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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD — Join us Online!

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-7 / Philippians 2:6-11 / Matthew 26:14—27:66

Join us Online Sat. April 4 MASS (Sunday Vigil) 4:30 pm — For Violet S. Buckenmeyer, by Chuck and Eileen Rankin
Sun. April 5
MASS 8:30 am — For David and Gertrude Bravo, by the Bravo Family
MASS 10:30 am — For Barbara Bills, by Joan Hass

Mon. April 6 MASS 9:00 am — For R. Clifford Kentner, by Nan Lisk — Readings: Isaiah 42:1-7 / John 12:1-11
Join us Online Angelus Prayer 12:00 noon
Adoration and Benediction with the Most Blessed Sacrament 8:30 pm Join us Online

Tue. April 7 MASS 9:00 am — For Anna Filiano, by Abrey Feliccia — Readings: Isaiah 49:1-6 / John 13:21-33, 36-38
Join us Online Chrism Mass with Bishop Matano 6:00 pm—online at www.youtube.com/catholiccourier

Wed. April 8 MASS 9:00 am — For Dick Fagan, by Barb and Jim Ivers — Readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a / Matthew 26:14-25
Join us Online Angelus Prayer 12:00 noon
Adoration and Benediction with the Most Blessed Sacrament 8:30 pm Join us Online

April 9—April 12 See full plan for the Sacred Triduum and Easter on pages 2-5



praying
together

For Health Care Professionals and First Responders

We thank you Lord for their generosity in service at this difficult time and we pray that you keep them safe and give them strength and peace.

Kiersten Chambers - police officer in NYC, Nurses Brandi Senter and Kelie Oliver; Public Health Planner Stephanie Notar, Niki Cornelius and all the health care workers at Guthrie Medical in Cortland, and Mikayla Perkins, RN at Cayuga Medical Center. Also Anne Cornelius RN, Dr. Tim LaFrance, Dr. Russ LaFrance, Richard LaFrance PT, Jussie Street PT, Dr. Michelle Carley, Dr. Brian Nicholas, nurse Melissa Carley, Matt Youngs hospital worker. Ben Cramer, Phil Thomas, Markus Hardt, Connor Moore, Johnelle Keck, Chris Keck, Susan McCarthy, John Nolan, Ellen Nolan, James Lafler, Maggie McDonald,

Carrie McCollester, Kevin McCormick, James Mona Dali and all the staff at Cayuga Medical Center, Megan Drake and Rebecca Drake, Carrie Stock, Katie Stevens, Don and Maria Gentry, Dr. Brendan Barrett, Jonathan Burdick, Patricia Brown, Mark Romond.

"Let us pray for them and their families. I thank God for the heroic example that they have given us in their care for the sick," —Pope Francis

For Our Sick & Shut-Ins

Angelo Alaimo, Jane Baldwin, Grant Bonavia, Ginny Bradshaw, Chrissy Bravo-Cullen, Karen Brown, Phyllis Campbell, Ian Charles, Donna Cocca, Paul Conklin, Robert Deely, Jerica Duso, Lois Fahey, Pat Fairbank, Mary Falise, Gordon Gladden, Amy Grosser, Francis Hertel, Kirsten Hess, Angela Hughes, Nimr Ibrahim, Jeremiah, Autum Kenyon, Steve Kletjian, Valerie Kuramoto, Mr. Liggett, Marcus Martinez, Leah Mayor, Emma Mazingo, Joe McCarey, Betty McCarey, Lee McGill, Fred Mellberg, Sara Morse, Dennis Osika, Jim Oswald, Kathy Pumphrey, Karen Randolph, Geraldine Rankin, Emilie Searle, Eleanor Sorbello, Lucy Steger, Phyllis Stewart, Robert Stewart, Ethel Thomas, Melanie Toolan, Vicky Toro, Maria Unterreiner, Ellen VanSlyke Batzer, Sharon Vincent, Tom Walpole, Richard Weiss, Ryan White, Jocelyn Woods, Bob and Agnes Zavaski, and several Special Intentions.

Please keep our area servicemen & women in your prayers.

Experiencing Holy Week at Home and with N.E.T. Catholic

The week of April 5-12 we celebrate the very mysteries of our salvation. Give yourself a break, a mini retreat, a chance to rediscover the riches of our faith and the depth of God's love for you by attending ONLINE these beautiful liturgies and by making them meaningful at home using the suggestions you will find below. We will probably not have a Holy Week like this one again, when everyone is at home, we are not in a pool somewhere in Spring Break, etc. so do not let this opportunity go by, make this week special, most importantly the Triduum. As much as you can do not do any work or school work on those days (Thursday, Friday, Saturday) let these 3 days be dedicated entirely to God. Make it fun, get up a little later to do some praying around 10 am, spend the day with quality family and faith time and let your children stay up later so that you can all attend online the Liturgies of the Triduum. Make Holy Thursday all about community a day to cook together, play games, share as a family, have a nice celebratory dinner, do something for the poor such as writing cards to people in nursing homes or dropping of ad donation at a local food pantry, etc. Make Good Friday a reflective day of very simple meals and more quiet activities such as reading or puzzles. Towards the evening of Holy Saturday, switch gears, have a scrumptious Dinner, play joyful music, eat all your favorites, do everyone's favorite things, play outside. Carry this joyful atmosphere into Easter Sunday. Use the ideas for rituals at home. May this be a truly blessed Holy Week for all because this year more than ever we can set everything else aside and focus on God's love for these 3 holiest of days, we need it now more than ever!!!

A.M.D.G.

Father Daniel



Palm Sunday (April 5)

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-7 / Philippians 2:6-11 / Matthew 26:14— 27:66

We celebrate together ONLINE at 4:30 pm Saturday April 4, and 8:30 am and 10:30 am on Sunday, April 5.

Blessed Palms are available in our churches April 1-11.

Highlights of Palm Sunday: It celebrates two different stories that on first glance, don't seem to go together. We begin Mass on Palm Sunday by celebrating Jesus's triumphant journey to Jerusalem where people greet him with shouts and songs of acclamation and joy. Everything seems to be going well. Jesus is hailed as a King and people wave palm branches to show their honor for him. By the time we reach the Gospel, however, we hear the Passion of Jesus Christ, recalling the events leading up to his crucifixion and death on the cross. It may seem strange that these two extremes are celebrated on Palm Sunday, but that is the reality of the Paschal Mystery. There is only one story. Jesus's life, death and resurrection are all connected;

It is impossible to separate them as isolated events. The same is true for our lives.

Experiencing this liturgy:

Since we will not have a procession during Mass we invite you to have the procession at home, either before or after Mass.

Make the setting special by using a table cloth (red is the official color for the liturgy) and set some candles out, if possible. Get the whole family involved in the preparations. You can get palms from church or go outside and gather up fallen branches if there are any around or rummage around the house for any pole-like or stick-like object that can be used to wave like a banner, you can attach scarves, bandanas, or ribbons as decoration. Pick a spot to begin, just outside or in a separate room, with everyone holding palms (or items to symbolize the palms). Begin with the Sign of the Cross. Invite everyone to raise their branches high, offer the following prayer: Lord, make our faith stronger and listen to our prayers. Today we honor Christ our King by carrying these branches. May we honor you every day by living always in him, for he is Lord forever and ever. Amen. Invite someone to proclaim the Gospel:

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew
Jesus and his disciples entered the walled city of Jerusalem.

Jesus said to two of his disciples: "Go ahead of us to the next village. There will be a young donkey there who has never been ridden. Untie the donkey and bring it here. If anyone asks why you are doing that, tell them, "The Lord needs it." The two disciples went ahead of the others and found the donkey, just as Jesus said. Its owners asked: "Why are you doing that?" They answered, "The Lord needs it." They untied it, took it to Jesus, and helped him get on. And as he rode along, the people spread clothes on the road in front of him. Jesus rode on the donkey while the disciples followed close by on the parade route. The large crowd shouted, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna! Praise God in heaven!" "Hosanna! Blessed is the Son of David!" A Pharisee standing nearby was disgusted at what was taking place. He said, "Jesus! Tell the crowd to be quiet." But Jesus answered, "Even if they were to be quiet, the rocks and stones would sing out!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Play the song: Hosanna, by Michael Avolicino, as family members process around the house waving their palm branches (or equivalent).

Solemn Mass of Chrism (Tuesday, April 7),

join Bishop Matano at 6pm online at

www.youtube.com/catholiccourier

Readings: Isaiah 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9 / Revelations 1:5-8 / Luke 4:16-21

This Mass manifests the unity of the priests with their bishop. Here the bishop blesses three oils — the oil of catechumens (*oleum catechumenorum* or *oleum sanctorum*), the oil of the infirm (*oleum infirmorum*) and holy chrism (*sacrum chrism*) — which will be used in the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese for the year.





Holy Thursday (April 9)

Readings: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14 / 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 / John 13:1-15
We celebrate together ONLINE at 7:00 pm.

This evening Lent ends and the Church enters the Paschal Triduum. The celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper commemorates the institution of

the Eucharist and the priesthood, as well as Jesus' command of love and service.

Highlights of the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:

- The liturgical color for this celebration is white.
- We sing the Gloria while the church bells ring.
- Washing of the Feet (We will do this at home, earlier in the day)
- The Stripping of the Altar and Sanctuary
- The Reservation of the Most Holy Eucharist
- Spiritual Adoration throughout the night (Since we cannot have physical adoration we invite you at home throughout this night to piously contemplate how Jesus was in prison and to piously spend some time with Him in prayer, connecting spiritually with his presence in the Most Holy Eucharist in our tabernacles).

Experiencing this liturgy:

On Holy Thursday we celebrate the Mandatum, the one commandment that Jesus gives us, to love one another as he has loved us. This Christian love is expressed mainly as service, which is symbolized during this liturgy by the washing of the feet. We invite all to take this opportunity to experience this profound symbol of Christian love at home earlier in the day. In order to do that gather these items in advance. Get the whole family involved in the preparations: A large bowl, a pitcher or smaller container to be used for pouring, A large towel to put under the bowl of water, and several others for drying hands and feet. Begin with the Sign of the Cross. Offer the following prayer: Loving God, You show us by example how to love others. Today as we celebrate Holy Thursday, we remember when you washed the feet of your disciples. Give us the strength to wash each other's feet, not only in the action of today, but in all moments of our lives. May we as a family recommit ourselves to the service of others. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen. Invite someone to proclaim the Gospel: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John. *It was before Passover, and Jesus knew that the time had come for him to leave this world and to return to the Father.*

He had always loved his followers in this world, and he loved them to the very end. Even before the evening meal started, the devil had made Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, decide to betray Jesus. Jesus knew that he had come from God and would go back to God. He also knew that the Father had given him complete power. So during the meal Jesus got up, removed his outer garment, and wrapped a towel around his waist. He put some water into a large bowl. Then he began washing his disciples' feet and drying them with the towel he was wearing. But when he came to Simon Peter, that disciple asked, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "You don't really know what I am doing, but later you will understand." "You will never wash my feet!" Peter replied. "If I don't wash you," Jesus told him, "you don't really belong to me." Peter said, "Lord, don't wash just my feet. Wash my hands and my

head." Jesus answered, "People who have bathed and are clean all over need to wash just their feet.

And you, my disciples, are clean, except for one of you." Jesus knew who would betray him. That is why he said, "except for one of you." After Jesus had washed his disciples' feet and had put his outer garment back on, he sat down again. Then he said: "Do you understand what I have done? You call me your teacher and Lord, and you should, because that is who I am. And if your Lord and teacher has washed your feet, you should do the same for each other. I have set the example, and you should do for each other exactly what I have done for you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Explains that in Jesus' time, people had to walk everywhere unless they were one of the few people who had a horse or a donkey. Most people wore sandals or went barefoot if they couldn't afford sandals. It was dry and dusty in Jesus' part of the world, and after walking many miles each day their feet would be dirty. When someone entered a house, the host would provide for the guest to have his or her feet washed, usually by a servant. So when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, they were shocked because he was acting like a servant, not like a master or a teacher. He was trying to teach them that we should all be servants to one another. Invite the people in your family do what Jesus told us to do—wash one another's feet. Everyone (adults included) should take off their shoes and socks. The first person takes the feet of one person and places them in the bowl. Pouring some water over the feet, and looking the person in the eye, the foot washer says: (Name), I love you and God loves you. Share the love of Christ with everyone you meet. Each person should take a turn, washing the feet of their neighbor after their own feet have been washed. After washing each person's feet, gently dry their feet with the towel. (Although adults may be more self-conscious about having their feet washed, please allow the children this privilege. They will feel honored to do this for someone else who usually serves them.) When you are done, share about the experience together, using the following points as a guide. What did it feel like to get your feet washed? Was it uncomfortable to allow someone else serve you? Did any of you feel a little bit like Peter did? This action is an expression of love and service, just like when Jesus did this for his friends. What kinds of actions do you think Jesus was trying to teach us that we should do for others? How can we keep their eyes open for ways we can serve others? What are some ways that we can serve others during this current crisis?



Good Friday (April 10)

Join us at 10 am for the Stations of the Cross ONLINE

Join us for the Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at 3 pm ONLINE

Readings: Isaiah 52:13—53:12 / Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 / John 18:1—19:42

Good Friday should be a day of silence, prayer, fasting and abstinence. This silence and prayerful attitude should begin after 10 am on Friday, since we have entered the pious consideration of the Lord's Way to the Cross and it extends until we break into praise as

we sing the Gloria on the Vigil of Resurrection around 8 pm on Saturday evening.

Jesus really died on the cross. We gather together today to prayerfully recall Jesus' death "in the sure hope of the resurrection" (Prayer over the People, Good Friday). Because his Resurrection is inseparable from his death, the Lord's Passion is truly celebrated. We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life, and our resurrection, through him we are saved and made free.

Highlights of the Liturgy:

- The color of this celebration is red.
- We begin in silence.
- Liturgy of the Word includes the proclamation of the Passion of the Lord according to the Gospel of John
- The Solemn Intercessions.
- The Adoration of the Holy Cross - The faithful are invited to gently touch, kiss, or genuflect before the Cross, we will be doing this at home, Dawn will send instructions this week.
- Holy Communion (Spiritual Communion)
- We depart in silence (It would be good if we can try to make this a day of silence at home, or at least spend a reasonable amount of time in silence after the Liturgy).

Experiencing this liturgy:

As we contemplate the Crucifix, we know that God cares about our suffering and understands our pain. We are not alone, God listens to our cries, and our prayers. On this day the Church does solemn prayers for many intentions before the crucified Lord. We invite you to write down your own intentions that you want to pray for at this beautiful liturgy. You can deposit those written intentions at the foot at the Cross at home when you approach it to adore it. If possible, do this ritual at home along with Father Daniel as you participate in the liturgy online, if not, do it at some point on Good Friday. Find a Cross or a Crucifix in your home and place it on a table or some other place of honor, adding candles if you wish. Before the liturgy begins cover the Cross with a cloth. (If you are not participating in the online liturgy, cover the cross before beginning). While you join the liturgy online: as Father Daniel uncovers each portion of the Cross, do the same. As he says "Behold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the world," everyone should respond: "Come, let us adore."

If doing this outside the online liturgy, begin by uncovering the top portion of the cross and saying: "Behold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the world," everyone should respond: "Come, let us adore." Then uncover the right arm of the Cross, saying again "Behold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the world," everyone should respond: "Come, let us adore." Then the remainder of the Cross should be revealed, saying one last time: "Behold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the world," and everyone should respond: "Come, let us adore." Allow some time in silent reflection to you look upon the Cross. Part of the beauty of the Adoration of the Cross is the time

for personal prayer and reflection, as well as performing individual acts of reverence. You may wish to touch the cross, or show another suitable sign, such as genuflection or a kiss. Do not let this time be cluttered by words but rest in the love of God for you made visible in the sacrifice of the Cross.



Holy Saturday (April 11) in the Morning

Jesus is dead, we watch and wait in sorrow with Mary.

Join us online at **10 am** As we pray with the **Seven Sorrows of Mary and the Holy Rosary.**

This is a beautiful opportunity to join our sorrows to those of Mary. For parents and grandparents to pray for their children and for mother's who have lost children to find refuge in Mary.



Holy Saturday in the Evening, the beginning of Sunday, the Easter Vigil Celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord

Readings: Genesis 1:1—2:2 / Psalm 104/ Exodus 14:15—15:1 / Isaiah 55:1-11/Romans 6:3-11 / Psalm 118/Matthew 28:1-10

We celebrate together ONLINE at **8:00 pm.**

Highlights of the Liturgy:

Finally, the Resurrection of the Lord is celebrated as the high point of the liturgical year and the pattern for Sunday Mass throughout the year. The Renewal of our Baptismal Promises on Easter reminds us that in dying with Christ through Baptism, so also do we share in His Resurrection.

- The color of this celebration is white.
- The Solemn Beginning of the Vigil
 1. The Blessing of the Fire and Preparation of the Candle (we will invite you to prepare the candle, instructions to come).
 2. The Easter Proclamation (Exsultet)
- The Liturgy of the Word
 1. Listen to the stories of God's plan of salvation.
 2. We sing the Gloria while the church bells ring.
 3. We sing the Alleluia for the first time since Lent began.
- Baptismal Liturgy: Renewal of Baptismal Promises.
- The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Experiencing this liturgy:

On this the greatest night of all, we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord, which is symbolized by the new fire from which we light the Easter Candle. Every time we light this candle in

church during the year it reminds us of the promise of eternal life, of the certainty of God's victory, of our hope.

The Easter Proclamation, called the Exultet, begins with "Exult, let them exult!" and then continues to trace God's saving action throughout history. The name Exsultet comes from the first word of the prayer: Exult! As a Christian people we do exult, for Christ is risen from the dead and light banishes all traces of darkness.

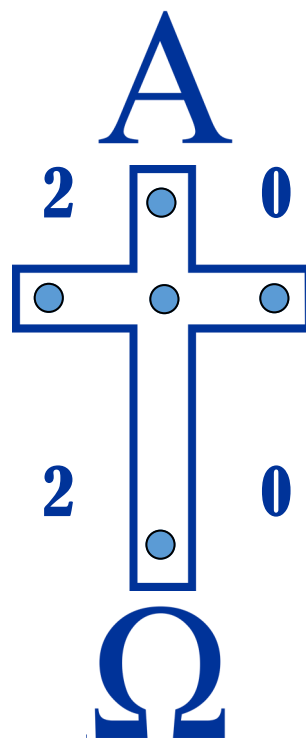
The Easter Vigil liturgy is rich with symbol and ritual, and the Scripture readings connect us to our ancestors in faith, living the very same hope that we live today. The Genesis reading highlights God's incredible work of creation, and reminds us that creation and recreation continue today. Abraham's sacrifice recalls God's promises and abundant blessings for God's people, just as the reading from Exodus in which the Israelites cross the Red Sea prefigures Christ's own resurrection. Readings from the prophets follow, those great heralds of God's message throughout the ages. The Epistle from Paul to the Romans reinforces our baptismal identity and relationship with Jesus Christ who died and rose.

This Liturgy extends into our Sunday liturgies celebrating Easter. We invite you to **Make Your Own Paschal Candle** at home that you can then use during the liturgy when we light the Easter Candle, this way throughout the year you will have at home a candle blessed on this the holiest of nights, that you can light to be reminded of God's victory and the promise of Resurrection.

- Begin by finding a candle, preferably a white pillar candle, or glass jar candle, but if those aren't available, you can make whatever candle you have on hand work.
- Talk about the significance of the Easter Candle with your family.
- Using acrylic paint (or alternately cutting out and taping on the symbols):
 - Paint a large Cross on the middle of your candle, leaving some space above and below.
 - Paint the letter "A" which stands for the word *Alpha*, above the cross
 - Paint the symbol for the word *Omega*, "Ω" below the cross.
 - Paint the number "2" in the upper left quadrant of the cross, the "0" in the upper right quadrant, the "2" in the bottom left, and the "0" in the bottom right quadrant.
 - Father Daniel will insert five grains of incense into the candle at church. These signify the five wounds of Christ. If using a candle in a glass, you can paint on the five marks, or if using a pillar candle, you could insert a dried clove in each place, or use thumbtacks. The marks should go at the top of the Cross, at the middle of the Cross, at the bottom of the Cross, on the left side of the Cross, on the right side of the Cross.

Blessing:

As Father Daniel blesses the Easter Candle during the Easter Vigil, you can touch the corresponding parts of your own candle (*if doing outside of the Liturgy, read each line and touch the corresponding part of the candle*)



"Christ yesterday and today

(touch the vertical bar of the cross)

the Beginning and the End

(touch the horizontal bar of the cross)

the Alpha

(touch the A, above the cross)

And the Omega

(touch the Ω, below the cross)

All time belongs to him

(touch the 2)

and all the ages (touch the 0)

To him be glory and power

(touch the 2)

through every age and

for ever.

Amen." (touch the 0)

"By his holy

(touch the mark at the top of the Cross)

and glorious wounds,

(touch the mark middle of the Cross)

may Christ the Lord

(touch the mark bottom of the Cross)

guard us

(touch the mark on the left side of the Cross)

and protect us. Amen"

(touch the mark the right side of the Cross)

The blessing is concluded with: May the light of Christ rising in glory dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds. Amen.

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of Our Lord (April 12)

Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43 / 1 Cor 5:6b-8 / John 20:1-9

We will gather online for Mass at 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 12:30 pm.