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Good News!

March 29, 2015
PALM SUNDAY (B)
Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

Traditions help us order the world and mark the passing of time. As my children grew up, we marked our entry into the Christmas season by decorating the Christmas tree, reading the Dylan Thomas classic *A Child's Christmas in Wales*, and singing the choral parts of Handel's *Messiah*.

Most people are familiar with Handel's masterpiece, but not many know it was composed as an Easter—not Christmas—oratorio. If we listen to the whole thing, we hear the familiar prophecies of Isaiah and Paul's triumphant cry, "O Death, where is thy sting?" The glorious "Hallelujah Chorus" announces the triumphant reign of the risen Christ.

Every year on Palm Sunday and Good Friday, for much longer than our traditions have held sway, the Church has told the story of the passion and death of Jesus. This story marks our entrance into the faith of the Church and orders our sacred time.

It's the story of a death that leads to life—both the resurrected life of Jesus, which we celebrate next week, and the eternal life that's ours if we follow him.

In Mark's telling of the story, we encounter the woman who anointed Jesus and the young man who ran away when Jesus was arrested.

Each gospel writer gives us a slightly different version of the story, and each writer adds to our perspective and our understanding that this man and this death weren't like any other. This Jesus was God, who emptied himself so we might live.

Surely that's worth singing about.

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dear Padre

March 29, 2015
Who was at the Last Supper?

Jesus said to his *disciples*—not only to his *apostles*—“Do this in memory of me.” Were there more people at the Last Supper than the Twelve?

Scripture and Tradition teach us that prior to his arrest and subsequent crucifixion, Jesus wanted to celebrate the Passover meal in the company of his twelve closest disciples, the apostles.

Because there is no documented detailed guest list telling us once and for all who was in attendance, it's difficult to speculate on who else might have been present at the Last Supper.

We do know that the Last Supper is where Jesus instituted the celebration and sacrament of what we know today as the Eucharist. His command to “do this in memory of me” was made to his apostles and their successors so they would repeat this action in proclamation of the Lord's death for the world's redemption until he comes again (see 1 Corinthians 11:23-26).

It's a command the Church obeys whenever the faithful gather for the breaking of the Bread and what we now celebrate as the Eucharist or the Mass.

Therefore, the details of who was present at the Last Supper aren't as important as the fact that we continue to obey the Lord's command to do this in his memory to this very day.

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Important CCD Information

Registration packets for the 2015-2016 year can be picked up in the church office if you didn't receive one on 3/22/15. Completed packets are due no later than April 26, 2015 to ensure we have time to order books and look for teachers for next year.

April 12th – Last CCD Class April 19th – 1st Communion
April 26th – Confirmation

May 11th – Scholarship Deadline for St. Joseph & CDA scholarship applications
May 31st – 9:00 a.m. Mass for St. Joseph Graduating Seniors – Scholarships announced
May 31st – Senior Breakfast for graduating high school seniors

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Mass Schedule for Apr 4th & 5th

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat: Jace & Abigail Pfuhl

Sun. 7:30 Natalie Koehl, Maddie Nuñez

Sun: 9:00 Zayda & Ziana Cedillo

CANTOR: Chryseis Baker

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat: Doe Richter

Sun. 7:30: Kathy Davis

Sun. 9:00: John & Donna DeBault, Angie Easley

LECTORS

Sat: Joyce Warzecha

Sun. 7:30: Kolodziejczyk

Sun: Marilyn Pope

USHERS

Sat: Maraggia Brothers, Pat Miori, Volunteer

Sun. 7:30: J. Koch, C. Horelka, D. Zacek, Volunteer

Sun. 9:00: Stephen Griffin, Mark Kolb, John Weitz, Volunteer

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue – Joe Montag Family (SI) By: Frank & Gloria Wearden

Wed – All Cancer Survivors & those battling cancer (SI) By: Danny & Lori Witte

Thurs – 7:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Last Supper

8-11 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fri – 9:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross – Teens of the Church

3:00 p.m. Veneration of the Cross

Sat. 6:00 p.m. – All Parishioners – Easter Vigil

Sun, 7:30 a.m. – All Parishioners

Sun, 9:00 a.m. – All Parishioners

March 29, 2014

Palm Sunday

REGULAR MASS TIMES

Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturday 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.

or by Appointment

Daily Masses

Tue. – Fri. 7:30 a.m.

Ash Wednesday

7:30 am & 6:00 pm

CHURCH REPORT

March 22nd

Envelopes	\$2,317.00
Loose	\$1,155.00
Total	\$3,472.00

Vacation Bible School

Our VBS students this year will be conquering challenges with God's mighty power as if they were hiking Mt. Everest. VBS will be **June 7th - 11th in the evenings from 6:00-8:30 p.m.** We will be **pre-registering** before CCD on **April 12th. Pre-registration will end April 30th.**

Only students that are pre-registered are guaranteed a VBS shirt.

Registration cost is \$10.



Mass Intention Symbols

† - In honor of deceased
♥ - Anniversary/Marriage
♪ - Birthday/Thanksgiving
SI - Special Intentions

Monday

March 30

Holy Week

Is 42:1-7

Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday

March 31

Holy Week

Is 49:1-6

Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

April 1

Holy Week

Is 50:4-9a

Mt 26:14-25

Thursday

April 2

Holy Thursday

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14

1 Cor 11:23-26

Jn 13:1-15

Friday

April 3

Good Friday

Is 52:13-53:12

Heb 4:14-16;

5:7-9

Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday

April 4

Holy Saturday

Gn 1:1-2:2

or 1:1, 26-31a

Gn 22:1-18 or

22:1-2, 9a,

10-13, 15-18

Ex 14:15-15:1

Is 54:5-14/Is

55:1-11

Bar 3:9-15, 32-44

Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28

Rom 6:3-11

Mk 16:1-7

Sunday

April 5

Easter

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Col 3:1-4 or

1 Cor 5:6b-8

Jn 20:1-9 or

Mk 16:1-7

There will be no 7:30 a.m. Mass Holy Thursday or Good Friday.

Special Collection HOLY THURSDAY is for the Education and Formation of our Seminarians.

This is the most appropriate time for this special purpose for the future priests who will someday serve our parishes.

Thank You – Knights of Columbus

Thanks for recognizing the wonderful work done by our CCD teachers!

Thanks To All Who Helped Make the Directory Possible

Lacy Kolle, Karen Franz, Marilyn Pope, Laura Koliba, Ruth Hammack, Danny Witte & Mary Kolodziejczyk and to everyone who helped!

Welcome into the Church – Angelica Mendez who was baptized March 15th, also Katherine Lefler, Tate Fernandez, son of Lindsay & Clayton Fernandez and Collin Nelson, son of John & Amanda Nelson who were all baptized March 22nd. Also, congratulations to Jazmin Barnes at her Reception into the Church.

Church Events Calendar

Mar. 28 – Our Lady of Victory School Spring BBQ, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Plates to go ONLY, \$9 each.

Apr. 1 – Christian Mothers Meeting – 6:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room; will be planning Senior Breakfast

Apr. 1 – Altar Society Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Picnic is Sept. 13th and 168 days away! – If you would like to donate money towards the raffle (or any other area) you may indicate on your weekly giving envelope beside the 'Picnic' line by writing Raffle, Auction, etc... (We only have \$2360 donated for the Raffle to date, last year we had over \$5,000.00 in prizes.) Also, if you would like to donate an item please let the office know. Thanks!

Women's ACTS Retreat: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church of Ganado, Thurs., April 30- Sun., May 3, 2015. This is a life-changing event! The goal is to deepen your relationship with Jesus, renew yourself spiritually, give new meaning to your prayer life, Sunday liturgy, & build lasting friendships. Applications are in the Narthex. For information call **Doe Richter 935-1438, Norma John 676-1331, or Barbara Charbula 648-6508.**

Would you be interested in an 11 day pilgrimage to the Holy Land Nov. 30-Dec. 9th you may contact Father Gabriel Bentil, pick up a brochure in the Narthex, in the office or email us for a copy.

Holy Week/Easter Schedule

Mar 31 (Tues) – Chrism Mass @ Our Lady Of Victory – 10:00 a.m.

Holy Thursday – Apr 2 – 7 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Last Supper

Holy Thursday – Apr 2 – 8 - 11 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Good Friday – Apr 3 – 9:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross, **3:00 p.m.** Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday – Apr 4 – 6:00 p.m. EASTER Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday – Apr 5 – 7:30 & 9:00 a.m. Mass

Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by Christian Mothers, right after 9:00 a.m. Mass, Please Bring Your Easter Baskets & come see the Easter Bunny! (All Children Welcome)



Serina Salazar

Dylan Williams

Colton Jordan

Bailey Kolb

Randy & Kathy Davis

Lacy Schulz

Craig Charbula

Jared Marek

Jack Perry

♪ Happy Birthday ♪ & ♥ Happy Anniversary ♥