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NOTES FOR HOLY WEEK

CHRISM MASS

- The Chrism Mass is the primary celebration, during the year, of the Archbishop with the presbyterium. There will be a Penitential Service for priests on Tuesday, April 7th at 3:30 p.m. The service will be followed by a reception and a supper in honour of the priests celebrating a Jubilee year in 2020.
- Every parish is asked to assign two persons (or a family) to receive the Holy Oils from the Archbishop at the end of the Mass.

GENERAL NORMS

- A marriage celebration is not to be performed during Holy Week and the Easter Triduum.
- A funeral Mass is not celebrated from Holy Thursday morning through Easter Sunday inclusively.
- Holy Communion may be distributed to the sick on Holy Thursday and Good Friday. On Holy Saturday, viaticum only may be given.

HOLY THURSDAY

- On Holy Thursday, the Eucharist is celebrated with a congregation.
- There should be only one Mass celebrated on Holy Thursday.
- The period of Adoration on Holy Thursday should conclude before midnight.

GOOD FRIDAY

- The faithful should be reminded that Good Friday is a day of fast for persons between the ages of 18 and 59. Abstinence on this day is to be observed for those who are 14 years of age or older.
- The collection to be taken up on Good Friday is for the Holy Land.

HOLY SATURDAY

- The Easter Vigil begins after nightfall (not before 8:00 p.m.).