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THE NEWS-BULLETIN FOR THE TRIPARISHES OF ST. JOSEPH, IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI



Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021

St. Joseph
 76950 Gum Street
 Grosse Tete, LA 70740
Holy Mass:
 Sunday: 9:00am

Immaculate Heart of Mary
 11140 Highway 77
 Maringouin, LA 70757
Holy Mass:
 Saturday: 4:00pm
 Tuesday — Friday: 8:30am

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
 3523 LA. Highway 78
 Livonia, LA 70755-0128
Holy Mass:
 Sunday: 11:00am

St. Catherine of Siena Mission
 4324 Railroad Avenue
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8:30am—3:30pm

The Mass Readings for The Week of March 28, 2021

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
 Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
 Thursday: **Chrism Mass:**
 Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
 Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
 Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
 b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
 c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
 d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
 e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
 f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
 g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
 h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
 Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

Devotional Life in The TriParishes

MON	Post-Mass	Prayer for the Gifts of The Holy Spirit
TUE	Post-Mass	Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
TUE	9:00am	The Holy Rosary—Home of Ruby Hafford
TUE	4:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group—at St. Joseph Parish Hall
WED	Post-Mass	Devotion to St. Joseph
WED	6:00pm	The Holy Rosary at St. Catherine
THU	Post-Mass	Litany of Jesus Christ, Priest and Victim / Vocations
FRI	Post-Mass	Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Sanctuary Lamp Burns for these Intentions the Week of March 28, 2021

Immaculate Heart of Mary: in loving memory of Morris Bellelo
St. Joseph: in loving memory of Florence Chauffe
St. Frances: in loving memory of Cynthia Ann Talbot
St. Catherine: in loving memory of Rufus Smith

In Memoriam

Cynthia Ann Talbot died March 15, 2021 and was interred at St. Frances Cabrini Cemetery.

Morris Bellelo died March 21, 2021 and was interred at Immaculate Heart of Mary Cemetery.

*Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord,
 And Let the Perpetual Light Shine upon them.*

Thoughts along the way

Fr. Christopher Decker

Dear friends in Christ,

Last year at this time, we were hunkered in our homes marking a very different kind of Palm Sunday. I was still getting into the swing of offering the Mass via live streaming as you were no doubt all the ins and outs of “attending” Mass in your home. There can be no doubt that where we are today is more hopeful than the year that was 2020. This is not always easy to see, because time seems to be moving so slowly from phase to phase in Louisiana's COVID response. Time can seem to move very slowly when we are in a place of uncertainty.

As we make our way through Passiontide and into Holy Week, I can't help but wonder about what must have been going through the mind of Our Lord in regards to the passage of time. While things seem to move quickly for us reading from chapter to chapter, Jesus experienced each moment in His passion with the same eagerness and trepidation that you and I feel when we encounter difficult moments in our lives; eagerness because we want it to be complete and trepidation because we don't necessarily know what is coming next nor how we will respond to future events. For Jesus, I would imagine that time passed very slowly in those tense moments before Pilate, Ciaphas, and Herod. How quickly 20 years must have seemed to pass from the time He first went to Jerusalem with Joseph and Mary to be presented in the temple. How agonizingly slow must have been His walking the gruesome way of the cross. And yet, Jesus is present for it all and we are given the ability to live it along with Him.

In reading the account of His Passion at Mass on Palm Sunday and Good Friday, we are given a way to press forward through our own moments of suffering. Rather than a re-enactment, we are called to truly place ourselves alongside Jesus in this Holiest of Weeks. In doing so, he promises to help us bear our crosses in this life and give meaning to the moments when we feel alone, betrayed, and hurt. Just as the Passion of Jesus doesn't end in death, but rather signals the promise of Resurrection, so too our experience of a slow-moving clock in times of difficulty doesn't end on the cross. In Christ we are promised a resurrection to come as well. May the patient heart of Our Lord beat in our own chests, that we may learn to keep time with Him.

I wish you a blessed Holy Week and a fruitful Triduum!

Pax,

Fr. Decker





1st Eucharist

St. Frances Cabrini

Practice on Tuesday, April 13th at St. Frances Church from 5:00pm—6:00pm

1st Eucharist on Tuesday, April 20th, starting at 6:00pm at St. Frances Church

St. Joseph/Immaculate Heart of Mary

Practice on Wednesday, April 14th, at St. Joseph Church from 5:00pm—6:00pm

1st Eucharist on Wednesday, April 21st, starting at 6:00pm at St. Joseph Church.

Due to COVID this is not open to the public.

Holy Week & Easter Schedule



Sign up for Adoration for Holy Thursday at St. Frances Church

If you would like to sign up for an hour of Adoration on Holy Thursday, April 1st, from 8:00pm—6:00am please call Peggy at the Parish Office.

Practice for Easter Vigil at St. Frances Church Friday, April 2, 2021 at 6:00pm

Holy Week all at St. Frances

Holy Thursday, April 1st - 7:00pm

Adoration on Thursday from 8:00pm till 6am

Good Friday, April 2nd - 2:00pm Way of the Cross

3:00pm Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April 3rd - 8:30pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 4th

9:00am Mass at St. Joseph & St. Frances

11:00am Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary & St. Frances

Your Stewardship for March 21, 2021

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Offertory Collection	\$1,536.00
Online Giving	\$25.00

St. Joseph

Offertory Collection	\$1,793.00
Online Giving	\$645.00

St. Frances

Offertory Collection	\$2,467.00
Online Giving	\$375.00



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March 28, 2021

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In Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage, the viewer is brought deeper into the story, landscape, and reality of Holy Week. It draws those with open hearts and minds toward a deeper understanding of Christ's victory while offering rich meditations for the pilgrimage of daily life.



FORMED NOW! HOLY SATURDAY— JESUS' DESCENT INTO HELL

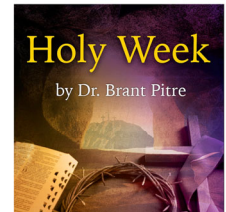
What do we mean when we profess that Jesus descended into Hell? Join Drs. Tim Gray and Michael Barber as they discuss this mysterious event of Holy Saturday.

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HOLY WEEK BY DR. BRANT PITRE

Join Dr. Brant Pitre, author and Scripture scholar, as he walks us through the events of Holy Week. Pitre's insights and clarity allow the listener to enter into a deeper appreciation of the most important events of Christ's earthly ministry.



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Reconciliation (confession) is celebrated at Immaculate Heart of Mary on Saturday from 3:00—3:45pm. If you'd like to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation outside the scheduled time, please call the office to arrange a time with the priest.

Marriage Couples are asked to contact the priest at least six months before the desired date.

Baptism Celebrated on the 3rd weekend of each month. A Baptismal Seminar is required before a baptism can be properly scheduled. Please contact the parish office during early months of pregnancy.

Pastoral Care of the Sick Please call the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick.