

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

14 April 2019

“Hosanna!”

“Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!”

(Today's Readings: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23.56)



## Announced Mass intentions

Sat., April 13	5:00PM Mass – Beverley Olivastri (lvg)
Sun., April 14	<b>PALM SUNDAY – PASSION OF THE LORD</b> 8:00AM Mass – Elda Sauv�+ 9:30AM Mass – John Flynn+ Julio Herrera+ Krista Costanza-Murphy (lvg) 11:15AM Mass – Frank & Joseph Tomas+
Mon., April 15	<b>NO MASS</b>
Tues., April 16	9:30AM <b>NO MASS</b>
Wed., April 17	12:15PM Mass – Gerta Patry+
Thur., April 18	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b> 8:00PM <b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>
Fri., April 19	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> 10:00AM Children's Good Friday Service 3:00PM <b>Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion</b>
Sat., April 20	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> 8:00PM <b>EASTER VIGIL</b> – followed by a reception in the hall
Sun., April 21	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 8:00AM Mass – Frenette Family+ 9:30AM Mass – Gabriella Daguilh (lvg) Garry Brown+ Felicito Madamaba Sr.+ 11:15AM <b>NO MASS</b>

## Events Calendar ...

Sat., April 13	9:00AM Choir Practice – Church 9:00AM Cursillo/Ultreya – Library 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
Sun., April 14	9:30AM Children's Liturgy
Tues., April 16	8:00PM A.A. – Hall
Wed., April 17	7:30PM Choir (9:30) practice – Church 7:30PM K of C general meeting – Hall
Fri., April 19	<b>7:30PM Stations of the Cross – Church</b>
Sat., April 20	9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A

## COLLECTION REPORT

07 April 2019 – \$4,185.00 (env) / \$643.00 (loose)

~ **Thank you for your generosity and support** ~

Please note: Our Parish is operated only by your donations!

†**Our Condolences and Prayers:** For the departed souls of Daniel Larmour+; Cameron Crabbe+ (nephew of June & Ed Kelly)

## Deacon's Column...

### THE PARADOX OF PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday or Passion Sunday puts each of us in the middle of a paradox. On the one hand, we are filled with joy as Jesus enters Jerusalem with throngs of people waving palms and rejoicing. The promised Saviour has finally come! The Messiah is here! Redemption is at hand! But then, on the other hand, we turn towards the sorrowful narrative of our Lord's rejection, suffering, and death - with his passion. It is a solemn and quiet moment of contemplation.

How can a day of triumph be filled with so much joy and so much sorrow at the same time? The answer is because, what seems to be Jesus' defeat is actually his victory, the victory of everlasting love. "A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). This is what Jesus taught, and what he did in his passion, to prove beyond the shadow of doubt that his love for us has no limits.

The angels sang "Glory to God in the Highest" when Jesus was born in Bethlehem, and now the people sing, "Hosanna in the Highest" as Jesus enters Jerusalem. Both entrances were motivated by God's love, the same love that led him to be obedient to the Father even to the point of death, to reverse the disobedience of Adam, pay the price of our sins, and rescue fallen humankind from hopelessness and injustice.

So, we have solved this paradox. The source of our sorrow is sin, our sins, the cause of Jesus' suffering. But the source of our joy is Jesus' love, the very reason He was willing to suffer, and the very power that, through his sacrifice on the cross, conquers our sins. As Christians we can always live inside the paradox of Palm Sunday and always find joy, the joy of Jesus' limitless love, even amidst the profoundest of sorrows.

God bless,  
Deacon John

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**PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND:** Follow the footsteps of Jesus in an amazing journey to the Holy Land on **November 06-15, 2019**. Trace the roots of Christian tradition as we visit the Biblical historical cities of Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth and other important places. Accompanied by Fr. Lukose Kochupurackal CMF. Mass celebrated daily. Cost: \$3299 (per person/double occupancy) includes taxes, tips and other related fees. For information, contact Fr. Lukose at 613-731-7834 or email [lukekochupura@gmail.com](mailto:lukekochupura@gmail.com).

## *Pastor's Message...*

### **THANK YOU ALL**

In the book of Exodus, God freed the people of Israel from slavery in Egypt and gave them the Promised Land. Israel cherished this event with gratitude by celebrating the year of jubilee on the fiftieth year, bringing joy to all by relieving their debts.

I wish to thank all of you for making our Holy Cross Golden Jubilee a cause for jubilation and blessing. My sincere thanks to Tom Flynn and the Coordinating Committee. So many different ministries came up with fresh ideas and projects. It would not have been possible without your commitment of time and talent.

I am also grateful to all the "Martha's" in the kitchen who organized so many receptions and to all the "Mary's" who made our Liturgical and Spiritual preparations so beautiful. The children's gift to the parish will be remembered as a souvenir of our Jubilee celebrations. We are blessed to have had the artistic talent of Fr. Anthoni Bawanthade and the Décor team. BIG Thank You to Joe Goski for his hard work in keeping track of all our Jubilee events and highlighting them through the slide presentation.

I am deeply touched by the positive comments and appreciation received from many of our parishioners. We have so many people to be thankful for including the founding members. On behalf of staff, Deacon John, and myself, please accept our prayers and gratitude!

May the spirit of Jubilee continue to be with us as we journey together in faith! (Jubilee pictures are posted on the Archdiocese of Ottawa website as well as Holy Cross')

God bless,  
Fr. Lukose

## *Parish News and Community Life...*

**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION** – During Good Friday on April 19, a collection for the Holy Land will be taken in this Church and throughout the world. The fruits of this pontifical collection will support the Church in Jerusalem and assist in the Works of the Custody of the Holy Land. This collection is of great importance. Let us be generous so that these holy sites sanctified by Jesus' life on earth may be protected and preserved and may Peace return to this land.



**BELLS, BELLS, BELLS** are welcome to be brought at the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 20 to accompany the singing of the "Glory to God" which was silent during Lent. **The more the merrier!**

**EASTER VIGIL RECEPTION:** As has been the tradition at Holy Cross for many years, there will be a **reception after the Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 20.** If you plan to attend, **we invite you to bring along some wine, and/or food, such as a cheese tray, veggies, sandwiches, fruit, etc., to share with everyone.** Please bring your items downstairs to the parish hall before the Vigil begins and the Hospitality will take care of things.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – April 28:** All are invited to celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy on **Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m.** (Silent Adoration from 2:30 – 3 p.m. and confession). The world is in great need of God's Mercy. Come and pray with us.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Following the K of C regular meeting on Wednesday, April 17 at 8:30 p.m., T.J. Stevens, Headmaster, Chesterton Academy in Ottawa will give a presentation regarding Chesterton Academy, the first of its kind in Canada. All are welcome.

## *Social Justice...*

**PRO LIFE NEWS:** Action Life's 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Hike for Life is on Saturday, April 27. Information for hikers and sponsors may be found at the K of C bulletin board at the back of the Church or go to our parish website.

**22<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE:** Thursday, May 09 at 1:30 pm, preceded by a rally on Parliament Hill at 12:30 pm. March for Life info cards are available on the table at the Social Justice Bulletin Board. Visit the Parish website for more information.

**DEBRA DYNES FAMILY HOUSE:** Here are some suggestions for Mother's Day gifts that children at DDFH could "buy" and wrap: personal accessories, cosmetics, house and garden items, books, crafts, summer gear, etc. Please place donations in the box under the Social Justice table by Sunday, May 05.

## *Other interests...*

**FR. PETER CODY WILL BE CELEBRATING MASS IN HONOR OF HIS 45TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION on Friday, May 03 at St. Martin de Porres Parish at 5:00 p.m.** The parish will be hosting a Fish Fry Supper in the Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m. Tickets/\$15. All are invited.

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### CHRISM MASS

Archbishop Prendergast invites all the faithful for the Chrism Mass this **Tuesday, April 16 at 7:30 p.m.** at Notre Dame Cathedral.

### EASTER TRIDUUM

#### Our three most holy days:

**\*\*HOLY THURSDAY – 18 April at 8:00 p.m.** – Mass of the Lord's Supper with the washing of feet.

**\*\*GOOD FRIDAY – 19 April** – Children's Liturgy at 10 a.m.; **Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 p.m.** A Universal Day of fasting and abstinence. The collection is taken for the Holy Land.

**NOTE: STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 7:30 p.m.**

**\*\*HOLY SATURDAY – Easter Vigil Mass – 20 April at 8:00 p.m.** – A candlelight beginning, listening to the story of salvation history, culminating in the Easter story. **BRING BELLS to ring out our joy during the Gloria.** A reception will follow in the parish hall.

**EASTER SUNDAY MASSES – 21 April – 8:00 & 9:30 a.m.** (**NO** 11:15 a.m. Mass)

**\*\*NOTE: Incense will be used at these liturgies.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** There is **extra parking** for parishioners at Holy Cross School.

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