April 14, 2019
PALM SUNDAY
“Empowered by the Spirit of God we celebrate Jesus’ presence in Prayer, Liturgy, Sacrament and Service”
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May all our deceased Parishioners rest in the loving arms of Christ.

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick and suffering that they may know the embrace of Christ’s healing love.

Chuck Becker, Karin Craig, Peter Fulchiron, Mandy Gallegos, Mary Louise Henderson, Andy Herr, David Lovett, Rob Lowe, Jesse Mendoza, Allison Morris, Bob Riley, Richard Thomas, Carlota Tovar, Renee Trechter, Jay Wayne

Please call the Rectory to place someone on the Prayer List.
Mass Times
Monday—Friday 9:00 am
Saturday 9:00am
5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)
7pm Spanish Vigil Mass
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 pm Spanish Mass
Eucharistic Adoration
Every Friday
9:30am-5:00 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday3:00pm-4:00pm
Rosary
Monday—Thursday after
9am Mass and 5:30pm
Friday after 9am Mass and at 5pm
Sunday at 3:00pm
Baptisms
Please contact the Rectory-
Catechesis Required
Pre–Baptismal Classes in English are held
the second Saturday of each month at 10am.
Pre–Baptismal classes in Spanish are held
on the third Thursday of each month at 6pm.
Please call the rectory office to schedule
your class.

Marriages
Please contact the Rectory at least
6 months in advance

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SPLENDORS OF EASTERN EUROPE PILGRIMAGE
Including the Passion Play at Oberammergau
Hosted by Fr. Brian and Father McCain
Prague—Budapest—Vienna—Oberammergau—
Munich
11 Days—September 7—17, 2020
$4,149 from San Francisco
See the flyers available in the vestibules
for more details.

TODAY’S READINGS
Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus’ en-
First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not
disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).
Psalm — My God, my God, why have you aban-
don me? (Psalm 22).
Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and
God filled this emptiness with exaltation
(Philippians 2:6-11).
Gospel — The account of Christ’s passion accord-
THIS WEEK IN CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Monday, 4/15: Middle School classes meet from 7-8:30 in the convent.
Thursday, 4/18: There are no classes on Holy Thursday. OLL Youth Ministry will be attending the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm in the church and all teens and their families are encouraged to attend.

From Grades 1-6 Religious Education
We hope you all had a great Spring Break, Classes resume April 15 & 16.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR RCIA CANDIDATES.

Lord, we pray for those who journey to You. Strengthen their faith. Open their hearts to the fullness of Your love. Deepen their understanding. Set their hearts afire for the Kingdom. We ask this through Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all.

Mark your calendars for OLL’s 15th Annual Youth Ministry Golf Tournament at Indian Valley Golf Club on Thursday, June 20th. A Parish Dinner and Silent Auction will follow in the church hall. Hoping OLL parishioners will support this important fund raiser by being a sponsor, playing a round of golf, purchasing a raffle ticket, and/or attending the parish dinner. With your continued generous support, we will provide much needed funds for Youth Ministry and the teens and young adults of our parish.

Thank you! 15th Annual Golf Committee

ARCHDIOCESEAN ANNUAL APPEAL
RECEIVED TO DATE: $131,763
IF YOU HAVE NOT YET DONATED, PLEASE CONSIDER A CONTRIBUTION TO HELP US MEET OUR PARISH GOAL OF $130,000.

YOU MAY DONATE ONLINE AT WWW.OLLNOVATO.ORG OR VIA THE BROCHURES AVAILABLE IN CHURCH
ALL DONATIONS ARE APPRECIATED!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

A Chrism Mass is celebrated in every cathedral in the world in preparation for the Easter Triduum. Only a bishop can consecrate chrism, pure olive oil infused with rich fragrance, so this liturgy is a sign of the unity of the local Church and the bishop’s ministry to all who will be baptized and confirmed in our parishes in the coming year. Chrism is also used in the ordination of priests and bishops and the consecration of new altars. Two other sacramental oils, the unscented olive oil for catechumens and for the sick, will be blessed in the same liturgy and transported carefully to every parish by the beginning of the Triduum.

Remember when Noah’s dove returned with the sign of the world’s rebirth? The dove carried an olive branch, a pledge that God was breathing the world to life again. Yet olives require human nurture. Olives are inedible unless they are cured by human labor. Olive trees grow on sunny slopes, away from the shade of city walls, so they can only be properly tended, cured, and laboriously pressed in peace time. The Chrism Mass with its olive oils expresses God’s deepest desires for us, and our resolve to place our lives in service to God’s saving, healing, loving plan.

LILLIES NEEDED FOR EASTER!!!

PLEASE DROP OFF EASTER LILLIES OR CALLA LILLIES ANYTIME BETWEEN THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH AND SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 20TH.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL ALTAR TO CELEBRATE THE EASTER SEASON
Dear Friends,

Paschal Triduum means “Three Days.” For our Jewish brothers and sisters, Passover celebrates the great event when God delivered the people of Israel from slavery. The followers of Jesus proclaim that in the life, Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus, God has freed and saved us.

When Lent ends, we stand at the heart of the liturgical year. On the night of Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday we keep the Easter Vigil. We gather to light a great fire and a towering candle, to listen to our most treasured scriptures, to sing psalms and other songs. Then we gather around the waters of the font as those who have been preparing for a new life in Christ receive the sacraments of initiation. Our newly baptized are anointed with fragrant oil called chrism, and, at last, our newly baptized, who are now called Neophytes, celebrate the Eucharist with the entire Our Lady of Loretto Community.

We prepare for this Vigil by celebrating the institution of the Holy Eucharist on Holy Thursday and by commemorating the Lord’s Passion by venerating the cross on Good Friday. We also prepare by keeping the Paschal fast, the special fast of Good Friday and Holy Saturday. The Church fasts – from food, from entertainment, from chatter, from work – so we have time to ponder deeply the death and Resurrection of the Lord, the mystery of faith that we will celebrate in our Vigil.

Happy Easter!

Father Brian

Upcoming Important Events

Tuesday, April 16th: 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm Parish Confessions
Thursday, April 18th: 7 pm Bilingual Holy Thursday Mass. Adoration in parish hall until 10pm
Friday, April 19th (Good Friday):
  12 Noon: School Passion Play
  1 pm: Choir Concert
  2 pm: Veneration of the Cross with Communion
  5 pm: Spanish - Living Stations - Hall
  7 pm: Spanish Veneration of the Cross with Communion
After the 2 pm and 7 pm Services, a collection will be taken up for the Holy Land.

Saturday, April 20th (Easter Vigil) 8 pm Bilingual
Sunday, April 21st (Easter Sunday) 8 am, 10 am, and 12 Noon in Spanish
Sunday, April 28th (Divine Mercy Sunday): 2nd Collection for Catholic Home Missions
Palm Sunday might be one of the moments of the year when that peculiar lingering bittersweetness of the Gospel is strongest, perhaps along with the feast of the Holy Innocents.

All of the Easter period is a long bittersweet moment. We march—as Jesus did—towards both the searing pain of the Passion and the glory of the Resurrection. We fast and deprive ourselves, but for joy.

Here is the entrance of Christ, the King of Kings, into Jerusalem. On a donkey, according to Scripture and befitting a King of humility. Jesus is surrounded by joy, but He—and we—know that He is headed for the Cross, and the ones bearing the palms, cheering him, are the ones who, a week later, will shout for him to be crucified. We bear the palms, and we shout “Crucify Him!”

Jesus, sitting on this donkey, surrounded by mirth and joy, and what must have been the sadness and even distress in his heart, as he rode up to that city, that city He loved among all cities, and where He would spend His last week—even His disciples around Him, overjoyed and oblivious.

Indeed, all of us crucified our Lord and God. We are the Jerusalemites, who cheer Him one day, and crucify Him the next.

Palm Sunday is a bittersweet day indeed, but it is the first step on the path to freedom, the path of Holy Week.

Now what is left is to meditate, contemplate, and repent—that is to say, to turn around.

LA HISTORIA DE NUESTRA REDENCIÓN

Empezamos la última semana de Cuaresma con estas lecturas ya conocidas. Este año, el Domingo de Ramos escuchamos la narración de la Pasión tomada del Evangelio de Lucas. Estas lecturas para el Domingo de Ramos y la Pasión solían leerse los domingos sucesivos. Ahora están combinadas en una sola celebración, para que así podamos ver toda la extensión de la gloria y el sufrimiento llevado a cabo. Jesús acepta la adulación de la gente, el anuncio de su gloria en la Resurrección. Él se despide de sus discípulos en su última pascua; y perdona a sus verdugos cuando muere en la cruz. Más adelante esta semana, entramos al Triduo Pascual de Jueves Santo, Viernes Santo y Sábado Santo, cuando toda la historia de nuestra redención se haga realidad.

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Toda mi teología se reduce a este estrecho compás: “Jesucristo vino al mundo para salvar a los pecadores”.

—Archibald Alexander
Queridos amigos,

El Triduo Pascual significa "tres días". Para nuestros hermanos y hermanas judíos, la Pascua celebra el gran evento cuando Dios liberó a la gente de Israel de la esclavitud. Los seguidores de Jesús proclaman que en la vida, Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de Jesús, Dios nos ha liberado y nos ha salvado.

Cuando termina la Cuaresma, nos encontramos en el corazón del año litúrgico. En la noche del Sábado Santo y el Domingo de Pascua guardamos la Vigilia Pascual. Nos reunimos para encender un gran fuego y una vela imponente, para escuchar nuestras escrituras más preciadas, para cantar salmos y otras canciones. Luego, nos reunimos alrededor de las aguas de la fuente mientras los que se han estado preparando para una nueva vida en Cristo reciben los sacramentos de la iniciación. Nuestros recién bautizados están ungidos con un aceite fragante llamado crisma y, por fin, nuestros recién bautizados, que ahora se llaman neófitos, celebran la Eucaristía con toda la comunidad de Nuestra Señora de Loretto.

Nos preparamos para esta Vigilia celebrando la institución de la Sagrada Eucaristía el Jueves Santo y conmemorando la Pasión del Señor venerando la cruz el Viernes Santo. También nos preparamos manteniendo el ayuno pascual, el ayuno especial de Viernes Santo y Sábado Santo. La Iglesia ayuna, desde la comida, el entretenimiento, la charla, desde el trabajo, por lo que tenemos tiempo para reflexionar profundamente sobre la muerte y la resurrección del Señor, el misterio de la fe que celebraremos en nuestra Vigilia.

¡Felices Pascuas!

Padre Brian

COMPARTIMOS LA MISIÓN DE CRISTO

¡No nos equivoquemos! La misericordia y el perdón de Jesús lo guío a la cruz y nosotros quienes lo seguimos seguramente experimentaremos una prueba y no seremos comprendidos en nuestra decisión de vivir como discípulos. Seremos llamados para tomar decisiones difíciles acerca de la forma en que vivimos nuestras vidas, servimos a nuestro prójimo, a lo que dedicamos nuestro tiempo y dinero, mostramos paciencia, apoyamos a los pobres y más abandonados. Los amigos pueden darnos la espalda, familiares pueden cuestionar nuestro compromiso con Cristo sobre todas las cosas. Jesús permaneció centrado en la voluntad de Dios. Y también nosotros debemos hacerlo. Jesús dio sin considerar lo que costaba, y también lo debemos hacer nosotros. En Cristo, nosotros también tenemos una misión de amor. Nosotros, también, somos llamados a permanecer enfocados en la voluntad de Dios. En esto, anunciamos el reino de Dios y aseguramos nuestro lugar en el cuándo Cristo regrese en su gloria. En esta Semana Santa, reflexionemos profundamente en el misterio del amor de Dios por nosotros en Cristo y renovemos nuestro compromiso como discípulos cristianos en el mundo.