



HOLY WEEK 2021

It will be a blessing to gather for the observance of Holy Week, something that we were not able to do last year. There are still protocols in place that will change how these Sacred Days will be celebrated. The Diocese of Metuchen has sent us guidance on how to observe these sacred days this year. Most of the Masses and services will be considerably shorter this year. We will continue to observe social distancing, and all attending must wear masks. We ask all who will be attending in person to sign up using the link provided on our website (www.borromeo.org)

PALM SUNDAY MARCH 28 Mass will be celebrated at the usual times: 5:00PM (Saturday—[live-streamed](#)) 8:30, 10:00 and 11:00 AM. This year there will be no procession of the congregation into the church and palms will be distributed as you leave. As is permitted by the Church, the only reading in the Liturgy of the Word will be the Passion of Jesus according to Mark.

MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY of Holy Week (March 29-31) Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM each day. [These Masses will be live-streamed.](#)

HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 1 9:00 AM MORNING PRAYER ([live-streamed](#)) At this service we will formally receive the sacred oils blessed by Bishop Checchio at the Chrism Mass

7:30 PM MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER | We will gather to commemorate the final meal Jesus celebrated before his death, and the institution of the Eucharist. There will be several changes to this Mass, most notably the washing of feet will not take place. Additionally at the conclusion of Mass we will not bring the Blessed Sacrament to the repository in St. Francis. Instead it will remain in the church until Night Prayer.

9:45 PM NIGHT PRAYER Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow Mass until we gather for Night Prayer. It will conclude at 10:00 PM. [Please note: the live stream will be continuous, beginning with the Mass, continuing with adoration and ending with Night Prayer.](#)

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 2 9:00 AM MORNING PRAYER ([live-streamed](#)) At this service we will bless the “lost/found” tags that are found in the “Lent in a Bag” project.

12 NOON FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS This yearly tradition will be celebrated outside.

3:00 PM SERVICE OF THE LORD'S PASSION AND DEATH ([live-streamed](#)) The service this year will include a few changes, most notably the veneration of the cross. Individuals will reverence the cross from their pew rather than come forward to touch or kiss it.

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 3 1:00 PM LIGHTING OF THE NEW FIRE Parishioners and friends are invited to join us outside for a service of prayer during which we will prepare the new fire to be used in lighting the Paschal Candle at Mass later at the Vigil.

7:30 PM THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER There will be several changes on this evening. We will not be able to have the choir or orchestra present, but it will still be a beautiful celebration of the Church's most important Mass during the year. The Diocese of Metuchen has directed there be no procession from outside with the Paschal Candle, and there will be fewer readings. Celebrated in its simplest form, this year's Easter Vigil will be a unique opportunity to renew our faith in the Risen Lord. It is his grace that has carried us in the past year, and will do so in the days ahead.

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 4 | Mass will be celebrate at **8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 AM**

[The staff will prepare a pre-recorded Easter Mass that will be available to view beginning Holy Saturday at 5PM. The Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses will not be live-streamed.](#)

SIGN UP FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER Sign up to attend Holy Week and Easter Mass will open on Thursday, March 18. The link will be found on our website, as well as included in next week's Flocknote. We want to adequately prepare especially for Easter Sunday Mass. **For that reason, signing up for Easter Sunday will close on Monday March 29.**

FLOWERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY



Flowers may beckon towards us, but they speak toward heaven and God. Henry Ward Beecher

We are accepting donations for flowers that will decorate the church on Easter Sunday. You may memorialize your donation in memory of someone who has died, e.g. *Given in memory of _____ by _____.*

You may send your donation to the attention of Joanne Morbit; you may call (609) 466-0300 ext 11 or email her (jmorbit@borromeo.org) for more information.

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WEEKEND MASSES

Confessions During Lent: Saturday March 13 & 20: 1:00-3:00PM;
Tuesday March 23: 5:30-6:45 PM
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 AM

DAILY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 AM, Tuesday 7 PM

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4 PM Saturday-Available on Website and YouTube Channel

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday-Thursday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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Sunday, March 14, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Monday: **Weekday**

9:00 AM: Gloria Stanziale/Jim & Moira Selinka

Tuesday: **Weekday**

7 PM: Lynn Johnson/Jack McCullagh

Wednesday: **Saint Patrick, Bishop**

9:00 AM: Mark Ives/The Ghazi Family

Thursday: **Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

Friday: **Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 AM: Josephine Ruocco /Fred & Nora Kobylarz

Sunday, March 21, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Saturday Vigil:

5:00 PM: People of the Parish

Sunday:

8:30 AM: Joe Lombardo/The Likely Family

10:00 AM: John Henry Sands/Marcus & Rose Ann Sands

11:30 AM: John Carpenter/Jim & Moira Selinka



The light at the end of the tunnel seems a bit brighter these days. The falling infection rates as well as the increased availability of vaccines bring a surge of hope.

Since the reopening last June and until now, our parish has worked hard to provide a safe environment for those who are ready to return in person to church. We are committed to doing this for the foreseeable future.

Our staff has discussed over several months "the road ahead." Our Parish Pastoral Council has had meetings on this subject as well. With the warmer weather coming, we are hoping to plan some outdoor activities that will be opportunities for parishioners to come together.

Each week, this column will appear in the bulletin to let parishioners know about upcoming opportunities. Our mission is to provide moments when we can **Gather, Pray and Serve.**

On the road ahead, two events we invite you to join:

Palm Sunday at the Cross March 28 | 4:00 PM.

Each year on Palm Sunday we gather to mark the beginning of Holy Week. This service, which we plan to hold outdoors, will be a time of prayer, reflection and community, all at a safe distance.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross April 2 | 12 Noon

Together we will pray the Stations of the Cross outside. The service is about a half hour long and is designed for families to observe this holy day.

Lighting of the New Fire April 3 | 1:00PM

On Holy Saturday afternoon we will prepare the fire to be used to light the Paschal Candle at the Easter Vigil that evening. This service will be about a half hour long. It is a good opportunity not only for prayer, but to understand the meaning of the Paschal Candle which stands near the baptism font throughout the year.

Vespers

Join us for Vespers on Sundays at 6:30 PM.

They will be live-streamed.

Each week members of our parish family will reflect on the same passage: **Philippians 3:12-21**

Our speakers will be:

Niki DiMeglio and Curt Fornarotto-March 14

LIVING IN THE SPIRIT



During this very difficult time, it can be hard to live and walk in the glory of God, but it can be a safe haven to all. This hard time came upon us suddenly, but we should all trust in God to help us get through it.

For younger people, such as myself, it hits especially hard. It can be tough for us to focus

in an online schooling environment where we can't see our friends or hang out with our friends in the neighborhood. Some people take out their anger and sadness on the world or the people around them. A better way to handle these strong feelings is prayer. My family prays with me and my little sister every night and it has always helped me not only fall asleep, but more importantly, let go of the worries I might have. That has been important to us all during this time.

Living the faith has been very difficult in this time but it is one of the things we need to try to accomplish. God has a plan for all the people in the world and we should try to remember that and keep our spirits up! Let nothing deter you, you are strong. We will rise above these sometimes sad times, as a church, and as a community. -Josh Hoffman

Lenten Tags

What I've Lost and What I've Found



The pandemic has been a time to learn new things about ourselves, our families and our faith. What have you found this year?

Tags are due back at St. Charles by Palm Sunday, March 28.

RECONCILIATION DURING LENT

Times for confession during the remaining weeks of Lent are:

Saturday, March 13 1:00-3:00 PM

Saturday, March 20 1:00-3:00 PM

Tuesday, March 23 5:30-6:45 PM

There will be no confessions on Saturday April 3.

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, March 25th

Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord

7:00pm- Adoration

7:30pm- Prayer and Benediction



The Church and the world have a great need of eucharistic worship. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love.

Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation for the great faults and sins of the world. May our adoration never cease.

~St. Pope John Paul II

Growing in Faith Together



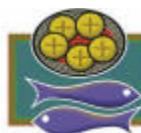
Justice Challenge: The Gospel reading teaches us that God loved us so much that he sent his only Son into the world. The Son brought light into the darkness of sin in our lives. Jesus told us that we also are the light of the world. Your challenge this week is to look at where in our world sin has brought darkness—through greed or hate or violence or prejudice.

Then reflect on how you can bring light into this ugly situation. How can you be a light in the world for those who live in darkness? (©Center for Ministry Development. Published by the Pastoral Center / PastoralCenter.com. All rights reserved.)

Upcoming GIFT

Weekly GIFT sessions and Confirmation preparation sessions can be found at www.borromeogift.org

First Reconciliation Session 3 is this week. We will meet at 11am on Zoom. The retreat for First Reconciliation will be on Saturday, March 20 at 10am in the church. First Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday, March 27 at 11:30am and 12:30pm.



LOAVES & FISHES

Spring is almost here! In these challenging times L&F has found a way to continue the important ministry of serving those who are food insecure. About 400 individuals are continuing to pick up their "to go" meal on the side door of St. Mary's in Trenton. They are so thankful for the support they are receiving. We hope we can count on you to sign-up to support our parish continuing to serve this ministry of feeding the homeless. All meals are put in "to go" containers in the parish basement. We will not be serving patrons. We are cooking the meal and preparing lunches.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, April 24, 2021. The link for sign up's will be posted shortly.

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A Saint Charles Podcast

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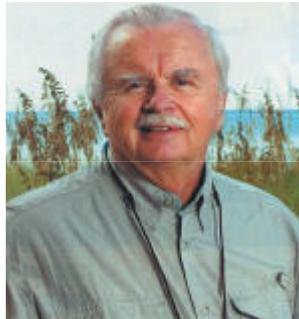


Current Episode: Nick Hilton shares the story of his call from addiction to healing through the 12-Step Program.

March 22nd: Alex Advani shares the story of his journey in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church through the RCIA program.

You can listen by clicking on the slide found on the homepage rotator on the parish website: www.borromeo.org

You can subscribe on Spotify or by using this link: <https://anchor.fm/st-charles-borromeo>



Paul Lincoln Keyes
1938-2021

Thank You

On behalf of myself and my family I would like to thank all those within the St. Charles Borromeo parish community that have expressed their condolences for the loss of my dad. The many cards, letters, Mass cards and baskets have been a great comfort to Meg and me. My dad was one of the

most dynamic individuals I have ever known. His sharp and pragmatic mind was a steel trap. It was painful to watch the fading of both his body and mind over the past few years. It is a great comfort to know of all of your prayers for us and to know that Jesus has welcomed him home. Peace to his spirit. *Tim and Family*



Parishioner Survey for C3: Creating a Culture of Calling

Our church is one of 24 congregations participating in Vibrant Faith's Creating a Culture of Calling Initiative. The Initiative leaders are inviting us to participate in their evaluation and research of the entire program. You can help! Please complete an online survey by **March 15, 2021**. The C3 leaders will share the results from our congregation with us, but your individual survey responses will be anonymous. Help us learn about how our members understand and live out their callings and its role in their lives. You can complete the survey by:

- ♦ Using the link in the weekly flocknote from Msgr.
- ♦ Clicking on the **C3 Survey** slide on the homepage of the website



Last week began with members of the Youth Ministry program hosting Vespers on Sunday evening. Steven Paul, a high school senior and active member of Youth Ministry, provided the personal reflection. PJ Dauer was the reader and Chris Small presided. Then, Monday and Thursday we hosted two in person opportunities. Monday, March 8th fifteen members of Youth Ministry met Chris Small at the Sourland mountains to hike to the top where they gathered for a 1063 meeting. 1063 involved a reflection by Lindsay Bouldin (another exceptional senior and active member) and a discussion afterward. It was a beautiful afternoon and the meeting was wonderful. On Thursday students gathered outside of Youth Ministry for a barbecue. It's been a long time since we've hosted a barbecue and it was really wonderful to host one again.

This week starts with an 11:30am youth Mass on Sunday, March 14th. The lector and Eucharistic ministers will all be members of the Youth Ministry program. On Tuesday students will gather for GLO, which is a small bereavement group that meets monthly. Each month a video clip relevant to some aspect of this topic is presented, and then the group is provided with questions to help facilitate the discussion. If the weather is nice this too may be in person. Please follow us on instagram @chucksyouthgroup because this is where we'll announce whether or not this meeting will be in person, and it's where the link will be posted if we're virtual.

Chris Small

GOLF OUTING



Our annual golf outing will be on May 11th at Mercer Oaks. Over the years, the Golf Classic has raised over \$200,000 to subsidize programs for the young people of our parish. Last spring was the first time in sixteen years that we were unable to host this event, so it is with great joy that we are announcing this date and we are eager to receive registrations. The staff at Mercer Oaks has been wonderful over the years and this year is no exception. The golf pro and catering staff have expressed their eagerness to support our outing and are working hard to ensure that the event follows all CDC guidelines and they're also willing to support any additional protocols we request such as outdoor dining for the dinner. Any questions should be directed to Chris Small at csmall@borromeo.org.



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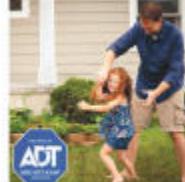
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