

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



PALM SUNDAY

Dear Parishioners,
This weekend we begin the most important week of the Church's year. It is full of wonderful celebrations as we reflect upon the central mysteries of our Faith.

Today, Passion (Palm) Sunday, we begin by celebrating the Lord's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where He is welcomed by the crowds. However, by the time the Passion is proclaimed, these crowds have turned on Him and seek to have Him crucified. Perhaps there is a lesson there for all of us, who may at one moment acknowledge Christ's kingship and at the next moment seek to crucify Him in our sinfulness.

The "heart" of the Church's liturgical year, The Sacred Triduum ("The Three Days"), begins on Holy Thursday with the celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper. On that day we commemorate two lasting gifts of the Lord to His Church, The Sacred Priesthood and the Holy Eucharist. The Mass of the Lord's Supper that evening will be celebrated at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church at 7:30 pm. The Mass will be live-streamed on the Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Facebook Page. The Mass ends with the reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We are invited to reflect on how on that first Holy Thursday, in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus asked His disciples to stay awake with Him as He prayed.

Good Friday is the only day of the year when Mass is not offered. The Good Friday service is the Commemoration of the Lord's Passion. It consists of the Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, and a Communion Service (using the Eucharist consecrated the night before). It is one of the starkest, simplest and most moving services in the Church year. The Commemoration of the Lord's Passion will be celebrated at 3:00 pm at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church (it will be live-streamed). On Good Friday evening we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church. The only Mass celebrated Holy Saturday is the Easter Vigil. The Church waits anxiously to celebrate Christ's glorious victory over sin and death.

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It is a beautiful celebration that includes the lighting and blessing of the new fire, the blessing of the Easter water, the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation and the renewal of Baptismal promises. It is the grandest of the Church's celebrations. The Easter Vigil will be celebrated at 8:00 pm at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter.

As we prepare once again to celebrate these sacred days, I encourage you to join us in prayer. May we seek to walk together with Jesus this Holy Week on the road that leads to Calvary, to the Empty Tomb, to Eternal Life!!

You will be in my prayers during Holy Week; please keep me in yours.

In Christ,
Fr. Caruso

HOLY THURSDAY

The Church of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter cordially invites you and your family to attend The Holy Thursday Prayer Service and Breakfast at 9:30am in our school cafeteria on April 6th. All are Welcome!

Please call the Parish Office at 315-422-7163 for reservations. Free Will Offering, suggested minimum donation: \$5.00.

Reminder : This Week

Sacrament of Penance

On Monday, April 3th from 4:00pm-7:00pm, "The Light Is On For You" campaign will be at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity.

Wednesday, April 5th, Confessions will be heard at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter from 4:00pm to 5:00 pm.



This Week We Remember...

Monday: *April 3*

9:00 am

Patrick Nesci/Patty Marco

Mary Caruso Ann./Family

12:00 pm

For the Parishioner of St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Tuesday: *April 4*

9:00 am

Frank Taft Ann./Jim & Julie Taft

12:00 pm

For the Parishioner of St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Wednesday: *April 5*

9:00 am

Donna Stinziano/Patricia Donati

Thursday: *April 6*

Holy Thursday

5:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Vietnamese)

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper SJB/HT

Reminder: St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church will be open until 11:00 pm for visitations.

Friday: *April 7*

Good Friday



3:00 pm Service of the Lord's Passion OLP/St. P

5:30 pm Service of the Lord's Passion (Vietnamese) OLP/St. P

Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm SJB/HT

Saturday: *April 8*

Holy Saturday

Noon Blessing of Food SJB/HT

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass OLP/St. P

For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Pompei / St. Peter
(Note: there is no 4:00 pm or 5:30 pm Mass)

Sunday: *April 9*

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Masses will be 7:30 and 11:30 am OLP/St. P

For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Pompei / St. Peter

9:00 am (Vietnamese) OLP/St. P

9:00 am SJB/HT

For the Parishioner of St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity
5:00pm—No Mass

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Please contact Fr. Dan if you have any questions about our parish finances.

OLP/St. Peter Collection:

March 26, 2023

\$ 5,813.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 6

Holy Thursday Prayer Service & Breakfast
At 9:30 am at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:30 pm
At St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church
(Church will remain open until 11:00 pm)

Vietnamese Mass of the Lord's Supper, 5:30 pm
at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church
(Church will be closed after Mass)

Good Friday, April 7

3:00 pm Service of the Lord's Passion
At St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church

5:30 pm Service of the Lord's Passion
In Vietnamese
At Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
At St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church

Holy Saturday, April 8

Noon Blessing of Food
At St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass OLP/St. P
(There will **NOT** be a 4:00 pm or 5:30pm Mass
At St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Church
Or Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church)

Easter Sunday, April 9

Masses will be 7:30 and 11:30 am OLP/St. P
9:00 am (Vietnamese) OLP/St. P
9:00 am SJB/HT



BASKET BONANZA 3 WEEKS AWAY!!

SATURDAY APRIL 22nd

Got tickets???? If you haven't gotten your Basket Bonanza tickets for our always wonderful, always delicious Basket Bonanza you have just have 3 weeks to do so!!!! The fun starts at 5:00 pm in the School cafeteria. This incredible event is only \$10.00 which includes admission, 2 free raffle tickets (to be used with raffles of your choice) opportunities for seemingly endless baskets and raffles and a delicious meal.

Get a table together or join others, either way we know you will have a wonderful time!!! Purchase tickets after all masses each weekend (except Easter weekend) or call the Pompei/St Peters Parish office at 422-7163 for tickets or more information!!

The food, fun and chances to win great items are always awesome!!! We

hope to see you there!!!



If you ordered candy from our Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser and have not picked up or received your goodies, please call the Parish Office (315 422 7163), so we can arrange for you to receive it. Again, many thanks for your support!!!



Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed on Holy Thursday, April 6th, Good Friday, April 7th and Monday, April 10th.

LET US PRAY



Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish and all those in hospitals, nursing homes and the home bound.

Shawn Babcock, Nancy Bailey, Robert Capria, Catherine Cushman, Linda Deapo, Ginny and Erin Donovan, Jenny Emmi, Marilyn Ferretti, Ellen Gangemi, Gladys Graham, Robert Greenwood, Camille Grosso, Joseph Guinto, Jeanne Hammond, Josephine Indelicato, Mary Isgar, Carla Johnson, Dory Jones, Shirley Kerr Kay Ledermann, Jackie Limeri, Maria Luisi, Diane Mackey, Peggy Miccinelli, Diane Moro, The Pavia Children, Philomena Piraino, Cathy Galutz Sacco, Sal Scro, Faith Setzer, Marion Sherwood, Esther Sindoni, John Sobon, Timothy K. Suppes, Barbara Traino, Shelly Visco, Matthew Watkins and Fred Wheeler.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

(from the Office of Family Life Education)

Today Jesus tells us "I am among you as one who serves." In accepting the palm branch today you publicly confirm your baptismal promise to follow Jesus as "one who serves." Selfless service defines a family as Christian.

VOCATIONS

"[Let] every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!" Is the Lord calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Call Fr. Jason Hage at 315-470-1468 or write: vocations@syrdio.org for more information.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS
For the weekend of April 8-9
Easter Saturday Vigil & Sunday
All Masses will have the Liturgical Ministers
who signed up for that Mass time.

May God Bless You on Your Birthday

A very happy birthday to Fred Wheeler on his 101th birthday!! He will be celebrating on April 13th. Sending all our best wishes from your fellow parishioners!! Godspeed, Fred!!



Bread and Wine
For Masses Celebrated During The Week
In Loving Memory Of
Rose Peverly
Requested By
Alex & Pat

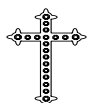
**HOLY NAME
50/50 RAFFLE**

Tickets are still available for you to purchase and they are only \$50.00 each. The drawing will be on **May 10, 2023 (think spring!)**. You may want to give a ticket (or two) as a gift!

Please Larry Cimino, 315-430-5645 or Joey Cimino at 315-430-0338 if you want a special number, it will be on a first come, first served basis. We thank you for your support.

SOCIETY OF ST. THERESE
Next meeting for the Society of St.
Therese will be :

Thursday, April 27th @ 1:30 pm



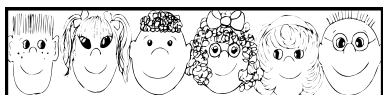
BEREAVEMENT

Please remember in your prayers, Mary Strano and Ferman Castellini, who passed away recently. Our deepest sympathy to their families.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Golf News

Thinking about getting out on the golf course? **Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Golf League** will begin on Tuesday May 2nd. Call Jamie Lanza at 315-256-4540 after 2 pm if you are interested in playing. All are welcome!



CAP ENROLLMENT

Cathedral Academy at Pompei is now accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year for all grades. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please call the school office at 315-422-8548. Ms. Tina Seymour, the principal, would be happy to give you a tour of the school. Financial assistance and payment plans are available for those who qualify.

May God Bless and keep safe in his care our Service men and women whose lives are in danger every day. They heroically serve to defend and maintain freedom around the world as well as at home. Our prayers for them reflect our great admiration and love for them. May God bless them, watch over them and protect them always, especially at this holiday season. We also keep in our prayers all those effected by the fighting in Ukraine—for those who have lost lives, loved ones and homes.