



"Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest." And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee." - Mt 21:9-11

Readings for the Week of March 16, 2008

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/
Mt 26:14--27:66 or 27:11-54
Monday: Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Rv 1:5-8/
Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1
Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13-53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn18:1-19:42
Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18
or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/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/Mt 28:1-10
Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4
or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

"....This night all of you will have your faith in me shaken...."
Matthew 26:31

Our Lord knows us better than we know ourselves, even knowing when our faith will be shaken. But His love for us is greater than this. Even before we deny Him, His plan is to love us until the end of time. Loving God, though my faith be shaken, I still long for you.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Adults: How have I experienced God's goodness in a way I did not expect or deserve?

Children: How do I ask for forgiveness when I have done something wrong?

RCIA

RCIA will not meet Tuesday, March 18th because of Holy Week. Class will resume on Tuesday, March 25th at 7pm in the parish office.



Religious Education

First Communion Retreat: Saturday morning, March 29th from 9:30-Noon. We will gather in the parish hall. Each student must attend with a parent/guardian.

Home Schooling Families: Our next gathering Thurs. April 3rd, 6:30-8pm in our parish office.

Our next **Grade Level Mass** hosted by Grades 1 & 9 will be on Sunday, April 6th at our 10am St. Ann Mass.

Retreat for Grade 9 Confirmation Students: Monday, April 7th, 5-9PM in our Parish School.

Last Day of Class for Grades 1-8: April 13th.

Reflections by Father Bullock

The most visible sign of today, the palms, are not the most important sign. They are an attention-grabber, very like the ashes of Ash Wednesday. It is fitting to link them in attention, since they are physically linked. The ashes of Ash Wednesday were the burnt palms of last year's Palm Sunday celebration. The palms so fresh and vital today will be the ashes of next Ash Wednesday.

There is a lesson for us here. We entered Lent aware of our failures, our broken resolutions, failed promises, abandonment of high ideals and deviation from our goals. The ashes on our foreheads were visible reminders of these failures and a call to rise up from the ashes of our failures to a new following of the Gospel. Five weeks of Lent have now gone by. Hopefully, as we enter this most solemn week, our efforts of prayer, penance and almsgiving over the past weeks have clarified our goals and revitalized our resolutions. We should enter this week with a clear sense of what we want to accomplish, what changes we wish to effect in our lives. We should attempt to live with Christ this week so that we can crystallize these aims and bring them into the Easter season that lies ahead.



The Paschal Triduum

Without a doubt, there are no days that are more important in our Church's calendar than those of the Paschal Triduum: the three-day celebration at the heart of our liturgical tradition and at the heart of our Christian faith! These days, as the Proclamation of the Date of Easter says, determine the yearly cycle of the liturgical calendar. Every feast that we celebrate, every season we observe, and especially every Sunday that we mark flows out of the Paschal Triduum. These days are what give us our identity as followers of the one who was crucified, who died, who was buried, and who rose from the dead on the third day. All that we believe as Christians and everything else that we do stem from what is commemorated in the Triduum. These days literally identify us as Christians and as people of hope.



On these three days we remember and ritually commemorate the Passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ – the Paschal Mystery. This is an important point to consider for liturgical preparation. This is *one* three-day liturgy, *one* continuous celebration. If we fail to see the interconnectedness of these three movements of the entire commemoration, we fail to grasp the whole of what we celebrate. During these three days, it is not that we reenact three events from the life of Jesus during his last day on earth. It is not as if this is a three-day passion play. While there is certainly sorrow at the death of the Lord, we do not pretend that we don't know the end of the story. What we commemorate at each of the three celebrations and over the course of the whole three days is the cross of Jesus Christ and the life that comes through death.

Sourcebook for Sundays and Seasons 2007, @ 2006 Archdiocese of Chicago, Liturgy Training Publications, Chicago, IL.

"Triduum" comes from two Latin words (*tres* and *dies*) which mean "a space of three days." But since we have four days with special names – Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday – the "three" may be confusing to some.

The confusion is cleared up when we understand how the days are reckoned. On all high festival days the Church counts a day in the same way as Jews count days and festivals; that is, from sundown to sundown. Thus, the Triduum consists of *three* twenty-four hour periods that stretch over four calendar days. Therefore, the Easter Triduum begins at sundown on Holy Thursday with the Mass of the Lord's Supper and concludes with Easter Sunday; its high point is the celebration of the Easter Vigil.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION



Memorials & Donations

Holy Family Parish gratefully acknowledges the following donations in memory of:

Antonio Brancaleone
Philip & Christine Loiacano
Adam Corrao
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Linquata
Jerome Frontiero
Francesca Piraino
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Mr. & Mrs. Vito Terranova

Divine Mercy Service

A Divine Mercy Service is planned for Sunday, March 30th, at 1pm, in St. Joachim Church. For more information, contact Angela Favaloro at 978-283-5701.



We commend into God's care those who were buried from our Parish recently

Adam Corrao Augusto "Gus" Prudenzi
Dorothy Souza Raymond "Skip" Symonds, III George Zager

Living Stations of the Cross



A live re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross will be presented to the parish community on Palm Sunday evening, March 16th at 6:30pm in St. Ann Church. Please be sure to join us for this very touching and spiritual event.

St. Ann School

St. Ann School is accepting registrations for the 2008-2009 school year. Visit our new website at www.stannsschool.com or call 978-283-3455 to schedule a visit

Sister Pauline

Former principal of St. Ann High School
Sister M. Pauline (Dora) Chabot, 94, a Sister of Mercy for 68 years, died Friday, Feb. 29, 2008, after a long illness. Sr. Pauline was principal of St. Ann High School for 21 years. A memorial Mass will be celebrated in St. Ann Church on Saturday, March 29th at 10am. All are welcome.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The Clothes Closet located in the basement of St. Ann School, corner of Prospect and Pleasant Streets, is open Wednesdays from 6-8pm and Saturdays from 10am-1pm. Stop by and see what we have to offer. Through the efforts of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, proceeds benefit the everyday needs of families in our community.



Food Pantry Needs

Pasta, Tuna Fish, Jelly, Juice,
Canned Ham, Soup & Sauces

Holy Spirit Prayer Group

The Holy Spirit Prayer Group meets **Thursdays at 7pm in St. Joachim Church, Rockport.** Questions? Call Louise 978-281-3645.



Rosary

The Rosary is being said Wednesday nights at 5pm in the Mother of Grace Club (48 Washington St., Glou.). Please join us!

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays – 7 – 9pm (St. Joachim Church)
7:30pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy
8pm – Rosary
Thursdays 9:30am – 1:30pm
7 – 9pm (St. Joachim Church)

To sign up or for more info, call Angela 978-283-5701.

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Golden Living Center – Mass, March 31st – 3pm

Office Closings

The parish office will be closed **Good Friday March 21st at 12pm and Easter Sunday, March 23rd.** It will reopen at 10am Monday, March 24th. We wish you and your family a very blessed Easter!

Mass Intentions

You may reserve Mass intentions for the second half of 2008 beginning at **10am Friday, May 9th.** Reservations will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Please feel free to contact the parish office 978-281-4820 with any requests or questions at that time **or better yet, stop and see us!**

Open Door

Three times a year, our parish is committed to sponsoring and serving a meal through the Open Door Program. Thurs. March 27th is our first date for 2008. Our next dates are May 15th & Sept. 18th. Thankfully we have sufficient funds from last year's collection to cover our March 27th meal. We will be asking for your generosity once more in the near future. Please come and join the Holy Family Book Club in the prep and serving at Open Door, Emerson Ave., on March 27th anytime between 1:30 & 5pm. For more information call Connie @ 978-525-2334.

St. Joseph Altar Blessings

Since the custom remains strong in many families to have an altar or table blessed in honor of St. Joseph on his feast day, anyone wishing to arrange for this blessing in their home is asked to contact the parish office during regular business hours to schedule a time. There will be a limited number of appointments on Sunday, Monday and Wednesday for a priest or deacon to come and offer this blessing in the home – these will be filled on a first come, first served basis.



March 15, 2008 – March 23, 2008

Saturday, March 15, 2007

4 p.m. (St. Ann Church).....*Capt. Salvatore & Josephine Santuccio & Family and Capt. Stephen & Catherine Demetri & Family*
From Daughter Kathleen

Sunday March 16, 2007

8 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....*Matthew Jenkins*
From Family

9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....*Pro Populo*

10 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....*Vincenza Cusumano*
From Nina Groppo

11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....*Herbert O. Hultin*
From Family

Monday, March 17, 2008

9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....*Bertha Maksimowicz*
From Daughter

Tuesday, March 18, 2008

9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church) No Mass Scheduled

Wednesday, March 19, 2008.....*Ethel Cilla*

9 a.m. (St. Joachim) Ethel Weeks

Holy Thursday, March 20, 2008

Mass of the Lord's Supper

7 p.m. (St. Ann Church)

Good Friday, March 21, 2008

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

3 p.m. (St. Joachim Church)

7 p.m. (St. Ann Church)

Holy Saturday, March 22, 2008

8:00 p.m. (St. Ann Church) – Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, March 23, 2008

8 a.m. (St. Ann Church)

9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church)

10 a.m. (St. Ann Church)

11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church)



Host & Wine
The Host & Wine for March
was donated in loving memory of:
Bessie Tortorici
From Family



Holy Water

Everyone is invited to bring bottles to fill with the newly blessed Easter water to the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday



Last Weekend's Collection

Mass	Attendance	Collection
4 pm	318	1,867.06
8 am	125	1,578.91
9 am	198	1,581.97
10 am	230	1,113.95
11 am	147	1,367.00
	1018	

Weekly Offertory: 7,508.89
Office Offertory: 615.00
Total Offertory: \$8,123.89

March 2007 average collection \$7,091.69

Second Collection today supports St. Ann School

Grand Annual Total (as of March 11th): \$67,547.00
This is 90.06% of our \$75,000 goal.

We appreciate your most generous support!!

Easter Flower Envelopes

Easter flower envelopes are in the back of both worship sites. These envelopes are provided for you to make a donation for flowers in memory of loved ones.



Easter Collection

Just a reminder that all monies collected at Easter throughout the Archdiocese will be used for retirement, medical, and/or financial needs of priests of the Archdiocese. Rising health care costs and less than expected investment returns have increased the levels of funding needed. We encourage you to give generously to this collection. All of the priests of the Archdiocese of Boston thank you for supporting us in these challenging times!

2008 Catholic Appeal

Cardinal Sean sends his thanks to everyone from Holy Family Parish who pledged to the 2008 Catholic Appeal during Catholic Appeal Weekend. If you have not yet made your gift, please consider making a pledge this weekend. You can pick up information packets with pledge forms in the back of the church. For more information please visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com or call 617-779-3700. Thank you!

Bulletin Deadline

Please have all items for submission to next week's bulletin in our office by noon on TUESDAY. Items submitted after that time will be considered for the following week.



Holy Family Parish Registration

If you wish to register as a member of Holy Family Parish, please print the following information and deposit in the offertory.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
Comments: _____

We look forward to hearing from you!

**Please check all lists of names to insure that each name is on one line (ESPECIALLY MEMORIAL DONATIONS). Also, please be sure section breaks are correct and not cutting off any text and that pictures do not interfere with text/layout. Thank You!END OF BULLETIN
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