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# ST. MICHAEL CHURCH

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# <u>OFFICE HOURS</u>

Monday –Thursday 8:30 am to 12:00 pm 1 pm to 4:30 pm CLOSED FRIDAY

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

# CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST <u>DAILY MASS</u>

Monday 10:00 am at Senior Living Centers

Consult bulletin for locations

Lisette Bricco lisette.bricco @dor.org
In Newark office every other Monday & Wednesday

**Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am** (in the chapel) **Friday,** Liturgy of the Word, with Communion Consult bulletin for changes

WEEKEND MASSES Sunday: 8:15 & 10:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Every Wednesday, 7:00-8:00 pm Sunday, 9:30-10:15 am or by appointment

> HOLY HOUR Wednesday, 6:00-7:00 pm



# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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"Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord." - Mt 21:9

My Dear People,

Palm Sunday ushers in the great drama of Holy Week, where the Church, year after year, century after century, relives the mysterious events of Christ's Passion. These ceremonies and liturgical celebrations are not just reminders of past events, like a battlefield reenactment or an historical play. The saving acts of Jesus while on earth are eternally 'living', since for God, there is no past or future, but an eternal "now". We know that every Sacrament puts us in contact with, and brings us the fruit of the redemption of Christ on the Cross. In every Mass the sacrifice of Calvary is made present on our altars. Holy Week then is truly the culmination, the highpoint and the center of the entire year, reaching its glorious crescendo in the moment of the Resurrection. The Cross and the Resurrection- without these two events our Faith would be empty, for the Church Christ Himself established draws its own life from this death and resurrection. In fact, for every individual Christian, even our lives are a participation in the sufferings of Christ, since by Baptism God shares with us His grace, and the source of this grace is the saving Cross of Our Savior.

Not only do we participate in His sufferings in this life, but in a very real way His resurrection too. Certainly, our share in the resurrection belongs fully to when we also will rise, ultimately in our bodies at the end of the world. But in the mysterious yet real pattern of our spiritual life, even our sufferings, while joined to Christ on the cross, are joined to His resurrection. How is this? Christ didn't suffer just to suffer, but to save us and triumph over death and sin. When we unite our sufferings to Jesus, it isn't just to be consoled and to feel better, but let Jesus turn these sufferings into a victory, to let them become powerful to bring about His Kingdom, in our souls, and in the entire world.

To participate in the saving act of Jesus on the Cross, we need to **unite ourselves to Him by Faith**. Attending Mass is the central action we do to *live this Faith practically*, because by doing so, we are joined spiritually to Christ and allow His mercy and divine life to flow into our souls. And yet here we are, prevented from being physically present during the highest Liturgies of the year. What do we do?

est Liturgies of the year. What do we do? This is where our Faith needs to be supercharged. This is where God is calling us to increase our own initiative to seek Him and to intentionally and "actively" join in a spiritual way to what will be happening during the holy days of the Paschal Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter. Being prevented from participating physically needs to become the stepping stone and springboard to increase authentic spiritual participation by prayerful Faith. It can be easy when we go to Church just to "watch" like it's a TV show. Even if we are participating physically in the Liturgy in some way, it doesn't necessarily mean that we are joining ourselves to Christ's actions on a deep spiritual level.

letter continued inside ...



The Masses Fr. Tedesche and Fr. Walter will be offering during Holy Week will unfortunately not be open to the public. However, you can join them in spirit by visiting our parishes' websites at the time we are offering the Masses and viewing their homilies online. We will post on our parishes websites a video recording of our homilies at the times we will be celebrating them. Their times are as follows:

Palm Sunday (April 5<sup>th</sup>) – 10 am (Fr. Walter, preaching at St. Michael's, Newark) Holy Thursday (April 9<sup>th</sup>) – 7 pm (Fr. Walter, preaching at St. Michael's, Newark) Good Friday (April 10<sup>th</sup>) – 3 pm (Fr. Tedesche, preaching at St. John's, Clyde) Easter Sunday (April 12<sup>th</sup>) -10 am (Fr. Tedesche, preaching at St. John's, Clyde)

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# ALL MASSES ARE SUSPENDED

We continue to pray for all those affected by the coronavirus and for all those suffering hardship because of this tragic situation. We are grateful to all of you who have reached out to us and have offered your own prayers and encouragement.

Please take care of yourself and your family. You know what you must do to provide for their needs We will help in any way we can.

If you are able, please maintain your giving to **St. Michael Church** to help us make up for the loss of our Sunday offertory. You can give online, bring or mail your gift to the parish center, **401 S. Main St., Newark**. Having an automatic withdrawal from your financial institution is another option to give with no fees.

Our parish and ministers depend on your support. It is critical to our mission and operation. Thank you. We are so grateful for you. Your faithfulness is more important than you can imagine. Please know we are praying for each of you during this unprecedented crisis. Please know that you can contact the parish center if you have an emergency need. We are still the Church, even when we cannot come together in person.

ST. MICHAEL'S FINANCIAL GIVING
Weekly Offertory
MARCH 29 \$2158.00
Catholic Relief \$190.00



As of 3/23/20 **185** donors have given \$30,277.00 making us short \$14,574.00 of our goal of \$44,851.00. *Thank you for your support.* 

You can make your CMA gift by text. The Text-To – Give opportunity for the CMA will be open through the end of May. It's as easy as 1-2-3.

- 1. Text CMA283\* to 585-257-2929
- 2. Follow the prompts.
- 3. Click link to a simple form to complete basic information and provide credit/debit card Information to make the gift.

Many thanks for your support of St. Michael's	Actual YTD 12/31/19	Budget YTD	YTD Overage shortage
Total Collections	\$172,933.00	\$180,875.00	\$7,938.00
Total Operating Income	\$211,370.00	\$212,912.00	\$1,542.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$196,591.00	\$211,399.00	\$14,808
Deficit/Surplus	\$14,779.00	\$1,513.00	XXXXXXXX

"He who is generous will be blessed."

~Proverbs 22:9

**ELECTRONIC GIVING PROGRAM** St. Michael's is pleased to offer this safe and convenient option for you to contribute your Sunday offerings to the Church automatically through your checking, savings account or credit card. Please check our website, click on to Financial Giving.

Fr. Walter's letter continued....

Last week I talked about how God can draw good out of this current situation. One of the ways this can happen is by forcing us to *unite to the Mass and to the ceremonies of the Liturgy by Faith and prayer when we cannot be present bodily*. Even if we "watch" Mass on television or the internet, we can't "watch" it like a program. We have to join ourselves to what is happening on a spiritual level by Faith and prayer. The more we are limited physically, the more our hearts and our souls have to come alive.

One of the best ways to accomplish this practically is by making what is called a "Spiritual Communion". For most of the Church's history, people did not receive Holy Communion that frequently. Many of the saints recommended joining themselves to Jesus in a spiritual way when they were unable to receive Him sacramentally. What does this consist of? We do so by praying for Christ to come into our hearts and souls, just as if we were to receive Him in the Eucharist. Then, after inviting Him, spend a few moments in adoration, conversation and gratitude with your Divine Guest.

Here is a simple but beautiful prayer which helps us make a Spiritual Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things and I desire to receive You in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

The great drama of Christ's suffering is being lived at this very moment during the coronavirus pandemic by our Holy Mother, the Catholic Church. It is being lived in the lives of individual Christians. But if we are participating in His Passion, we are preparing to join in His resurrection. **The light of our Faith alone can lead us at this moment**. God is trying to make it shine brighter in your soul and heart. Let the candle become a lamp, let the lamp become a fire, and let the fire become a blazing and burning furnace of love. It is the flame of divine love which alone can overcome the flames of hell. You have only two choices in a time like this, let your Faith grow stronger or let it weaken. Trust, or give in to discouragement. See only the useless suffering of Man condemned to death on a Cross, or see God's solution to renew the world.

Fr Walter





## El Inicio de la Pasión y Resurrección de Jesucristo



Con la entrada de Jesús en Jerusalén empezamos a vivir la celebración anual del Misterio Pascual, la pasión y resurrección de Jesucristo. Por fin Jesús ha llegado a Jerusalén, el capital de Palestina donde los judíos te-

nían su templo, el centro de su religión. Montado en un burro, el rey de los judíos entra en triunfo a los gritos de "¡Hosanna! ¡Viva el Hijo de David! ¡Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor! ¡Hosanna en el cielo!" ¡Tanta esperanza tenía el pueblo!

¡Hosanna en el cielo!" ¡Tanta esperanza tenía el pueblo! ¡Qué alabanza y gloria la gente estaba dándole! ¿Qué pasó que esa misma gente algunos días después estaban gritando: "¡Crucificalo!? ¿Qué hizo su rey en tan pocos días para que lo querían muerto?

El no hizo nada diferente. Seguía amando y ayudando a la gente; aun cuando lo habían arrestado, el pidió a sus discípulos no usar la espada. No era una persona violenta. Amaba aun a sus perseguidores y los que lo torturaron.

Pero los líderes de los judíos tenían miedo que él iba a usurpar su poder y ellos no iban a quedarse ricos y con sus posiciones de liderazgo. El orgullo y celo les entraron y ellos convencieron al pueblo que este hombre quería ser rey y tomar el poder del rey Cesar. Ah, el poder de las palabras—se pueden usarlas para edificar y para destruir. Los líderes de los judíos querían sacrificar un hombre aparentemente pobre para que ellos pudieron seguir en su camino de orgullo, liderazgo y riqueza. Tuvieron influencia sobre un pueblo que estaba creyendo las palabras de sus líderes aunque fueran falsas. El pueblo no tenía bastante entendimiento y educación. Uno seguía a la otra. (Es un poco como algunas personas hacen cuando tienen que votar en una elección. Preguntan al otro por quién van a votar y votan por la misma persona sin pensar en las cualidades positivas y negativas de la persona.) ¡El don de la persuasión! Alguien que habla mal del otro puedé dañar y aun destruir la reputación de la otra persona. Algunas personas usan la lengua para herir a alguien y para tener influencia sobre la persona para que crea en algo falso. Tenemos que conocer el caso y la persona ante de juzgar y condenar. Hay que investigar. Las acciones malas de otras personas pueden tener una influencia mala sobre nosotros si no nos detengamos

Amigos, tengan cuidado en juzgar a otros sin conocer a la persona y la situación. No dependan solamente en lo que otra diga de la persona. Conozcan bien a la persona. Siempre piensan en los mandamientos de Jesucristo: amar a Dios completamente y amar a los demás como a sí mismo. Así van a estar mucho más contentos.

Hermana Kay

Cada domingo: Misa por Padre Jesús, video en el sitio de web o en Facebook: Our Lady of Peace Parish, Geneva, NY.

Misa por Padre Jorge Ramírez: en vivo a las 2 pm y en video más tarde en https://www.facebook.com/ourladyofthelakescc/

Oración del Papa Francisco a María en Este Tiempo de Coronavirus

"Oh María, tú resplandeces siempre en nuestro camino como signo de salvación y de esperanza.

para pensar en el porqué de la acción.

Nosotros nos confiamos a ti, Salud de los enfermos, que bajo la cruz estuviste asociada al dolor de Jesús, manteniendo firme tu fe.



Tú, Salvación del pueblo romano, sabes de qué tenemos necesidad y estamos seguros que proveerás, para que, como en Caná de Galilea, pueda volver la alegría y la fiesta después de este momento de prueba

Ayúdanos, Madre del Divino Amor, a conformarnos a la voluntad del Padre y a hacer lo que nos dirá Jesús, quien ha tomado sobre sí nuestros sufrimientos y ha cargado nuestros dolores para conducirnos, a través de la cruz, a la alegría de la resurrección. Amén.

Please support local restaurants that are still opened doing take-out and curbside, safely.

# Youth Groups and Sacramental preparation

# Family Ministry

Palm, or Passion, Sunday begins the most sacred week of the Church year—Holy Week. During these days, we prepare ourselves for Easter by prayerful reflection upon the events of Jesus' Passion and death. You might display a Crucifix in a prominent place this week, as reminder of the salvation Christ won for us. The crucifix can also be the focal point for family prayer during Holy Week.

Because of the length and complexity of the Passion narrative, young Children have difficulty remaining attentive when it is proclaimed in its entirety. Families can choose to read a portion of this Sunday's Gospel each day of Holy Week, providing ample opportunity for children to ask questions and respond to the events described there. In this way, the entire week can become a "way of the cross." Each day during Holy Week, the family can gather in a prayerful space with a crucifix as the focal point. The Passion as found in Matthew's Gospel might be read as follows throughout the week:

Sunday: Matthew 21:1-11 (Gospel at the Procession with Palms) Monday: Matthew 26:14-25 Tuesday: Matthew 26::26-35

Wednesday: Matthew 26:36-56 Thursday: Matthew 26:57—27:14 Friday: Matthew 27:15-54





The return of the Catholic Relief Rice Bowls will be delayed until we are able to return to our normal parish Mass schedule.

To comply with government health regulations, Bishop Mattano has suspended all public Masses until further notice. Our Parishes Stations of the Cross and Holy Hours have also been canceled. The Parish Offices will not be physically accessible. However, our staff is still working, and all messages and emails will be promptly answered. St. Michael's Church in Newark and St. John's Church in Clyde will be open every day to personal prayer. Our parishes' bulletins are still being published and are available online and at the entrance of St. Michael's in Newark, St. John's in Clyde and St. Mary Magdalene's in Wolcott. By appointment, our priests are available for confessions and for pastoral visits in cases of necessity, especially regarding the anointing of the sick and the last sacraments. For more information, please visit any of our parishes' webpages or Facebook pages:

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## The Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

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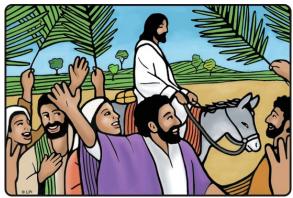
Webpage: <u>www.ccblessdtrinity.org</u>

Facebook page: Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

If you know anyone or if you are seeking assistance for food, gas or utilities, please call our office number, 315-331-6753 and when prompted dial extension 104. Leave a brief message with your first and last name and phone number-repeat this information twice. Your call will be returned, as voicemails will be checked throughout the day.

We Are Here For You!

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest."

And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee." - Mt 21:9-11

# To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven

"... a time to be born..."
"...a time to love..."

"... a time to be healed..."

Please pray for the sick of our Parish.

Steven Sapp, Leigh Ann Henry, Nate Barnes, Claire Childs, Kim Zielinski, Michael Kowaleski, Gretchen Switzer Bouwens, Mary Santoro, Cathy Wilhelm, David Murphy, Darlene Fletcher, Marie Wemesfelder, ET Trunick, Donald Pieters, Marcia Palermo, Jean Condit, Jerry Sielawa, Georgette Eagley, Mary Gilligan, Fran DeVelder, Mary Talbo, Ann Straight, Ivana Ernst, Jared & Jacob Gajan, Gloria Viola, Betty Howlett, Michael George & Pearl Johnson

And please pray for our Parish friends. Scott Weber, Richard Schweitz, Jr., Michael DePauw, Bonnie Crane, Tracy Diaz-Cruz, Barb Gallant, Ann Maliborski, Sherry Caughell & Michael Bauer, Jr

"... a time to die..."

"... and a time for peace."

In our world and for all people, military and civilian, who are in the midst of war. Ecclesiastes 3:11



#### FOOD CLOSET ITEMS NEEDED

The Newark Food Closet has a goal to educate and support clients and our community in making balanced, healthy choices. We are asking for your help when donating non-perishable goods. Below are much needed items.

Please leave in the gathering space. Thank you for your generosity.

Tuna, canned in water
Chicken, canned in water
Peanut Butter
Low-sodium canned beans
Low –sodium canned vegetables
Tomato products
Canned fruit packed in juice
100% juices

Shelf stable milk products
Soups
Broths
Low-sugar cereal
Brown rice
Oats

Whole grain pasta

**NEWARK FOOD CLOSET** is located at 301 E. Miller St. You can drop off food at the Food Closet Monday-Friday, 10 am-12 pm or at Citizens Bank, 711 W. Miller St., Newark, during business hours. For more information, contact the Food Closet at 315-332-8582 or nfc14513@yahoo.com