



**Palm Sunday of Lent  
March 28, 2021**

Wed.	March 31 <sup>st</sup>	11:30am	St. John
Holy Thur.	April 1 <sup>st</sup>	7:00pm	St. John
Good Friday	April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2:00pm	St. John
Easter Vigil	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8:30pm	St. John
Easter Sunday	April 4 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am	St. Joseph
Easter Sunday	April 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am	St. Ignatius
Easter Sunday	April 4 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am	St. Columbkille

We will not be having all day adoration on April 2nd. We will be having all day adoration the following week on April 9<sup>th</sup>

**Confessions**

Wednesdays 11:00-11:25am St. John

**No Saturdays 11:00am St Columbkille**

**Confessions on the weekends of  
April 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

Isaiah 42:1-7 John 12:1-11

**Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

Isaiah 49:1-6 John 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**

Isaiah 50:4-9a Matthew 26:14-25

**Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
John 13:1-15

**Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Isaiah 52:13-53 Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9  
John 18:1-19, 42

**Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Genesis 22:1-18 Exodus 14:15 Baruch 3:9-15  
Romans 6:3-11 Mark 16:1-7

**Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

Act 10:34a, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4  
John 20:1-9 Luke 24:13-35

**Let Us Give Thanks!**

**Weekend Collection - \$3664.00**

**Loose - \$75.00**

**Building Fund - \$175.00**

**650 Parish Families**

**(297 Family envelope holders)**

**103 Envelopes used**

**Mass Intentions for Weekend of March 27&28**

**Saturday St John: + Elizabeth Enriquez**

**St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners**

**Sunday St. Columbkille: + Paulette Maurer**

**Donations:**

In loving memory of Lavern Kiehl, 23 yrs., Carol (Kiehl) Pihaylic, 4 yrs., and Joann Briolat, 6 yrs. by Margie Streussnig

In memory of my sister, Rosemarie Horan, who passed away March 26, 2020. Miss you sis, by Suzanne Kroetsch

In loving memory of Deceased members of Schefka & Czewski families, by Jim & Delphine Czewski

**In this Sunday's Reading**

"Pilate again said to them in reply, 'Then what shall I do with the man you call the King of the Jews?' They shouted again, 'Crucify him.'" - Mark 15:12-13  
There is a lot going on in this scene. The chief priests have stirred up the crowd to have Pilate release Barabbas, a criminal, instead of Jesus. People are being influenced by crowd mentality. Pilate may be not standing up for his own convictions in exchange for a desire to have peace among the crowd. How do I react when it comes to defending my faith and Jesus in public? How do I react when I am with people who do not share my faith or beliefs? Pray for the strength to defend Jesus in all situations.



**Good Shepherd Christian Mothers is offering their college textbook fund.** Applications are available to all parish high school graduating seniors by stopping by the parish office or by calling 658-8824 and getting it emailed to you! They offer three awards of \$400.00! Deadline to return application is April 29<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 3p.m. Recipients will be announced at mass.

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### Religious Education/Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together for our programs. Tuesday & Wednesday program includes:

Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Argyle: 6-7:30pm Tuesday (April 6, 13, 20, 27)

Ugly 3-4:30pm Wednesday (April 14, 21, 28)

Sheridan Corners: Wednesday (March 31)

**St. Columbkille Site:**

March 31<sup>st</sup> Holy week Celebration 6:30pm

Open to anyone who would like to attend.

### Youth Group

Youth Group will be meeting this Sunday March 28, 2021 in the Parish Center. If you would like to work on making cards for the shut in's we will start that @

4:00pm. Meeting will be from @ 5:00-7:30pm.

Youth group is for all 7<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> graders.

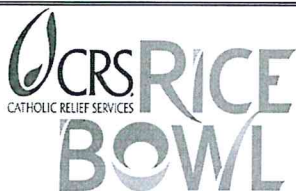
All are welcome and there is no charge.

### Scripture Study

We will be gathering at St. Columbkille Church from 6:30 - 8PM. April 5, 19, 26. We will be studying "Biblical Women in Crisis, Portraits of Faith and Trust." By Jeanne Kun. For questions please call Valerie Fischer 989-553-3088 or Lori Osantoski 989-375-4281. Social Distancing and Masks are required.

### Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held at St. John site on Wednesday @ 7:00pm. All are welcomed.



### Serving the Suffering Christ:

As we enter Holy Week and celebrate Palm Sunday, let's reflect on how our Lord suffered from our indifference: those who proclaimed him king of Jerusalem were the same who called to crucify him. We recognize we are all one human family. Are we contributing to the suffering of our brothers and sisters with our indifference to their realities? How does our faith inspire us to care for them and share the gifts that God has bestowed on us?  
Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

## VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE:

### Counters:

March 29: Kay Peruski, Evelyn Peruski, Geraldine Peruski

April 5: Ann Ympa, Rose Maikrzek, Shirley Piontkowski

April 12: Judy Messing, Kathy Beaver, Charlotte Baker

7:00pm Holy Thursday Mass April 1<sup>st</sup> St. John

Lector: Paul Guza

EMHC: Paul Guza

2:00pm Good Friday Mass April 2<sup>nd</sup> St. John

Lector: Kevin Romzek, Lori Osantoski

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8:30pm Sat. Easter Vigil April 3<sup>rd</sup> St. John

Lector: Carol Beaudin, Martin Kubacki

EMHC: Judy Messing

Ushers: Charlie Briolat, Curly Messing, Whitey Pawlosky

8:00am Easter Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph

Lector: Paul Guza

EMHC: Chuck Izydorek

Ushers: Steve Briolat, Kevin Hessling, Bill Izydorek

9:30am Easter Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> St. Ignatius

Lector: Justin Faber

EMHC: Rick Vogel

Ushers: Volunteers

11:00am Easter Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> St Columbkille

Lector: Kevin Romek

EMHC: Kevin Romek

Ushers: Dennis Sweeney, Terry Sweeney

### Christian Initiation

Christian Initiation RCIA Meetings will be held Sunday, March 28 at 6:30 pm at St. Columbkille church in the gathering room. If you have any questions, please call Dana Irion at 989-553-0585 or Fr. Nate at 989-658-8145.

### Attention Christian Mothers:

We will be having our last meeting of this season on April 13<sup>th</sup> @ the Parish Center at 7:00pm. We will be needing nominations for Vice Pres., Treasurer, & Secretary if anyone is interested in running for one of these offices please call Bev @ 989-214-0146 and I will put your name in for consideration, also nominations will be taken at the meeting. Thanks Bev Pres.

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## Jesus Thirsts for Your Love!

**Will you quench His thirst? --- Fr. Nate's Update**

*(Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center, Venice, FL, where I had my annual retreat. I prayed for you and your intentions. Our Lord refreshed me and spoke to me as I meditated on His Words and Deeds in the Gospels)*

Dear Reader, fellow **Saint-in-the-Making**, Blessed Palm Sunday and Holy Week!

**First, some humor:** At dinner after church on Palm Sunday little Maria began chattering away about learning a new song in Sunday school about a cross-eyed bear named Gladly. It took her parents a while before realizing that the hymn Maria had been singing was really: "Gladly The Cross I'd Bear."

**Parishioner Praise Report:** "Thanksgiving for prayers answered for my sister Agnes age 86 with complete recovery from Covid 19 thank you Jesus" -Joan Warner

*Praise Reports Requested of answered prayers, such as: short testimonies of spiritual, physical, emotional healing of anyone you have prayed for or of yourself, or any answered prayer*

**Holy Week:** Our Holy Week services will be livestreamed on our parish facebook page. If you are able, I encourage you to attend our services this week, and prepare for them by reading the readings before hand. They can be found at USCCB.org. May our heavenly Father help you to continue your Lenten resolutions and draw you into a deeper and more intimate relationship with Christ. May you and I experience true conversion of heart this Holy Week, and a deeper desire to share our Lord's Cross and to cooperate with Him in His Work of redeeming the world. May the peace of Christ reign in your heart and in your home, no matter what happens in the future.

**Potential consequences of not wearing a mask at Mass:** Bishop Gruss recently said that the more people go to Mass without wearing masks, the more other people may stop going to Mass because they might be afraid (of getting Covid from those who don't wear masks). In other words, by not wearing a mask, you may unintentionally discourage others from attending Mass! I have had complaints from parishioners about other parishioners not wearing masks. Bishop encouraged us to "Offer it up (the suffering of wearing a mask) for someone, [such as for the] conversion of your sibling" who has stopped practicing their faith, etc. Thank you for continuing to wear a mask out of love for others and for our Lord.

**Let Us Pray:** *(Pope's Mar. Intention): Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God. Lord hear our prayer!*

*God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg*



March 28, 2021

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

# Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Is 50:4-7 | Phil 2:6-11 | Mk 14:1—15:47 or Mk 15:1-39

## **GROW** AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

From early childhood, I remember Palm Sunday - there was a kind of excitement about receiving the fresh palms, followed by the somber reading of the Passion. The contrast strikes me: While the palms, in ancient times, symbolized goodness and victory, hope and triumph, the account of Jesus' suffering and death reminds us of the price he paid for our redemption. Jesus knew that we can't have one without the other. It is the paradox of the cross: Jesus gave his life so that we might live. For many, the past year has been like one long Good Friday, filled with discouragement, suffering, and loss. As we reflect on Jesus' passion, the palms we carry home remain a sign of hope; we know now how the story will end. As we place our palms in a special place, let us say a prayer of thanks to Jesus and ask for the grace to renew our faith and trust in God as we enter Holy Week.

## **GO** EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

There is a richness in the liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil that is both humbling and uplifting. This time period, known as the Sacred Triduum (Latin for "three days"), is the official end of Lent, and the summit of the liturgical year. As a society, we give far more attention to the buildup and celebration of Christmas - which is not to deny its importance, of course! - and so sometimes the Triduum is not as familiar to people in both its meaning and importance. Yet, it is during these days that we most intentionally remember and celebrate the gift of our redemption; we liturgically embrace the paschal mystery of Christ: dying he destroyed our death, and rising he restored our life. We have faced a difficult year together, and we rely on each other for prayer. As we continue through this Holy Week, perhaps we can accompany each other by attending the services with one another, or at least setting aside complementary prayer time on our own.

**PRAY** A local Eagle Scout built a beautiful outdoor Stations of the Cross at a college campus near us. Visit your parish or outdoor stations and reflect on each one. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has excellent resources for praying the stations: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).



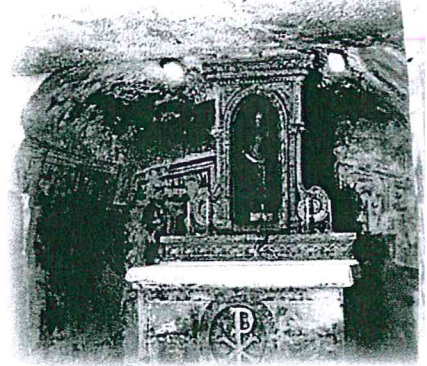
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Adam & Eve - Altar



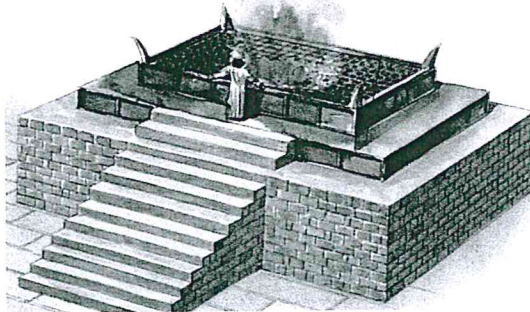
Abraham - Altar



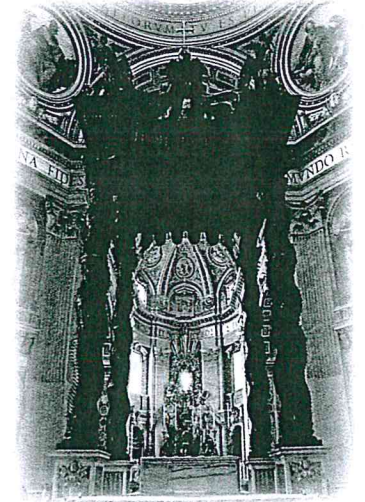
Catacombs-Altar



Cain & Abel - Altar



Temple Altar



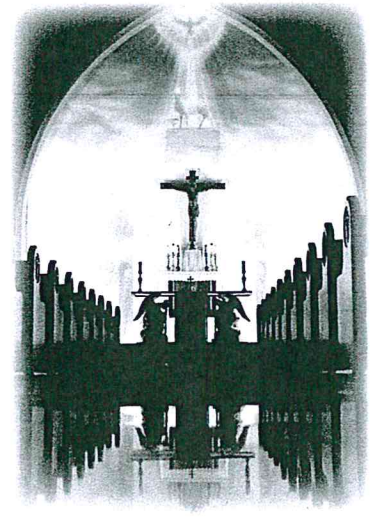
St. Peter's, Rome - Altar



Noah - Altar



Last Supper - Altar



St. Helena, Amite - Altar



## ALTAR

Adam & Eve - The torah teaches that "God formed Adam out of the dust of the ground" and the sages explain that this dust was taken from the ground upon which the Temple's Altar would eventually stand. (Mt. Moriah)

Cain & Abel - On the first anniversary of the world's creation, Cain and Abel presented offerings to God upon the Altar which Adam had built. (On Mt. Moriah) "Cain brought to the Lord an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel brought of the firstlings of his flock and of their fat portions..." (*Genesis 4:3-4*)

Noah - Jewish tradition informs us that Noah's Altar was built on Mt. Moriah, in the same place that Adam's had previously stood.

"Then Noah built an Altar to the Lord, and choosing from every clean animal and every clean bird, he offered burnt offerings on the Altar." (*Genesis 8:20*)

"It is they who shall enter My sanctuary, they who shall approach My table to minister to Me..." (*Ezekiel 44:16*)

"Thus also shall you purge the Altar in making atonement for it; you shall anoint it in order to consecrate it. Seven days you shall spend in making atonement for the Altar and in consecrating it. Then the Altar will be most sacred, and whatever touches it will become sacred." (*Exodus 29:36-37*)

"You blind ones, which is greater, the gift, or the Altar that makes the gift sacred?" (*Matthew 23:19*)

"...You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and of the table of demons." (1 Corinthians 10:21)

"The Altar, around which the Church is gathered in the celebration of the Eucharist, represents the two aspects of the same mystery: the Altar of the sacrifice and the table of the Lord. This is all the more so since the Christian Altar is the symbol of Christ Himself, present in the midst of the assembly of His faithful, both as the victim offered for our reconciliation and as food from heaven who is giving Himself to us." (CCC 1383)

"For what is the Altar of Christ if not the image of the Body of Christ? The Altar represents the body of Christ and the Body of Christ is on the Altar." (CCC 1383 St. Ambrose)