



April 10, 2022



BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



"Blessed is the king who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest."
- Lk 19:38

LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 10

9:00 Parish (Fr. H.)

11:00 †Fred Freihofer (Fr. A.)

Monday, April 11

6:30 †Paul Schulte

10:00 †Tom Kennedy

Tuesday, April 12

6:30 †Pat Cahill

10:00 †Tom Kennedy

Wednesday, April 13

6:30 †Paul Haney

10:00 Claudia Vollmer, Sp.Int.

Thursday, April 14 *Holy Thursday* (Fr. H.)

7:00 †Sara Kennedy

Friday, April 15 *Good Friday*

12:00 Stations of the Cross (Fr. A.)

3:00 Passion (Fr. H.)

7:00 Stations of the Cross (Fr. H.)

Saturday, April 16 *Holy Saturday*

8:30 †Stanley and Ellen Meihaus (Fr. H.)

Sunday, April 17 **HAPPY EASTER**

9:00 †Helen Vollmer (Fr. A.)

11:00 Parish (Fr. H.)

BAPTISM: Preparatory classes are required.

Please call the office (331-4302) to register.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Thursday before First Friday, 10:30a.m. & 3rd Tuesday, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish at least 6 months ahead. One party must be a parishioner.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:

Contact Parish Office, 331-4302

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:

Wednesdays, 10-4 p.m., Rosary & Benediction at 3:30p.m.

ROSARY: The rosary is prayed at 9:30 a.m. before every 10 a.m. weekday Mass, unless there is a funeral Mass. Rosary is also prayed at 3:30 Wednesday afternoons in front of the exposed Blessed Sacrament.

LET US PRAY

FOR OUR SICK

Stew & Joy Riche

Corbin Barnett

Erin Woods

Larry Bischoff

Donna Epplen

Donna Cliff

Susan Neltner

Katie Clabough

Ruth Otto

Phyllis Lunnemann

Lou Fritz

Ralph Carr

Sean Davis

Juanita Hanna

Michael Weber

Virginia Carnage

If you or someone you know would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact the Parish Office. We also have a prayer group through our Facebook page: @welcometobs.

FOR OUR DECEASED



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00 p.m. April 14

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross at Noon

Passion of the Lord at 3:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

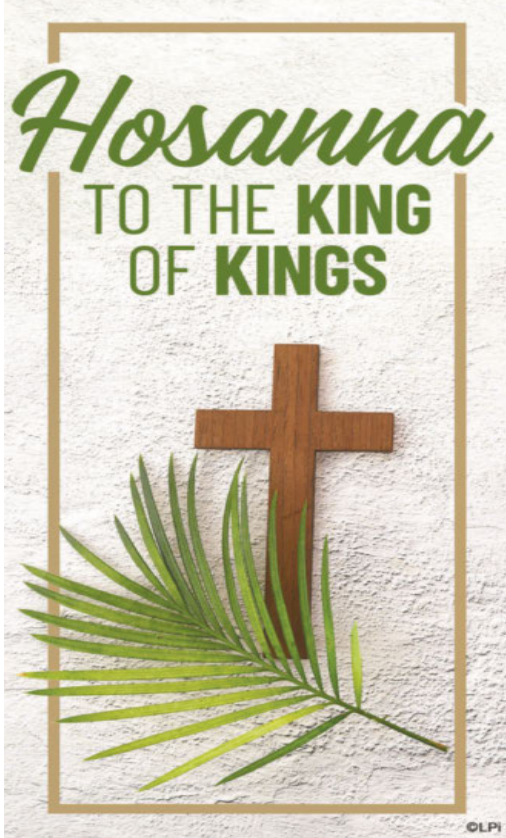
Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer at 10:00 a.m.

Easter Vigil Mass at 8:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday Mass

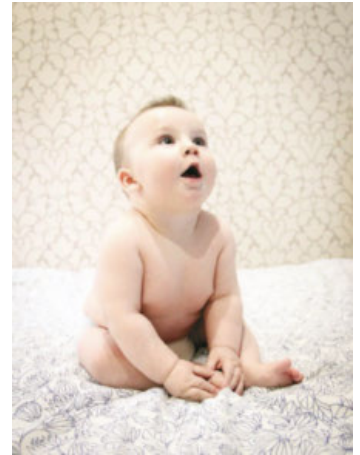
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. April 17



PRAISE GOD IN ALL OF HIS

CREATION!

“In his humility Christ entered the dark regions of our fallen world and he is glad that he became so humble for our sake, glad that he came and lived among us and shared in our



nature in order to raise us up again to himself...So let us spread before his feet, not garments or soul-less olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither, but ourselves, clothed in his grace, or rather, clothed completely in him. We who have been baptized into Christ must ourselves be the garments that we spread before him. Now that the crimson stains of our sins have been washed away in the saving waters of baptism and we have become white as pure wool, let us present to the conqueror of death, not with mere branches of palms but the real rewards of Victory! (Sermon by St. Andrew of Crete) Liturgy of the Hours

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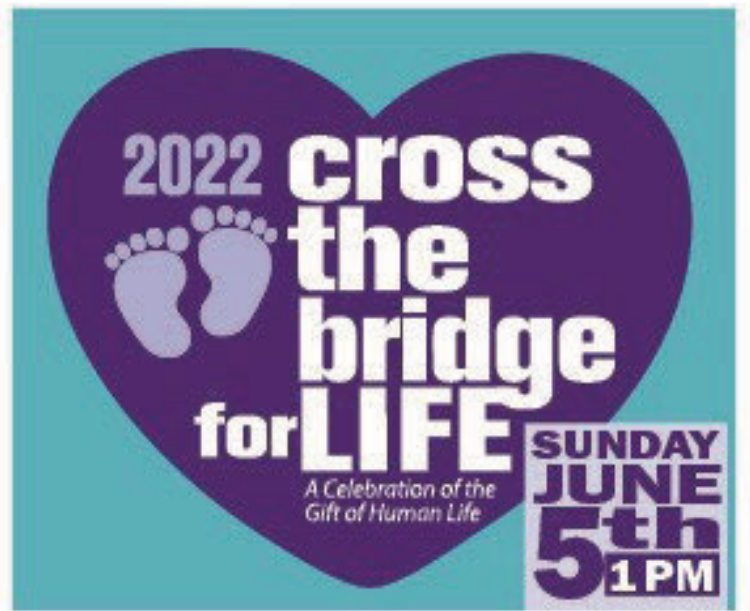
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- Dan Steffen, Principal Ext. 15
- Jen Geiman, Assistant Principal Ext. 14



STEWARDSHIP

GIFT OF THE MONTH

APRIL

The Rose Garden Home Mission requests diapers – sizes 4, 5, & 6, baby wipes, baby shampoo, wash, & lotion, and new or gently-used children’s clothing - sizes 2T-6T.

Please leave your gifts in the bins near the church doors. Thank you!

REFLECTION

STEWARDSHIP AND PALMS

Palms are blessed and distributed to the faithful as sacramentals. Through the intercession of the Church, sacramentals prepare us to receive God’s grace and dispose us to be guided by the Holy Spirit. While not conferring God’s grace in the same way the sacraments do, sacramentals draw us closer to God. When we bring palms into our homes, we praise God and invite his blessing into our everyday lives. Displaying the palms in our homes gives witness to our faith and reminds us of the sanctify of our “Domestic Church.”

Palms are a visible reminder of our reliance upon God’s providence and the importance of safeguarding the holiness of our homes. We do this by loving our families unconditionally, praying together, exercising hospitality, and being mindful of the quality of outside influences we admit, including those that enter through various media.

Old palms should be burned, not placed in the trash. Our church collects them during Lent and uses the ashes to mark our foreheads on Ash Wednesday.

MAY WE WASH YOUR FEET?

We are looking for 6 men and 6 women who will allow our clergy to wash your feet. Call the Parish Office: 859-331-4302.

As Jesus washed the feet of his 12 apostles, so our clergy will wash the feet of 12 parishioners at the Mass of the LORD’s Supper on Holy Thursday evening, April 14, 7 p.m. Will you humbly volunteer?

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

People donate to the parish mission in ways other than the Sunday collection. We are revising our financial stewardship bulletin box to more accurately reflect all donations. Please bear with us during this process. Financial reports will return to the bulletin soon.

THE SEARCH: QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What do you think?

- “I think for a lot of people salvation is just fire insurance... But the reality is that in the New Testament, salvation isn’t just about what will happen to us after we die—it very much pertains to the here and now as well. In fact, what is it that we need to be saved from? We are enslaved by sin.” *Dr. Michael Barber*



GIRLS CHALLENGE CLUB HOSTS FASHION SHOW

In keeping with the mission of Girls Challenge Club to instill virtue, develop character, and encourage spiritual growth in a fun atmosphere, the club hosted a fashion show of stylish and modest apparel for young girls on Friday, April 1st. This event closes the season for the club.

CHALLENGE CLUB COORDINATOR PASSES THE BATON: The close of the Challenge year is also an opportunity for us, as a parish, to express appreciation to **Lisa Laudenslayer** who has been involved in this outreach to our girls for 12 years. Her own daughters grown, Lisa feels called to direct her energy and talents to other worthwhile activities. She is handing over coordination of the club to Melissa Stegman next year. Thank you to Lisa for helping our girls mature spiritually as they grow up. Thanks, also, to Melissa Stegman for accepting the leadership role moving forward.

Girls Challenge Club is for girls in 5th through 8th grades. High school girls may apply to be team leaders.

2023 SYNOD ON SYNODALITY: THANK YOU AND NEXT STEPS...

Synodality is a way of “journeying together” – of living out our faith – that calls for speaking and listening to one another and the Holy Spirit.

The feedback received from the diocesan consultation over the past three months (local listening sessions, individual responses, and the Pre-Synodal Assembly) will be compiled into an overall summary. This summary will serve as the Diocese of Covington’s concrete contribution to the universal Synod process. It can also serve as a resource in identifying future steps on the path of synodality for our local Church.

The summary will be sent to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for compilation with the summaries received from the other dioceses of the United States. This “national” summary will contribute to the development of the working documents (*Instrumentum Laboris*) that will be studied and discerned on the continental level and then finally by the Synod of Bishops in Rome in October 2023.

Our sincere thanks to all those who coordinated, organized, and participated in the Synod consultation in the Diocese of Covington. The sharing of your faith, talents, and experiences is greatly appreciated! Please continue to pray to the Holy Spirit that the Synod on Synodality will bear fruit according to God’s will for all of us, everywhere, who are the Body of Christ, the Church.

Look for more information on the 2021-2023 Synod on Synodality in the diocesan Messenger, on social media, on the Vatican website <https://www.synod.va/en.html>, or on the diocesan website www.covdio.org/synod.

WOMEN’S MORNING / EVENING OF REFLECTION

All women are invited to join the women of Regnum Christi for a Morning of Reflection (MOR) or Evening of Reflection (EOR) on Wed, Apr 13, and the second Wednesday of every month. This “mini retreat” includes Mass, Meditation, Practical Talk and opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Light refreshments will be served. MOR: 9:00 to 11:30 am at St. Pius X parish in Edgewood | Begins with Mass in side chapel. EOR: 6:30 – 9:00 pm at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood | Begins with meditation in lower level dining room. This month our theme will be: *ACCOMPANIMENT: Importance of Spiritual Direction*. Questions? Contact **Michele Garvey 858-801-0797**.



R.C.I.A.-“Do not be afraid. You are not alone.”

Today we commemorate Jesus’ triumphal entrance into Jerusalem...and before the week is out we will have relived his crucifixion. Pope Francis says, “Jesus’ message to us today is this: **‘Do not be afraid, you are not alone. I experienced all your desolation in order to be ever close to you.’**

“Today, in the tragedy of a pandemic, in the face of the many false securities that have now crumbled,” Francis said, “in the face of so many hopes betrayed, in the sense of abandonment that weighs upon our hearts, **Jesus says to each one of us: ‘Courage, open your heart to my love. You will feel the consolation of God who sustains you.’**”

He told the small congregation in the basilica of some thirty persons standing at a distance from each other and the larger global audience that Jesus had “served us even to the point of being betrayed and abandoned,” and that, **“we were put in this world to love him and our neighbors. Everything else passes away, only this remains.”** (Homily of Pope Francis, Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020)

Join us in our year round journey of discovering Jesus’ love, a love that changes everything. Contact Mirianna Asman for details. masman@bscky.org; 859-331-4302, ext. 37.

Homily referenced in this article:

<https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2020/04/05/palm-sunday-message-pope-francis-do-not-be-afraid-you-are-not-alone>

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. BERNADETTE SOUBIROUS

(b. 1844 – d. 1879)

St. Bernadette was the firstborn daughter of a miller from Lourdes, and is best known for experiencing Marian apparitions of a “young lady” who instructed Bernadette to come daily to the grotto to receive visions and she eventually proclaimed “I am the Immaculate Conception.” A spring at the grotto, which appeared where Bernadette was instructed to dig, has been a site of miraculous healing. The lady also requested that a chapel be built in the grotto for pilgrims.





BSS NEWS

Blessed Sacrament Community,

Today is Palm Sunday which commemorates Jesus' kingly arrival in Jerusalem. Today, you receive palm branches that symbolize the branches that were spread on the ground in front of Jesus as he arrived on a donkey. We are just one week from Easter!

This week, we do not have bus service, as Kenton County is on break. We have All-School Mass on Wednesday. The school begins Easter Break on Thursday (4/13) and we return to school on Monday (4/25). Our first group (PSR & 2C) of First Communicants also celebrates their special sacrament on Sunday (4/24) at 1:00 PM.

Pray for our students as they prepare for their First Communion, and for our school and community as we prepare for Easter!

God Bless!

*Mr. Dan Steffen
Principal, Blessed Sacrament School*

Upcoming School Events

4/11-4/13	NO BUS SERVICE
4/14-24	NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
4/24	First Communion - Group 1
5/1	First Communion - Group 2
5/10	Confirmation
5/25	8th Grade Graduation
5/26	Last Day of School (<i>dismissal at 11:30</i>)

*"They took branches of palm trees
and went forth to meet him,
and cried, Hosanna! Blessed is he
who comes in the name of the Lord!"*

-John 12:13



ROSE GARDEN CENTER FOR HOPE AND HEALING and the Franciscan Daughters of Mary has a need for help. Our dental clinic is in need of dentists, extended duty dental assistants (EDDA), and dental hygienists. Retirees welcome! We are planning to open our Health Ministry as soon as possible and need Registered Nurses to serve. The Health Ministry is a 4 hour a week (Tuesday 11am-3pm) walk in nurse clinic providing blood pressure screening and diabetic screening to the general population who come to the sisters' for food and material support. In the past it has been a very busy place. It was closed due to COVID but now we feel it is time to re-open. Call [859-261-0323](tel:859-261-0323) to volunteer.

THE MUSTARD SEED COMMUNITY : Be our guests at the annual Life in the Spirit Seminar (LISS) presented by our Diocese's Charismatic Renewal (The Mustard Seed Community) to be held Saturday, April 23, 8am-3pm in the Undercroft (Noll Hall) at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 2470 Lorraine Court, Crescent Springs, KY. There is no cost. For more information or to register, call or text Blaine at 859-391-5794 or register online www.CharismaticNKY.com <<https://CharismaticNKY.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=3332552dc21817229542f630d&id=29802a25da&e=8854b924a3>> .

JUSTICE AND PEACE (CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING) April 23 & 30, 2022 (9 a.m. – 2 p.m.) – St. Joseph Academy, Walton Instructor: Rev. Thomas Picchioni Learn the fundamental principles of Catholic Social Teaching and discuss practical ways to apply them in your life, communities, and societal surroundings. *Everyone is welcome to attend!* The cost for the workshop is \$35. **Justice and Peace** is a two-part workshop. To register visit www.covdio.org/register.



The **Sisters of Notre Dame** are looking for individuals to fill the following positions.

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If interested in these opportunities, please go to the link below to submit your application, email us at humanresources@sndky.org or call 859-392-8101. <https://careers.sndusa.org/covington/>

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