

**March 24, 2013: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**



“Blessed is the king who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Peace in heaven  
and glory in the highest.”  
— Lk 19:38

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**LITURGY**

**MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS**

**Sunday, March 24, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14--23:56)**

8:00 am- Ludwig Lanik

10:30 am- For our Parish Family

**Monday of Holy Week, Mar. 25 (Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11)**

7:00 am- Reinhold & Mary Koenig, & Willie & Rosie Migl

10:00 am- Lucille Etzler, Benefactor (H'ville Rehab)

**Tuesday of Holy Week, March 26 (Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38)**

7:00 am- Raymond Ben Steffek

**Wednesday of Holy Week, March 27 (Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25)**

7:00 am- Joe E. & Mary Smolik Family

8:05 am- David Bludau

12:05 pm- Raymond & Elizabeth Linhart Brosch & Helen Marie

**Holy Thursday (Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15)**

10:00 am- Special Intention (Stevens)

7:00 pm- (Mass of the Lord's Supper) Elrose Haas

9:00 pm- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight

**Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Is 52:13--53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1--19:42)**

**Day of Fast & Abstinence from Meat**

12:00 Noon- Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – Living Stations, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion

2:00 pm- Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – Living Stations, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion

6:00 pm- Stations of the Cross

**Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil (Gn 1:1--2:2/Gn 22:1-18/Ex 14:15--15:1/Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12)**

7:00 pm- Special Intention

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9)**

6:30 am- Bill & Helen Mitchon

8:00 am- Hilbert & Agnes Bludau

10:30 am- For our Parish Family

5:00 pm- Serapo "Chapo" DeLaRosa (Spanish Mass)

**Confessions during Holy Week: Monday 11am-1pm & 5-6pm. Tuesday 5-6pm. Wednesday 10-11am.**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

-**Baptism Preparation Class**, 9:00 a.m., Cafeteria. Call the Rectory in advance to register for the class.

-**South Texas Polka & Sausage Fest**, K.C. Hall. Dance \$8.00 per person. Shiner Hobo Band 11:00 a.m.

Czechaholics & Fritz Hodde 1:00-8:00 p.m. Concert 4:30-5:00 p.m. Fried Chicken, Sausage & Sauerkraut Dinner - \$8 per plate. Chicken noodle soup available.

-**Community Palm Sunday Service**, 3:00 p.m., St. James Episcopal Church.

-**Youth Night**. Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, 5 pm in church. Parishioners are invited to attend Adoration.

**MONDAY, MARCH 25**

-Rosary & Evening Prayers, 5:30 p.m., Church.

-Parish Finance Council Mtg., 6:00 p.m., Mary's House.

-Parish Advisory Council Mtg., 6:30 pm, Mary's House.

-Cantors & Organists Practice, 6:00 p.m., Church.

-Adult Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m., Church.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 26**

-Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., K.C. Hall of Fame Room.

-Fr. Tommy's Adult Ed. Class, 7:00 pm, Family Center.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27**

-CCD: K-12<sup>th</sup> Grades, 6:00-7:15 pm.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 28**

-Soup & Sandwiches in Family Center after Mass.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 29**

-Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m., Church.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 31**

-Easter Egg Hunt after 8:00 a.m. Mass.

-Covered dish supper after Spanish Mass, Family Center

**St. Mary's Holy Week Services:**

Palm Sunday Mass, March 24, 9:15 a.m.

Good Friday Service, March 29 at 3:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, March 31 at 9:15 a.m.

**Ascension Church, Moravia Holy Week Services:**

Confessions: Wednesday, March 27, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil Mass), March 30, 6:00 p.m.

**St. John Church, St. John Holy Week Services:**

Palm Sunday Mass, March 24, 9:30 a.m.

Holy Thursday, March 28, Mass of the Lord's Supper,

7:00 p.m. Adoration after Mass until 8:30 p.m.

Good Friday, March 29, Confessions 11:45am-12:45pm.

Good Friday Service at 1:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday Mass, March 31 at 9:30 a.m.

**Our Gift to God:** Envelopes-\$5,269.50; Church Endowment-\$75; Catholic Ed.- \$1,654; Catholic Relief Services-\$858; Rice Bowl-\$1,575; Loose- \$1,080.

**Adoration in the Chapel** ends at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday of Holy Week and resumes on Easter Sunday at 6:00 p.m.

### *From the Desk of Msgr. John*

We are truly blessed to have Pope Francis as our new Holy Father. Let us pray for him and his intentions as he begins his ministry as our 266<sup>th</sup> Pope.

Today is Palm Sunday, which marks the beginning of Holy Week with a remembrance of the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. The Gospels tell us that when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the crowds greeted Him by waving palm branches and covering His path with them. Immediately following this great time of celebration in the ministry of Jesus, He begins His journey to the cross.

Palms can be dried and displayed throughout your home all year long – standing tall in a vase, tucked behind a crucifix, or even pressed in your Bible. Palm branches remind us that Jesus is our light and salvation – and that is something to celebrate.

As we return to the teaching documents of the Church in this Year of Faith, we are reminded that the Triduum (Holy Week) is the foundation of our Catholic faith. Triduum means three. For three days – Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday – we suffer with Jesus and await His rising from the dead. The Second Vatican Council restored the Triduum as the holiest days in the Church year.

On Holy Thursday, we recall the Last Supper that Jesus shared with His disciples, and the powerful lesson He taught about service when He washed their feet. Attend Holy Thursday Mass, which recalls the Last Supper. Give thanks for the gift of the Holy Eucharist.

Good Friday is the somber remembrance of the day Jesus died on the cross. Attend the Good Friday services.

Holy Saturday is traditionally the final day of preparation for the great feast of Easter. The Easter Vigil that takes place on Holy Saturday night is the high point of the Church calendar. The Paschal candle that is lit at the Easter Vigil will remain in the church as a sign of Christ's death and resurrection. Attend the Easter Vigil and savor the symbols – fire represents Christ's light in the world, and the color white reminds us of Christ's victory over death.

#### **Religious Education (CCD) –**

**Mar. 27:** Stations of the Cross, Grs. 2-12.

**Mar. 28:** Jr. Class participates in Holy Thursday Mass.



#### **Sacred Heart Catholic School –**

**Mar. 28:** Live Stations 11:30 a.m. Classes dismissed 12:00 noon. No extended care.

**Mar. 29:** Classes dismissed for Good Friday.

**Apr. 1-5:** No school. NCEA Convention for faculty.

**Men's ACTS Retreat,** Apr. 18-21. Registration forms are at entrance of church. Mail form to address on application.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Rebecca & Julie Steffek* of our parish family & students of Sacred Heart School. *May they & all the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.*

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**Bulletin Sponsor:** Bob Kubena in memory of Bennie, Lucille, Otto & Sis Linhart.

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**Radio Broadcast Sponsor:** In memory of Henry & Sylvia Kallus by their children.

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**Vigil Light:** In memory of Josephine Matejek.

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**Holy Thursday Special Collection.** The attached envelopes are for the education of our seminarians. You may drop them in the collection basket on Holy Thursday or at the Masses next weekend.

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**Good Friday Collection.** Our parish will support Christians in the Holy Land through the Good Friday Collection. Please support our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land by giving to this special collection. The pontifical collection allows for care of Christianity's holiest sites and for God's people living in the Holy Land. *The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy Father. Please be generous in your support.*

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**YOUTH NIGHT! Don't forget Youth Night is tonight – Sunday, March 24!!** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 5:00 pm at Sacred Heart Church, followed by games & pizza at the Youth House!! The evening will end with a short presentation & discussion titled "Saved by Faith and Works." Don't miss out on the opportunity to learn how to defend your faith, & be the first to play on the new ping pong table donated by Catholic Life Insurance!!

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**Raffle Prizes** for our Spring picnic are needed. Please call or come by the Rectory. *Thank you!*

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**“Come & See” Vocation Discernment Weekend, April 13-14, Incarnate Word Convent, Victoria** for single Catholic women 18-50. For information or reservations, call 575-7111 or iwbsvoc@yahoo.com.

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**Sacred Heart Cafeteria** is in need of dinner forks. If you have extra forks or even good used ones to donate, please drop them off at the Cafeteria or Rectory.

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**Among our sick:** Edna Key, Frank Fishar, Faith Del Castillo, Michael Gerdes, Renae Ross, Doug Blumberg, Ed Aulick, Rose Thumann, Sterlin Ritchie, Ricky Skelton, Larry Appelt, Milissa Zamora, Chris Layton, Hank Morris, Frances Moore, Frank, Patrick & Robben Nemeck, LaNora Konvicka, Delores Grahmann, Benedict Bujnoch, Lorene Christ, Donna Coldewey, Matt Pohler, Donna Avant, Wilbert Kalinec, Mary Bonorden, Dorothy Allen Hass, Rev. Lundy Hooten, Josephine Muniz, Vivian Janak, Rose Mary Etzler, Rosalee Gaskamp, Helen Kresta, Clinton Henneke, Tillie Schott, Bobbie Lee Drozd, Lucille (Cudlum) Werner, Donna Steffek, Frank Gutierrez, Glenn Rabel, Jonathon Drozd, nursing home residents, & the homebound.

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*Please pray for the blessing of beneficial rainfall!*

