

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."
- Mt 21:9

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Monday—Friday 8:00a.m.-4:00p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses Saturday, 4:00p.m.

Sunday, 9:00a.m. and 11:00a.m.

Weekday Masses Monday-Friday 6:30a.m. & 10:00a.m. Saturday 10:00a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 2:30-3:30 p.m., Thursday before First Friday, 10:30 a.m. & Wednesdays 6:00—6:30p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Wednesdays, 10-6:45 p.m., Rosary at 3:30p.m., Benediction at 6:45 p.m. and Nocturnal Adoration the first Friday of each Month, starting at 9:00pm Thursday until 6:00am Friday morning. Benediction at 6:00am.

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

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Please contact the Parish Office, 331-4302

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Hours M-F, 7:30 a.m.—3 p.m.

School Principal

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New Parishioners: To register, call the Parish Office weekdays between 8:00am-4:00pm. Notification prior to leaving the parish is appreciated.

Baptism: Baptisms are celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month after the 11:00a.m. Mass. Preparation classes are required for parents. To register for the class, call the Parish Office. Parents must be active registered members of the parish.

Marriage: Call six months in advance, no date will be set without consulting with the parish priest or deacon. At least one party must be registered at Blessed Sacrament.

R.C.I.A.: (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Call Jennifer Summe (Ext. 41)

SERVICE TIME & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 1

4:00 †Harry Beck (Fr. Hils)

Sunday, April 2 Palm Sunday

9:00 Parish (Fr. Aidoo)

11:00 †Deceased of Hohman & Wagner Families (Fr. Hils)

Monday, April 3

6:30 †Phyllis Kiser

10:00 †Martha & Ed Roeding

Tuesday, April 4

6:30 Glenn Rice, Jr. Sp. Int.

10:00 †Pearl Stanfield & Ginny Beck

Wednesday, April 5

6:30 †Donna Epplen

10:00 †Paul Radenheimer

Thursday, April 6 Holy Thursday

7:00 †Jean Ryder, A. M.

Friday, April 7 Good Friday

12:00 Stations

3:00 Good Friday Service

6:00 Stations

Saturday, April 8 Holy Saturday

8:30 †Ellen & Stanley Meihaus

Sunday, April 9 Happy Easter!

9:00 Parish

11:00 †Carl Arlinghaus

LENTEN FASTING AND ABSTINENCE During Lent, healthy Catholics age 14 and older are required to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and every Friday of the season. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, healthy adult Catholics (ages 18-59) are required to fast, limiting food to one full meal with minimal food at the other two.

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NEWS AND FORMATION

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Stew & Joy Riche, Bob Miller, Jimmy Woods, Paul Stall, Larry Bischoff, Donna Cliff, Ruth Otto, Brice Hummel, Leo Meyers, Lou Fritz, Rob Feldmann, Ralph Carr, James Doyle, Michael Weber, Ginny & Charlie Yancey, Carol Moore and Glenn Rice.

Please pray for all parishioners who are ill and/ or confined to their homes or nursing homes. If you know anyone needs prayers or a visit, please call the Parish Office.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for the repose of the soul of Aimee Wesselman. Please keep the Wesselman family in your prayers.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION WITH THE DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY. The

Skyline Gift Card winners are: Mary Beth Connelly, Peg Halpin and Jill Crossen.



Christ entered in triumph into his own city, to complete his work as our Messiah to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us ...follow him with lively faith. With palm in hand to honor the Lord as did the children of Jerusalem so long ago, we journey with the Lord through his Paschal Mystery – his Passion, death, and

resurrection.

The point of this Sunday, popularly called *Palm Sunday* but actually named *Passion Sunday*, is precisely this: that we follow Christ with lively faith into the mystery of his death and resurrection. The enthusiasm of our procession with palms has led us in a matter of minutes to hear of the "Suffering Servant" who humbled himself to death, death on a cross, and the story of God giving Himself for our salvation.

The third scrutiny of our Elect are pictured above. Please keep Jordan, Ralph, Tonya and Martina in your prayers as they prepare for Holy Week and the Easter Vigil.

For information on our year-round RCIA, please contact Jennifer Summe at <u>jsumme@bscky.org</u> or 859-331-4302, ext. 41.



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www.bscky.org/stewardship

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE PREPARING TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY.

Molly McGee & Peter Olorunsemi Marell Soldano & Shane Oehler

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Bulletin submission deadline: Monday 3pm

GIFT OF THE MONTH

Family Promise

Family Promise is an interfaith hospitality outreach to homeless families, enabling families to remain together during economic setbacks. Family Promise has many on-going needs, including: 40 gallon trash bags, pillows, bed linens (queen or twin size), hair brushes, hair bows and ties, cotton swabs, towels, wash cloths, and dishrags. Please leave your gifts in the bins near the church doors. For more information on how you can help, contact Karen Kleman. Thank you!

REFLECTION GOOD VS. POOR STEWARDSHIP:

The Palm Sunday readings provide examples of both good stewardship and poor stewardship. There is much to learn by contrasting them. Let's take a look at just two examples.

Have you ever been surprised by Jesus' sending his disciples to take someone's donkey without asking? He further instructs them: "... if anyone should say anything to you, reply, 'The master has need of them.' Then he will send them at once." Clearly, Jesus knew there was a good steward in the town — someone who recognized that all blessings come from God and should be used to give glory to the Lord.

In another reading, we find Judas squandering his close relationship with Jesus, misusing this great blessing from God, a decision that led to his own despair.

Throughout each day, we make stewardship choices, whether or not we realize that's what we are doing. Our time, our health, our skills, our inborn talents, our money, our relationships, the rights and privileges we enjoy in our nation — in short, our very lives belong to God. How we use each gift is our stewardship. Do we, like the owner of the donkey, send our blessings "at once" wherever God's has need of them, or do we, like Judas, squander our gifts entirely for our own ends? For most of us, the answer is sometimes one and sometimes the other. Growing in conscious awareness of our tendencies and learning to reflect upon our stewardship choices will lead us closer to God and to the joy to which he calls his stewards.







TRIDUUM LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7 p.m. Good Friday Service: 3 p.m. Way of the Cross at noon and 6 p.m. Confessions at 6:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: 8:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday Masses: 9 & 11 a.m.

"And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith." ~ 1 Cor 15:14

MORNING OF REFLECTION

How to Discern

With Father Conor Kunath

Saturday, April 15th

Reflection (BSC Undercroft) 9:00a.m.

Mass, Adoration & Confession 10:00a.m.

TIS THE SEASON

Please pray for our RCIA Catechumens and Candidates, our 8th grade Confirmation Candidates, our 2nd grade First Communicants, and all who will enter more deeply into the sacramental life of the Church this spring.

Loving God,
Pour out your blessing
upon those preparing for sacraments, upon their
catechists, their families, and our whole
community.

Grant that those of us who have already celebrated these sacraments my be renewed in our appreciation of the sacramental life.

Grant that we may all grow closer to you as we pray for one another.

Unite us in our love of you.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

EASTER HOSPITALITY

Make visitors to our parish welcome on Easter. Greet strangers, move to the center of your pew to make room, be patient with anyone sitting in "your pew," offer to assist anyone needing help, show extra courtesy in the parking lot, don't take the closest parking space if you don't need to, pray that new-comers return.



Upcoming Events

4/6-16	NO SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK
4/23	BSS Fine Arts Day
4/26	Eucharistic Miracles Display
4/28	Muffins with my Ladies
4/30	First Communion (group 1)
5/7	First Communion (group 2)
5/9	8th Grade Confirmation
5/23	Field Day
5/24	8th Grade Graduation
5/25	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!



ALL ARE INVITED TO BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL'S FINE ARTS DAY SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023

11:00 - Fine Arts Day mass 12:00 - Coffee and Donuts (undercroft) 12:30-2:00 - Fine Arts Day (school)

We will have **vocal arts** performances at mass, **visual arts** displays throughout the school building, and will feature **instrumental and performing arts** in the music room and gymnasium!

Thank you for being **ALL IN** for the Arts at BSS!

CALLING ALL GREEN THUMBS

The Blessed Sacrament Adopt-A-Plot ministry is in need of some additional helping hands. Anyone interested in maintaining a plot should contact Anita Wagner at 513-324-9144 (call or text) for more information or to sign up.

GETTING MORE OUT OF MASS

Many people go to Mass with the expectation that they are supposed to "get" a lot out of it. In life, we get the results for the efforts we make. The same is true of Mass.

1 – Prepare for Mass.

Read the readings before you go to Mass, and then listen to them intently while The Word is proclaimed.

Get to Church a few minutes early to quiet down and pray. Once inside and seated, don't talk or people-watch...pray. Remember that during Mass isn't socializing time.

2 - During Mass

Don't let outside distractions disturb your internal peace.

Listen to the Word proclaimed and let it challenge you.

Find something in the Homily and apply it for the week.

Sing, even if your voice is bad.

Respond and pray with enthusiasm.

Offer your pain, sufferings, joys and prayers to God.

5 - Proclaim your Faith

Don't just recite the Creed - proclaim it like you mean it and understand what you are proclaiming.

7 - When you receive Jesus in the Eucharist - understand what it is you are doing

You are taking the Body, blood, soul, and divinity of GOD into you

You are joining in heaven on earth You are becoming one with The Body of Christ

Realize that He is in everyone else that received Him as well.

8 - The Mass Never Ends

As you leave, take the Word of God and Christ living in you to all those you meet and return next week to renew your relationship with Christ.

"If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy." - Saint Jean Vianney



HOLY LAND: Oct 25 – Nov 2, 2023

Join Msgr. Daniel Vogelpohl on an inspirational journey through the Holy Land. Strengthen your faith and grow closer to God. From Bethlehem and Nazareth to Cana, the site of the First Miracle, find new understanding in the life of Jesus. Follow in His emotional needs of children and their families. footsteps along the Via Dolorosa as you walk the path of the Stations of the Cross. Visit the Church of the Pater Noster, built on the traditional site where Jesus taught. Explore Ein Karem, birthplace of St. John the Baptist. An extensive Jerusalem tour features the Mount of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane, and the Western Wall. Visit the Church of the Beatitudes, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, St. John the Baptist, and the Church of the Nativity, Mount of the Transfiguration. Engage in daily worship at some of the world's most revered and historical sites.

For more information: dvogelpohl@covdio.org OR https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1128673.



The Most Reverend John C. COVINGTON Iffert, Bishop of Covington,

invites all the faithful of the diocese.

priests, deacons, consecrated religious and laity, to join him for the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 7:00pm, in the Cathedral Basilica of **the Assumption.** The Sacrament of Penance will be available prior to Holy Mass, beginning at 6:00pm.

THAT MAN IS YOU (TMIY) Please join us for the 2023 Spring semester of 'All Things New' on Mondays at 8:00 pm and repeating that session Thursday, January 12th at 6:00 am. Most meetings are in the church undercroft. For Monday contact Justin Jehn (513) 616-1032, for Thursday John Carey (513) 884-9800

HOLY LAND CREATIONS

Maha Kassis will be selling genuine olive wood crafts the weekend of April 15th & 16th after all masses. These unique gifts of are hand made by Christian men, women, and children in the Holy Land of Bethlehem, Israel. Your support of these Christian families will help spread the gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the Holy Land and the world.

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Our largest fundraiser, **Swing Into Spring**, This year's event will combine our popular online auction beginning April 26 and culminate in a fun live event on Saturday, April 29. A valuable source of revenue comes from our **Care for Kids Raffle.** Would you please help us by including the following information in your upcoming bulletin and/or online newsletter?

DCCH Care for Kids Raffle

Buy your Chances for \$10,000, \$2,500, or \$1,000 and #ChangeLives!

Tickets are \$20 each. Drawing will be held 4/29/23. You do not need to be present to win. Purchase tickets and learn more at www.DCCHCenter.org or 859/331-2040.

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to learn how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. Or schedule a training for your group! Stewards of Children®Training

Tuesday, April 11th from 2:00-4:00 PM at 5 Spiral Dr. Ste 100, Florence, KY 41042

VIRTUS TRAININGS

Catholic Charities, Training Room, 3629 Church St. Covington, Kentucky. Tuesday, April 26th, 2023. 1:30 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

www.virtusonline.org, enter you user id and password. If your account is suspended contact your primary location where you volunteer or are employed. Your primary location contact information is found under your Contact Tab.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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CASA of the Northern Bluegrass Region is seeking dedicated volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in the family court system in Kenton, Campbell, Pendleton, Harrison, Carroll, Owen, and Grant Counties. To learn more join us for our CASA 101 Meetings on April 6th or April 13th, 2023 from 5:30pm to 6:30pm via Zoom. To sign up please contact Jennifer Houser (859)392-1792 or Jennifer@casaforkidsnky.org

SAVE THE DATE: On SUNDAY, MAY 21st, the Vocations Office will be hosting a Sacred Heart Discernment Dinner for any men interested in discerning a call to the priesthood. The dinner is completely free and is open to the parents and family of the discerner as well. The evening will begin at 5PM with Vespers at ALL SAINTS CHURCH. If you are interested in attending, please send an RSVP to the Vocations Office at sbarnes@covdio.org.



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