

MARCH 28, 2021

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



HOLY WEEK

Holy Thursday, April 1st

Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:00pm at ICC

Good Friday, April 2nd

Stations of the Cross – 3:00pm at Holy Spirit Church

The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – 7:00pm at ICC

Holy Saturday, April 3rd

Blessing of Easter Baskets – 12:00 Noon at ICC

Blessing of Easter Baskets – 1:00pm at Holy Spirit Church

EASTER VIGIL, April 3rd

Easter Vigil Liturgy and Mass – 7:30pm at ICC

EASTER DAY MASSES, April 4th

8:00am at ICC

9:30am at Holy Spirit Church

11:00am at ICC

THEME: JESUS SUFFERED AND DIED FOR ALL OF US TO FULFILL GOD'S PROMISE OF REDEMPTION

Today's first reading foreshadows what comes later. Isaiah's Suffering Servant continues to preach to those who are weary and hopeless despite the abuse he receives from his adversaries. Saint Paul, in the second reading, attests to Jesus' sacrifice and victory. In the Passion, we hear Saint Mark's account of Jesus' final hours before his death on the cross. Listening to the word of God today, let us echo the words of the centurion upon Jesus' death: "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

Isaiah 50:4-7	My face I did not shield from buffets and spitting, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.
Psalms 22	"My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"
Philippians 2:6-11	Jesus emptied himself, and accepted death on a cross.
Mark 14:1 — 15:47	The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

MASS INTENTIONS

**Vigil: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 27, 2021**

4:00 PM Don Fregelette, req. Barb & Ken Winter
5:30 PM Norman M. Woronowski, req. Bruce & Susan Bowman at Holy Spirit

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 28, 2021**

8:00 AM Lillian Schreiner, req. Allison Cardarelli
9:30 AM Rose & Robert Zablonksi, req. Robert Zablonksi, Sr. (at Holy Spirit)
11:00 AM Francis D. Connors, req. Sue & Jerry Kopyranski

Monday, March 29, 2021 — Monday of Holy Week

8:30 AM James Grey, req. Sam & Ginny Tripi

Tuesday, March 30, 2021 — Tuesday of Holy Week

8:30 AM Communion Service at ICC
8:30 AM Connie Kender req. Bill & Sue Orton at HS

Wednesday, March 31, 2021 — Wednesday of Holy Week

8:30 AM Int of Ron Smith, req. Rick & Diane Funnell

Thursday, April 1, 2021 — Holy Thursday at ICC

7:00 PM Intentions of Father Dawid, req. Rick & Diane Funnell

Friday, April 2, 2021 — Good Friday

3:00 PM Stations of the Cross at Holy Spirit
3:30 PM Divine Mercy Novena at Holy Spirit
6:30 PM Divine Mercy Novena at ICC
7:00 PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at ICC

Saturday, April 3, 2021 — Holy Saturday

12:00 PM Blessing of Easter Baskets at ICC
12:15 PM Divine Mercy Novena at ICC
1:00 PM Blessing of Easter Baskets at Holy Spirit
3:00 PM Divine Mercy Novena at Holy Spirit

Vigil: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 PM Intentions of Father Dawid, req. Dan & Maureen Woyton

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 4, 2021**

8:00 AM Don Fregelette, req. Mark & Sandy Clark
9:30 AM Joseph & Andrea Cataldo, req. Robert Zablonksi, Sr. (at Holy Spirit)
11:00 AM Robert & Doris Baumet, req. Jeanne & Rob Zimmerman
12:00 PM Divine Mercy Novena at ICC
3:00 PM Divine Mercy Novena at Holy Spirit

LET US PRAY

We pray for the sick recommended to us, please notify the office when to remove their name: Madilyn Bocchine, Joan Moulthrop, Felice Krycia, Teri Hoeckh, Isabella Phelan, Adrianna Eastman, Audrey D'Angelo, Tony Andolina, Betty Davies, John Maloney. Thank you for your prayers!

THIS WEEK AT ICC & HOLY SPIRIT

Sunday, March 28, 2021

7:00 PM The Witness (video in Duffy Center)

Monday, March 29, 2021

9:00 AM—3:00 PM ICC Office & Chapel open
9:00 AM—noon Eucharistic Adoration (ICC)

Tuesday, March 30, 2021

9:00 AM—3:00 PM ICC Office & Chapel open

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

9:00 AM—3:00 PM ICC Office & Chapel open

Thursday, April 1, 2021

9:00 AM—3:00 PM ICC Office & Chapel open

Friday, April 2, 2021

9:00 AM—noon ICC Office & Chapel open

REMEMBRANCE CANDLE

The Vigil Candle or Eternal Candle that is always burning by the Blessed Sacrament can be offered for different intentions with the suggested offering of \$10.00. This candle will burn for 7 days and every Saturday will be replaced. Please pray for the intentions of the donors.



For March 27th at **ICC Church** the candle is for the intentions of Allison Cardarelli, req. Diane Funnell, and in the Chapel the candle is for the intentions of the Nagle family.

For March 27th at **Holy Spirit Church** the candle is for the healing of Jaymi, req. Maria Blidy.

OUR OFFERING TO GOD

*"Honor the Lord with all your wealth
with the first fruits of all your produce."*

Your sacrificial gift presented at the Offertory last week:

\$ 3121.00

Monthly \$ 255.00

\$3,376.00

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May God reward you a hundred-fold every act of generosity to our parishes. We are grateful to each of you for every donation. May our appreciation for the treasure that are Immaculate Conception and Holy Spirit parishes be expressed in our unselfishness and self-sacrifice. Thank you to all our generous parishioners and friends for the support of our parishes. **GIVE TO GOD WHAT IS RIGHT, NOT WHAT IS LEFT!**

**"PLEASE REMEMBER IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
PARISH IN YOUR WILL"**

**THE NOVENA TO THE DIVINE MERCY
AS THE PREPARATION
FOR THE CELEBRATION OF
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

In preparation for the Feast of Divine Mercy, let us pray together Saint Faustina's Novena to the Divine Mercy, especially pleading for relief from the coronavirus that afflicts the world. Jesus instructed Saint Faustina that praying the Novena would bring souls strength and refreshment and the graces they need in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death. Jesus also promised that the very depths of His Mercy would be opened on the Feast of Divine Mercy, pouring out an ocean of graces upon those who approach the Fount of His Mercy on that day. Resolved to turn away from our sins, let us, then, look with great trust to Jesus, Whose open Heart flows with abundant mercies for us in this time of crisis.

Please check the prior page in this bulletin for the schedule.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY NEWS

After all Masses this weekend, we will be at the doors of the Church receiving your donations for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Thank you for your continued support!

**HOW TO RECITE
THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY**

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited using ordinary Rosary beads of five decades. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska and followed by a closing prayer.

1. Begin with *the Sign of the Cross*,
2. Optional Opening Prayer:
You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty yourself out upon us.

O blood and water, which gushed forth from the heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in you! (three times)

3. *Our Father...*
4. *Hail Mary...*
5. *The Apostles Creed...*
6. Then on the Our Father beads say the following:
Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
7. On the 10 Hail Mary beads say the following:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
8. Conclude with (three times):
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
9. Optional Closing Prayer:
Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

**CHICKEN DINNER
AT HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH**

A drive through chicken dinner is coming to Holy Spirit Church on SUNDAY APRIL 11, 2021 beginning at 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. or sell out. The price is \$11 per dinner for chicken, potato, vegetable, roll/butter and dessert.

Please note, this event is **drive through only**. There will be **no dine in service** and **no theme baskets**.

For health and safety reasons, we are NOT asking parishioners to bake desserts and bring them in. We CAN NOT accept food donations (desserts) at this time.

We hope people will enjoy this opportunity for a delicious dinner to go and support the parish.

For more information or to place orders, please call Ellen Bowman at (716) 553-5839.

VOCATIONS

The crowds acclaimed Jesus as he rode into Jerusalem, then days later they demanded His crucifixion. Public opinion can change in an instant. We instead follow the consistent direction of Almighty God. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 847-5535.

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.

When you contribute to the 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.

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

As we approach the mid-point of Appeal 2021, we would like to remind you that your support of the Appeal enables us to continue our efforts to improve the lives of those we serve. All told, your gifts helped us bring hope to 149,000 lives last year through Catholic Charities and helped the Diocese to support spiritual care and compassion through 14 Fund for the Faith programs. In the spirit of thankfulness, we share our 2021 Appeal prayer to Patron Saint Ignatius Loyola: "St. Ignatius, help us to be grateful and generous. To give and not count the cost. To labor and not seek reward. To share God's love with our neighbors in need. To meet them where they are in life and let them know they are not alone. Help us to be poor in spirit — to realize our dependence upon God. And to do all things for the greater glory of God. We ask this in the name of Jesus through your intercession. St. Ignatius, pray for us!" Thank you for helping us be **HOPE for All Seasons**.



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