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March 17, 2024

Notes from Fr. Sean Bonner....

In Today's Gospel

Today, we begin Holy Week. In today's Gospel, we remember Christ's entry into Jerusalem as we look forward to his great sacrifice on our behalf. This is a busy week in the Church.

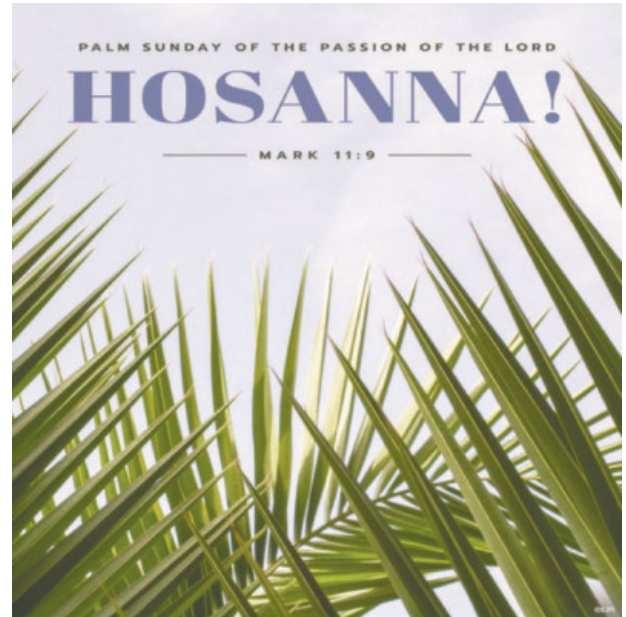
On Holy Thursday, we remember the events of the Last Supper. There are two masses this day. The first is at the Cathedral. This is the Chrism Mass when the holy oils that will be used for the year are blessed. But even more important, we celebrate the institution of the priesthood. The priests of the archdiocese gather with Archbishop Vigneron to renew the promises made at ordination.

That evening, we will gather for the Mass of the Lord's Supper to celebrate the institution of the Eucharist. This year, our mass will be at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy. The priests, deacons, and all of the people from our Family of Parishes will gather to celebrate this sacrament of communion. Following the mass, we will move to the Garden Altar of Repose to keep watch with Jesus on the eve of his passion.

On Good Friday, solemnly remember the events of Christ's passion and death. There is no mass this day, but each of our parishes will have the Good Friday service. We will celebrate the stations of the cross and read the Passion from the Gospel of John. We will venerate the cross and receive the Eucharist, which was consecrated earlier in the week. We then leave the church in silence as we contemplate Christ in the tomb.

On Holy Saturday, the church remains silent as Christ remains in the tomb. As the sun sets, we will gather at St. Mary in Wayne and St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, to keep vigil for the resurrection of Christ. At this mass, we welcome our candidates into full communion with the Church as they receive the sacrament of confirmation.

Please join us for these great liturgies during Holy Week as we enter into the sacrifice that Christ offered for our salvation.



NOTES FROM PAUL

Today is Palm Sunday, where we celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem at the beginning of Holy Week. Over the rest of the week we will commemorate the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, the crucifixion of Jesus on Good Friday, and finally the Resurrection at the Easter Vigil and Easter morning.

It seems fitting that we are also celebrating the edition of Kristine Melendez to our parish staff, and the loss of Peggy Fox. Kristine, our new Parish Secretary, comes to us from the former Ss. Simon and Jude Parish. Please join me in welcoming this great addition to our Parish family. God Bless

Paul Zbytowski,
Pastoral Associate,
Evangelization and Christian Service Coordinator



Parish Mission Statement -The Parish of St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, inspired by Mary's "Yes" and led by the Holy Spirit, strives to be a faith-filled community, joyfully welcoming all to witness and to celebrate the Gospel.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. Mar. 25 12 Noon +Bro. Sam Ciraulo O.F.M Req. by Family
+For the Vantubergen Family Req. by Barbara Darel

Thurs. Mar. 28 7:00pm Holy Thursday

Fri. Mar. 29 12:Noon Stations of the Cross
1:00pm The Lord's Passion

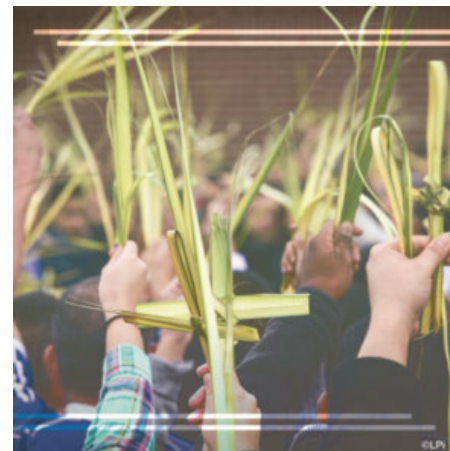
Sat. Mar. 30 8:30pm Easter Vigil

Sun. Mar. 31 9:00am Easter Sunday

11:00am Easter Sunday

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Nancy Abramson	Eileen Harris	Keith Pares
Mel Albright	Lauren Hahn	Eddie Brian Parker
Sean Armstrong	Becca Hoffman	Patrick Patton
Pat Bader	Bonnie Hoke	Geralyn Pawlaczyk
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Nan Fry	Ken Macko	George & Jackie Tindall
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Judy Gardner	Joanne Meister	Vasati Tupuani
Julia Gardner	Irene Melady	Bob Vantubergen
Sonia Gee	Ann Merchant	Bill Wendling
Emily Gnacke	Andrew Merchant	Cathy West
William Gnacke, Jr.	Tony Micallef	Tamara Wright
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Ora Gomez	Ashley Murphy	Nicole Zapinski
Casimir Gorecki	Liam Murphy	Sandra Zannis
Viola Janus	Frank Nowak	
Jacqueline Hamrick	Patricia Oszewski	
Susan Hancock	Teresa M. Pardo	



Holy Thursday & Holy Saturday

There will be NO mass at 9:00am on Thursday, March 28th. We will have Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm.

There will be NO 5:30pm Mass or confessions heard on Saturday, March 30th. We will celebrate the Easter Vigil at 8:30pm.

OUR ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS

PFC Dean Williamson
U.S. Army

Capt. Tim Duff,
U.S. Army;

CPT Joey Saunders,
U.S. Marines;

Marine Sgt. Leven Smith;
U.S. Marines;

PVT Marcus Rodriguez,
U.S. Army;

William Albright,
U. S. Air Force

If there are any names that can be removed from our Prayer List, please let us know by calling 734-425-4421.

Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation

Palm Sunday Greetings and Salutations,

Today is Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, and we now enter into the holiest of weeks of the Church year. The word Passion in this context means suffering. Jesus suffered for all of us. How will you make GOD your priority this week?

Reminder: Faith Formation is off the next 2 Monday's, March 25 for Holy week and April 1st. Spend some time in church.

This Thursday, our beloved Parish Secretary Peggy, is retiring. Though I am very happy for her, my heart is sad. I have worked daily with Peggy for the last six years. Peggy, as you all know, is a wonderful person, friend, and colleague. Peggy for me is that person who when you see them you know everything will be alright in good times and trying times. Thank you Peggy for being such a special force in this little world of church (Joyland). I am so grateful for your help, guidance and friendship. May God Bless you abundantly for all you do for His flock. Much Love!

Have a great week and Go Be Christ!
Peace and Prayers,
Sabrina Queen

Jokes for the journey...
How do you talk to a giant? You use big words!
Why was the broom late for class? It over - swept.

HOLY THURSDAY

March 28th

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm

Ending in the Social Hall

Eucharistic Adoration 8-11:45pm

Night Prayer 11:45pm

GOOD FRIDAY

March 29th

Stations of the Cross—Noon

The Lord's Passion: 1:00pm

EASTER VIGIL

March 30th

8:30pm

EASTER SUNDAY

March 31st

9:00am and 11:00am



HOLY THURSDAY

Eucharistic Adoration

March 28th | 7:00pm

Please join us. We want to make sure that there is always someone in our Chapel with our Lord on this evening before the closing prayer Service.

HOLY SATURDAY

March 30th

Joyful Women Flower Sale

9am - 12 Noon

Blessing of Easter

Food Baskets

12 Noon

MUSINGS FROM THE MUSED

Well here we are again, the precipice of Holy Week, ushering in the triduum with palm branches. The juxtaposition of those who will shout "Crucify Him", shouting "Hosanna To the Son Of David", is often highlighted, and a powerful scene this contradiction paints.

The occupied city of Jerusalem was boiling over with tension, with revolts bad enough that Pilot's governorship was at risk of demotion if further unrest continued. The Jewish people who cried for God to deliver/save them—the literal meaning of Hosanna—had a very material and worldly understanding of what that deliverance would look like. They expected God to intercede for them politically, but were the Romans preventing them from attaining the Kingdom of God?

Can any authority, or even any individual, disconnect us from God? Jesus taught that nothing from without the body can defile us, this comes from within, and so does the liberation, the freedom and salvation offered by our Lord. How many times though, do we instead place our hope for external worldly salvation.

Thus as we welcome the Lord this day and each day, may our expectations be for divine Intercession rather than material, and the Lord, as he promised, will deliver us.

Aidan Rickel,
Director of Music

Consider participating in the CSA

If you have not donated or pledged to this year's CSA, please do so as soon as possible. We have met our goal! But we are still paying off the 2022 CSA goal.

If you have pledged to this year's CSA, please remember to pay off your pledge.

The CSA targets the averages of the total of our Sunday and Christmas collections. Any amount that is donated that exceeds our goal is **paid back to the parish assessment free** and is not factored into the calculation of the CSA target for 2024.

You may mail your completed pledge card in the pre-addressed envelope that was provided you, make your gift to our parish campaign online at givecsa.org or mail your donation to the parish office. Thank you!



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Other: _____



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"WORLD FAMOUS FISH FRY"

Last Fish Fry this year!

March 29th

4:30PM - 7:00PM

St. Thomas the Apostle is hosting their "World Famous Fish Fry" in the ACTIVITIES BUILDING from 4:30pm-7:00pm.



FORGOTTEN HARVEST

With the help from Newburg United Methodist Church on Tuesday, March 12, the Forgotten Harvest pantry serviced 159 households, accounting for 425 individuals.

The next Forgotten Harvest pantry is **Tuesday, March 26, from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.**, or until food runs out. The Michigan Humane Society will again bring dog and cat food to this pantry.

If you know someone who could use food assistance, please let them know about our pantry.



ROSARY

Please join us when we say the Rosary **on Wednesday evenings at 7pm** and on **Thursday mornings at 8:30am**. We also say the rosary before Mass on Saturdays.

CARDS AND NOTES TO FR. SHAFIQUE.....

Cards and notes may be sent to Fr. Shafique. The Archdiocese of Detroit will accept cards and letters and forward them to Fr. Shafique.

They will bundle them and send them directly to Fr. Shafique.

Please send cards/letters to:

**Fr. Shafique Masih
% Clergy & Consecrated Life Office
12 State St.
Detroit, Michigan 48226**

HOLY NAME FRATERNITY

Our thanks to the 390 people who attended the St. Patrick's Day pancake & French toast breakfast! **Next breakfast: April 21.**

COMMUNION

If you are unable to walk up for Communion and you are not sitting in the handicap section, please notify an usher when you enter Church. A minister will come to you.

Forever Young Seniors...

This Thursday, March 28th is Peggy Fox's last day at St. Mary, COOJ. We want to thank Peggy for being the best Office Manager and for all she has done for FYS. Good Luck on your retirement as we say Farewell. I know we will see you in Church so this is not Goodbye. Blessings!

Our next meeting will be **Monday, April 1st, 2024 at 10:00am in the Small Hall.** We will have a speaker from Powerback Rehab telling us all about rehab. Lunch will be provided by the FYS board.

Bianco bus trips:

Sun, April 28, 2024

Meadowbrook Theatre "Route 66"
\$127 due by March 25th

****Sold Out**** call for Wait List

Tues, May 7th

Holland Tulip Time \$145 due by Apr 12th

****Sold Out**** call for Wait List

Tues, June 18th

Gateway to Lenawee
\$106 due by June 3rd

Note: the bus trips are open to everyone. See flyers in the Gathering Space for more info.

Maryann Sligay --
734-525-3737

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, March 25

Mass 12:00 Noon
Eucharistic Adoration 12:30-3pm
No Faith Formation
No Youth Group 7pm

Tuesday, March 26

Forgotten Harvest 9-11am

Wednesday, March 27

Prayer Service for Peace 1:00pm
Rosary 7:00pm

Thursday, March 28

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm
Ending in the Social Hall
Eucharistic Adoration 8-11:45pm
Night Prayer 11:45pm

Friday, March 29

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross 12 Noon
The Lord's Passion 1:00pm

Saturday, March 30

Holy Saturday

Joyful Women Easter Sale 9-Noon
Blessing of Baskets 12 Noon
Easter Vigil Mass 8:30pm

Sunday, March 31

Easter

Mass 9:00am & 11:00am

JOYFUL WOMEN

The Joyful Women invite you to an Easter Celebration on **March 30.** Please join us in the Social Hall from 9:00am - Noon for our fundraiser.

You will find Easter Plants, Baked Goods, Butter Lambs, Basket Raffles and a 50/50 Raffle. (Raffle winners will be called if not present).



BLESSING OF BASKETS Saturday, March 30th 12 Noon

Please join us next Saturday, March 30th in the church to have your baskets of food blessed for Easter.

LENTEN PEACE SERVICE

Wednesdays in Lent | 1:00pm

Join us this Lent for a time to pray for Peace in the World. Each Wednesday in Lent we will gather at 1:00 pm for a short prayer service at St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy Church.

Art and Environment

Decorating Friday, March 28

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Also, Friday March 29

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Calling All Bakers!

It's time to get out your recipe books and bake up something special for our **EASTER BAKE SALE** on Saturday, March 30, 2024. Items can be brought to the Social Hall on Friday, March 29.



Food bank at St. Mary Wayne...

Visits to the food bank at St. Mary, Wayne will only be available every two months until they get their shelves stocked back up. They are looking for help with food donations.

Items in dire need:

Canned peas,	Rice-a-roni
Canned carrots,	Pasta-a-roni
Canned potatoes	Hamburger helper
Boxed mashed potatoes	Canned fruit
Boxed au gratin/scalloped potatoes	(pears, peaches, mixed)
Beef stew	Applesauce
Sloppy joe	Canned beans
Chili beans	Pork 'n beans

Eucharistic Exposition Mondays, 12:30 - 3:00pm



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Office Hours:

Monday and Wednesday: 9am-4pm

Tuesday and Thursday: 9am-2pm

Friday: Closed

Please call the office
to make other arrangements

Mass Schedule

MON	12:00 pm
THURS	9:00am
SAT	5:30pm
SUN	9:00 am 11:00 am

Confession

Saturdays: 6:30pm

Baptisms

Please call our Parish Office during regular business hours. Parish membership and preparation class required.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made by registered parishioner at least six months in advance to allow sufficient time for instructions and preparation.

Anointing of Sick and Ministry to Homebound

Our pastor is available to visit upon request.

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

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NANKIN FAMILY OF PARISHES MASS TIMES

St. Thomas the Apostle, 31530 Beechwood, Garden City, 48135

Tuesday	9:00am
Wednesday	12:00 Noon
Friday	9:00am
Saturday	4:00 pm in Church (and live-streamed)
Sunday	9:00 am and 11:00 am in Church

St. Mary in Wayne, 34530 W Michigan, Wayne 48184

Monday	9:00am
Friday	9:00am (English)
Saturday	4:00pm (English)
Sunday	8:30am (English), 11:30am (English) 2:00pm (Spanish)

St. Richard, 35851 Cherry Hill, Westland, 48186

Tuesday	9:00am
Sunday	10:00am

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