	Dorothy Mihalak By John
		11:15 AM	Ruth & Dunlap Wingo By Ruth Heaven

ALTAR SERVERS

			Holy Thursday/April 1 st
7 P.M.	S. Mostyn & J. Eby & J. Phillips & B. Jonik		
			Good Friday/ April 2 nd
3:30 P.M.	J. Kane & R. Wildauer / C. LaClair & K. Conley		
			April 3 rd & 4 th Easter Vigil/Sunday
4:15 P.M.	J. Eby & S. Mostyn & N. LaClair & P. Eby		
7:00 A.M.	C. & M. An		
9:00 A.M.	A. Gilligan & B. Ivkovich		
11:15 A.M.	K. & R. Misero		

RIP: William Wagenmann and Fr. Joseph J. McGovern

ESSENTIAL REDUCTION - All my theology is reduced to this narrow compass: "Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners."
-Archibald Alexander

CANDLES**BVM: Alyse & Bob Montgomery****FOOTSTEPS IN FAITH**

The Baptism Preparation Program is a must before your baby is baptized. The next baptismal preparation meeting for parents and godparents will be held on **Monday, April 12, 2010**, in the Church Rectory at 7:30 PM.

We recommend parents attend this class before the baby is born. *Please call the rectory to register for the class and for information regarding our baptismal program.*

YOUR PRAYER REQUEST

Every Thursday evening from 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. we have Holy Hour at St. Cecilia. Prayer intentions will be prayed for and presented before the Blessed Sacrament. If you are unable to attend Holy Hour please fill out the slip found on the table at the entrance of the church and we will present your prayer request.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Charles Mulranen	Angela Mulranen
Barbara Grow	Peg Mohr
Chuck Byerley	Jacob Furlong
Pearl & Billy Gill	Linda Pieri-Rambo
Edward Sexton	Joseph Burns
Rose Marie Rose	Moriah Nast
Edward Sockoloskie Jr.	Molly Baldwin
Catherine Finn	Linda Hall
Thomas Madrigale	Dale Lucas
Helen Sexton	Mary Stefankiewicz
Mary Riley	Ernest Compo
Diane Gielow	Dorothy Tripp
Jenny Shesko	
Fr. Thomas Doyle	

If you wish to have someone added to the list please call the Rectory.

2011 MASS BOOK

The 2011 Mass Book will open when the present year is full. The exact date will be published in the bulletin several weeks before the book is opened. The annual requests for weekend Masses have quickly filled the 2010 book. Daily Mass dates are *still open*. In order to be fair to the parishioners who want to schedule weekend Masses we will begin to limit the choices of the number of weekend Masses and the time that the Masses are offered during a month. Only one name on a weekend per month.. Only one name during the week (up to 4 names per month). These guidelines will give everyone the opportunity to choose a special date for Mass to be offered for their deceased loved ones.

HOLY WEEK**ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE**

Altar Servers assigned to the Triduum Masses of Holy Week are reminded of the following practice times:

Holy Thursday Servers - Sunday 3/28 at 2:30 P.M.
Good Friday Servers - Sunday 3/28 at 3:30 P.M.
Holy Saturday Servers - Saturday 4/3 at 11 A.M.