

MARCH 28, 2021
**PALM SUNDAY
 OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

Reflection from Fr. Bernard Doré

The Passion and death of Jesus are expressions of his great and unconditional love for us. Jesus freely chose to suffer and die so that our sins could be forgiven and we could be reconciled to the Father and to one another. Jesus always desired to be faithful to the will his Father.

The First Reading describes the Suffering Servant faithfully carrying out his duties while being subject to mistreatment, all done in obedience to God's will.

The Second Reading speaks of the obedience of Jesus to the will of the Father. He was obedient, even unto death on the Cross.

In the Gospel, we hear of the Passion and death of Jesus on the Cross.

During this Holy week, we liturgically celebrate the last days of our Lord's life here on this earth. Kindly try to participate in all the liturgical celebrations of the Holy week. Ultimately it is an expression of showing our love, gratitude and appreciation to our Blessed Lord Jesus Christ who out of infinite and unconditional love for us became a man and lived for us and accepted the most painful and cruel passion and death on the cross and finally rose in all his glory to give us our salvation and eternal life with him in heaven.



**My God, my God,
 why have you
 abandoned me?**

Psalm 22



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| OFFICE HOURS | 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM (MON, WED, THU, FRI) |
| WEEKDAY MASSES | 9:00 AM (MON, WED, FRI) |
| SATURDAY VIGIL MASS | 5:00 PM |
| SUNDAY MASSES | 8:00 AM 10:00 AM |

ST. PAUL'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | March 27 |
| 5:00 PM | Mass: |
| Sunday | March 28 |
| 8:00 AM | Mass: |
| 9:15 AM | Rosary |
| 10:00 AM | Mass: For the Healing of Members of the Kachanis Family |
| Monday | March 29 |
| 8:35 AM | Rosary |
| 9:00 AM | Mass: Edward Medeiros (RIP) |
| Tuesday | March 30 |
| 8:35 AM | Rosary |
| 9:00 AM | Mass: |
| Wednesday | March 31 |
| 8:35 AM | Rosary |
| 9:00 AM | Mass: Olga Albanese (RIP) |
| Thursday | April 1 Holy Thursday Liturgy |
| 7:00 PM | Mass: |
| Friday | April 2 Good Friday |
| 3:00 PM | Stations of the Cross |
| 7:00 PM | Liturgy of the Lord's Passion |

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS INTENTIONS

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| 8:00 PM | Mass: Ethan Boatright 2nd Anniversary |
| 8:00 AM | Mass: John L. Jenson (RIP) |
| 10:00 AM | Mass: Marie & Carmine Iannuccilli (RIP) |

PLEASE CONSIDER COMMEMORATING
 A LOVED ONE AT THE EUCHARIST

HOLY WEEK



TAKE PART IN THE GRACE OF
CHRIST'S PASSION
AND RESURRECTION!

Saturday, March 27

**Vigil of Palm Sunday of the Passion
of the Lord**

5:00 PM

Palm Sunday, March 28

**Mass of Palm Sunday of the Passion
of the Lord**

8:00 / 10:00 AM

Mon—Wed, March 29 -31

Rosary / Mass, 8:35 / 9:00 AM

Holy Thursday, April 1

Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00 PM

(Followed by Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 PM)

Good Friday, April 2

Way of the Cross, 3:00 PM

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

7:00 PM

(With Adoration of the Holy Cross
and Holy Communion)

Holy Saturday, April 3

Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter

8:00 PM (There is no 5 PM Mass)

Easter Sunday, April 4

**Mass of the Resurrection
of the Lord**

8:00 / 10:00 AM

Divine Mercy Sunday

On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11,
2021 we will have the Special Divine
Mercy Devotion with The Eucharistic
Adoration and Benediction, right
after our regular 10AM Mass.

Stations of the Cross

The Way of the Cross commemorates Jesus' walk to Calvary. Join us for the fourteen "stops" or "stations" - on his journey to the cross that help us to remember what happened to Jesus. The Way of the Cross also reminds us that the suffering of others is not something to be ignored, but something to be comforted, relieved and healed.

Food Closet Ministry

This month we are in need of **Toiletries: Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Deodorant.** The Food Closet is open every other Saturday morning 9:30– 11 AM.

Commitment to Sunday Offertory

To help the parish meet its financial obligations, we ask that you remain committed to the weekly offertory.

Please consider using the parish envelopes and mailing your weekly/monthly offertory contribution. Or consider the convenient option of setting up an automatic contribution online. Details below.

Support St. Paul's

Set up a reoccurring donation (or make a gift at anytime) using our secure, online giving tool by ParishSOFT.

Visit our website at stpaulsfoster.org, and click the "Donate Now" button.

Catholic Relief Services/Rice Bowl

This weekend's second collection is for Operation Rice Bowl & Catholic Relief Services Fund. **Please return the total from your rice bowl in cash/check rather than coins. Thank you!**

Good Friday Collection

Our Parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. This annual Good Friday Collection, requested by the Holy Father, offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and help to protect the Holy Places.

GIFTS RECEIVED

Offertory Collection - March 20/21
\$ 2,796.00

Easter Flowers - March 20/21
\$ 567.00

Thank you for your support!



A Big Thank you!

The first takeaway Pasta Dinner was a great success. 22 Knights (and one wife) were at the fire station working hard to prepare 180 dinners. 65 pounds of fresh sausage and 60 pounds of meatballs were made; that's about 600 meatballs and a 90 foot long piece of sausage!. 54 lbs of pasta and 35 gallons of fresh pasta sauce was cooked up to cover everything. 180 salads assembled. Four 3' long triple braid loaves of bread cut into 360 pieces. Everything was bagged, lined up and ready for pickup. All customers got curbside delivery, and no one waited in line more than 45 seconds to get their dinners! It was amazing.

Once again, a big thank you to all our Knights and everyone who helped make this such a big success, including Brenda and Lori who kept track of all the tickets bought and sold and kept all of our records in order. We owe a debt of gratitude to the great people of St Paul's Parish who always support us in our endeavors.

Serving the Suffering Christ

As we enter Holy Week and celebrate Palm Sunday, let's reflect on how our Lord suffered from our indifference: those who proclaimed him king of Jerusalem were the same who called to crucify him. We recognize we are all one human family. Are we contributing to the suffering of our sisters and brothers with our indifference to their realities? How does our faith inspire us to care for them and share gifts that God has bestowed on us?