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APRIL 10, 2022
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
OF OUR LORD

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends:

Saturday - 4 p.m.

Sunday - 8 a.m., 10 a.m.

Weekdays:

Monday - Friday 8 a.m.

Holy Days: 8 a.m., 7 p.m.

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The Procession in the Streets of Jerusalem
(Le cortège dans les rues de Jérusalem)

GOSPEL MEDITATION: UNBREAKABLE LOVE

God's love comes with an intimate and equal bond with love of neighbor. God's kingdom is a world based on justice, peace, mercy, and forgiveness.

Sometimes, people want to keep God's love to themselves and use it for their own benefit. When they only want to use God's love to justify their own intentions and for their own projects, problems occur.

Sin makes hurtful, destructive, and self-serving acts look attractive and justifiable.

The lure of sin creates friends who begin to believe the lie that sin expounds. This is what happened on Calvary. Actually doing what Jesus is saying and translating it into action inevitably will upset conventions—popular views that serve to protect status, foster personal gain and success, and further divide the “haves” from the “have nots.” Most who hear the Gospel are attracted to it, at first. When they realize that it means standing apart from popular opinion, they cower in fear and join the

throng shouting, “Crucify him!” There is an ambivalence found in many believers as they struggle with whether their belief is strong enough to set out on the difficult path of Gospel virtues.

It takes courage to admit that the system is broken. It takes even more courage to choose the true repair. And it takes an unbreakable love of God to accept the consequences of doing so.

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APRIL 9 SATURDAY
4:00 p.m. Trish Kurelac† <i>Patricia Kurelac</i>
APRIL 10 PALM SUNDAY
8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. Opal Romanoski† <i>Suzanne & Bruce Artimez</i>
APRIL 11 MONDAY
8:00 a.m. Semon Prado† <i>Toni & Bob Eaton</i>
APRIL 12 TUESDAY
8:00 a.m.
APRIL 13 WEDNESDAY
8:00 a.m.
APRIL 14 HOLY THURSDAY
No morning Mass
7:00 p.m. For the people of the parish Adoration will follow
APRIL 15 GOOD FRIDAY
No morning Mass
7:00 p.m. The Lord's Passion
APRIL 16 SATURDAY
4:00 p.m.
APRIL 17 EASTER SUNDAY
8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. Stephanie Phillips Eddy† <i>Mom & Dad</i>

A CHERISHED HOLY WEEK TRADITION

Our youth rehearsed a final time for their 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 8, performance of Stations of the Cross—a cherished tradition in our parish. Sincerest thanks to our youths for their hard work and to their families for supporting them. Special thanks to Lottie Durbin for keeping this tradition alive.



A Listening Ear ...

If you are looking for someone
To talk to ...
To bounce an idea off of ...
To get a third opinion from ...
To ponder life's great injustices with ...
To tell your favorite joke to ...
To share some photos with ...
Sister Agatha is ready, very able, and absolutely willing to lend her ear to you. Find her any Thursday between 1 and 3 p.m. at the parish office. You can call first, or just stop by.

Holy Thursday Mass Participants Encouraged

We are looking for participants for Holy Thursday Mass. Please consider joining in one of the most beautiful liturgies of the Easter Triduum by having your feet washed. Contact Father if you are willing. After Holy Thursday Mass we will have benediction and adoration. Come pray!

The Sanctuary Candle

beside the tabernacle burns this week for
Brenda Kurko and Frank Gayda

Prayer REQUESTS

Homebound: Rachel Kerekes, Doris Murphy, Phyllis Prado.

Nursing Homes: Hazel Markey, Katie Renshaw, Joan Weekly, Alma VanSyoc, Ron Flading, Barb Meyer, Mary Yanen, Raymond Pennybacker

Recently Sick: Bobby Kleinedler, Sami Wilson, Anna Mae Veronis Holliday, Kathryn Ferrera, Danielle Wilson, Loretta Saporito, Mary Stees, Judith Harbert, Annalyn Liette, Sandina Leonard, Deanne Ferraro, Debbie Hand, Georgia Pettit, Lida Schellhase, Carmina Oakland, Bob Shutler, Joe Church, Joseph Grampa, Megan Freeland Roskovensky

HOLY WEEK & EASTER EVENTS

Saturday April 9	EASTER FLOWERS TO SICK & SHUT-INS
11 a.m. - 5 p.m. April 15	FINAL LENTEN FRIDAY FISH FRY Xavier Hall
Friday April 15 3 p.m.	GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS
APRIL 15 - GOOD FRIDAY CROSS WALK & ECUMENICAL SERVICE Begins at 11 a.m. at Calvary UMC and ends at SFX with services	

MASSES & SERVICES

HOLY THURSDAY - April 14 Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 p.m.
GOOD FRIDAY - April 15 Stations of the Cross 3:00 p.m.
The Passion of the Lord, Adoration of the Cross, Holy Communion 7:00 p.m.
HOLY SATURDAY - April 16 Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 p.m.
EASTER SUNDAY - April 17 Masses 8:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.

SCHEDULES APRIL 14 - 17

LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m.	C. King / M. Taskalines
Good Friday 7:00 p.m.	D. Prado, M. Hitt / S. Kent
Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m.	C. McDonald / L. Magnone
Easter Sunday 8:00 a.m.	C. Frame / S. Kent
10:00 a.m.	R. Patrone / L. Remke

ALTAR SERVERS

Palm Sunday Sat. 4:00 p.m.	Holly & Heidi Fecat
Sun. 8:00 a.m.	A. Kent
10:00 a.m.	E. King / C. Menendez
Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m.	Whitelatch Family
Good Friday 7:00 p.m.	M. Hitt / D. Prado
Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m.	C. Blatt / C. Frizzell
Easter Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Kent Family
10:00 a.m.	C. Frizzell / C. Menendez

**FRIDAY NIGHT BINGO
GOING STRONG!**

With extra funds from last year, manager Vicki Regiec has just purchased a popular new Bingo machine (with all the bells and whistles). Each week typically brings a gathering of between 70 - 90 folks, many of whom enjoy eating while they play. The bingo kitchen is sometimes overwhelmed by these hungry players. Our intrepid bingo volunteer coordinator, Kathleen Nagaele, always steps up when kitchen staff is short-handed—but now she is appealing for help. Please call her if you can help to serve and take orders on Friday evenings from 5 - 9:30 p.m. Call Kathleen at 304-312-5027 to say you can help occasionally or for all Friday evenings.

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR the trip June 16 & 17 to the play *David* in Lancaster, Pa. The cost per person is \$180 and includes transportation, double occupancy room, a meal, and a ticket to see the show. Sign up in the vestibule.



**THE PONTIFICAL GOOD
FRIDAY COLLECTION**

for the Holy Land provides support of the Holy Places, but above all for pastoral, educational, and social works. Support for Christian brethren and the surrounding communities is urged, as they are struggling to thrive as pandemic and war continue to devastate livelihoods. Giving was down last year, so please do what you can.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
(CONFESSIONS):**

Sat. 3:30 p.m. or upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office at least six months before the date of the marriage. Pre-Cana is required.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (PSR):

Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. Grades 1-12.

ST. JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER

invites everyone to attend **MOUTH - It's Difficult to Eat Crow.** The virtual session is Monday, April 25, at 7 p.m. It is the fourth installment of the 20/20 Vision Series "One Body, Many Parts." The series helps participants find clarity, vision, and purpose in their lives. Contact Anna Maria at atroiani@csjoseph.org to reserve your spot. Sessions are \$15 each.

"HE'S ALIVE!" THE MUSICAL

passion play, will be performed at Wheeling's Capitol Theatre Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, April 10, at 3:30 p.m. Admission is free.

**Blessed Carlo Acutis
Youth Adventure Camp**

Register your camper at CampCarlowv.org by **June 1st** to receive our early bird rate of \$275. Contact Sadie Shields for more information: sshields@dwc.org or 1 (304) 476-9015

**OUR PARISH WILL DONATE \$100
TOWARD FEES FOR OUR YOUTH!**

OFFERING MARCH 27, 2022

Envelopes	\$2,863.00
Loose Offering	\$268.00
Church Repair	\$20.00
OTHER COLLECTIONS:	
Priest Retirement	\$10.00
Ukraine (Ongoing)	\$45.00
Easter Flowers	\$530.00
Shut-in Donations	\$50.00
Candles	\$138.00
St. Joseph Altar	\$74.00
Online Giving	\$880.00
Attendance	209

[PLEASE CLICK HERE TO DONATE](#)

Report suspected child sexual abuse to local law enforcement and at 800-352-6513.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment. The diocese requires instructions beforehand for parents or guardians. Contact the parish office.

REGISTRATION, CHURCH SUPPORT:

Parishioners should be properly registered at the parish office. Please be sure to update your information when you move or change phone numbers.