

# PALM SUNDAY

## MARCH 25, 2018

### Sunday, March 25

7:30 am † Rose Marie Dunlap

9:00 am † Dulce Lejarde

11:00 am † Tomas Battista

### Monday, March 26

12:00 pm † Johanna Maccini

### Tuesday, March 27

12:00 pm † Eiken Macko

### Wednesday, March 28

12:00 pm † Maria Petrarca

### Thursday, March 29 (Holy Thursday)

7:00 pm † All Deceased Pastors

### Friday, March 30 (Good Friday)

12:00 pm *No Mass Intention*

### Saturday, March 31

7:00 pm † Frances Holman

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## Saint Ann's Mass Schedule

### Holy Week & Easter

**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion: Mar. 24/25**

**5:00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, March 24**

**Sunday Masses on March 25 at**

**7:30am, 9:00am (Cantor) & 11:00am (Choir)**

**Monday of Holy Week - Mass at 12:00noon**

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**Holy Thursday, March 29**

**Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm (Choir)**

*No 12:00noon Mass today*

**Good Friday, March 30**

**Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord at 12:00noon**

**Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm**

**Holy Saturday, March 31**

**The Easter Vigil at 7:00pm (Choir)**

*No 5:00pm Mass today*

**Easter Sunday, April 1**

**Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord**

**Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am (Cantor)**

**and 11:00am (Strings, Brass & Choir)**

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## LENT

Confessions & Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays during Lent from 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Stations of the Cross:

Fridays at 11:30am & 7:00pm

**Easter Flowers:** Remember your loved ones at Easter with an Easter Flower Memorial offering by using the envelopes located on the church tables or in your mailing. The names of the deceased will be remembered at Easter and listed in our bulletin.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Give to Our Parish Online** \_\_\_\_\_

**Faith Direct**

**Code DC811**

Thank you very much for your generosity to the weekly Collections at Mass: **The Offertory Collection** last weekend was \$7,238. The **Faith Direct Online Collection** for the second half of February was \$14,360. (We report to you the online giving amount twice a month.) Enroll in eGiving through @FaithDirect so you can support St. Ann from anywhere. To enroll, just go to [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) or download the free app and use our church **code: DC811**. God bless and thank you!

**Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land:** On Good Friday, the Archdiocese of Washington will take up the annual Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land. The challenges for Christians living in the Holy Land are great. Many have chosen to leave, and others continue to do so, depleting the Christian faith communities there and making the need of families that remain all the more urgent. The Good Friday Collection aids the ministry of the Holy Land Franciscans, who for 800 years have nourished Christians in the Holy Land with presence, care, and service. Your support helps the Church to minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines in the land where our faith was born. Please be generous as you are able.

**Night of Prayer on Palm Sunday Evening:** The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament will host Mark Forrest, International Irish Tenor, for an evening of spiritual reflection on March 25th at 7:30pm in the Church. The Come Walk with Me evening is a time for us to reflect on our personal relationship with Jesus Christ. During the evening, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed, and Mark Forrest will take you through an evening of music, reflection, and healing. Consider taking an hour with the Lord as He invites you to a closer walk with him

**At the Easter Vigil this year,** St. Ann's Parish welcomes into **full communion with the Catholic Church** the following individuals who have been preparing all year instruction in the Faith: **Travis Price, Laura Madrid, Margaret Pickard, Jessica Johnson, Emilio Hernandez, Justin Schwab, Sean Blue, Chelsey Snyder and Leila Oxley** (child baptism).

**St. Ann's Young Adult Group** is hosting a viewing of Mel Gibson's *The Passion of Christ* on Palm Sunday at 6:00pm in the library. Come to the parish library at 6:00pm on Sunday, March 25th and join us as we enter into Holy Week together.

**Lenten Rice Bowl Boxes:** During Lent, parishioners are encouraged to contribute to Catholic Relief Services by using the cardboard boxes that are available on the tables in the church. The donations can be brought to the church beginning the weekend after Easter.

**Parish School of Religion News:** The Parish School of Religion is already looking forward to next year and has an invitation for you. We would like to add another teacher and/or adult aide to our staff. If you love your Catholic faith and would like to share it with young people - here is the perfect opportunity. No prior teaching experience is needed - we will help you prepare. Our PSR has classes for students in grades K-8, including First Communion and Confirmation preparation. We meet each Sunday after the 9:00 Mass. In classes that are team taught, the teachers share the teaching responsibilities. Please contact Mrs. Schaeffer at [dre@stanndc.org](mailto:dre@stanndc.org) for more information.

Upcoming PSR events - we invite you to celebrate with us All School Mass. 9:00 Mass, Sunday, March 25, Palm Sunday First Communion, 9:00 Mass, Sunday, May 13, Mothers' Day.

**Symposium on Race and Homelessness.** Friendship Place is hosting this event on April 4, 2018, 7:00pm, at National United Methodist Church, 3401 Nebraska Avenue, NW. The Symposium will be preceded by a reception at 6:15pm. This event will be an opportunity to deepen the conversation about concrete strategies, which organizations like Friendship Place need to leverage to address racial inequities in efforts to prevent and end homelessness. The link to register: <http://bit.ly/2Herzxx>.

**The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women's:** ACCW is continuing its monthly Rosary call. Our next call is scheduled for Wednesday, April 4 at 8:00pm. We also will host a special Rosary on Tuesday, April 24 at 8:00pm for African American blessed who are candidates for canonization. To participate, please call: 605-468-8016 and insert code: 357090#. If you have any questions, please contact us at [archdioceseCCW@gmail.com](mailto:archdioceseCCW@gmail.com).

**First Archdiocesan Intercultural Conference:** On Saturday, April 21 from 9:00am to 5:00pm, the Archdiocese of Washington will host the First Archdiocesan Intercultural Conference at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. The diversity in our local Church provides new and exciting opportunities to strengthen our evangelization efforts, as well as new opportunities for encounter and accompaniment. This conference, sponsored by the Office of Cultural Diversity and Outreach, will help participants grow in the knowledge of the role of culture in the process of faith transmission. If you have any questions, call 301-853-5335 or email [culturaldiversity@adw.org](mailto:culturaldiversity@adw.org)

**Respect Life News:** The annual March for Life in Washington is one of the largest public pro-life demonstrations in the world, but it is far from being the only one. Similar events take place, for example, in Poland, Italy, France, England and Ireland. The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, a major pro-life organization in the United Kingdom, reported recently, that "up to 100,000" supporters participated in the All-Ireland Rally for Life held on March 10 in Dublin. Waving pro-life placards, they were 10 to 12 abreast at the front of the march. The entire demonstration stretched for well over a kilometer through the city. Men, women and children marched together to communicate their desire for Ireland to retain the 8th Amendment to the Irish Constitution (Article 40.3.3,) in the run up to the late May referendum on the issue. The amendment "acknowledges the right to life of the unborn and, with due regard to the equal right to life of the mother, guarantees in its laws to respect, and as far as practicable, by its laws to defend and vindicate that right." The Irish constitution is one of the few national constitutions to include such an amendment. It was inserted into the constitution in 1983. Commenting on the turnout, Niamh Uí Bhriain, pro-life activist, family values campaigner and member of the Life Institute, a leading Irish pro-life organization said to prolonged applause: "This...is the real voice of the Irish people, and we are here to tell Mr. [Leo Eric] Varadkar, the Irish prime minister, that he will lose the referendum he is so eagerly pushing, because we, the people, have arisen to Save the 8th, and we, the people, demand a better answer than abortion for our mothers and babies"....The loudest cheers of the day for the speakers, were for Karen Gaffney, a leading international advocate for people with Down Syndrome, a long distance swimmer who relay swam the English Channel, an impressive public speaker and the first living person with Down Syndrome to receive an honorary doctorate, urged the crowd to Save the 8th to protect the right to life of "people like me", and warned that in other countries, aggressive screening programs meant that up to 100% of people with Down Syndrome were being aborted. "We want to belong, don't screen us out" (SPUC 3.12.18; Sunday Independent, 3.11.18; [thelifeinstitute.net](http://thelifeinstitute.net)).

**Prepare to Care: Family Caregiver Training;** Being a family caregiver is one of the most important jobs—and one of the most challenging. This role can be frustrating, satisfying, exhausting, joyful, thankless and everything in between. This workshop offers hands-on training, practical resources, and easy-to-use guides to help family caregivers find support, make tough decisions and handle conflict throughout the caregiving journey. This workshop is tailored to share resources and tips for all types of family caregivers; whether a first-time caregiver, experienced, or someone caring for a loved one from afar, and will be offered in April by Capital Caring, in partnership with AARP, at a day/time to be determined. For more information on this workshop, please contact Allison Kuchar, Capital Caring CARE Representative, at 443-417-3738.