

# SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 25, 2018

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out:

"Hosanna!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

Hosanna in the highest!"

Mark 11:7-10



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## Mass Schedule:

Saturday:

5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Monday & Friday  
5:30 pm

Tuesday - Thursday 7:00 am

## Spanish Mass:

*Resurrection Parish, Lexington*

Sunday:

6:00 pm

## Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm

Friday 7:30 am - 6:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00

pm

Sunday

12:30 pm

## Pastoral Care Contacts:

Ms. Kristi Reindl

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*Hospital & Follow-up*

*Nursing Homes/Assisted Living &*

*Prayer Pipeline*

Deacon John Reef

419.529.3694

*Shut-ins/Homebound*

## Sacrament of Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your baby or child.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Other times by appointment.

8:30 am -

## Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least six months in advance of the ceremony. A wedding date is confirmed after the initial meeting with a priest.

## Sunday Nursery:

Sunday Nursery is temporarily unavailable until further notice.

## Bulletin Deadline:

Friday, 12:00 noon. All requests must be submitted in writing or email and must receive prior approval.

## Parish Administrative Assistant:

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572 ext.2122

## Pastoral Staff:

Fr. Gregory R. Hite, *Pastor*

Fr. Austin Ammanniti, *Parochial Vicar*

A Parish of the Saint Juan Diego Deanery, Diocese of Toledo

**Mass Intentions****Monday, March 26, *Monday of Holy Week***

5:00 pm Rosary

**Tuesday, March 27, *Tuesday of Holy Week***

NO MASS

**Wednesday, March 28, *Wednesday of Holy Week***

7:00 am Parish

**Thursday, March 29, *Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday)***

7:00 am Parish

**Friday, March 30, *Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)***

3:00 pm Celebration of The Lord's Passion

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 31, *Holy Saturday***

5:00 pm Stewart Nelson

**Sunday, April 1, *Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of The Lord***

7:30 am Parish

9:30 am Theresia Merkli—Church

9:30 am Walter Smrekar—Auditorium

11:30 am Madaline Barrett

**Lector/Communion Minister**

(Schedule not available for early bulletin deadline)

**Mass Servers**

(Schedule not available for early bulletin deadline)

**Palm Sunday-  
the beginning of Holy  
Week**

Palm Sunday is a Christian feast that always occurs the Sunday before Easter. The feast celebrates the entering of Jesus into Jerusalem.

The term "palm" comes from the story of the crowd scattering palm branches in front of Jesus as he rode into the city on a donkey to represent the peace he was bringing. The people who met him in the streets showed great joy and gave shouts of praise, which is a feeling churches try to recreate on the day of the feast. Palm branches symbolize goodness and victory.

As I reflect on this day in His life, how happy his family, friends, and Apostles may have been to experience and celebrate this day only to be saddened and grieving over his death several days later.

During this week, we need to reflect on the three traditional pillars of Lenten observance: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. How have we done? We still have one solid week to work on these. Spend some time in church with meditation, receiving the sacrament of Penance, praying for our country, praying for the families who celebrated many great times with their children who are now gone due to a tragedy, eating a little less of your favorite food/drink, giving more to the poor or doing an act of kindness for someone less fortunate than you.....you still have time!

In closing:

"Lord Jesus Christ,

on the first Palm Sunday you entered the rebellious city where you were to die. Enter our hearts, we pray,  
and subdue them to yourself. And as your

### Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish



Rose Mary Lang-Martin, Gwen Yockey, John Henney, Debbie Ashley, Mike Payton, Bill Ruhl, Jeannie Burkhalter, Ken Kayden, Krista Marshall, Colleen Behr, Aaron Blank, Don Blank, Marilyn Williamson, Theresa Prendergast, Cindy Lassen, Dina Riley, Eliana Nelson, Mary Ann Switzer, MaKaya Butler, Thomas Julian, Mildred Corbin, Julie Krouse, Hilda Schemine, Pierce Chitwood, Fr. Jim Lee, Tim Arthur, Marilou Marshall, Sharon Valdry, Alex Porter, Elizabeth Osmond, Jim Wetzels, Connie Streff, Carol Pittenger, Ken Kayden, John Henney, Michael Davis, Mary Keil.

### Please Remember Your Parish ...

... in your **estate planning or will**. It is easy to do. Either contact your financial planner or attorney – OR – contact our parish Development Office. We are happy to assist you! Your gift can be either "restricted," meaning to be used for a particular purpose and that purpose only, OR "unrestricted," which means it can be invested and used to support our day to day expenses in the

### 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

For those who have not yet contributed to the Annual Catholic Appeal please reflect upon the importance of your charitable involvement and prayerfully consider making a gift to the Appeal. Help your parish meet their goal and help fund the very important work carried out by the many ministries supported by the Appeal. We believe in giving back to God and these beliefs tie us all together and keep us working side by side, young and old, parents and parishioners helping each other. Thank

### Prison Ministry Corner



As of this printing, with the execution of death row inmate William Montgomery still scheduled for April 11, we plan to gather Tuesday, April 10, at 6:30 pm for a one-hour silent prayer vigil. Our location is now the 3rd floor Chapel in the parish center. Please join in prayer and action for an end to the death penalty. Questions? Contact Lynne at lukach.lynn@myspartans.org.

### Adult Faith Opportunities



**Wednesdays at 6:10 pm** - *Catholicism* series by Bishop Robert Barron. Immerse yourself for one hour each week in the truth and beauty of our faith.

March 28 - The Communion of Saints

April 4 - Prayer and Life of the Spirit

April 11 - The Last Things

Enter thru Parish Center entrance. Take elevator to 2nd floor. Turn left off elevator. Location is Room 216 in west hall.

### Senior Citizen Prom

The Senior Citizen Prom will be taking place on Sunday, March 25 from 3-5:00 pm at Saint Mary's in Shelby. This event is free and open to anyone over the age of 60 and their guests. This year's theme is "Out to Sea" and the dress is casual. If you are interested in attending you can please contact Elizabeth Wurm at the parish office or through e-mail at [wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org](mailto:wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org)

### SUNDAY OFFERING



*Year to date through*

### Sunday Collection

Total Sunday Collection To Date:	\$590,045.00
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$585,105.88
<b>Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$4,939.12</b>

### School Collection

Total School Collection To Date:	\$122,882
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$129,865
<b>School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$6,983)</b>

**Capital Campaign Financial Update**

<b>Total Pledged:</b>	<b>\$2,640,062</b>
Amount needed to reach challenge goal:	\$359,938
Payments to Date:	\$1,842,445

**2018-2019 Annual Fund Campaign**

<b>Total Pledged:</b>	<b>\$81,207</b>
Payments to Date:	\$72,276
Amount needed to reach goal:	\$18,793

As of March 1, 2018

**Hearts and Minds**

Our next meeting is Tuesday, March 27, 5:30-7 pm in the St. Andrew conference room on the Parish Office floor of the High School building. Our discussion and prayer this year focuses on *compassion* for mental health issues. For further information contact Sue at vmalas-

**Let's Shower the Sisters with Cards For the Easter**

Sister Bernard Marie and Sister Paula are always communicating with us to say they keep all of us here at St. Peter's in their thoughts and prayers. During this time of Easter, perhaps you would have time to send them each a card with a special message or a spring surprise treat so they know THEY are in the thoughts of so many of us here. Here is their address if you would like to join this Easter "card shower" for them or send them a little spring surprise treat.

Sister Bernard Marie Campbell, Sister Paula Bingert  
Our Lady of Angels  
1201 Wyoming Ave.

**Easter Bake Sale**

This Sunday we will be preparing for our annual Easter Bake Sale! Beginning Monday at 8:00 am we will start baking butter rings and braided bread in the High School cafeteria. Bakers, please consider bringing in your favorite Easter treat, as we need a lot of baked goods to sell. Please also keep in mind the several hundred students who will be coming to the bake sale as you are baking. Workers are needed all four days, so please come support our efforts and encourage your friends to come as well.

Our annual Easter Bake Sale will be this Tuesday, from 7:00 am-6:00 pm, and Wednesday, from 7:00 am-1:00 pm., in the Church Basement. Lunch will be served both days starting at 11:00 am. Our featured items are; cabbage rolls, poticas, butter rings, home made candy, colored eggs, potato and egg salads, cabbage and noodles, and the most delicious array of baked goods donated by our fabulous parish bakers! Our Bake Sale is

**Important Upcoming Events**

**March 25 (Sunday)**— Cooking potatoes, Coloring Eggs, Preparations in cafeteria, begin at 9:00 am. **We need lots of help.** Sit down jobs. We slice, chop and prepare onions, celery, potatoes, etc.

**March 26**—Bake Butter Rings & Braided bread , etc. We continue food preparations begin at 8:00 am in cafeteria. We need someone to stay in the church basement after 12 noon and help monitor donations of baked goods.

**March 27**—Easter Bake Sale 7 am - 6 pm  
A very busy day, **Lots of Help Needed Everywhere.**

**March 28**— Easter Bake Sale 7 am - 2 pm  
School students come in morning. We need lots of baked goods and lots of help. Clean up starts at 1:00 pm.



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## Lent & Easter Calendar of Events

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

- ♦ **St. Peter's**—Confession times are on Saturdays from 3:00-4:30 pm.

### Deanery Lenten Penance Services

- ♦ **Bethlehem, Sacred Heart**—Sunday, March 25, 3:00 pm.
- ♦ **Mansfield, St. Mary**—Sunday, April 8, Confirmation Candidates, 6:00 pm.

### Holy Week Liturgies—St. Peter's

- ♦ **Palm Sunday**—March 25, 2018  
Blessing and distribution of palms and Proclamation of the Lord's Passion at all Masses.

### Sacred Triduum

- ♦ **Holy Thursday**—March 29, 2018  
**7:00 pm**—Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, Presentation of the Holy Oils, Washing of Feet, Eucharistic Procession **(Incense will be used)**  
**8:00 pm**—Midnight, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **11:30 pm**—Compline (Night Prayer) for Holy Thursday
- ♦ **Good Friday**—March 30, 2018  
**3:00 pm**—Celebration of The Lord's Passion  
**7:00 pm**—Stations of the Cross
- ♦ **Holy Saturday**—March 31, 2018  
**9:00 am**—Morning Prayer, Blessing of Easter foods, RCIA Anointing with the Oil of Catechumens  
**8:30 pm**—Easter Vigil (Blessing of Fire & Water and reception of RCIA & Elect into the Catholic Church) **(Incense will be used)**
- ♦ **Easter Sunday**—April 1, 2018 Masses at regular times:  
**7:30 am.**, in Church  
**9:30 am.**, (Masses in Church and High School Auditorium)  
**11:30 am.**, in Church **(Incense will be used)**

### Stations of the Cross

## In Observance of Holy Week

Parish Offices will be closed during our solemn days and no school activities are scheduled.

**Thursday March 29** — Closed for school activities only. Parish Office will close at 12:00 pm.

**Friday March 30** — Closed

**Saturday March 31**— Closed

**Sunday April 1** — Closed

**Monday April 2** — Closed



**Please note that Incense will be used at the 7 PM Holy Thursday mass and the 8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass in the church.**

## Vacation Bible School Wish List

It is through the generosity of our parish family that we are able to keep Vacation Bible School affordable for all children who want to attend. This year's VBS, "Jesus Is My Superhero" will be taking place July 9—12. Below is our "wish list" to help make our VBS a success. If you could prayerfully consider donating one item, it would mean a lot to the program in general and the children that we serve. All donations can be dropped off at the parish center prior to June 30.

- Sharpies (of several colors)
- Blue Stick Tac
- 80 Hot Dogs
- 80 Hot Dog Buns
- 1 large hand sanitizer
- 4 large rolls of paper towels
- 1 container of clean up wipes
- 320 juice boxes (any flavor)
- 80 mozzarella cheese sticks (that come individually wrapped in clear wrapper)
- One large package of XL white lunch bags
- Monetary donations to support a child to come to VBS are



**Recycling—Next Date: April 13, 2018**



**10:00 am—11:00 am & 2:00 pm—4:00 pm**

(Every 2nd Friday of the month) in the Franciscan Activity Center parking lot

**BLUE BARRELS: April 14 & 15**

**Senior Citizen Luncheon at St. Mary's School** on Ashland Road. Tuesday March 27 luncheon begins at 12:15 pm with Sloppy Joe, Hash brown, salad, pears and beverage. Cost is \$3 per person. Reservations required, call 419.589.2114.

**Senior Girls Scholarship**, The Catholic Women's Club of St. Juan Diego Deanery is announcing a Scholarship for \$500 to be offered to a qualified senior girl who will be graduating in 2018 and going on to college. Interested? Deadline March 31. Contact Carol Sgambellone at 419.529.2758.

**Teens Encounter Christ** Applications for TEC, or Teens Encounter Christ, are now available in the parish office. Ladies' TEC is taking place April 7-9. If you are a junior or senior in high school or post high school by one year, consider taking a TEC retreat! Call Elizabeth Wurm at the Parish Office.

**Steubenville Youth Conference** We are now taking registrations for the SYC. This year's conference, "Revealed", is taking place June 15-17. All incoming freshmen to outgoing seniors are invited to attend. If you have a youth who is interested in attending please contact Elizabeth Wurm at [wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org](mailto:wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org) for a registration packet. We hope you can join us!



## PASSION

The contrast between the processional reading in today's liturgy and the proclamation of the Passion is striking. We are given a glimpse of how profoundly the word of God is fulfilled in Jesus.

First he must be hailed as the Messiah, the One who is to come. He must be acknowledged by all, though they do not know what they are saying. They think he is the promised king, a worldly king of the Jews who will free them from the Roman occupation. They do not yet understand, even the disciples, exactly where this triumphal procession is leading. In our lives, we too do not know where we are going. It is in faith that we can follow Christ wherever he may lead us, trusting that death is not the end, nor evil the victor.

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

For many centuries, Christian pilgrims have longed to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, and on Passion Sunday the eyes of the world are on the Via Dolorosa, the "Road of Sorrows," in Jerusalem. As soon as it became safe for Christians to worship in public in the fourth century, a way was marked out. It was changed a few times over the years, and today's usual route was sketched by the Franciscans six hundred years ago, although Anglicans and Byzantines have their own unique detours. Friday is the most favored day, although it is crowded then. Almost everyone begins at the Lion's Gate in the Muslim Quarter, and ends at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. It's less than a quarter mile, but it threads its way through crowded markets with souvenir shops and fast-food snacks. There are, just as in your parish church, fourteen stations along the way. The exact spots are not known, but what matters is the pilgrim's unique ability to see even an ordinary road in a teeming city as something more than meets the eye.

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## TODAY'S READING

**Gospel at the Procession with Palms** — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

**First Reading** — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

**Psalm** — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

**Gospel** — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday 4:16-21 **Chrism Mass:** Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk

Cor 11:23 **Lord's Supper:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1

-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1

— 19:42

Saturday: or Ps a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35;

33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8

-11; c) Ex

14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1 -6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

e) Is 55:1



### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

**The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable but no one should suffer alone. That is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering.**

--By Bud Ozar

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