

# Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 10, 2022

Wed. Mass April 13<sup>th</sup> 11:30am St. John
Holy Thur. April 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm St. John
Good Friday April 15<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm St. John
Easter Vigil April 16<sup>th</sup> 9:00pm St. John
Easter Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup> 8:00am St. Joseph
Easter Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup> 9:30am St. Ignatius
Easter Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup> 11:00am St. Columbkille

### Confessions for this Week

Wednesdays 11:00-11:25am St. John
Cancelled Thurs. after 7:00pm Mass St Columbkille
Cancelled Saturdays 3:15pm before Mass St. John

### Readings for the Week

Monday, April 11th

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

Tuesday, April 12th

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

Wednesday, April 13th

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

Thursday, April 14th

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

John 13: 1-15

Friday, April 15th

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Hebrew 4:14-16, 5:7-9

John 18: 1-19:42

Saturday, April 16th

Genesis 1:1-2:2 Genesis 22:1-18 Exodus 14:15-15: 1

Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Romans 6:3-11

Sunday, April 17th

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4

John 20:1-9



### Rosaries

At 3:30 @ St. John Church

At St. Joseph Church @ 8:10am before Mass and prior to 10:30 Mass at St Columbkille on Sundays.

# Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$7235.00
Loose - \$511.00
Building Fund - \$50.00
Easter Flowers - \$20.00
Catholic Relief Services - \$570.00
650 Parish Families
(297 Family envelope holders)
132 Envelopes used

# Mass Intentions for the Week of: April 4-10, 2022

Friday St. John: ~ Nate Guza Saturday St. John: + Omar Hodgdon Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners Sunday St. Columbkille: + June Burns

# Mass Intentions for the Week of: April 11-17, 2022

Saturday St. John: + Joseph Rudy Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners Sunday St. Columbkille: + Michael Thomas Sweeney

### In This Sunday's Readings:

"...I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me. "-Luke 22:34

How often do we act or react similarly to Peter? Of course, it is easy to say that we know and follow Jesus when we are at church or with family or with fellow Catholics, but what about when someone outside of our "Catholic circle" makes a negative comment about our faith or God? Do we "deny that we know Jesus" by remaining silent? Do we not engage in conversation because of "what people might think" or because we are uncomfortable talking about the Church or Jesus? Pray for the strength to speak up, and always show, that you know and follow Jesus.

### Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together on Tuesday,
Wednesdays and Sunday.
Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade
Argyle: 6-7:30pm (April 19)

Ubly: 6-7:30pm (April 20)

Sheridan Corners: 6-7:30pm (April 20)

Families from all sites will gather Wed. April 13 at St. John Church in Ubly for our Holy Week

Celebration. All sites will gather Wed. April 27 at our parish center in Ubly for our End of Year Celebration.

Parents are encouraged to attend these

two special celebrations.

### Youth Group

Youth group will be meeting in 2022.

April 24<sup>th</sup>, & May 15<sup>th</sup>.

We meet from 5pm-8pm & start with a shared meal. Youth group is for all 7-12<sup>th</sup> grades & there is no cost.



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 one award of \$400.00! Deadline to return application is April 29<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 3p.m. Recipients will be announced at mass.

### Knights of Columbus

Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850

Next Meeting: Wednesday we will meet at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on April 13. We are always looking for New Members - call Jeff Maurer @ 989-553-4224. Our food pantry is available for anyone in need, located in Ubly. This is completely confidential and anonymous - call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff Maurer Grand Knight of Ubly/Sheridan Council-12850

Thank you!

Thank you for your recent kind (gifts) that will be shipped to Bobby and Sherry in Haiti. They are very thankful you've chosen to help Haiti's people in such a meaningful way. You are a blessing!

LOVE A CHILD, Inc.

### **VOLUNTEERS' SCHEDULE:**

### Counters:

Apr. 11: Judy Messing, Kathy Beaver, Charlotte Baker Apr. 18: Carol Beaudin, Mary Jane Zurek, Jeanene

Schmidt

Apr. 25: Diana Briolat, Barb Roggenbuck, Luci Kubacki

7:00pm Holy Thursday Mass April 14th St. John

Lector: Paul Guza EMHC: Martin Kubacki Altar Server: Kylie Keller

2:00pm Good Friday Mass April 15th St. John

Lector: Kevin Romzek, Amy Sweeney

EMCH: Kevin Romzek

Altar Servers: Sara Romzek, Brayden Sweeney

Ushers: Volunteers

9:00pm Sat. Easter Vigil April 16th St. John

Lector: Bev Pawlosky
EMHC: Judy Messing
Altar Server: Maze Guza

Ushers: Jim Czewski, Jim Osentoski, Allen Peruski,

Whitey Pawlosky

8:00am Easter Sunday April 17th St. Joseph

Lector: Denise Kubacki EMHC: Denise Kubacki Greeter: Edie Izydorek

Ushers: Gordon Farrelly, Kevin Hessling, Chuck

Izydorek

9:30am Easter Sunday April 17th St. Ignatius

Lector: Justin Faber EMHC: Rick Vogel Greeter: Rod Walsh Ushers: Volunteers

11:00am Easter Mass April 17th St Columbkille

Lector: Debbie Powell

EMHC: Marge Messing & Delaney Peruski

Altar Servers: Roman Heleski & Brayden Sweeney

Greeters: Diane Leppek & Colleen Sweeney Gift Bearers: Clara & Beth Roth, Laura Romzek Ushers: Dennis Sweeney, Terry Sweeney, Todd

Gingrich

### RCIA Meetings

"Christian Initiation RCIA for children will be held on Saturday, April 16 at 10:00 am at St. John church. This will be a rehearsal/retreat. If you have any questions, please call Dana Irion at 9895530585 or Fr. Nate at 9896588145.



Ruth K of C Euchre Party on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at the Ruth K of C hall. There will be cash prizes and a hot lunch included in the \$6 admission. Come join us!

### **Bulletin Ads**

If you are a business or an individual that would like to advertise in our bulletin, we have several openings. If interested please call the parish office for details.



### Good Shepherd Christian Mother News!!!

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm at the parish center.

We are looking for new members to join Christian Mothers. You do not need to be a "mother" to join. If interested call Debbie Sadro 989-658-8325.

Doing spring cleaning? Save all the treasures you're getting rid of and donate them to our upcoming Christian Mother garage sale in July. This is a fund raising project for Christian Mother. More information to come in May.

### 2022 Lenten Season Schedule

### Stations of the Cross during Lent

St John – 6:45pm Thursdays St Columbkille – 7:30pm Wednesdays

 $\frac{\textbf{April 14}^{\text{th}} - \textbf{Holy Thursday}}{7:00 pm - St John, Ubly}$ 

 $\frac{\textbf{April 15}^{th} - \textbf{Good Friday}}{2:00 pm - St John, Ubly}$ 

<u>April 16<sup>th</sup> – Holy Saturday</u> 9:00pm Vigil – St John, Ubly

April 12<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday 8:00am – St Joseph, Argyle 9:30am – St Ignatius, Freiburg 11:00am – St Columbkille, Sheridan Corners

The St. Joseph-St. Ignatius Cemetery Spring Clean-up will take place during April. Please remove all decorations that you would like to keep by April 10<sup>th</sup>. All items remaining after April 10 will be disposed of during the clean-up. Thank you.

St. John Cemetery - St. Columbkille Cemetery Spring clean-up and removal of winter grave blankets will begin April 1<sup>st</sup>. Please do not put new flowers on grave before cemetery clean-up is completed.

### Coffee & Donuts: Helpers Needed

Our Parish Envisioning Team suggested ways to build community and parish unity including coffee and donuts. Our Pastoral Council discussed and agreed. We'd like to have Coffee & Donuts after all Masses the second weekend of the month beginning May 7/8. Locations: St. John: back of church; St. Joseph: Hall; St. Columbkille: Addition. Each month, a local business would sponsor the refreshments, with a sign on the table reading "Refreshments sponsored by [name]". If you're interested in pickup, serving, or setup/cleanup, or finding local sponsors, contact the office.

### Let MI Kids Learn Petition Drive

The Let MI Kids Learn petition drive is underway to promote educational justice legislation. Michigan children from low-income families would qualify for "Student Opportunity Scholarships" toward their out-of-pocket educational costs at public or nonpublic schools for tutoring, school supplies, computers, and tuition among other expenses. Donors to scholarship organizations would receive a state tax credit. Low-income parishioners and members of our community would benefit from this initiated legislation, regardless of where they send their children to school. The petitions would place this proposal before the legislature, and, if approved, would not require the governor's signature to become law. As this is a nonpartisan effort, Catholic parishes and schools are allowed to circulate petitions. The Catholic Bishops of Michigan support this effort. Please prayerfully consider signing the two required petitions to create the scholarship program and tax credits to improve the education of Michigan's school children.

### Marriage Preparation Workshop:

The Diocesan Marriage Preparation In-Person Workshop offers formation for engaged couples preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. Among the topics presented are: Marriage as a Sacrament, Marital Intimacy, Natural Family Planning, Communication, Conflict Resolution, and Family of Origin. The workshop features presentations by trained marriage facilitators, practical couple exercises, private couple discussion and prayer. The workshop will be held at the Center for Ministry, located at 5802 Weiss St, Saginaw, on April 23, from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The cost for this event is \$40 per person, or \$80 per couple. Lunch and beverages will be provided. To register contact Maria Coss at mcoss@dioceseofsaginaw.org.

### Sale—Sale—Sale

At St Columbkille Hall on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9am to 2pm. More info to come.

### PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The pandemic hit particularly hard the Christians in the Holy Land. Most of them depend on pilgrimages to work. In these is of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to me basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land where the Church was born. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit

www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

### Youth Mission Trip

Youth Encounter Service is taking reservations for service & outreach in Saginaw area. This year they will be working the week of June 19-24 2022. This is for all incoming 9<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade. If interested please call the Parish office 989-658-8824.



### Sharing God's Love

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - John 3:16

As we enter Holy Week, we remember how our Lord suffered and died so that each and every one of us might be saved from sin and have eternal life. Reflect on God's infinite love for you. How have you responded to that love this Lent, and how can you share it with others? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



# Jesus Cries, "I Thirst!"

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

Fellow Saint-in-the-Making, Blessed Palm Sunday!

A home altar/prayer station at the home of a parish family

**Have a Prayerful Holy Week:** This reflection "Jerusalem My Destiny" is from St. Edward Parish Youngstown, OH, stedwardparish.org: "For most of us, Holy Week unfolds like many other weeks: work, school, preparing meals, doing laundry. Palm Sunday begins an unusual week — a week — concentrated in a few days on the ultimate meaning of our lives. We are invited this week to reflect on these questions: Why are we here? What have we been called to do? What are we willing to die for?"

"We have journeyed from Ash Wednesday to this day. This week, we will experience the last hours of the life of Jesus. We must slow down and make choices so that this week does not go by without our taking time to enter into its meaning."

"In our Gospel today, even in the midst of great suffering, Jesus extends his compassion to others, so total, that he willingly empties himself to the point of death. As we enter this week, let us pray that our self-emptying for the good of others will be so total.

"We celebrate in the liturgies of this week what we live every day – all the dying to self that characterizes our faithful discipleship. The triumph of this week is in doing our tasks with joy, being kind to those around us [even those cranky folks], meeting setbacks as paths to learning. Then, with Jesus, we can commend ourselves into God's hands."

## From Book "God Acts-We React" by Msgr. Rowland

"And from the altar, Christ looks at each one of us and says: "You celebrate my death, and well you should because I have emptied myself for you. I have given you everything that I am in order to show my love for you. And so you celebrate my love for you, and this is good. And now, I have a question for you. Are you ready to give yourself for me, as I gave myself for you? Are you ready to die for me, as I died for you? Are you ready to die to sin? Are you ready to die to the spirit of the world? Are you ready to die to yourself? Are you ready to die once again your baptismal death and live totally in me and for me? I am here on this altar and I am offering to the Father everything I have ever done for you. There is just one thing I cannot offer to the Father. I cannot offer you..." [to be continued]

Our Calling as a Parish: to Pray for our Candidates and Catechumens! "Heavenly Father, please give the grace of deeper conversion to Jesus Christ to our Candidates for Reception into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil: John Shetler; Christian Kish; and for our Catechumens preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil: Kayla Spencer; Alex Baynton; Emma Baynton; Brett Kish; Stephanie Munandi. In Jesus' Name, Amen!"

**Holy Thursday Soup Supper:** You're invited to join parish family members in celebrating our Lord's gifts of the Eucharist and Priesthood 5:30pm at our Parish Center, before the 7:00pm Holy Thursday Mass



**Praise Report:** This past Friday, many people including parish family members gathered in the cold at the Court House in Bad Axe to pray for our nine U.S. Supreme Court Justices to overturn Roe v. Wade; also, to pray for the failure of the RFFA - Reproductive Freedom For All petition. This petition seeks to enshrine unregulated abortion in our Michigan Constitution, even if Roe v. Wade were overturned. All safeguards would be stripped

away, such as: no more requirement for showing the ultrasound of her child to a woman seeking an abortion... No requirement for parental consent leading to secret teen abortions... The ban on taxpayer-funding would be lifted so we would pay for abortions, even for those travelling from out of state... Partial-birth and late-term abortions would be permitted... No inspections or licensing of clinics would be required, allowing unsanitary conditions... Non-medical personnel would be allowed to perform abortions, etc. Join the mailing list to be informed of future "Pray With Me" gatherings by emailing huronrtl@gmail.com

**50 Ways to Talk to God** by Meg Hunter-Kilmer: piercedhands.com/50-ways-talk-god [#31-40] "...Try one... You have nothing to lose. You have everything to gain....

- ---Do something mindlessly physical while you pray—run or crochet or paint a wall. Engaging your body can make it easier to surrender your mind.
- ---Meditate on the Stations of the Cross. Don't just read the prayers in some book–ponder the prayers, look at the pictures, put yourself in the scene. Walk the Via Dolorosa with your Lord.
- ---Make a list of everything you love about the Lord-who he is, what he's done, how he loves you.
- ---Pray for an image of your relationship with Christ-lovers, knight and squire, father and child, king and slave, comrades at arms-and learn through that.
- ---When you can't take it any more, drive to the middle of nowhere and let God have it. It's not the nicest prayer, but it's some of the most real.
- ---Hit your knees first thing in the morning and thank God for everything that's coming at you that day. Think through everything you're expecting to deal with and thank him for the good, the bad and the ugly.
- ---Offer each day—all prayers and sacrifices and blessings—for a specific person.
- --- Do 15 minutes of spiritual reading. Spend 15 minutes talking to God about it.
- ---If you speak another language, try praying in it. It's harder to daydream in a foreign language.
- ---Do lectio divina. [#41-50 next time]

**Let Us Pray:** (Pope's APRIL Intention): "...for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities." (Ven. Sheen's Spiritual Adoption Prayer): "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [name], the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

God loves and thirsts for you. I love and pray for you. Pray for me! -Fr. Nate

April 10, 2022

# Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Is 50:4-7 | Phil 2:6-11 | Lk 22:14-23:56 or Lk 23:1-49



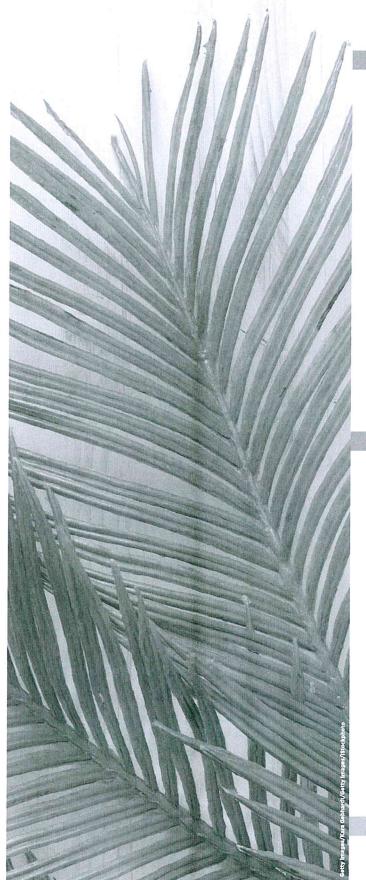
Palm Sunday can seem like a study in contrasts, We hear the jubilant account of Jesus riding triumphantly into Jerusalem. Then we listen to the Passion narrative, reminded that Jesus' kingship bears little resemblance to royalty as we perceive it. He will suffer and he will die. As Paul describes it, "He humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him." Jesus tries to explain this to the disciples, who don't fully grasp the events about to take place, instead guarreling over who would be the greatest. Yet even in this chaos of misunderstanding, Jesus continues to teach them, promising that those who stand by him in his trials will join him in the kingdom of heaven. There are certainly times when we fail to fully perceive and understand all that the Lord is teaching us, or why we are undergoing certain trials and difficulties. As we enter into Holy Week, we can ask Jesus to help us understand the meaning of the cross in our own lives, using this time to reflect on the meaning of his sacrifice for each of us.

### GO EVANGELIZE

### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

As we listen to the Passion narrative, we hear Peter betray Jesus, the soldiers jeer at him, and a passer-by being told to carry Christ's cross. Only Luke's account describes the two criminals, one of whom demanded that Jesus "save yourself and us." The second criminal rebukes him, asking Jesus to "remember me when you come into your kingdom." After Jesus dies, the centurion glorifies God, a good man takes him down from the cross, the women prepare his body for burial. As we enter Holy Week, we will have time to reflect on Jesus' last days, but also on the individuals in the crowd the day he died. How did they react? How would we have reacted? What can we learn from the women who stayed beside Jesus, the criminal who looked beyond his own pain and sin to see Jesus as Messiah, and even Peter in his initial betrayal? During the week ahead, we can also make an effort to attend each liturgy of the Triduum, using this time to deepen our faith as we prepare for Easter.

**PRAYER** Take time to read the Passion narrative at home. Invite Jesus into your heart. If you've fallen a little behind on your Lenten commitments, Holy Week is a great time to hit refresh.



All women are invited!

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