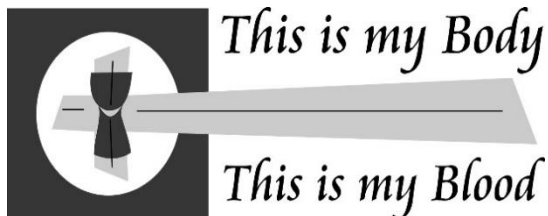


Palm Sunday – April 2, 2023

“My appointed time draws near; in your house I shall celebrate the Passover with my disciples.” –Matthew 26:18



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66
Monday	Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday	Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Weds	Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday	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; Jn 18:1
Saturday	Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a; Gn 22:1-18

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	April 1	4:00 PM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners
Sunday –	April 2	9:00 AM	All Souls in Purgatory
Monday –	April 3	12:00 PM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners
Tuesday –	April 4	12:00 PM	Mass of Thanksgiving (Anonymous)
Wednesday –	April 5	12:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Holy Thursday –	April 6	7:00 PM	All Souls in Purgatory
Good Friday –	April 7	2:30 PM	(Stations of the Cross followed by the Passion)
Saturday (Easter Vigil) –	April 8	8:00 PM	Frank Riancho (Frank & Rita DeRiancho)
Sunday – (Easter)	April 9	9:00 AM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

This is the third ‘Servant Song’, and the prophet is determined to continue preaching to the people that they will be restored to Judah by God after exile. It is clear that no one believes him, yet he continues proclaiming what he knows is true. Jesus, all during his ministry, does exactly the same thing- proclaiming that God’s people will be delivered from bondage. And, of course he is persecuted for telling them what they do not believe.

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

This passage- really an ancient hymn- takes Jesus from pre-incarnation, through incarnation, to crucifixion, and then to His ultimate glory. He was with God, became man despite (and because of) his divinity, died as a man, and then rose from the dead. It is this absolutely inconceivable reality that makes salvation possible for all humankind. Ours is but to kneel before Him.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 27:11-54

I have often wondered what happened to both Peter and Judas following their respective denial of Jesus. We know, of course, that Judas ended by hanging himself, and Peter eventually became the leader of the new Church. What we don’t know is what was in each of their heads and hearts immediately after the denial. It is possible to speculate on what Judas thought, based on his return of the silver and the suicide. It is likely that his betrayal, his selfish denial of Christ as friend and mentor, became so painful to him that he had to end the suffering. And, once again, he followed his own pattern and took the selfish way out. Peter, on the other hand, arguably feeling the same sort of pain, took another sort of path, and spent the balance of his life living for Christ and *dying to himself*. Two people making essentially the same mistake, experiencing the same sort of disconnection from the Truth, and suffering because of it. The only difference is the choice made and the path then followed. It is the decision, the free-will choice that follows the mistake that truly matters.



MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN are available to pray for you or your loved ones in need of prayer. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-278-4590.

LET US PRAY THIS MONTH:

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold & her family, Richard Arnold, Frank Bayer, Gene Bell, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Katie Calvin, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, David Conklin Jr., Kathleen Conklin, Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Philip Donahue, Jeanne Falk, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Jane Heiser, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondy, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Joan Nelson, Kevin Nowalk, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergent, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Florence Trowbridge, Rosemarie Whalen.



LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PROUDLY SERVE IN THE MILITARY:



Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

PARISH FINANCES 3/26/2023

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	3,148.85
<i>Thank you for your generosity & support</i>		



Please remember that during these difficult times, Holy Name of Mary is relying on your continued support to meet our financial obligations. Thank you!!

Travelers & Vacationers

Please remember that our parish relies on your contributions, even when you are away. Thanks!!



Sunday, April 2nd – 9:00AM (Palm Sunday)

Isaiah Torres

Holy Thursday, April 6th – 7:00PM

Bernadetta & Albert Paolucci

Lee John Sullivan

Good Friday, April 7th – 2:30PM

Lee John Sullivan

Easter Vigil, Saturday April 8th – 8:00PM

Lee John Sullivan

Easter Sunday, April 9th – 9:00AM

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Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

PARISH EVENTS

April 3rd – Reconciliation Service; 6PM



CROSS WALK

The annual Montrose Good Friday Cross Walk will take place as usual this year! We will start at Holy Name of Mary Church at noon, process to the Episcopal Church and then to the Presbyterian Church, and finish back at the Episcopal Church. Please consider joining us!

Holy Name of Mary will be holding a Reconciliation Service on April 3, from 6:00PM-7:00PM. Father Philip, as well as 2-3 visiting priests, will be available to hear confessions (an obligation before the Paschal Mystery).

2023 Wedding Anniversary Mass



His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating

their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2023 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 4.

The event includes a 2:30 PM mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception.

The registration deadline for this event is May 7, 2023. To register, please go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/wedding-anniversary-2023-registration-form/> or contact Bridget Guarnieri (570-207-2213 x 1133 or familylife@dioceseofscranton.org). Those celebrating couples who speak Spanish may contact Jose Flores (570-207-2213 x 1130 or jflores@dioceseofscranton.org).

The Hope of Spring

God, thank you for Spring and the hope of warmer, longer, brighter days.

Thank you for the coming of growth and life and birth.

Thank you that things are coming awake in the world.

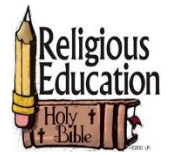
This is what our calendar says, and we do see some signs that it is real but we also still struggle with the residual layover of winter. Now we ask that you bring into reality all that belongs in this season.

Your word says that we will have provision, and hope, and joy, and health and loving relationships here and now in this life.

We ask that what belongs in this season would become actual in our practical lives.

We hope in you and in your promises. We hope in your gift of Spring.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Religious Education Classes are held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00AM, after the 9:00 AM Mass. At this time, masks are optional for the classroom. If you are new to HNM parish and would like to register your child, registration forms are available at the rectory, as well as online in the Holy Name of Mary Church web site under the Religious Education portal. Thank you for your participation and support.

April 2nd – Regular Classes; PALM SUNDAY

April 9th – HAPPY EASTER; NO CLASSES



Confirmation Corner

Confirmation candidates brought home a Confirmation folder with papers that need to be filled out by parents and containing study papers. At this time, please fill out the Confirmation Registration form and return it to me as soon as possible.

Confirmation Celebration Mass: May 28th, Pentecost Sunday, 9:00 AM

Holy Week & Easter Schedule 2023

Palm Sunday Vigil Mass – April 1st

Blessing and Distribution of Palms at 4:00PM

Palm Sunday Mass – April 2nd

Distribution of Palms at 9:00AM

Holy Thursday – April 6th

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00PM

Good Friday – April 7th

Good Friday Service at 2:30PM

Stations of the Cross followed by the Passion of the Lord

Easter Vigil – April 8th

Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00 PM

(*Easter baskets will be blessed in the church at 11AM)

Easter Sunday – April 9th

Easter Sunday Mass at 9:00AM

