

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD MARCH 20, 2016

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

We begin the holiest week in the Church's calendar year on this Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. Of course, on Palm Sunday the gospel passages recount Jesus' final hours. This year, we hear from St. Luke's account. The suffering that Jesus underwent for our sake is horrendous. His suffering is even more tragic because He is entirely without sin. However, Jesus carried the cross as He went to His death in order to free us from sin. He asks us to follow in His way in order to experience a resurrection like His when our earthly days are over. He tells us to carry our crosses which means there is a certain amount of suffering in our lives and we still have to face death one day. He asks us to repent and believe in the gospel (especially during Lent) and that means to turn away from sin. The cross always leads from death to life.

I have been thinking a lot and praying even more for Christians who suffer persecution in our day. Some recent news stories are haunting in reporting on the plight of some Christians and others at the hands of terrorists. Kidnapping, rape, torture and gruesome murders are all part of the method of terror. Often, the reason people are singled out is because they are Christian or at least different from the radical terrorists. Jesus is with them as they suffer and He will bring them from their suffering to the Kingdom of Heaven. We have to pray for those who suffer for their faith.

Every one of us has to hold fast to our faith and ask for Jesus' help in the face of difficulty and challenges. We have to do our very best to resist temptation to turn away from God and commit sin. We thank Jesus for the sacraments, and especially the sacrament of Reconciliation, which is available for extended times on March 20th (Reconciliation Monday) 3pm to 9pm and other times during the week. Jesus helps us live our faith in Holy Week and at all times because of His saving love.

Sincerely in Christ,

Monsignor Giandurco

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CARDINAL

Dear friends in the Lord:

On Good Friday, a collection is taken up in all the parishes of the Catholic world for the support of the Church in the Holy Land.

Sometimes, it is identified as a collection that only supports the holy places. Actually, through the good works of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land and the Holy Father's Congregation for the Eastern Churches, support is given to all aspects of the life of the Church in that beleaguered part of the world. For example, the generous contributions to the Good Friday collection help to sustain Catholic primary and secondary schools in the Holy Land and the Catholic University in Bethlehem.

The Good Friday collection also helps to maintain the life of the local parishes, a network of clinics and healthcare facilities, and special projects for social development. The Christians of the Holy Land are now a small minority, and they are much in need of our assistance and support these days. Please be as generous as you can.

With prayerful best wishes for a blessed Easter season, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

Timothy Cardinal Dolan

**LENT 2016
CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

RECONCILIATION MONDAY
Monday, March 21st – 3:00pm to 9:00pm
(7:30pm – Penance Service)

Wednesday, March 23rd – 12:00 noon

Holy Saturday, March 26th – 3:00pm to 5:00pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
March 25, 2016
GOOD FRIDAY at 8:00pm

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

March 13th Collection – \$15,162.
Last Year's Collection - \$13,561.

EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 24 – HOLY THURSDAY

Tenebrae – 9:00AM – Church

(Tenebrae is Solemn, chanted prayers of the Church during the Lenten Triduum.)

7:30PM - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER – Church
(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the auditorium after Mass until Midnight)

Friday, March 25 – GOOD FRIDAY

Tenebrae – 9:00AM – CHURCH

3:00PM - THE PASSION OF THE LORD – Church
8:00PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS– Church

Saturday, March 26 – HOLY SATURDAY

Tenebrae – 9:00AM – Church

(CONFESSIONS – 3PM – 5PM)

EASTER VIGIL MASS AT 8:00PM

(The only Mass on this day)

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2016

CHURCH – 7AM, 8:30AM, 10AM, 11:30AM & 1PM

SCHOOL – 10AM, 11:30AM (& 1PM if needed)

NO 5:30PM MASS

(Monday, March 28 – 9am Mass only / No 7am Mass)

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, March 20 Palm Sunday

Monday, March 21

Religious Education CCD – Grade 6 – 4:30-6pm

Religious Education CCD – Grade 7 – 7 to 8:30pm

Reconciliation Monday- Confessions 3-9pm (Penance Service 7:30pm)

Tuesday, March 22

Religious Education– Grades 3-5 – 4:30pm in the school

Religious Education – Grade 8 – 7:00pm in the school

Wednesday, March 23

12 Noon - Confessions

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8pm in the cafeteria

Thursday, March 24 Holy Thursday

Tenebrae- 9am (Sung Morning Prayers)

Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:30pm Mass

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the auditorium after Mass until Midnight)

Friday, March 25 Good Friday

Tenebrae – 9am (Sung Morning Prayers)

The Passion of the Lord – 3pm

Stations of the Cross – 8pm

Saturday, March 26 Holy Saturday

Tenebrae – 9am (Sung Morning Prayers)

Confessions – 3pm to 5pm

Easter Vigil Mass– 8pm

Sunday, March 27 EASTER / See Schedule

Monday, March 28 / 9am Mass Only / No 7am or Novena

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 3, 2016

All are invited for a contemplative day of prayer on **Sunday April 3, 2016 beginning at 2:00pm in the Tagaste Monastery Chapel.**



2016 CARDINAL'S APPEAL WORKS OF CHARITY

The *Cardinal's Appeal* supports the many charitable services that touch lives in and beyond our archdiocese – from feeding the hungry and sheltering the homeless to strengthening families and protecting children and youth. We must answer God's call to serve our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate. Join in helping others during this *Year of Mercy* and make your pledge to the *Cardinal's Appeal* today. Thank you to all who have already made your commitment. **Your commitment will help us reach our parish goal of \$121,000.**

SACRED HEART CHURCH

\$10,000.00 RAFFLE

TICKETS \$100 EACH (1 IN 250 CHANCE TO WIN)

Available at the Rectory

Monday to Friday - 9am to 5pm

1ST PRIZE - \$10,000.00

2ND PRIZE - \$1,000.00

3RD PRIZE - \$500.00

Winning tickets will be drawn at 8:30pm in the school gymnasium on Friday, June 3, 2016 on the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT OUR PARISH

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

Please consider sponsoring a young man in our parish, Patrick Bednarski who is a long time Altar Server and Sacristan, in achieving his Eagle Scout Project. The service project will help benefit the Garden of Hope located at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center. In addition to providing fresh produce to local pantries, the garden is host to ongoing horticultural therapy, wellness and educational programming. Patrick and the scouts and their families will be building a storage shed and a raised garden bed. Both projects will cost approximately \$1,250. Please consider donating to this worthy project by sending donations to:

Troop 21

Patrick Bednarski's Eagle Project (In the Memo)

166 Wayne Ave.

Suffern, NY 10901

Patrick would be most grateful for your support!

CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE

GOOD COUNSEL HOMES

For Pregnancy emergencies call: 1-800-723-8331

www.goodcounselhomes.org

ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería.

Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 16 de abril, 2016 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.



We pray for all those serving in the **Armed Forces** and for those who are ill and have

asked us to pray for them: **Larry Adler, Keith Alanis, Daniel Albarelli, Frank Paul Allegretti, Jenna Applebaum, Harris Brownstein, Lisa Eckert Brownstein, Annette Burbridge, Frank Calfa, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Lorraine Cortez, Lilla DiBerardino, Teresa Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, Joan Donahue, Florence Downey, John Duffy, Nicholas Eckert, Peter Eckert, Jamie Erwin, Denise Ferrara, Stefanie Gaudelli, Tia Gardner, Arlene Gentile, Debra Gravina, John Grasso, Anne Hart, Frances Hunter, Sarah Hyman, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Susan Jarkiewicz, Mary Kierman, Anthony Kulik, Jay Leone, Elizabeth Lempka, Nick Liso, Laura Mack, Thomas Mathai, Barbara Mazza, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Chic Nappo, Betty O'Brien, Jennifer O'Hara, Fr. Jack Oldfield, Stacey Olayan, Tina Osika, Joseph Pasculli, Patricia Plotkin, Adolf Radeljic, Maura Reynolds, Etta Rooney, Mary Russo, Virginia Ryan, Daniel Sammarone, Nicholas Salzman, Susan Saladino, Erica Scully, Frank Schwarz, Ruth Schwetz, Claudia Spano, Claudia Spallanzani, Maureen Starke, James P. Toner, Phyllis Varacalli, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Carol Van Vandt, Kenneth Vanadio, and Millie Vazquez.**

Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, friends, benefactors, relatives, priests, religious and especially **Helen Tyrrell.**



ALTAR MEMORIALS

FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 20, 2016

Altar Wines In Memory of
ANTHONY GRAFF

Altar Breads In Memory of
JEANNE BUKOWSKI

Altar Candles In Memory of
JOHN BUKOWSKI II

Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of
BEATRICE SWEENEY



BOOSTER CLUB WINNER

WEEK 4- MARIO SCAGLIONE

Sacred Heart 0423



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, MARCH 19 PALM

9:00am – McCourt, Bugdin & Cumming Families

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASSES FOR SUNDAY

6:00pm – Anthony & Josephine Scarr

SUNDAY, MARCH 20 PALM SUNDAY

7:00am –Caterina Varano

8:30am – Parish Memorial Society

10:00am – Charles J. Lynch

11:30am – Andrew Statham

1:00pm –Joan Cummings

5:30pm –All Parishioners

MONDAY, MARCH 21

7:00am –Edward Bolton

9:00am – Glen Pape

7:30pm – **Penance Service**

TUESDAY, MARCH 22

7:00am – Dianne Messina

9:00am – Teresa Schmitt

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

7:00am –Thomas Howard

9:00am – Daniel Greeley & Andrew Statham

THURSDAY, MARCH 24 HOLY THURSDAY

9:00am – **Tenebrae (Sung Morning Prayer)**

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7:30pm – **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

FRIDAY, MARCH 25 GOOD FRIDAY

9:00am – **Tenebrae (Sung Morning Prayer)**

3:00pm – **THE LORD'S PASSION**

8:00pm – **Stations of the Cross**

SATURDAY, MARCH 26 HOLY SATURDAY

9:00am – **Tenebrae (Sung Morning Prayer)**

SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL MASS – 8:00PM
(The only Mass on this day)

EASTER SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 27

All Intentions for Easter Sunday
Masses are for

The Parishioners of Sacred Heart
(Living and Deceased)

CHURCH – 7AM, 8:30AM, 10AM, 11:30AM & 1PM

SCHOOL – 10AM, 11:30AM (&1PM If Needed)

NO 5:30PM MASS ON EASTER

Monday, March 28 9AM Mass Only

No 7:00am / No Novena