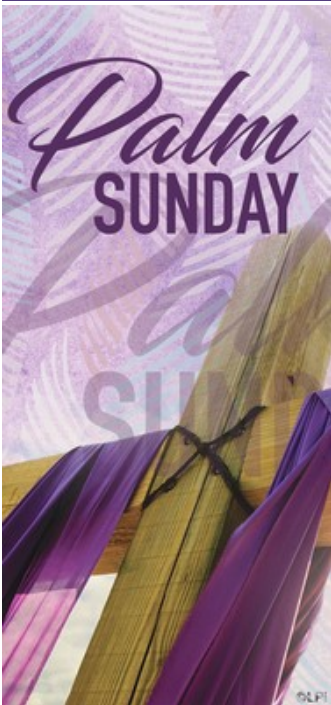


THE GOOD NEWS

PRESENTATION OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

PALM SUNDAY
APRIL 5, 2020



THE EMPOWERING LOVE OF GOD

Human beings are united in their suffering. When we find ourselves in a painful moment, our first reaction is “why me?” as if we are the only person on earth who ever encountered this challenge. Going through life with a “why me” attitude only finds us wallowing in the mire of self-pity and never seizing opportunities or graces. We walk in solidarity with every human being in the experience of suffering. Believing that the goal of life is the elimination or avoidance of suffering is simply an illusion that keeps us entrenched in a collective myth. This myth distorts us and limits us.

There are living witnesses among us showing how courage and determination can overcome any degree of hardship, pain, loss, or tragedy. Folks finding the normalcy of their lives suddenly torn asunder are faced with options: opportunity or despair, stay or leave. Jesus stands before us as the prime example of endurance and perseverance. He is the One who showed humility through both the triumphs of life (by learning to be humble) and the tragedies and injustices (by learning how to be obedient). To secular ears, this may be perceived as nonsense. But to those with the eyes of faith, they are pearls of great price.

True humility tempers the temptation we have to become complacent and prevents an excessive relishing of life’s successes and affirmations. Learning obedience keeps us faithful to our relationship with God so that we can find the courage to endure any depth of hardship, disappointment, betrayal, or agony. While we may want our cup of suffering to be taken away, it simply cannot be. Somehow and somewhere in the seemingly opposing experiences life can deal us, God is present with His reassuring, compassionate, empowering, and persevering love. To be true to who we are and who God is,

we must take up the cross of suffering, even when it’s the hardest and most apparently senseless thing to do.

Only our soul can understand these things, but our minds cannot, so they continue to run to secular ideas and solutions to pain and hardship. It goes without saying that we need to do all we can to eliminate as much senseless, unjust suffering as possible. Hunger, violence, abuse, exploitation, rejection, prejudice, homelessness, disrespect for life, and a whole host of other sins all result in suffering that is within our control. Then, when we face the uncontrollable kind of suffering or find ourselves the victim of injustice, what do we do?

PRAAYER FOR HEALING AND CONTAINMENT OF THE CORONA VIRUS DISEASE

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the cross you participated in Jesus’ pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need.

*We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee,
joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.*

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father’s will and to do what Jesus tells us:

*He who took our sufferings upon himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us,
through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.*

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test — and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin

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Sunday, April 5
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Mt 21:1-11
Phil 2:6-11
Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday, April 6
Is 42:1-7
Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday, April 7
Is 49:1-6
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday, April 8
Is 50:4-9a
Mt 26:14-25

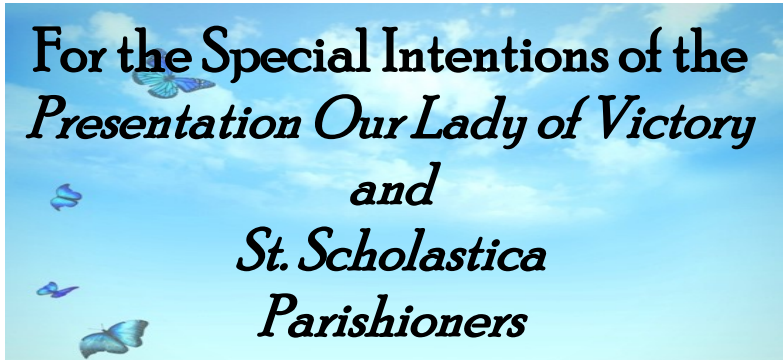
Thursday, April 9
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14
1 Cor 11:23-26
Jn 13:1-15

Friday, April 10
Good Friday of the Lord's Passion
Is 52:13—53:12
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9
Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday, April 11
Holy Saturday Vigil of the Night
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—4:4
Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28
Rom 6:3-11
Mt 28:1-10

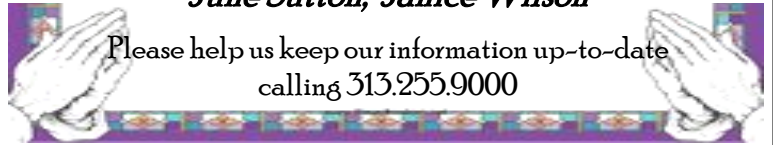
Sunday, April 12
The Resurrection of the Lord
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8
Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTION
April 12, 2020



† PRAYER LIST †

*Wayne Bradley, Sarah & Thomas Diggs,
Ruth Donaldson, Wesley Duggan,
Donna & Versell Jones, Emily McGhee,
Virginia Murphy, Joyce Patton,
Doris Robinson, Mary Elizabeth Robinson
Deacon Sanders, Alexander Stubbs Jr.,
June Sutton, Janice Wilson*



Please help us keep our information up-to-date
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CONTACT INFO & CONTRIBUTIONS

We certainly have missed seeing all of you during these past weeks and hope you are safe and doing well.

We do appreciate receiving current contact information from those of you that have called us. Feel free to list an emergency contact as well if you wish. It will certainly help when the need arises to reach out to you.

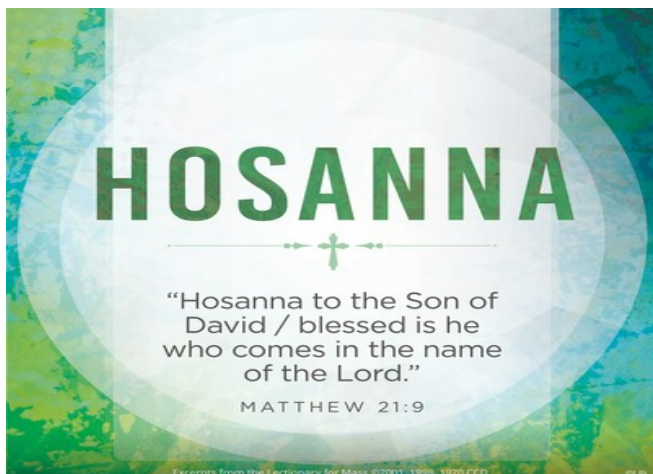
To those of you that continue to send in your weekly contributions, thank you. The parish appreciates your ongoing support.

For now, you can mail your envelope which will be received in our secured mailbox. We are still looking into an online giving option that we will certainly make known to you.

While the number of cases and deaths increase each day, we are limiting hours in the office. Please feel free to call 586.596.2089 if you're in need of assistance and unable to reach anyone at the office.

Please know that you are always in our thoughts and prayers. One of our parishioners put it like this.....

"We're all in this together". God Bless!



HELPFUL RESOURCES

ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT

Live Mass Times

<https://www.aod.org/livemasses>

UNLEASH THE GOSPEL

10 Guideposts for Christians in the time of coronavirus pandemic

<https://mail.aol.com/webmail-std/en-us/suite>

ST. MARY'S PRESS

Elementary School Resources

https://www.smp.org/homeactivitieschild/?utm_source=SM&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=COVID-19-ALL-e2

High School & Middle School Resources

https://www.smp.org/homeactivitiesteen/?utm_source=SM&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=COVID-19-ALL-e2

DYNAMIC CATHOLIC

How to Slow Down and Focus on What Matters Most

info@dynamiccatholic.com

Puzzle

Help Jesus get to Jerusalem.



Mission for the Week

Make your own palm branch to wave for Jesus at home. Cut an oval out of green construction paper. Then make cuts toward the middle (but not all the way through) for leaves.

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Matthew 21:1-11 ■ Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

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Gail Bond, Chairperson ~ Robert Thomas, Secretary

Stacey Dick, Jesse Goodwin, Belinda Danzy, Thomas Digggs, Monika Uriel

FINANCE COUNCIL

Jonathan Sanders, Chairperson, Thomas Digggs, Anthony Timbers, Michael Vincent

ORGANIZATIONS

Ushers, Adult Choir, 50 & Over Club, F.I.T.T. Ministry,

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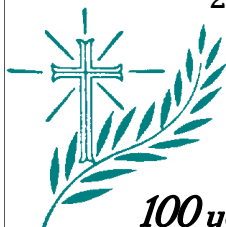
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† Ave Maria Radio - 990 am

† Catholic Connection—Teresa Tomeo
Monday-Friday 8am-10am† Christ is the Answer-Fr. John Riccardo
Monday-Friday 11am† Kresta in the Afternoon-Al Kresta
Monday-Friday 4pm-6pm† EWTN Global Catholic Radio Open Line
Monday-Friday 3pm† Catholic Answers
Monday-Friday 6pm-8pm
990 am / 130 Sirius XM Satellite Radio