

# THE UNIVERSITY PARISH OF CHRIST SUN OF JUSTICE

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Palm Sunday

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# CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN

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#### MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### **DAILY MASS**

Mon.—Thurs. 5 PM No 5 PM Mass APR. 10

#### **WEEKEND MASS**

SATURDAY VIGIL 5 PM SUNDAY 10 AM (livestream on YouTube) and 5 PM.

**CONFESSION** The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Saturdays 3:30-4:30 PM and by appointment with Fr. Larry at chaplain@rpi.edu

#### MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY APR. 2 10 AM Mass—Christine Ring requested by Marie and Leo Carroll

Consider having a Mass said in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (ex. birthday), or, most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. Complete the form here or a hard copy form can be found in the C+CC hallway.

#### **WORLD YOUTH DAY**

Are you between 14 to 30 years old? Are you excited to deepen your faith this summer with the Pope and hundreds of thousands of other youths from around the world? Consider coming to the World Youth Day pilgrimage in Lisbon, Portugal, to celebrate our values, strengthen our faith and spread the goodness of our Lord! The pilgrimage will involve various initiatives that encourage the youths to interact with each other and the Pope to enrich our spiritual lives. The registration of the event is currently open on the World Youth Day official registration website <a href="https://register.wyd-reg.org/Welcome/">https://register.wyd-reg.org/Welcome/</a>. The pilgrimage will begin on Tuesday, August 1st, to Sunday, August 6th for a total of 6 days. Participants under 18 should be accompanied by their parents or guardians along the journey. Further information about the event such as what to bring and what to expect on the pilgrimage can be found on the WYD website.

# THANK YOU

We received a thank you note from the Grafton Food Pantry at OLS to our CSJ parishioners for the recent donations of \$127. Unity House/Bethany Community meals also sent thank you for the recent donations.

#### COLLECTIONS

Your continued generosity is appreciated! Here are ways to give...

- Mail your collection envelope and/or your check made payable to Christ Sun of Justice or place in the collection basket.
- Make an online donation ("Mass donation" in the comments section.)
- Venmo: At offertory time (or any time, really!) you can use your Venmo app to give to "csiparish". If it is for a special collection, just note that in the comments box.
- Offertory collection at the Good Friday service is for the Holy Land. The funds are used to support the Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.
- NEXT week we will be collecting items for the hungry and income insecure in our community through the OLV/OLS food pantry. The greatest need for April includes Spam, cold cereal (small family size), vegetable oil, elbow macaroni, chunky soup, egg noodles, apple juice, salt, and mustard. We are grateful for the support from your parish community.

#### MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Romans 12:6 "In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well."

PALMS AND BREWS Help is needed to host coffee hour. Please sign-up on the bulletin board to host a coffee hour on Sundays after the 10 AM and 5 PM Masses. It's easy! Help is provided! Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for providing last Sunday's 10 AM coffee hour!

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES** Drive through food distribution: Monday, APR. 17 at Lansingburgh Boys & Girls Club, 504 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, Troy. More information can be found here or for a ride please email Fran at lighthousetroy1@aol.com

## **GROWING IN FAITH IN 2023**

HALLOW APP The parish has acquired a group subscription making the app FREE until Easter 2023 (normally \$8.99/mo). This is a great opportunity to explore new ways to pray, and to make a deeper prayer life part of 2023 and particularly your Lenten preparation. To sign up, visit <a href="http://hallow.com/">http://hallow.com/</a> holyday. They'll walk you through the free sign-up.

LENT The 40 days of Lent is a time for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Lent began on Ash Wednesday. More info can be found here.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are hosting a Rosary session on Tue. APR 6 at 7pm at the C+CC. All are invited to join!

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings can be found in multiple ways:

- Web: https://bible.usccb.org/
- Sign-up for a daily email with a link to the day's readings: <a href="https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading#subscribe">https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading#subscribe</a>
- On the Hallow app
- In the Bible

**Apr 2 Sun Procession:** Mt 21:1-11**At Mass:** Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 **Apr 3 Mon:** Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

**Apr 4 Tue:** Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 & 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Apr 5 Wed:** Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 & 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

**Apr 6 Holy Thu Chrism Mass:** Is 61: 1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 **Evening Mass:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

**Apr 7 Good Fri:** Is 52:13–53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1–19:42

**Apr 8 Sat Easter Vigil:** Gn 1:1—2:2 or Gn 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22; Gn 22:1-18 or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Ex 14:15—15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Bar 3:9-15,32—4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Rom 6:3-11; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22 -23; Mt 28:1-10

# A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The cruel death of Jesus tells us bad things can and do happen to very good people. It also tells us God is present during the suffering. Bad things happen but God does not abandon us.

# C+CC NEWS

**50 STATE QUARTER POEMS** Exhibit by Bill Amirault '81 is on display until **Mon. APR. 24**. More info *here*.

C+CC will be closed Mon. APR. 10

**YOGA** Emerald Mind & Body Wellness **Tues. APR. 11** 6 PM Details available *here*.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** Sign-up *here*.**Thurs. APR. 20** 9 AM—3 PM

#### NOTES

**PALM SUNDAY** Remember to wear red to Mass this weekend as we enter Holy Week! The celebration of Mass will vary from the typical Mass. More information can be found *here* on the symbolism and traditions of Palm Sunday.

PARISH REGISTRATION All Mass attendees (including students) are encouraged to take a moment and visit *here* to register with Christ Sun of Justice. Hard copy forms are also available in the C+CC hallway. Current parishioners are also asked to complete the form to ensure that our files are upto-date. Offertory envelopes will only be made available if they are requested on the form. Thank you all for your time and assistance in this matter!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS The Knights would like to thank everyone who has participated in our CLYNK project. When you need a new bag, please check the black grocery bag with the CLYNK sign attached to it located above the coat rack. The required plastic bags, with our bar code label preattached, will be available for your use. Please help yourself. Your support is deeply appreciated.

**BULLETIN** Interested in receiving an electronic copy of the bulletin? Sign up *here*. At the bottom of the page, check "Weekly Bulletin".

**PRAYER REQUESTS** If you would like to add a friend, loved one, or yourself to the Prayer of the Faithful intentions for the sick, please complete the form *here*, or a hard copy form can be found in the C+CC hallway.

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS** are available for those who need them. They contain .001% gluten and are authorized for use in the Catholic Mass. If that amount of gluten still presents a problem, Fr. Larry will arrange for you to receive the consecrated wine at communion time. Please see the Mass coordinator or Fr. Larry before Mass to make arrangements.

#### **EVENTS OF INTEREST**

**WEDNESDAY, APR. 12** 

Pastoral Council zoom meeting 7 PM. Zoom link to follow.

Holy Week Schedule				
Palm Sunday: APR. 1: 5PM, APR. 2: 10 AM and 5 PM	Wednesday: Penance Service APR. 5: 7 PM	<b>Holy Thursday:</b> APR. 6: 7 PM	Good Friday: APR. 7: 7:30 PM	Easter Vigil: APR. 8: 8 PM Easter Sunday: APR. 9: 10 AM and 5 PM

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#### FR. LARRY RICE, CSP

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Each year at around this time, as Lent draws to a close, and Easter nears, Catholics everywhere look at their parish bulletins, missalettes, and publications, and wonder why the last Sunday in Lent is called "Passion Sunday" and not "Palm Sunday."

The formal designation changed in 1970; still, many people are much more accustomed to calling it "Palm Sunday."

The palms, of course, are a commemoration of the ancient custom of covering the path of an honored person as he passed by. In many parts of the Near East, this was among the highest honors, often reserved for royalty. All four of the Gospels speak of Jesus receiving this honor as he entered triumphantly into Jerusalem, days before his execution. In Matthew, Mark, and Luke, the crowds are said to have laid their cloaks in the street, as well as cut rushes. Only John's Gospel specifically mentions palm fronds. It's the custom in Catholic churches to give people palms that are blessed at the beginning of the liturgy, and carried in procession at the start of the mass. It is many people's private custom to weave these palms into crosses or other shapes during the liturgy. I would like to believe that they're not doing this during my homily, but experience tells me they are.

Ultimately, the celebration of this day isn't about the palms, any more than the celebration of Christmas is about decorated evergreen trees. As the prayers and scripture readings make clear, the liturgy is really about Christ's passion-his willingness to suffer for our salvation and the forgiveness of our sins. By the end of the reading of the passion narrative, the palms seem sad and ironic, as the crowds who welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem would be transformed into the crowd shouting "Crucify him!" during his trial. Human fickleness and frailty are contrasted with Jesus' integrity and courage.

So, it makes sense to call it "Passion Sunday." Still, old customs and old terminology don't change easily.



Click the image below for information on the challenge!



## SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain spiritual.advisorCCC@gmail.com

# La Semana Santa

Holy Week is upon us, and soon, Easter too. Please consider participating in one or more of these student faith community events. Praying for you a good week.

This Tuesday, April 4th: Holy Week pilgrims' fellowship supper and prayer: RPI Newman will be hosting Sisters Lin and Robert Rita and UAlbany Newman here at the C+CC. Fellowship supper begins at \*\*6pm with prayer around 7pm. Sign up in Discord.

**Parishioners**: Newman Fellowship thanks you for your willingness to make a dish for our fellowship supper Tuesday, April 4th. \*\*We could use a veggie side dish, a tossed salad, and a dessert or two.

Please email Tracy asap (<u>spiritual.advisorccc@gmail.com</u>) with what you dish you are willing to make, and for drop off times. Thank you in advance.\*\*

**Easter Sunday Student Dinner hosted by RPI Christian Clubs**: looking for a way to connect and celebrate Easter with other students? Hungry for some home cooking? Then we've got what your looking for! Newman, RCA and Cru will be putting on a **spaghetti and meatball dinner** beginning at 6:30pm in Mother's in the Student Union. See Discord for sign up. Contact Megan with questions.