

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 20, 2016**

LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 19

5:00 p.m. – William Donnelly, 1st Anniversary, req. by the Maulbeck family

Sunday, March 20

8:30 a.m. – Bill Lenahan req. by his wife, Eleanor
10:00 a.m. – Emma M. Andreotta req. by Ralph J. & Laura M. Andreotta

Monday, March 21

12:00 p.m. – Anna Kobylar req. by Father Zig

Tuesday, March 22

12:00 p.m. – Dragica Mareljic req. by her daughter

Wednesday, March 23

12:00 p.m. – Howard B. Pratt Jr. req. by Anna Joe, Dawn, & family

Holy Thursday, March 24

7:00 p.m. – Evening Liturgy of the Lord's Supper
Adoration at the Repository will take place until 9:30 p.m.

Good Friday, March 25

3:00 p.m. – Good Friday Liturgy

6:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, March 26

2:30 p.m. – Blessing of Easter Food

8:00 p.m. – For the People of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

Easter Sunday, March 27

8:30 a.m. – For the People of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

10:00 a.m. – For the People of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

11:30 a.m. – Polish Mass



Bill Lenahan
Requested by: his wife, Eleanor

Collection for March 12&13: \$2818.00
Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$ 1933.23 (February)
Collection from last year: \$ 2428.00.00
Ongoing Renovation "Jug" Money: \$11,210.05

PARISH PAY: Have you thought about automating your giving? No more writing checks! You decide the amount and the frequency. Sign up today for automatic contributions to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Go to the Parish Pay link at www.sacredheartrockaway.org or call 866-727-4741.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS
IN THE MILITARY**

Major Mike Cherry
LCpl. Aleksandr Killeen, SSgt. Zhenya Killeen
Airman 1st Cl. Andrew Mistkowski,
1st Lt. Nicholas DelCore, Air Force
1st Lt. Jessica L. Rotide Rudo
Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer, 1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: M.J. Simon, Irene Schreiber, Rosemary Woodring, Doug Bansch, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ellen Forbes, Ben Marvilla, Michelle Monslave, Enid Osorno Patricia Martinelli, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Arlene Berlin, Emil Fahrman, Jim Goliat,

Robert Nielsen, Betty Dixon, Marge Vogel, Dan Koettters, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda Villarubia, Mary Skelly, John Skutka, William McBurney, Anne Riordan, D.M. Lynch, Linda Hoffman, Ann McCue.

PARISH POLICY – PLEASE NOTE – All Catholic families living within the parish boundaries are encouraged to register as members. Registration as a parish member has many benefits, and in particular, facilitates any arrangements for baptisms, marriages, sponsors, etc. **Please contact the Parish Office at 973-627-0422**

First Friday Communion Calls: A priest will be making "First Friday" visits to those who are homebound. These visits will be made by one of our priests who will distribute Holy Communion. He will also be available for the sacraments of penance and anointing of the sick. Please call the rectory at 972-627-0422 to register your name for this monthly visit by one of our priests.

Want to be more involved?

If you are wondering "how can I become more involved in my church community", we happen to be looking for a few good people!! If you would like more information on how to become a Lector or Minister of Communion please contact Fr. Marcin at 973-627-0313 ext. 15 or martmich1983@gmail.com. Interested in becoming an Altar Server, please contact Fr. Mateusz at 973-627-0313 ext. 14 or fr.m.jasniewicz@gmail.com.

For St. Cecilia Cemetery information, please email Diane Boykow at StCeciliaCemetery@gmail.com

"Welcome Home" is a diocesan initiative to invite all Catholics to experience the grace of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession is a wonderful opportunity to set aside our sinful ways and to draw closer to our Lord. Confessions will be held every Monday during Lent, from February 15 to March 14, 2016, from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in every Catholic Church in the Diocese of Paterson. Don't be afraid! Information will be provided. Ask the priest to help you. Experience the gracious mercy of God!
www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org

Banns of Marriage: Diana Salvatore & Timothy Hiler will be married April 3, 2016 at 12:00 noon.

Rosary Tea: Save the date: Sunday, May 22, 2016. More details to come.

POT LUCK DINNER All are invited to Sacred Heart's Dogmatic Dinner on Tuesday March 22nd. We will be sharing a great meal and discussing how to enter fully into this Holy Week. We hope to see you there at 6:30pm in Suchon Hall.

**Church Regulations
Regarding Fast and Abstinence**

Abstinence from meat (beast or fowl) is to be observed by all Catholics fourteen years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products, or condiments of any kind, even though it's made from animal fat. Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day. Catholics who are eighteen years of age but not yet fifty-nine are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength. However, the two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal. Moreover, eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted.

	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Minister of Communion</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
March 26 @ 8:00 pm	Tom Gorman Anne Reilly	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Jason Emerlieze Volunteer Needed
March 27 @ 8:30 am	Marie Byrne	Mark Howarth VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Richie Lazar Gabriel Nelson Sierra Walsh Alejandro Orellana
March 27@10:00 am	Elmer Maximo	Dennis Corbisiero Anne Marie Hopler	Mark Winowski Maggie Farrelly Luke Foth Anthony Yagoda

ALL MINISTERS: Copies of the schedule are available in the sacristy. Any questions/concerns please contact the appropriate group leader.

My dear parishioners,

In our coming together for the Lord's Day we mark the first day of Holy Week, Palm Sunday. This day opens before us the week in which we will solemnly commemorate the Lord's suffering, death and holy resurrection. The liturgy for this day begins with a remembrance of the Lord Jesus' triumphal entry into the city of Jerusalem. The blessing of the palms reminds us of the exuberance which greeted Jesus but as the liturgy continues with the reading of the Passion narrative from the Gospel of Saint Luke, chapters 22:14 – 23:56, we are reminded that this welcome was short lived. The HOSANNA became CRUCIFY HIM.

The liturgies which will be celebrated this week are done only this week, that is once a year. It is important that all of us participate in these solemn rites which recall the price which was paid for our salvation. To excuse oneself from these holy days should be unthinkable. All of us, young and old, are called upon to readjust our schedules and change our routines so as to accommodate the "King of Glory," who suffered that we might have life.

As your father I encourage you to attend the liturgy on Holy Thursday evening as we recall the Last Supper and the institution of the Most Holy Eucharist. Good Friday recalls the death of the Lord in the afternoon liturgy at which we venerate the Holy Cross. The Resurrection celebration begins on Saturday evening at the Great Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter at which time those who have prepared for the Initiation Sacraments will be welcomed into the Body of Christ. PLEASE COME EACH DAY! BRING THE CHILDREN SO THAT THEY WILL BE EXPOSED TO OUR WORSHIP AND FAITH. This week is HOLY and it demands a HOLY RESPONSE from all of us. Attending church during this Holy Week is a sign of your acknowledgement that Christ suffered and died for you, for us, and that by His sacrifice you have been saved.

Two things before I conclude. The first is that a special collection is taken on Good Friday to support the Church in the Holy Land. Our offerings are used to help the native Christians of the Middle East who live in very difficult, and for many cruel, situations. Our offerings also help to maintain the shrines which have for centuries marked the places where the Lord Jesus came preaching the Gospel message. Our generosity is imperative for this cause. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

Secondly, the RICE BOWLS, which collected our alms and sacrifices during this Lenten season should be brought to the church next Sunday and placed in the receptacle located in the altar area.

A busy week, a HOLY WEEK is ahead! I look forward to seeing you in church so that together we may commemorate the sacrificial love which has won for us ETERNAL LIFE!

Father Zig

DIVINE MERCY ACADEMY: REGISTRATION OPEN- Registration for Divine Mercy Academy for the 2016-2017 school year is now taking place. Divine Mercy Academy, Rockaway's New Catholic School, will offer an academically excellent, faith-based education to students in pre-k3 through eighth grade. Full -day and half day pre-k3 & 4 will be available as well as full-day kindergarten. We will also offer a before care program and an after school program. For more information or a registration packet, please call the rectory @973-627-0422, Sacred Heart School @973-627-7689, St. Cecilia Parish Office @973-627-0313, or St. Cecilia School @973-627-6003.

The Second Grade Class has been very busy this month. We are preparing for First Penance which is on Saturday, April 9th at 10:00. This year First Holy Communion will be on Mother's Day, May 8th at 11:30. Please keep our Second Graders in your prayers as we prepare for these very special sacraments . Special congratulations to Joaquin Cadag for coming in First Place in the N.J. Consortium for the Gifted and Talented. May God continue to bless the parishioners of Sacred Heart Church as we prepare for Easter.

The School's Annual Calendar Raffle Ticket Winners will be posted on the school's website weekly.
www.sacredheartnj.com - Drawings will be held Wednesday mornings in the school office beginning January 27th and end on April 27th!

PALM SUNDAY HUNGERING TO BUILD COMMUNITY: We follow Jesus this week on our Lenten journey as he enters Jerusalem, a community he knew well. CRS Rice Bowl asks us to prayerfully enter into our own communities, to find those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we encounter in our daily lives? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

SAVE THE DATE: THE PARISH PICNIC WILL BE HELD SUNDAY JUNE 5 AT FIREMAN'S FIELD. Plans include a mass at the field starting around noon. Details will be announced as the date gets closer. If you are interested in helping please call the rectory.