

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
 March 28, 2021
 [Christ Jesus] humbled himself,
 becoming obedient to the point of death,
 even death on a cross.
 — Philippians 2:8

HOLY WEEK

For the Palm Sunday Gospel, we return to the Gospel according to Mark. The account of the Passion takes up nearly one-third of Mark's entire Gospel and, of all the evangelists, he is the one who presents the details most graphically. He depicts the humanity of Jesus most intensely, describing his sufferings thoroughly. Mark portrays Jesus as a complete fulfillment of the "Suffering Servant" of Isaiah, the obedient, humble slave dying on a cross of whom Paul speaks in Philippians. But it is important to remember that we call this "Holy Week" and not "sad week" or "suffering week," for each of the readings today, even the lamentations of the psalm, end in the promise of the strength and hope that is granted by God to those who faithfully give of themselves in love. As we enter into this week through these readings, we must reflect deeply on the sufferings of Jesus, but still be confident in the joy of risen, eternal life that awaits all of us who faithfully walk with him through these days.

Mass Intentions



Sat., Mar. 27, 4:30 p.m. Dennis McCloskey, Huval Family, Louis Perschall Sr., Nick Sita, Pat Gottschalck, Fred Kopfler, Jeanne Gagliano, Mary Lou Whitmer, **and for the living**; Special Intention, Karge Family

Sun. Mar. 28, 7:30 a.m. Frank Minyard, Margaret Mary Mule', Edward Arndt, Carol Pieri, Debbie Latino, Mariys White, David Tucker, Paul and Janine Robin, Patrick Marchand, Louis Meyer, Steve Hourcade, **and for the living**; Jason Stein, Christian and Amanda Carlin, Paulette Carlin and Special Intention

Sun. Mar. 28, 9:15 a.m. Leonard Wilfert

Sun., Mar. 28, 11:00 a.m. Parishioners

Mon., Mar. 29, 8:00 a.m. Melvin Baker

Tues., Mar. 30 NO MASS

Wed., Mar. 31, 8:00 a.m. Gabriel Mule'

Thurs., April 01, 6:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Fri., April 02, 8:00 a.m. No Mass

Please pray for **Percy Naquin**, sister of Terry Sita who entered peacefully into eternal rest. "Whoever lives and believes in me shall never die". [John 11:26

PRAYER LIST

Rosalind Baham	Chuck Armstrong
Joel Ferrera	Louise Cashmere
Kenneth Vicari	Yolanda Bourgeois
Tuck Tucker	LeLe Kopfler
Catherine Atkins	Roxanne Troxclair
Robert Till	Curt Stansbury
Cindy Hebert	Clarence Inniss
Deacon Frank Minor	

Weekly Collections

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PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked each Catholic parish around the world to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in Parishes, and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. For more information and parish resources, email Chris Dwyer at Christopher.d@myfranciscan.com, and for digital resources go to yfranciscan.org

THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary:	Curt Stansbury
Blessed Mother:	Alexander Bradford
St. Joseph:	Gary Joseph Treuil
St. Anne:	Viola Bradford

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7-day candle please call 796-3806.

POPE FRANCIS'S MARCH PRAYER INTENTION Sacrament of Reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

RICE BOWL-SERVING THE SUFFERING CHRIST

As we enter Holy Week and celebrate Palm Sunday, let us reflect on how our Lord suffered from our indifference: those who proclaimed him king of Jerusalem were the same who called to crucify him. We recognize we are all one human family. Are we contributing to the suffering of our sisters and brothers with our indifference to their realities? How does our faith inspire us to care for them and share the gifts that God has bestowed on us? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more. Rice Bowls will be collected the weekend of April 10-11. Please bring your Rice Bowl to Mass and place them in the designated containers in the front and back of Jonathan Hall. Thank you for participating in CRS Rice Bowl.

MEN'S GROUP

Beginning Thursday, April 1st immediately following 6:00 p.m. Mass in Odilo Hall, the Men's group will be starting The Eucharist written by Father Mitch Pacwa. All men are invited to attend to learn about the source and summit of our Catholic Faith - the Eucharist. In this study you will see the essential connection between the Eucharist and the Scriptures, and through reflection and discussion you will learn to apply the principles in your own life.

EASTER FLOWERS AND REMEMBRANCE

The Altar Society is asking for donations to help with the cost of the Easter Flowers. Any donations will be greatly appreciated and may be placed in the box at the back of the Church or the containers on Jonathan Hall's entrance tables. If you would like your loved ones remembered at all masses throughout the Easter Season, please write their names on the Easter Book at the back of the Church or one of the Remembrance Books in Jonathan Hall.

HOLY TRIDUUM HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lords Supper at 6:00 p.m., in Jonathan Hall, followed by Adoration until 10:00 p.m. in Church.

GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 p.m. - Passion of the Lord, Veneration of the Cross, in Jonathan Hall, followed by Stations of the Cross outside, (weather permitting)

HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil, 8 p.m. in Jonathan Hall

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES:

7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 11:00 a.m. in Jonathan Hall

Holy Week Monday and Wednesday morning Mass times are as usual.

The office will be closed for Good Friday and Easter Monday. We will reopen on Tuesday.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Liturgies of Holy Week

Holy Week is the culmination of the liturgical year. During these holy days, the liturgy will lead us, with Jesus, to the depths and to the heights.

It begins with a harsh juxtaposition, as we carry palms in remembrance of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem and then listen to the Passion according to Matthew, as the King is handed over for crucifixion. Then, on Holy Thursday, we remember the night Jesus was handed over—the night he gave himself for us and to us, to live in our midst forever in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. On Good Friday, we touch with our hands the mystery of the Lord's cross, the instrument of torture that has become the tree of life. Then, at the great Easter Vigil, the lighting of the paschal candle speaks to us of the triumph of light over darkness, of life over death. The resurrection of the Lord becomes a living reality in our midst as the catechumens for whom the Church has prayed throughout Lent are plunged into the mystery of Christ's death and share in the glory of his resurrection. These are indeed holy days, the culmination of the Church's liturgy, and an invitation to participate in the very life of Christ. Come, let us worship.

100-ANNIVERSARY SALE

St. John's has purchased for resale 15-ounce commemorative 100-year anniversary coffee mugs. The cost is \$10 each. For more information, please text David Cooper at 985-302-6690 or call Joy in the office at 796-3806. We have placed a cup on the table at each entrance of the church for your review. Pre-orders will be made available soon.

REMINDERS

PSR Classes, Wednesdays, 6:15 – 7:30 p.m., Jonathan Hall and Office Classrooms

First Saturday Mass at 8:00 a.m.

Weekly Wednesday Adoration, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

First Friday Adoration Benediction, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Men's Study Group in Odilo Hall, Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus meeting, Thurs, April 8th at 7 p.m.

Weekly Wednesday Evening Adoration, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross Fridays, during Lent-3:30 p.m.

K.C. Fish Fries, Fridays in Lent, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

On Monday, March 29th at 9:00 a.m. in Odilo Hall, our Church history class will begin our study of the next time period, Revolutions and Modernism. In our study of this period, we will look at the rise of skepticism toward faith as well as the modern nation state. It is also the time of growing colonization in the New World. We will begin our study of this time period by viewing the movie, "The Mission," which depicts the clash between the Jesuits and the colonial powers of Spain and Portugal. The movie is a little over two hours long so we will not have a discussion afterward.