

# FROM FATHER JOHN'S DESK



- ❖ Lent is almost complete. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. At each Mass, we'll hear the Passion Narrative from St. Matthew's Gospel. Palm Sunday and Good Friday are the only times in the Church's liturgy that we experience the full Scriptural drama of our Lord's betrayal, degradation and execution. His loving sacrifice, which he freely accepted, is the ground for the victory over sin. I urge you to read this passage from Matthew (26:14-27:66) in advance of next Saturday's / Sunday's Mass. As you do and as you listen at Mass next week, say to yourself: "All this Jesus willingly did because of his love for ME." Personalize the Passion because Jesus did...for YOU.
- ❖ Our Palm Sunday Masses at 5:00 p.m., Saturday, and 8:30 a.m., Sunday will be in the church. As you enter, take a palm to your place. The Liturgy begins at the rear of the church with an announcement of the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem and the palms are blessed as you hold them up. Then, the Gospel account of the Lord's entry will be proclaimed.
- ❖ The Palm Sunday procession for the 11:00 a.m. Mass will begin in the Stations Garden across the parking lot. People may gather either in the church where they'll receive a palm OR at the Stations Garden where palms will be available also. Those wishing to stay in the church are welcome to do so; an announcement will be made a few minutes before the procession for those who wish to join. The entry Liturgy and Blessing of Palms will be in the Stations Garden. The procession goes into the church. The palms of those who stayed in the church will be blessed as the procession goes up the aisle. (In case of poor weather, the 11:00 a.m. Mass will follow the same plan for the two previous Masses.)

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**Thank you** to all who donated support of the Catholic Relief Services Collection last weekend!

**Easter Flower Intentions** need to be in by Sunday, April 2.



## Daily Masses



<b>Saturday, April 1</b>	5:00 p.m.	<b>Maureen Jajczyk</b> by Terry & Randy Wirch
<b>Sunday, April 2</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Robert Watters</b> by Nancy & Carl Scholl
	11:00 a.m.	<b>For the Parish Family</b>
<b>Monday, April 3</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Novena</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 4</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Juanita Borghese</b> by Jim & Sue Franklin
<b>Wednesday, April 5</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Curt Straet</b> by Florence McAvey
<b>Thursday, April 6</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Jim Schockling</b> by Shirley Schockling
<b>Friday, April 7</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Kathy Coughlin</b> by Friends
<b>Saturday, April 8</b>	5:00 p.m.	<b>Doug Elzey</b> by Dick & Judi Matz
<b>Sunday, April 9</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Dick Krauss</b> by Mike Krauss
	11:00 a.m.	<b>For the Parish Family</b>

## Readings

<b>Monday</b>	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:1-11
<b>Tuesday</b>	Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
<b>Wednesday</b>	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
<b>Thursday</b>	Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
<b>Friday</b>	Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
<b>Saturday</b>	Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56
<b>Sunday</b>	Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66

## Hugs & Prayers

**Please remember in Prayer those of our Parish family & friends who at this time are hospitalized, ill, or recovering:**

Rosa Alonzo, Mary Ann Armstrong, Ann Arnett, Virginia Bauman, Julie Bettah, Mary Jo Borghese, The Brothers Family, Tom Bryan, Chris Burkhart, Catherine Courey, Kathy Daw, Dominic Elizondo, Giuseppe Fazio, Mayellen Fowler, Shirley Jo Fraley, Ben Garrison, Mary Getreu, Fr. Ronald Green, Cody Hettterscheidt, Tara Hettterscheidt, Bill & Agnes Hillis, Austin Hosfeld, Susan & Steve Howell, Jake Jajczyk, Mary Jones, Mary Kampf, Henry Kampf, Barb Kellenbarger, Evelyn Kelley, Tim Leddy, Lisa Leonard, Julie Litsinberger, Rita Martini, Dick Matz, Maria Mayes, Trisha Mentzer, Mary Jo McKinney, Maxine & Tom McLoughlin, Ralph Myers, Connie Neuherz, Renee Parlin, Fr. Reichert, Gene Schrader, Lucy Snyder, Joe Stewart, Virginia Theado, Howard Watters, Ken Watters, David Wilson, Jeanne West, Virginia Whittemore, and Jim, Cathy Williams & Family

## Recent Offerings

### MARCH 26

Sunday Offering—  
\$3,676.00

Catholic Relief Services —  
\$765.22

Easter Flowers —  
\$490.00

**God bless you  
for your continued  
support of  
St. Mary Catholic Church!**

# Announcements



**April 2:** Third Scrutiny  
**April 7:** 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. –  
 First Friday Eucharistic Adoration;  
 6:00 p.m. – Lenten Simple Supper;  
 7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross  
**April 12:** 12:00 p.m. – Healing Mass;  
 7:00 p.m. – Tenebrae Service  
 of Readings

### EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

**Holy Thursday, April 13 – Mass of  
 the Lord's Supper, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Good Friday, April 14 –  
 The Lord's Passion, 3:00 p.m.**  
**Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil),  
 April 15 – 9:00 p.m.**  
**Easter Sunday, April 16 –  
 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.**



**Eucharistic Adoration** will be this Friday, April 7, beginning at 9:00 a.m., concluding with Benediction at 12:00 noon. This is a good opportunity to spend time with Our Lord in preparation for Holy Week! A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule.

**Easter Choir Practice** continues every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Any questions, please contact Lisa Leonard at 614-738-9830.

**Help is needed to decorate the church for Easter!** If you are interested in helping, please join us on Saturday, April 15, at 1:00 p.m. Many hands make light work! If you have any questions, please call Adela Jarrell at 614-491-4515.

**Anyone who is interested** in donating cookies or serving for the reception following the Easter Vigil, April 15, please call the Parish Office at 614-497-1324. Thank you!

**Please pray for the soul** of Joseph Ramsey, whose funeral we celebrated last week. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may the perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**The Forever Young Club** will be meeting this Tuesday, April 4, at 1:00 p.m., in the Church for Stations of the Cross. All parishioners are welcome!

**Attention, Men's Group!** The Men's Group will be preparing the Lenten Simple Supper on Friday, April 7. Volunteers are needed! Contact Frank Trammer at 614-491-4504 for more information. The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 19, and the May meeting will be May 17, both at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Hall. Please note date changes. All men of the parish are welcome!

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**The St. Vincent de Paul Society** has a food basket in the vestibule for the Groveport Food Pantry. The **April** food item requested is spaghetti sauce.

**Thank you** to those who donated to the Meal for the Homeless last Thursday!

**Looking ahead:** The SVDP clothing/household/furniture truck will be here the weekend of April 29/30. The truck holds a lot, let's fill her up!



### Looking Ahead...

**May 5:**  
 After 8:30 a.m. Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, 9:00-12:00 p.m.

**May 8-11:**  
 7:00 p.m. Parish Mission:  
 "Why is Mary Important?"

**May 14:**  
 11:00 a.m. Mass – First Communion

**May 21:**  
 11:00 a.m. Mass – May Crowning  
 Blessed Virgin Mary

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	CANTORS
<b>Saturday, April 1st 5:00 p.m.</b>	Brian Ropchock, Frank Trammer, Blair Williams	Peggy Egbert, Sandy Trammer	David Wilson, Joanne Yarger, Theresa Chopp, Mary Mashburn, Pam Gerardi	Susan Howell
<b>Sunday, April 2nd 8:30 a.m.</b>	Branson Cline, Jonathan Maier, Sharon Merritt	Rosemarie Watters, Marita Surry	Irene Fagan, Mark Dorion, Pat Jenkins, Ken Koebel, Mary Slone	Dave Solack
<b>Sunday, April 2nd 11:00 a.m.</b>	Eli Nuakey, Matthew Hambrick, Sandro Nuakey	Mayellen Fowler, Joanne Myers	Nancy Scholl, Jan Gale, Cindy Kinch, Noreen Reeves, Bill Reeves	Mary Mashburn
<b>Saturday, April 8th 5:00 p.m.</b>	Brian Ropchock, Frank Trammer, Blair Williams	Joe Stewart, Sandy Trammer, Sandy Williams, David Wilson	Shawna Gentile, Peggy Egbert, Sandy Trammer, Sandy Williams, Michelle Schooley	Debra Smith
<b>Sunday, April 9th 8:30 a.m.</b>	Jazlyn Winski, Deven Winski, Marita Surry	Marita Surry, Travis Winski, Mark Dorion, Rosemarie Watters	Cindy Barker, Dan Barker, JoEllen Stebelton, Carolyn Veit, Christine Boucher	Dave Solack
<b>Sunday, April 9th 11:00 a.m.</b>	Macie Sporleder, Sandro Nuakey, Connie Brown, Easter Valentine	Patricia Raynak, Joanne Myers, Joe Stewart, Jim Raynak	John Kinch, Jean Bobst, Mary Mashburn, Dorothy Carter, Carl Scholl	Ron Janning