



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

MARCH 25, 2018

ISAIAH 50:4-7; PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11; MARK 14:1-15:47



"Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" – Mark 11:9

SCHEDULE OF HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Wednesday, March 28
Confessions
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Holy Thursday
Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00 pm

Good Friday
Stations of the Cross - 11:00 am
Passion Play - 6:00 pm
Veneration of the Cross - 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday
The Easter Vigil
7:30 pm



Easter Sunday Masses – 8:00 am & 10:30 am

NOTE: There will be no 4:00 Mass on Holy Saturday



From the Pastor's Desk

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you because by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world. With today's solemn liturgy of Palm Sunday, we are entering into Holy Week. Holy Week stands in the center of the liturgical life of the Holy Catholic Church. We are accompanying Jesus in His entry into the Holy City, Jerusalem, as He goes to offer Himself as a sacrifice for the sins of the world. The culmination of Holy Week is the Easter Vigil, the Holy Night when Christ rose from death and descended into Hell to save those who attended their liberation (Adam and Eve, Holy Patriarchs, Kings, and Prophets). That is why at the Easter Vigil the baptismal water is blessed, and new members of the Church are initiated to the sacramental life of the Church. This year, we are so blessed to have four of our Church members who will be baptized, confirmed, and fully participate in the Eucharist. I would like to invite you to participate in the celebrations of Holy Week. On Holy Thursday, we will relive how Jesus instituted the Most Holy Eucharist and the Sacramental Priesthood. On Good Friday, we will publicly manifest our Savior's passion on the streets of our neighborhood, concluding with the Solemn Liturgy of the Adoration of the Holy Cross. I would find it particularly helpful if we would have more parishioners participating in the Easter Vigil. This would be a great sign of our joy and appreciation of our candidates for the Sacraments of Initiation. Finally, we will arrive at the Glorious Easter Morning to joyfully express our faith in the resurrection of Christ from the dead. Let us prepare our hearts by the renewal of our minds so that Christ might be present in our thoughts and actions. Love you, Fr. Pawel

EASTER HOLIDAY – In observance of *Easter*, the parish office will be closed on Thursday, March 29, Friday, March 30, and Monday, April 2. Also, due to the Easter holiday, all items for the Easter Sunday bulletin must be submitted by 12:00 noon on Tuesday, March 27.

70TH ANNIVERSARY REMINDER – The Platinum 70th Anniversary Committee wishes to sincerely thank everyone who has already purchased tickets, ads, or made donations for this historic occasion. We are very grateful for your prompt response as the April 1 deadline approaches. As noted on the form for tickets for the GALA on June 2, if you wish to be seated together, the entire payment **MUST** be included when your tickets are ordered. Do not submit names for which no payment is included. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Additional letters and forms to purchase tickets, ads, and make donations can be found in the rear of the church. Thank you so much for your support, and please pray for the success of all the anniversary events.

ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS – The *Annual Jubilarian Celebration of Marriage* honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50 or more years will be held on Sunday, June 17, at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Cardinal Wuerl will preside at the Mass. Please call the parish office to register by Monday, April 16.

WOMEN: RESURRECTED IN CHRIST – *Sisters in the Spirit* (SIS) of the Archdiocese of Washington invite you to join the experience of "Women: Resurrected in Christ," on Saturday, April 7, 2018, at St. Mary of Assumption Catholic Church, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Registration begins at 9:30 am. Please come for spirit-filled discussions and fun activities with women from many parishes who love the Lord. SIS members are encouraged to bring a younger woman (ages 20s, 30s, 40s), for we are stronger when we grow together. The donation is \$15.00 per person. St. Mary of the Assumption is located at 14912 Main Street, Upper Marlboro, MD, 20772. For more information, please contact Donna Grimes at (202) 309-3644.

SODALITY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD – The OLQP Sodality presents the *Annual Cardinal Hickey Scholarship Award*. Elementary through college age students who are members of Our Lady Queen of Peace Church are eligible to apply. Applications are available in the rectory. Completed applications must be received by 4:00 pm on Friday, April 6. No exceptions. For more information, please contact Sandra Gilbert at (202) 583-9134.

HARRINGTON'S WITH THE CYO – Spend an exciting day with the OLQP CYO Adult Council on Thursday, April 5. The donation is \$35.00. The bus leaves promptly at 9:30 am. For tickets and more information, please contact Doris Sullivan at (202) 583-1315, or Helen Hicks at (301) 742-3517.



Pray for Our Sick and Homebound

*Stephen Aldrich - Fannie Anderson - Lucie Armstrong - Ann Bennett - Thomas Briscoe - James Brown - Gary Brunswick - Vincent Carter
Willie Chapman - Mary Clarke - Roland Clarke - Geraldine Collins - Forestine Cooke - Doris Daniels - Angela Daughtery
Belonique David - Brenda Day - Delores Douglas - Grace Dumus - Annie Farrell - George Fenwick - Diane Hale - Mason - Jean Hale
Steven Hale - Wilfred Hale - Dea. Carlos Hernandez - David Hicks - Alreta Hill - Gaynell Howard - Florine Johnson
Penniah Johnson - Aloysius Jones - Joe Lyles - Grace Taylor - McNair - John McNair - Paul Medley - Dea. Alfred Miller - Michael Pegues
Annie Ponds - Christopher Powell - Oscar Quarles - June Russ - Tracie Saunders - Doris Seldon - Edna Simmons
Lottie Tidline - Constance Thompson - Dea. Al Turner - Juanita Warren - Rebecca Washington - Maria Williams - Ronald Williams
Julie Wilson - Theresa Young*

To add names or for questions regarding the "Pray for Our Sick" list, please contact Dea. Miller at (301) 336-4074