

Dear Parishioners,

As we celebrate Palm Sunday, I do so regretting more than usual that I must travel between churches between masses. I enjoy the special Masses very much, and have made a special effort to learn more about them since the mid 1980's. The masses of Palm Sunday can include a special procession from a gathering place outside the Church where a reading from the Gospel reminds us of Jesus' final procession into Jerusalem. St. Luke's "Pentecost Patio" is a wonderful place for such a gathering — but with the need to drive between churches I am forced to balance a patiently celebrated Mass, the options available for these special Masses, and making myself late for the masses that follow.

For the Easter Vigil, we will use all of the optional readings, and really enjoy the time! Please join us Holy Saturday, March 26th, at 9:00 pm.

Fr. Jim Dubrouillet

This Week in our Parish

- Sun., 20 9:00 AM Mass
- 10:00 AM Sr. High Youth Mtg.
- 6:00 PM CWO Mtg.
- Tue., 22 7:00 PM RCIA
- Thu., 24 7:00 PM Holy Thursday Mass
- Fri., 25 3:00 PM Good Friday Service
- Sat., 26 9:00 PM Holy Saturday Vigil Mass
at Holy Cross
- Sun., 27 9:00 AM Mass

Mass Intentions

- Thu., 24 7:00 PM Priest Intention
- Fri., 25 3:00 PM Priest Intention
- Sun., 27 9:00 AM Rev. Francis Travis

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners: B. Ahearn, G. Amorosia, Mr. & Mrs. A. Bazza, C. Carpenter, D. Clements, L. Currens, J. Dunn, I. Maziarz, J. Maziarz, P. Mitchell, B. Moll, R. Pavlick, J. Russell, J. Sewell, D. Sheridan, K. Tallyen, M. Tobon, A. Young
Friends and Relatives: D. Amorosia, K. Armstrong, B. Authement, Bolt Family, George Cohen, Jr., D. DeLise, S. DeLise, D. Doria, S. Drake, B. Elliott, M. Fernandez, J. Gniewek, Mr. & Mrs. E. Guderian, Jr., H. Hanahoe, A. Heredia, E. Kiesznoski, W. Kuell, D. Lovett, L. G. Marcengill, C. Maziarz, J. Merck, B. Metts, M. Nash, V. Navasnik, T. & M. Nicholson, C. O'Quinn, L. O'Quinn, L. Paradis, J. Pavlick, T. Quatrini, M. Reddy, J. Richeda, M. Rizzo, G. Roberts, C. Robinson, M. Sanchez, T. Shayne, P. Shoemaker, E. Swire, J. Taylor, S. Taylor, our homebound members, all current & former members of our military and those who have asked for our prayers.

Readings for the Week

- Sun Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Phil 2:8-9; Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49
- Mon Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
- Tue Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a; 5ab-6ab, 15, and 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- Wed Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
- Thu Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the 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
- Fri Is 52:13—53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Phil 2:8-9; Jn 18:1—19:42
- Sat Gn 1: 1-2: 2 or 1: 1,26-31a; Ps 104: 1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33: 4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22; Gn 22: 1-18 or 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16: 5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14: 15 - 15: 1; Ex 15: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54: 5-14; Ps 30: 2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Is 55: 1-11; Is 12: 2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3: 9-15, 32-4: 4; Ps 19: 8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36: 16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42: 3, 5; 43: 3, 4 or Is 12: 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rom 6: 3-11; Ps 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Lk 24: 1-12
- Sun 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

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday	7 PM	@ St. Luke
Good Friday	3 PM	@ St. Luke
Holy Saturday Vigil Mass	9 PM	@ Holy Cross

Blessing of Easter Food: The tradition of blessing Easter food on the morning of Holy Saturday comes from the days when the Easter Vigil was celebrated on Holy Saturday morning. We will keep the Church in silent prayer from Good Friday thru the Easter Vigil. We will reserve space on the Sanctuary steps for food to be blessed at the end of each Easter Mass, should you wish.

CWO Meeting: The next meeting of St. Luke's Catholic Women's Organization will be held on Sunday, March 20 at 6 PM. All ladies of the parish age 18 years and older are welcome.

Respect Life: Let us treat others with the same passion and compassion with which we want to be treated. ...if we want life, let us give life... The Golden Rule also reminds us of our responsibility to protect and defend human life at every stage of its development. *Pope Francis, Visit to the Joint Session of the United States Congress (9/24/15) © 2015 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission.*

Links: For additional information about the following please visit the church webpage under *Events*.

- SC Marriage Encounter Weekends April 1
- Knights of Columbus Event pictures visit KOC page
- Rachel's Vineyard retreats April 1, Rock Hill, SC
- St. Mary Magdalene Church Need vendors for Fair on 4/30.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Are we also like Peter and deny Christ over and over? Christ calls us to be all we can in our Marriage Sacrament. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends will be held on April 15-17 in Atlanta, GA or April 29-May 1 in Chapel Hill, NC. Visit www.wvme.org to apply.

Capital Campaign Report March 14, 2016

Cost to Date	\$1,174,692	From Growth/Dev	\$550,000
Balance Due	\$69,334	Donations & Int.	\$449,072
<u>Loan Interest (5 yr)</u>	<u>\$29,645</u>	<u>Pledges Expected</u>	<u>\$104,405</u>
Total Cost	\$1,273,671	Total Funding	\$1,103,477
	Funds Needed	\$170,194	

Stewardship Report

March 12-13, 2016

Weekly	\$4,771.50
YTD Collection.....	\$161,412.89
Surplus/ (Deficit).....	\$2,634.19

Thank you for your generosity!

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Holy Week

See March Schedule

March 27, 2016

9:00 AM	Lector: P. Elliott
	Servers: M. Kline
	K. Kline
	A. LiBrizzi
	Greeters: T. Buff
	G. Pittman
	D. Thurlow

Holy Cross Catholic Church
558 Hampton Ave Pickens, SC
Mass Schedule*

Saturday.....	5:00 PM
Sunday.....	11:15 AM
Monday.....	8:15 AM
Wednesday.....	12:15 PM
Friday.....	12:15 PM

**Check the website to confirm.*