



PALM SUNDAY THE PASSION OF OUR LORD



APRIL 14, 2019

† MASS INTENTIONS †

Sat.	4/13	4:00 PM	Lillian Strohl by Her Husband Oscar
Sun.	4/14	7:30 AM	Peter and Mamie Sefing by the Turris
		10:30 AM	For the People
Mon.	4/15	7:00 PM	John Iorio by His Sisters Susan, Janet, and Ruth
Tue.	4/16	7:00 AM	Carmelita "Dolly" Stefanick by Her Husband John
Wed.	4/1		NO MASS
Thur.	4/18	7:00 PM	Holy Thursday
Fri.	4/19	1:00 PM	Good Friday
Sat.	4/20	8:00 PM	Easter Vigil For the People
Sun.	4/21	7:30 AM	Easter Sunday Sonia and Stanley Wilczek by Their Son Stan
		10:30 AM	Easter Sunday David and Helen Mahon by Their Children



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$4,237.00; Dues \$660.00; Care and Education of Priests \$700.80; Church in Europe \$1.00; Catholic Relief \$31.00; Rice Bowl \$15.00; Easter Flowers \$574.00; Poor Box \$252.55

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION will be for the Holy Land.

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory the Deceased Members of the Lottie (Bartosevich) and Peter Fatula Families by Thelma and Joe Gallagher.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN MEMORIAL DONATION of \$300.00 in Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tulanowski by Mary and Jerry Tulanowski; \$100.00 in Memory of Magdalene Kislán by Her Husband Bob and Daughters Donna and JoAnn.

MINISTRY FAIR will be held on Sunday, April 28th, after each of the weekend masses. Members of the various ministries will be available to answer any questions you might have. Be sure to stop by and **CHOOSE TO SERVE!**



Meeting
Reminder

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, April 15th, after the 7 PM
Mass in the rectory.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, April 17th, at 6:15 PM
in the rectory.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS: There will be no class next Sunday, **April 21st**, Easter Sunday. Classes will resume on Sunday, **April 28th**. **May 5th** is the **last class**. The 10:30 AM mass that day is **First Eucharist** for our Second Grade Class, our **May Crowning**, and our **Closing Liturgy**.



PRACTICE SCHEDULE FOR FIRST EUCHARIST:

Saturday, April 27th at 12:00 Noon
Sunday, April 28th, at 8:30 AM



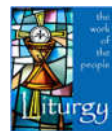


We begin the most solemn week of the church year. In just a few days we will commemorate the reason Jesus came (His death on the Cross) and the central event of the Catholic Church (the Eucharist). These special days known as the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday) bring the story of Jesus to fulfillment. From the Holy Thursday washing of the feet, to the Good Friday sacrifice of the Cross and finally, the culmination of Holy Saturday, we will remember and celebrate! Here is the question you need to ask yourself. As you hold the blessed Palm in your hand you received at Mass, will you simply put it behind a holy picture, or will you put it into action and attend the services of Holy Week? The Palm invited Jesus into Jerusalem, it now invites you to Holy Week.



A VIEW FROM THE PEW: ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

It's that time again, Lent. I know, it's time to sacrifice something, but I'll probably go through the motions and give up something simple and call it Lent, right? Why not try a different approach and just listen? Is God calling you to do more? Is there something that picks at your brain at Mass and nudges you to be involved? Listen to that voice and consider one of our parish ministries that include: Altar Server, Choir, Lector, Legion of Mary, Liturgy Committee, Messengers of Hope, and Religious Education. The six weeks of Lent will each highlight a ministry, so you will have an idea as to what each one is all about. Make Lent different this year, **CHOOSE TO SERVE!**



MOTHER'S DAY DINNER will be held on Wednesday, May 8th, at 6:00 PM in Edgewood in the Pines. Entrée choices include Chicken Marsala, Roast Beef with Mushrooms, or Flounder Stuffed with Crab. Cost is \$28 per person. Tickets are on sale after all the weekend masses. **Deadline for tickets is Sunday, April 28th.**



THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU! These are the last opportunities for you to experience the joy of Reconciliation. Please don't let Lent end without Forgiveness from God! Confessions are heard in our parish Monday evening from 6:00-6:50 PM and Tuesday morning from 6:15-6:50 AM. In St. Patrick's the schedule is Monday from 7:00 - 7:50 AM and Wednesday evening from 5:00 - 5:45 PM.

BIBLE STUDY - A WALK WITH GOD THROUGH LENT - with Deacon Jim will be held at St. Patrick's Parish Center on Wednesday, April 17th, at 6:00 PM.



FOOD PANTRY DONATION for April is cereal. The next distribution date is Tuesday, April 23rd.



HAM BINGO PROFIT was \$1,541.90. Sincere thanks to everyone who cooked, baked, or helped in any way to make our bingo such a great success. And thanks to all who came out and played!

The next Charismatic Mass and Healing Service at St. John Bosco Church, Conyngham, will be Thursday, April 25th at 7 PM. Fr. Michael Kloton will preside and Sue Shaw will begin her music ministry at 6:45 PM. You are invited. Light refreshments will be available afterward in Room 3.

PARISH HAPPENINGS

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS will be held with Deacon Jim four times each year, in April, June, September, and December. As soon as a woman becomes pregnant, she needs to contact the parish office to arrange to attend this one-time class. **Our next class will be on TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 30TH, AT 6:00 PM IN THE RECTORY.** Even if you have already had a child baptized in our parish, it is necessary for you to attend this class and review important preparations, such as exactly what the sacred sacrament of Baptism entails, the requirements of the Godparents, and all pertinent information concerning the child's baptism. The class can include both parents and their prospective Godparents. This is a wonderful opportunity to prepare everyone for your child's first sacrament and his/her welcome into the family of God. Class should be scheduled well in advance of the baby's due date. **To schedule your class, call Janet in the parish office at 570-636-3035.**



OUR ANNUAL OLD-FASHIONED SUNDAY AFTERNOON CHURCH PICNIC will be held **Sunday, June 23rd**, in the public park. **Please note the change of date due to Confirmation.** Mass begins at **NOON** and the picnic begins immediately after. There will be hot dogs, hamburgers, two roasted pigs, plus all the wonderful foods you are bringing. **It's never too late to start planning all the mouth-watering signature dishes you will be preparing.**

LIVING STATIONS will be portrayed by the Youth Group on Good Friday evening in Immaculate Conception Parish at 7:00 PM. You don't want to miss this meaningful portrayal of our Lord's passion.



LIGHT THE FIRE YOUTH RALLY for High School Students at Misericordia University on June 26, 2019. Join us for a high energy day filled with a variety of workshops, awesome music, an amazing closing mass, adoration, reconciliation, and new friends. The theme is "Young People are the "now" of God. Cost is \$30. Call Steve Wallo at 570-654-0053.



Holy Week Schedule

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Holy Thursday, April 18th at 7 PM.
 Good Friday, April 19th at 1 PM.
 Blessing of Baskets, Saturday, April 20th at 11 AM.
 Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 20th at 8 PM.
 Easter Sunday, April 21st at 7:30 AM and 10:30 AM.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH

Holy Thursday, April 18th at 7 PM.
 Good Friday, April 19th at 2 PM.
 Blessing of Baskets, Saturday, April 20th at 12 PM
 Easter Vigil, Saturday April 20th at 8 PM.
 Easter Sunday, April 21st at 8:30 AM and 11 AM.

CHOOSE TO SERVE,
CAN YOU SEE YOURSELF AS AN ALTAR SERVER!

*“To serve at the altar, as to sing in the choir, is next to the priesthood the highest privilege which a human can enjoy.” Archbishop of Westminster Bernard Cardinal Griffin. Since the second century, altar servers have always had a place in the Eucharistic Celebration. Think about it, there have always been people who assisted at table and put things back in order afterwards. Ideally, servers are fully initiated Catholics. Altar Servers must have received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion; however, youths who have not been confirmed may serve as well. The minimum age and scheduling procedures are left to the pastor’s discretion. Responsibilities: carry the cross, processional candles and the incense and censor, present the bread, wine and water to the priest during the preparation of gifts and assist the priest as necessary. The role of the server is an integral part of the celebration of the Mass. At least one server should assist the priest, two or more for Sundays, funerals and important holydays. This important ministry is also open to adults as well. Why not **CHOOSE TO SERVE**. Altar Servers are in short supply for funerals and non-existent at daily Mass. Remember, as a server, you stand near the altar on which bread and wine become Jesus Christ! Why not make a commitment this Lent to consider the ministry of an Altar Server!*

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BUILD MY
CHURCH