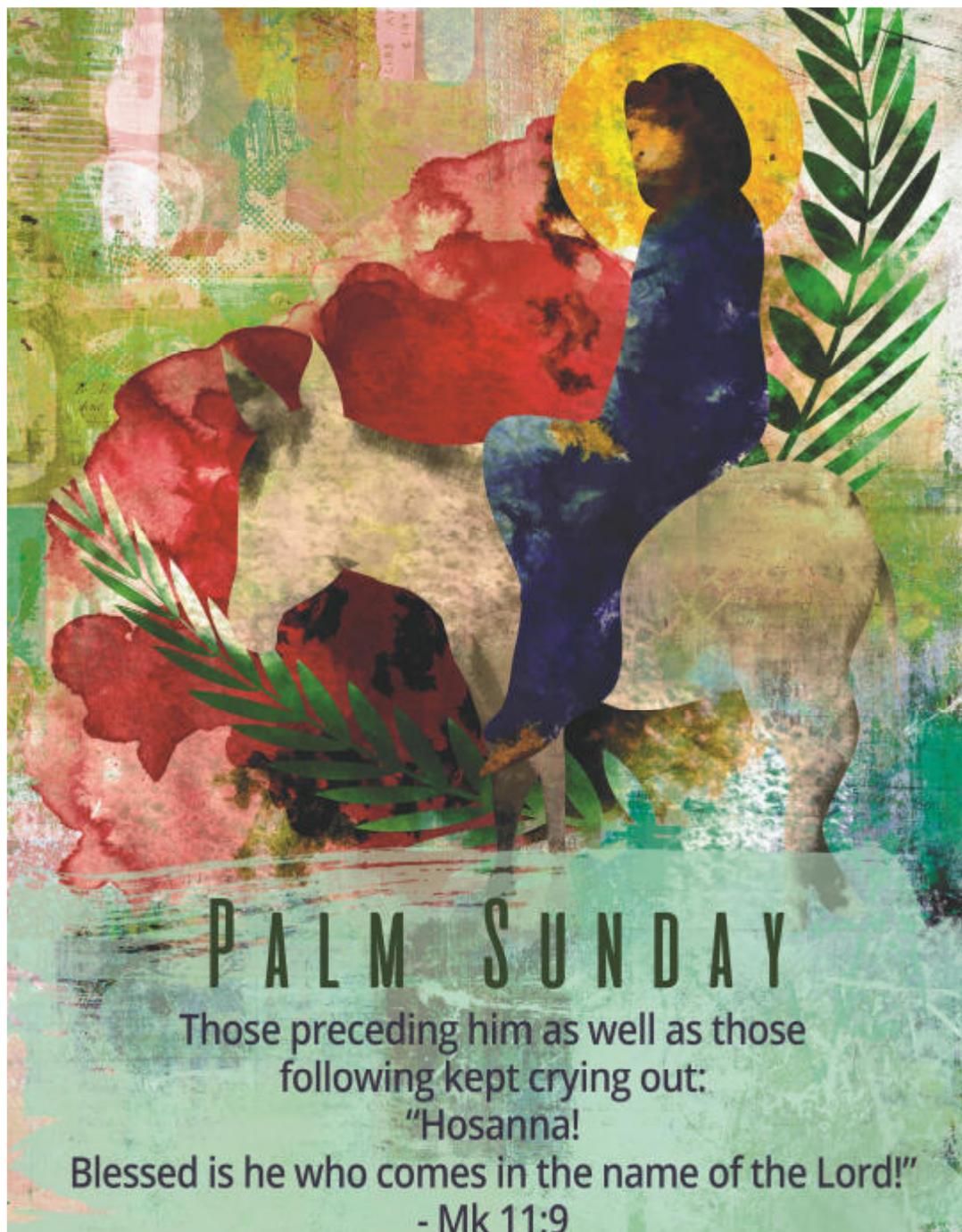


Palm Sunday
March 28, 2021



CHURCH *of the* TRANSFIGURATION

"Lord, How good it is for us to be here..." Matt. 17:4



"Lord, how good it is for us to be here."

Monday March 29, 2021

*** Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11

6:45 am Mass: Fred Lancing by Marcy Bold and Family

10:00 am: Chair Yoga- PC Gym

7:00 pm: Lenten Vespers with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament- Church

Tuesday March 30, 2021

*** Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf.

15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

9:00 am Mass: Anna & John Sloma by The Estate

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

*** Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt

26:14-25

6:45 am Mass: Devin Hamilton by Valerie & Brendan O'Riordan

6:00 pm: Gentle Yoga-PLC Gym

7:00 to 8:00 pm: RCIA Rehearsal for Holy Thursday

Holy Thursday, April 1, 2021

*** Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/

Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

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

Good Friday, April 2, 2021

*** Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk

23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

2:30 pm: Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Also available Livestreaming

7:00 pm: Simple Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 3, 2021

*** Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,

12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30]

10:30 to 11:30 am: RCIA Rehearsal for Easter Vigil

8:00 pm: Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday April 4, 2021

*** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col

3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

7:30 am Mass: Marie Civitello by Rose & Gary Volker

9:00 am Mass: Eleanor Dembowski by Uncle Sam & Aunt Sandy

Also Live Streaming www.transfigurationpittsford.org

11:00 am Mass: Carolyn Kessler by Margie & Ray Benza

If you are interested in helping a team, please call Gael Garrity! 381-9179



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for the lives of
Dan Brent & Charlie Paul Hanke
Dedicated by Betsy, Meg & Maura

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Church Alliances
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* Use a credit card by going to our Champion Page on the Food for the Poor website. The link is <https://www.championsforthe poor.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.participant&participantID=1064>

(Kitty will add our donors to the **DO NOT MAIL** list to avoid mail solicitations).

Thank You so much



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	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Last Weekend (3/21/21)	\$5,671	\$10,811	\$(5,140)
EFT (3/15/2021)	\$14,680	\$14,860	\$(180)
July 1, 2020 - March 21, 2021	<u>\$745,657</u>	<u>\$756,084</u>	<u>\$(10,427)</u>

"Lord, how good it is for us to be here..."

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Please remember in your prayers,

Dennis Slimmer for the passing of his wife,

Pat Slimmer



And he will raise you up...

and hold you in the palm of his hands.

From the Corner Office

Dear Friends,

The symbols of Holy Week are large and lush, starting with today's procession of palms.

Today a procession with palms. This weekend we celebrate **Palm Sunday** and the beginning of **Holy Week**. I hope that you will join us for prayer during this Holy Week beginning with our Lenten Prayer Service at 7:00 PM on Monday. On Thursday, we begin the celebration of the **Sacred Triduum**, literally the "three days", which I explained last week. The liturgy begins with the celebration of the **Lord's Supper** on Holy Thursday evening and continues on Friday as we observe the **Lord's Passion**. It culminates in the celebration of the **Easter Vigil** after dark on Holy Saturday night. This is one liturgy in three separate movements. If you have never celebrated the Triduum in its entirety, I invite you to this awesome experience of the **Paschal Mystery**: *Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!* This is the basis of our faith.

As I said, the symbols of Holy Week are large and lush: beginning with a procession of palms, continuing with the fragrant oils consecrated at the **Chrism Mass** at Sacred Heart Cathedral Tuesday night and presented on Holy Thursday to the local communities. During the **Triduum** we fast from daily Mass, but the symbols of a bowl, a towel, and a pitcher are brought forth for washing feet. Bread and wine transformed in a ritual meal recalling the very first such Eucharist, a solemn procession with the Eucharist and clouds of incense, followed by adoration before the Blessed Sacrament well into the night. Good Friday ministers lying prostrate on the sanctuary floor, a large wooden cross-carried into the church so we may each venerate it, recalling Jesus' ultimate sacrifice on our behalf... deafening silences, empty tabernacles, dry holy water and baptismal fonts and extinguished sanctuary lamps... utter darkness. Finally, a vigil fire...the singing of the Exsultet...a new paschal candle initiating a sea of vigil lights...Gloria's and Alleluia's resurrected...new Easter water blessed... baptismal promises renewed.

These times of prayer are longer than our usual Sunday liturgy – which is why we should come to celebrate our faith and not stay away because services are a little longer. The celebrations this week are so rich. These ritual actions are only done once a year. In that sense, they are both beautifully new and comfortingly familiar. It is the telling of *our* story as we recall all that our God has done for and with us. Moving prayerfully through this Holy Week is a gift that the Lord offers us. The invitation of the passion story is always *to be there* and to see how the events that we commemorate have cosmic implications – for us and for the entire world.

When we enter fully into the story we begin to see every choice, chance and circumstance of our lives as God wooing us, seducing us, alluring us, calling us to return with all our hearts. When we do, our hearts are filled with peace and joy, and who among us cannot use an extra dose of peace and joy?

I described the action and flow of this week's liturgies the way they should be, knowing they will be somewhat adjusted to respect the priority of COVID safety.

Please come and join the grand celebration of the history of our faith and redemption.

Finally thank you for completing and returning the Mass Survey! Please keep the Clustering Committee in your prayers; they will be meeting Monday, March 22. *May the Lord continue to bless our journey forward!*

Blessings in 2021!

Let us continue to pray for peace in our world!

In peace and courage,

Fr. Mike

PS – **Wonderful news for Booneville, Owsley County!** You are so generous; because of your generosity, we were able to send \$24,000 to Holy Family Parish, Srs. Marge and Angie, to assist the local Owsley County residents in their recovery from the recent flooding.

Praise God and Thank You!

>>We are getting closer, we only need another \$14,661 to make our goal!<<



Goal - \$203,413

As of Monday, March 22

Pledged \$188,752 (93%)

397 Pledges (28%) - Our goal 33.3% participation!

Please make or increase your pledge ASAP. Be mindful you have until May 31 to pay your pledge.

Please make a pledge by going to www.dor.org/cma to make or increase your; pledge cards are also available in the Gathering Area. Your pledge is important so we can avoid paying any shortage from parish savings.

Thank You!

Easter Masses

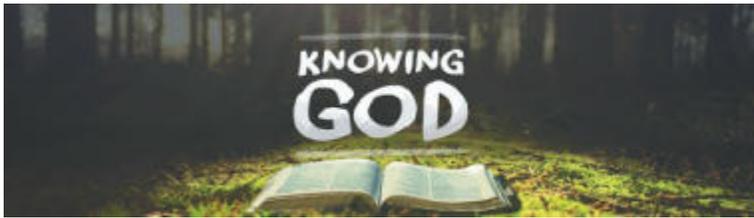
Just for Easter only, we have 'resurrected' the registration process to ensure we can safely seat everyone.

Please go to our website, to the OnLine Giving and Event Registration page, click on the "Give On Line or Register for an Event" link, and you should see the Easter Mass registration (which will be open from Palm Sunday through Holy Thursday). As always, there is no fee for registering.

Arriving at Mass The "Greeters" Role

After registering at the door and moving to the church doors, please safely distance while waiting for the greeters to seat you. Their role is to seat people at safe distances from each other, assist at Communion in maintaining safe distance, and to ensure social distancing during dismissal. For safety reasons, please follow their direction.

As these months go by and this has become routine for many, we are pleased that our parish family members are returning for the first time. Everyone's safety is our first priority and we want all to feel welcomed, safe and knowing, "Lord, how good it is for us to be here." Thank you.



Getting to Know You:
Biblical Insights for Developing a
Deeper Relationship with God.

Dr. Joe Kelly—4 Week Series

Wednesdays; 7:00 to 8:30 P.M.

April 14, 21, 28 & May 5, 2021

Church of the Transfiguration

As we Catholics continue to practice our Christian faith, many of us long to find ways that will allow us to develop an even deeper and more intimate relationship with our Triune God. This 4 Week Series will explore many of the biblical insights from both the Hebrew and Christian scriptures that might be of assistance to us in this search. We will give special emphasis to the idea of “knowing” God and the value of silence in this journey. We will also consider the example of some of the men and women who have found success in this undertaking.



**Begins Wed.
April 7th**

Grief Share at Transfiguration

Our Grief Share Support Group begins on Wednesday, 4/07/21. Grief Share is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life’s most difficult experiences of losing a loved one. The program offers caring and informative videos, a workbook and shared conversation with each session, led by an experienced facilitator. Unexpected things may come up and you will find encouragement and help whenever you attend.

Join us for this twelve-week program on Wednesdays from 12:30PM – 2:00PM in our Parish Life Center in a safely distanced, masked environment. Materials cost - \$25.00. Registration forms are on our website at TransfigurationPittsford.org or by calling to register. Questions? Please contact Margie Benza at 248-2427 x244 or margie.benza@dor.org. Registrations are due 3/30/21.

Weekly Food Collection

Our weekly food collection continues Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. and Friday 9:00 AM to Noon. We have barrels placed just inside the Church doors. We appreciate all the generous donations. These are difficult times for sure and our agencies that we support truly appreciate all of you! Here is a list of needs.

- ◆ Meal kits that do not require any extra ingredients
- ◆ Pancake and muffin mix that only require water
- ◆ Tabbed open soups and stews and canned pasta meals, ie spaghetti o’s
- ◆ Shelf stable milk.
- ◆ Tea and coffee
- ◆ Antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizer
- ◆ Household cleaning supplies and paper products

Thank you all so much for your weekly support



“Save the Date”

**Fr. Mike’s Retirement
Celebration**

Sunday, June 20, 2021

Dear Parishioner of Transfiguration,
We at the Advent House would like to extend our sincere thanks for your generous donation of \$500.00. We are so grateful. Thank you for your caring and compassionate commitment to our Home. We are truly blessed by your wonderful generosity!
Glenda Hastings
Director




Eat fish lower on the food chain like sardines, mackerel and herring which are quick to reproduce, high in mega-3 fatty acids and low in mercury. Clams, mussels and oysters are also great choices.

CHILDREN'S VIRTUAL LITURGY OF THE WORD IS BACK!



Miss Vicky is again hosting our weekly series with teaching about the readings from Scripture, liturgical music, movement, and visuals to help bring the Word of God to life for His children. Join us for this wonderful way to bring the gospel message to our youngest members of the Body of Christ. Special thanks Pflaum Publishing Group for the use of their Children Celebrate resources. Videos go live each Saturday afternoon at 3pm on our YouTube Channel-*Transfiguration Pittsford*

Holy Week @ Home

Holy Week is a time we set apart to reflect on the events surrounding the suffering, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus. On our YouTube channel we are providing special reflections for families to dive deep into Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday. There will be Children's Liturgy for each of these days to help make these events come alive in a way that a child can connect to.

Make sure to check the playlist for more ways to dive deep into this Holy Week @ Home. Videos can all be found on our YouTube Channel-*Transfiguration Pittsford*.

More Ideas can be found on our faith playlist on our website.

Faith Formation Update

The March Prayer Playlists are here! Our parish Lenten theme this year is Everlasting Love. In this season of 40 days we practice the disciplines of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving to draw us ever closer to our loving God. The suggestions below will help you bask in the arms of God, deepen your intimacy in prayer, and make the most of your Lent.

- * For adults: <https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/adult-playlist-lent--everlasting-love>
- * For teens: <https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/teen-playlist-living-lent>
- * For children/families: <https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/family-playlist---journey-of-lent-and-holy-week>

Confirmation news



We have a spring celebration date for our Year Twos! **Monday April 19.** All Confirmation families should have received a email from me with important updates. Year Two candidates, ALL outstanding assignments MUST be returned to me by April 10.

VBS is coming back in 2021!

We know you have missed it and we have missed our week of fun in the summer. Gear up for a one-week hike through the wilderness and together we will discover amazing things about Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, Marriage, and Holy Orders.

Save the Date: July 12-16th
Registration will begin in April 2021.



WALK THROUGH SHADOW STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Self Guided Prayer Walk

Community Center

St. Catherine of Siena

HOLY WEEK

Saturday 3.27 6pm—8pm

Sunday 3.28 Noon—8pm

Mon-Wed. 3.29—3.31 9am—8pm

Holy Thursday 4.1.21 9am - 10pm

Good Friday 4.2. 9am—8pm

Join us for our last
Lenten Vespers with
Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
Monday Evening, 7 PM
March 29



CLUSTERING PRAYER FOR ST. CATHERINE SIENA AND THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Father in Heaven, who brings together new relationships, new opportunities and new challenges as a way to deepen our bond with you, bless the people of the Church of the Transfiguration and Saint Catherine of Siena, to enter joyfully into such experiences as our communities seek a new chapter in our shared life of mission and ministry. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. AMEN.



Prayer for Spiritual Communion



My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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New Parishioners

Welcome to our Community of Faith! You may register as part of our Community by contacting the Parish Office by phone in person or our website. Please introduce yourself after Mass to one of the parish staff members.

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Pastoral Care: If you know of someone who is homebound, hospitalized, or in a nursing home and he or she would appreciate a visit from the Pastoral Staff, please contact the Parish Office. Your assistance will help provide care to all our parishioners.

Sacraments

Eucharist: Please check page 2 of this bulletin for Sunday, weekday and Holy Day Mass schedules.

Anointing: In any emergency, at anytime, please call 248-2427 wait for prompt and press 9, or at your convenience, or after any weekend Mass.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Baptism: Please contact Deacon Eric Bessette @ ebesset1@rochester.rr.com three months in advance to register for the Baptismal Preparation Program.

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Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the parish office.



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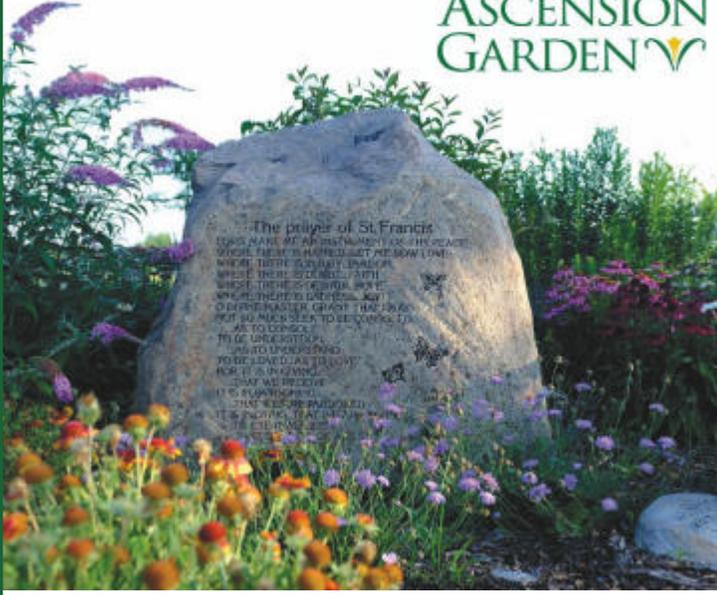


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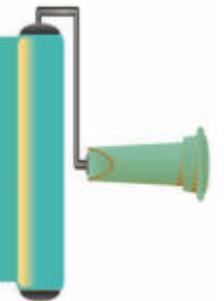
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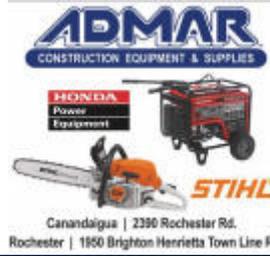
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