



Rev. Eric Asante, Administrator

SACRED HEART~ST. CATHERINE

of Sweden Parish



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Lords Day

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 10:00 AM

NOON (African)

Weekday

MON, TUES, WED & FRI 9:00 AM

Holy Days

See Bulletin

Blessed Sacrament

Adoration/First Friday

9:30am - 5:30pm

Confessions: Every

Saturday 3-3:30pm

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Food Pantry: 508-753-2555

Food Pantry Hours: Thursday

9:45am - 2:30pm and

Saturday 10am - 1pm

Prayer Shawls Ministry

call the rectory

Bingo: Every Friday 6:30-10pm
lower church hall

596 Cambridge Street Worcester, MA 01610

WEEK OF April 13 & 14, 2019

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND LITURGIES

Sat. April 13—Vigil: Palm Sunday
 4:00 PM - Parishoners of the parish

Sun. April 14 ~ Palm Sunday
 10:00 AM— Tom Menard — Dan Fullen
 11:00 AM *Recitation of the Rosary*

12:00PM *(African Mass)*
Mon. April 15 — Joanne Shea — family

Sat., April 20—Vigil: Easter Sunday
 4:00 PM - Robert Lukey — family

Sun., April 21 — Easter Sunday
 10:00 AM Parishoners of the parish
 11:00 AM *Recitation of the Rosary*

Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday is a strange day in our liturgical calendar. We begin by waving palms, but somewhere in the middle, we call for Jesus to be crucified. We celebrate today an equally paradoxical God, one who comes to save through suffering.

"I tell you, if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!" Jesus, who so often in the Gospels tries to hide his true identity, speaks thunderously to the Pharisees who would still the rejoicing crowd. At the Last Supper, Jesus confirms the Messianic promise to his disciples, saying "I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me." Yet, before the night is over, Jesus has been betrayed.

We hear the tragedy unfold in Luke's Passion narrative. Jesus is abused by the council of elders, denied by Peter, whipped by Roman soldiers, and condemned to death by Pilate. But what else do we see? Jesus heals someone who came to arrest him, forgives his torturers, promises a repentant man paradise, and - by his loving endurance - converts a centurion at the foot of the cross. Jesus is both Redeemer of the World and Suffering Servant. In taking on the mantle of Messiah, Jesus does not only receive our praise and our accolades, but he bears our burdens and sins and does so with the deepest love. He may go about our salvation in a paradoxical way, but he is dearer to our own suffering hearts for it. This week, we remember that no sorrow of our own is beyond the reach of the compassion of God.



(As of Monday)

Saint Vincent Hospital at Worcester Medical Center:
None Listed

We will not be calling UMass Memorial as they don't have a system to give us the information we need. If you or a loved one is in one of those hospitals please let us know so we can be sure to visit them and pray for them.

Please continue to pray for all of our service men & women who serve to protect us.



(Please arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass)

Thursday, April 18

Lector: Patricia Reardon
Altar Servers: Jacob Lorusso & Vanessa Sulminski
Ministers of Holy Communion: Sandra Kucharski, Kathy Hannon, Richard Flynn, Eileen Lohnes, Jean Dawson, Kerri Sulminski

Friday, April 19

Lector: Kathy Gibson
Commentator: Lisa Villa
Altar Servers: Noah Sulminski & Caroline Villa

Saturday, April 20

Lector: Kathy Hannon
Commentator: Michael Buffone
Altar Servers: Caroline Villa & Noah Sulminski

Sunday, April 21

Lector: Patricia Reardon
Altar Servers: Myranda Herschel & Jacob Lorusso
Ministers of Holy Communion: Jean Dawson, Richard Flynn, Rose Kempton, Ben Sulminski, Kerri Sulminski, Robert Yawlui

Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday

BINGO

April 19, 2019

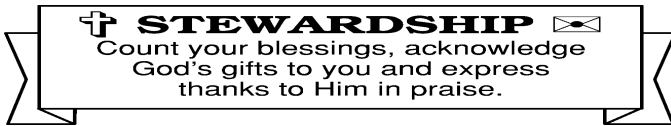
Team # 3— Alma Sheehan, Eileen Kaminski, Dave Dubey, Donald Ducharme, Tony Halpin, Elaine Halpin

The Every –Week Crew and Early Shift Workers

Theresa Courtney, John Harrington, Lisa Hickory, Emma Lusignan, Patricia Wassel, Joan Lorusso, Pat Markiewicz, Ed Corrigan, Carole Nourse, Jeannine Corrigan, Debra Diaz, Donald Ducharme, Fran Peperato, Debbie Plant, Ed Wall, Julie Carrigan, Paul Levesque, Donna Niles & Michael Burgraff

**Ladies Guild Kitchen Crew:
June Sulminski & Beverly Farrar**

**Paschal candle
Donated in memory of
Robert Luikey
By his family**



**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING
March 30 & 31, 2019**

Church in Latin America \$1.00, Easter Flowers \$397.00, Good Friday \$15.00, Easter Offering \$20.00, Weekend Offering \$2437.21

Did you forget your envelopes? Did you attend Mass somewhere else and forget to send in your missed envelope? You can sign up for online giving or use the app to never miss a stewardship giving. The app is called ConnectNow Giving or visit our website to sign up for online giving. Any questions please call the rectory.

Partners in Charity

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2019 Partners in Charity Appeal. Sacred Heart St. Catherine has raised \$16,868.00 towards our goal of \$28,700.00. To meet our goal we still need \$11832.00. If you have not made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located in the pews. Or visit www.partners-charity.net to do it online. No gift is too small, any donation is greatly appreciated.



Palm Sunday April 14

1pm Walking Stations of the Cross
Before & after Mass Ladies Guild bake sale

Tuesday April 16

6-7pm Confession available

Thursday April 18

No 9am morning Mass

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Eucharistic Adoration follows until 10pm

Friday April 19

No 9am morning Mass

3pm Stations of the Cross (no Benediction)
7pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Saturday April 20

NO CONFESSIONS HELD

No 4pm Mass

7:30pm Easter Vigil

Sunday April 21

10am Easter Morning Mass

Saturday & Sunday April 27 & 28

Divine Mercy Weekend

Stations of the Cross Procession

Gather at Sacred Heart/St. Catherine on Palm Sunday, April 14th at 1pm. Walk with Jesus through the neighborhood, pausing 14 times to commemorate the stops Jesus made on the road to Calvary. The procession ends at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 695 Southbridge St. Refreshments will be served in St. Matthew's parish hall. Enjoy this opportunity to witness our faith.

Catholic Relief Service Collection

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping Jesus in disguise. Your contributions make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

CRS RICE BOWLS

As we approach the joy of Easter please remember to return your Rice Bowls next weekend.