

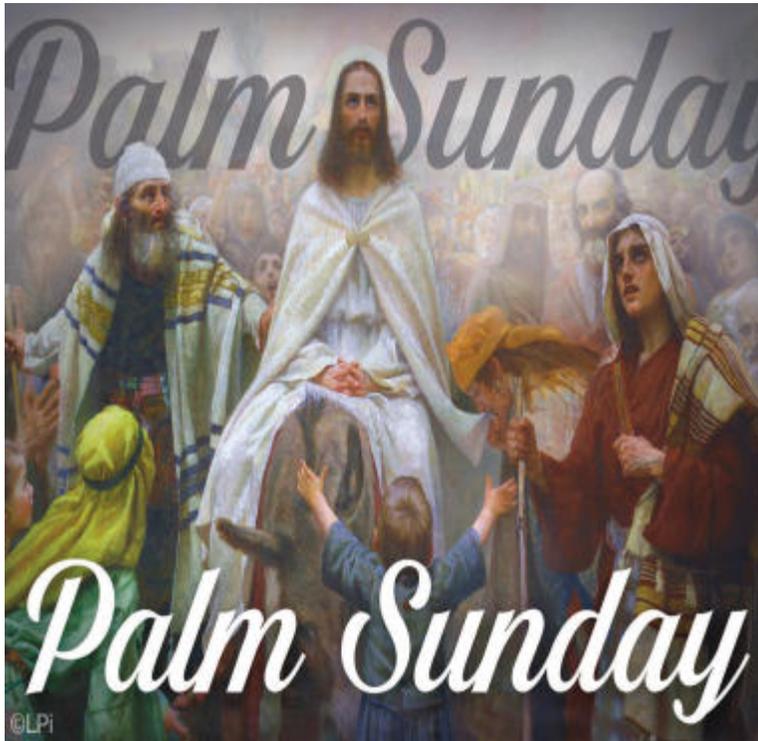
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Our Mission

Called by our baptism and nourished by the Eucharist, the parishioners of Our Lady Mother of the Church, acknowledge our mission to teach, share and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we create a welcoming environment, enthusiastically gather and worship to praise God, and strive to imitate the life of Jesus as we reach out beyond our own faith community.



Holy Thursday
Mass 7:30 pm

Good Friday
3:00 pm

Holy Saturday
7:30 pm

**Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection of the Lord**
8:30 am and 10:30 am
(No 6:00 pm Mass)

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD ~ MARCH 28, 2021

Fr. Sean Manson, *Pastor*

Fr. Siffredus Rwechungura,
Parochial Vicar

Stan Fedison, *Deacon*

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Thursday and Friday
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Weekdays

Monday-Thursday 8:30am
Fridays During Lent 8:30 am
and 12:00 pm

Weekends

Saturday 5:30pm &
8:00 pm (in classroom)
Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am & 6:00 pm

Holy Days

See bulletin for schedule of Masses

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters



Palm Sunday introduces us to Holy Week, and the Celebration of the Paschal Triduum, the Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Today we begin Mass with the Blessing of the palms enter the Church in procession singing Hosanna, Hosanna Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Jesus entered Jerusalem on a humble donkey, accompanied by the multitude who were a whipped up into a frenzy at the prospect of God's Messiah who had come to set things right.

What we are doing today is not just a theatrical reenactment of an event that happened two thousand years ago. The palm leaves we hold are parts of the palm branch, which looks like a back bone, or a spine. The palm is considered a sign of witness, of martyrdom, of having a back bone. It is a sign of being able to stand up for, and to give witness to, what is right and just.

The problem is that our idea of what is right and just is not what the Messiah had in mind. Jesus knows this very well, and he is not fooled or carried away by the adulation of the multitude. The Gospel of the Passion which is narrated at Mass today gives evidence of this. Our cries of Hosanna, Hosanna, will soon turn to shouts of Crucify him, Crucify him.

The crowd wanted an all-conquering hero. Finally, somebody who was going to put things right. A Messiah who was going to do away with injustice, political strife, social upheaval, economic woes, difficulties, ailments and sickness; a Messiah who would sprinkle fairy dust, wave his magic wand and make everything wonderful.

But all that we perceive as wrong with the world is really just an exterior manifestation of a deeper reality. One sees leaves on a tree, but they would not be there if it were not for the roots, which cannot be seen. There is a root cause of our woes and travails, which lies within. Jesus will go to the root cause of human suffering. This root cause has a name: our sin, our rebellion against Our Father, our having made of ourselves God Almighty, our thinking we are entitled to decide for ourselves what is right and wrong.

This Palm Sunday is evidence of the love which God the Father has for each one of us. Jesus Christ will be crucified for our sin, our rebellion, and he will be Raised from the dead. In doing so he wipes out the condemnation that was ours, and restores us to the Paradise which is the Peace we find in experiencing God's Love.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Saturday

5:30 pm

Sunday



March 27

Special Intention

March 28

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord; Holy Week begins

8:30 am

10:30 am

6:00 pm

Monday



Dave Duffy

Thomas Napolitano

James T. & Virginia M. Horris

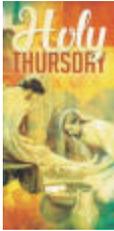
March 29

Monday of Holy Week

people of the Parish

8:30 am

Tuesday



March 30

Tuesday of Holy Week

8:30 am

Wednesday

March 31

Wednesday of Holy Week

8:30 am

Thursday

Connie & John Trombetta

April 1

Holy Thursday; April Fools' Day

7:30 pm

Friday



April 2

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

3:00 pm

Saturday

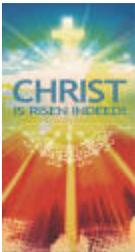
Connie Trombetta

April 3

Holy Saturday

7:30 pm

Sunday



Peter R. Lynch

April 4

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:30 am

10:30 am

Ann Witte

John (Jack) Bowers



For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven."

Ecclesiastes 3:11

"A time to be healed"

Parish sick list: Barry Augustensen, Marie Barrett, Mr. & Mrs. Bischoff, Francesca DeMarco, Arlene Desposito, Carol Franco, Trevor Giesberg, Tom Harrington, Jennifer Hartmann, Brad Jones, Joachim Jung, Vivienne Knopp, Ivy LaRegina, Genna Lepore, Julia Geraghty, Rosemary Levin, Robert Libonati, Jessica Livingstone, Nat Lucarello, Terry Racanelli, James Ranazzo, Bill Reynaldos, Tim Rice, Carol Schmidt, Tara Shankman, Bro. Kevin Smith, Bob Staab, Tom Woodbour, Eric Vanderleif and Bryce Werner

"A time to mourn"

"A time for war and a time for peace"

Tyler Aiello, Ryan Brady, Lt. Joseph Ryan and Seamus Ryan

Amen.

The parishes in our Deanery will be offering confessions on the Tuesday of Holy Week, March 30th, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in each church. OLMC, Woodcliff Lake, Our Lady of Mercy, Park Ridge, St John's, Hillsdale, Our Lady of Good Counsel, TWP of Washington, St Andrew's, Westwood and Assumption, Emerson.

Stewardship of Treasure

My Parish, My Family, My Responsibility

"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'"

– Mark 15:12-13

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone's prayer.

Receipts From Last Week.....\$4,721.00

Parish Giving.....\$1,239.00

Black & Indian Collection.....\$ 255.00

Easter Flowers to Date.....\$ 255.00

FED UP WITH THE PANDEMIC?

"Come to me all you who are tired and burdened and I will give you rest." Mt. 11:28



COME AND LISTEN



MONDAYS & THURSDAYS
8:00PM

McCarthy Center
During Lent

FAITH FORMATION



Faith Formation News

Easter Triduum



Holy Week

We hope this Lent has been a blessed time for you and that Holy Week and Easter will be a moment of true joy in the resurrection. Holy Week is the week before Easter. Beginning with sundown on Holy Thursday, we observe the holiest days in the Church year. We should all use this time, known as the Triduum, as a special week of preparation for the joys of Easter with particular focus on preparing our hearts with the perspective of Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

Important Dates for Faith Formation

Dates for In Person Gatherings in Church

- Wed. 4/29** 3:30-4:15 pm Grade 2 First Eucharist Rehearsal
- Sat. 5/1** First Eucharist Masses, 10:00 am and 12:00 pm
- Wed. 5/5** 3:45-5:00 pm Grades 1-6 Closing Mass and celebration
- Wed. 5/26** Confirmation Rehearsal, 6:00 pm
- Thurs. 5/27** Confirmation Mass, 6:30 pm

SCHEDULES:

Youth JAM will next meet Sunday, April 11 at 4:30 PM. Future date: May 9

Confirmation class will next meet Sunday, Apr. 11 beginning at the 10:30 AM Liturgy. Future date: May 9.



Pope Francis says: "How many times have we told the Lord: "Lord, I will come to you later... I can't come today. Tomorrow I will begin to pray and do something for others". In this life, we will always have things to do and excuses to offer, but right now is the time to return to God." March 23, 2021

Register Now For 2021-2022 Faith Formation

We look forward to working with you in helping you child grow in the Faith. You can register for our various catechetical programs:

- **Faith Formation:** Grades 1 thru 6 on Wednesdays after school, 3:45-5:00pm, pending Covid guidelines with monthly in person gatherings if virtual.
- **Virtual Summer Program:** Grades 3 through 6. This will be an online program this summer, dates June 25th to July 2, 2021. Each day will include a video of an opening prayer and song, three 20-minute lessons with videos, an opportunity to connect with classmates via Google meets for music and review. **Registration must be completed by March 31, 2021.**
- **Youth JAM (Youth Jesus and Mary)** Grades 7 and 8. This program meets the second Sunday each month from 4:30pm to 7:00pm, beginning late September 2020.
- **Confirmation Grade 9.** This program meets the second Sunday each month, beginning with 10:30 am Mass followed by class ending at 12:00pm. The Faith Formation Registration Form is at this link: <https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-5431443/> Payment is required at time of registration, however, if your family is experiencing financial difficulty at this time please reach out to us. We do not want any child to be excluded from our program because of financial issues.

Question of the Week

This week's question: *What are the three holiest days of the Church year called? devotion remembers Jesus' Passion and Death?* Last week's answer: The devotion that remembers Jesus' Passion and Death is called the Stations of the Cross. **Congratulations to Gabe Egbert!** To enter this week's raffle, email faith-formationolmc@gmail.com by 3pm on Wednesday. **All correct answers will be entered in a raffle for a gift card to Dairy Queen.**

Kid's Bulletin-Win a Gift Card to Dairy Queen

Each week we send out the Kid's bulletin by email which focuses on the Sunday readings with fun activities. To enter, send the completed bulletin to Faith Formation, A drawing for a gift card to Dairy Queen from entries submitted.

MARCH 28, 2021



The next time the Children’s Choir will be singing is at the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, April 11th. This is the Sunday after Easter so we have some lovely hymns for the children to learn that reflect the Easter season and the resurrection of Jesus.

There will be two rehearsals preceding the Mass on April 11th. The first one will be on Wednesday, March 31st at 5:00 pm and the second one on Wednesday, April 7th at 5:00 pm. After the rehearsal on March 31st, an email will be sent with a link to YouTube videos of the new hymns. And handouts with lyrics will be available. Spring is coming and the Easter season is soon to be celebrated. All Our Welcome.

Also, mark your calendars because the children will be singing on Sunday, May 2nd at the 10:30 am Mass. It is a special weekend in our parish because First Eucharist is on Saturday, May 1st and on Sunday May 2nd, the First Eucharist candidates are invited to be a part of the crowning of Mary that happens at the 10:30 am liturgy.

Musically, Miss Marie and Miss Lucia

Annual Appeal ^{the 2021}

Catholic Stewardship *in Action*

The Annual Appeal directly supports various ministries and programs through the Archdiocese of Newark, such as our evangelization efforts, Catholic education, Catholic Charities, youth and young adult ministry, and many other ministries. Pledge envelopes will be in the lobby and front entrance to the church for you to fill out and send in your donation. You can just put it in the collection basket at Mass or bring it to Judi in the parish office. Our goal this year is **\$37,000. Your participation in this campaign is vitally important.** You can also donate online at www.rcan.org/ways-to-give/ If you have already made a contribution, thank you for your generous gift. Thank you to all who supported last year’s campaign.

Lenten Faith Events

Our Lady Mother of the Church

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A Lenten Video Series

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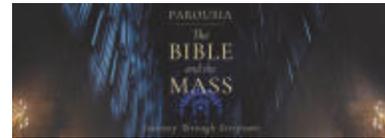
Hosted by Chris Stefanick

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Immediately following 10:30 AM Mass during Lent

No Videos on Palm Sunday/Easter Sunday
Series concludes after Easter on Sunday 4/11 and Sunday 4/18

Each video is about 20 minutes



Register for a Free Virtual Lent Offering!

Scott Hahn from the St. Paul Center is offering a free video series during Lent that is available to all. It’s called **PAROUSIA – the Bible and the Mass**. This video provides the scriptural basis for the Mass and the true presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist. **Click the following link:** <https://stpaulcenter.com/> Look for **PAROUSIA** and register. The videos will be available each week starting on Ash Wednesday.



Sign-up for a Free Daily Lenten Message! Array of Hope - Easter of Hope

Starting on Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. You will receive short daily written reflections, inspirational videos and inspiring music - directly sent to your inbox! Click the following link to register: arrayofhope.net Look for Easter of Hope and register.

MARCH IS THE MONTH OF SAINT JOSEPH



The Woodcliff Lake Fire Department is accepting applications until May 5, 2021 for their 2021 Scholarships. It is available to all Woodcliff Lake graduating high school seniors. Information and the application are available on the website: www.woodclifflakefd.com.

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The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament for the month of March
In memory of



George & Peter Lutz

Requested by Mary Lutz



Communion Dresses/Suits Needed

The First Communion Day of our child is a very special occasion - a day to be celebrated and always remembered! Please help to make another child's First Communion Day one that will be cherished by donating any Communion dresses, suits, shirts, head pieces or shoes. Please bring all articles, clean, on hangers, and covered in plastic, to **St. John the Baptist Church, Hillsdale on April 17th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm**, or call Kathy at (201) 666-4185. Monetary donations will also be accepted. Unlike previous years, this collection will be held on **One Day Only**. If you or anyone that you know may need an outfit, please contact Kathy. Thank You!



Thank You Bakers, Casserole Makers, servers and Donors

Thank you to all who made casseroles, baked chocolate chip cookies, served, ordered and chopped vegetables and fruit. We were able to serve over 200 at St. John's Soup Kitchen. It was especially great to have so many Confirmandi help prepare the food. Our remaining dates for 2021 are **June 5, September 4 and December 4**. St. John's depends on us to feed the hungry. If you are interested in this ministry please call Pat 201-403-4897 or email patkeena-ghan@yahoo.com. *"For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in."* Matthew 25:35



Calling all High School and Middle School Athletes

We are looking for High School and Middle School Athletes who would like to make a deeper connection with their faith through the sports they play as well as make connections with other athletes who share in their faith as well. If you have ever seen athletes kneel in prayer after a competition or hear an athlete "Thank God" for being able to play the game they love, The Fellowship of Christian Athletes are for you.

It does not matter if you attend a Parochial or Public school all are welcome.

Ted Evans, an OLMC parishioner, as well as a long time High School and Youth Coach is organizing this program. If you are interested please email: tnthoops@optonline.net Stay tuned for dates and times for the group's first meeting.

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"
- Philippians 4:13

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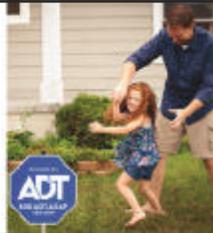


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