



# Church Bulletin for Palm Sunday 2021



***Church of the  
Annunciation***  
**Ludlow, VT**

***Holy Name Of Mary***  
**Proctorsville, VT**



**Father Thomas Mosher, Pastor**

## **Lord's Day Mass Schedule**

Saturday ..... 4:30 P.M.  
Sunday ..... 8:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.

**Holy Days and Daily Masses:** As scheduled in the bulletin

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 3:45 to 4:15 P.M.  
Tuesday 6:00 to 7:00 P.M.

**Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage:** By appointment  
**Sacrament of the Sick:** Please call the Parish Priest at 802-228-3451

**New Parishioners: Welcome! *Please pick up the registration forms at the Church entry ways, fill in your information and mail to the Parish office.***

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
8:00 am—Noon

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### ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:30 PM	<b>March 27</b> <b>Pro Populo</b>
<b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 8:00AM	<b>March 28</b> <b>James Ghia</b>
<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>Herve Racicot</b> <i>By the Schmidt family</i>
<b>MONDAY</b> 8:00AM	<b>March 29</b> <b>Fran Milo</b> <i>By her friends</i>
<b>TUESDAY</b> NO MASS	<b>March 30</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> NO MASS	<b>March 31</b>
<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b> 7:00PM	<b>April 1</b> <b>For Priestly Vocations</b>
<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> 3:00PM	<b>April 2</b>
<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> 8:00PM	<b>April 3</b> <b>Pro Populo</b>
<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 8:00AM	<b>April 4</b> <b>Howard Barton, Jr.</b>
<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>Peter Mercier</b>

### A NOTE OF THANKS

Heartfelt thanks are extended to Nancy Joyce and Annette Doucette for the time and effort they put into our Irish Bake Sale. We raised \$820! Thanks are also extended to all the bakers who supplied the wonderful Irish soda bread, scones, and more.



**DUE TO EARLY SUBMISSION OF THE BULLETIN,  
PARISH SUPPORT WILL BE PRINTED NEXT WEEK.**



**Please pray for our Sick Members (Note: If you are wanting a name added or removed from the sick list, please let the Parish Office know via email or phone).**

Robert Martin, Jack Miller, Mike Ahern, Mary Pat Mulholland, Daniel Adler, Bill Rodd, Rita Higgins, Jeannie Findling, Mike Mineo.

### **Please remember our Faithful Departed**

Charlene Kolenda, Patricia Kirkbride, Michael Pember, Frank Romano, John Montgomery, Patricia O'Connell, Robert Kirkbride, Ellen Parrish, Seamus Armstrong, John O'Neil, Daniel Sullivan, Elizabeth McPartland, Emily Chambers, Keith Miile, Colleen Fitzgerald, Maurice Doucette, Tim Reilly, Fran Milo

### **Lectors**

**This weekend:** J. McLaughlin, A. Cherico, D. Dunseith

**Holy Thursday:** I. Montgomery

**Good Friday:** D. Simmons

**Holy Saturday:** I. Montgomery, D. Simmons, D. Dunseith

**Easter Sunday:** A. Cherico, B. Martin

### **Ushers**

**This weekend:** D. Sheehan, J. Nicoll, T. Gurdak-Carter

**Next weekend:** D. Sheehan, J. Nicoll, T. Gurdak-Carter

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

**This weekend:** C. Hudgings, M. Barton, S. Bixby

**Holy Saturday:** S. Bixby

**Easter Sunday:** M. Barton, C. Hudgings

### OUR SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK AND THE SACRED TRIDUUM

#### **Holy Thursday, April 1:**

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration until 9:00 p.m.

**Good Friday, April 2:** 3:00 p.m. Passion Service

**Holy Saturday, April 3:** 8:00 p.m. The Solemn Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday, April 4:** 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Easter Mass

### HOW TO PUT OUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL :

After providing for your families and loved ones, parishioners may want to include the Parish in your wills, thus helping to assure the long-term future of the Parish and the work that must continue in generations to come. Bequests are free of estate tax and can substantially reduce the amount of your assets claimed by the government. You can give needed support to either of our Parishes by simply including the following words in your will: "I give, devise and bequeath to Church of the Annunciation Parish Charitable Trust in Ludlow, Vermont... or... Holy Name of Mary Parish Charitable Trust in Proctorsville, Vermont (insert amount being given here) to be used to support the ministry of the Parish".

A bequest can be a specific amount, a specific piece of property, a percentage of an estate, or all or part of the residue of an estate. You can also name the Parish as a contingency beneficiary in the event someone named in your will is no longer living. It is recommended that a lawyer help in drafting or amending a will.

The flowers that bedeck the church on Easter Sunday are wondrously welcome, after so many months of winter bleakness and Lenten abstinence. In ancient days, church decorations were made from whatever was available at the time of year, hence the holly and the ivy at Christmas. Now, however, we purchase plants and flowers that are greenhouse-grown, since we live in a part of the world where blossoms are seen at limited parts of the year. There are two plants that have traditionally been identified with Easter: the Easter Lily and the Dogwood. We live too far north for these to bloom at Easter, but there are places, even here in America, where these plants are in bloom in early April.



From Father's Desk

Legends surround these plants, curious in their telling, but interesting enough to look into. It is said that the Dogwood, which grows in the Holy Land, was tall and proud. Its trunk was as large around as an Oak tree, its wood hard and strong. Near the city of Jerusalem grew an especially lovely Dogwood. When Our Lord was to be crucified, the Roman soldiers looked at the tree and decided it would be just the right kind of wood for a cross, so they cut it and used it.

But the dogwood was very sad and ashamed to be put to such a terrible use. The legend continues that Jesus knew that the tree was unhappy and He felt sorry for it. He promised the dogwood that it would never again grow large enough to be used as a cross, and endowed it with a very special blossom which would be a sign to the world of the Lord's death. That is why the Dogwood's four white petals form the shape of a cross. And on the outer edge of each petal there is a dark red stain, a reminder of the Lord's blood, poured out at His death. In the center can be found a crown of thorns. This tree and its blossoms now serve as a reminder that Jesus was offered on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins.

The Easter Lily is said to grow in the Garden of Gethsemane. This pure white lily knew that it was beautiful, and proudly lifted its head to show off a bit. However, on the night before Our Lord was crucified, Jesus came into the quiet of the garden to pray. As He prayed and wept there, the flowers of the garden bowed their heads in pity and sorrow. And so, to honor Jesus and to show its sorrow, the lily has grown with a downward-turned blossom ever since that first Good Friday. We decorate with this particular lily after the solemnity of Good Friday, on Easter Sunday, as it reminds us of a trumpet proclaiming with joy the Lord's Resurrection.

We don't limit our decorations to these two blooms, but add others to bring some color and delight to the church which has waited so patiently since Christmas to herald the beauty and the joy of our Faith.



**Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven,

*(Here we bow for the next line.)*

... And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake, He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church, I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Prayer to Saint Michael**

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

**Prayer to St. Joseph**

Oh St. Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.

Oh St. Joseph do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that having engaged here below your Heavenly power I may offer my Thanksgiving and Homage to the most Loving of Fathers.

Oh St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me, and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath.



St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.