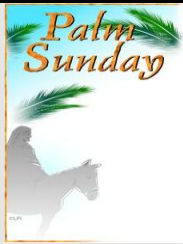


HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE – 2010



MARCH 27th/28th

Holy Week begins next weekend with the celebration of PALM SUNDAY. Palms will be blessed at each Mass - Saturday: 4:00 p.m., Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.m. Please take a piece of palm as you enter the church.



APRIL 1ST

8:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer in the church.
7:00 p.m. – Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper, with washing of feet, presentation of holy oils, and procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose. The church will remain open for a period of time following the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.



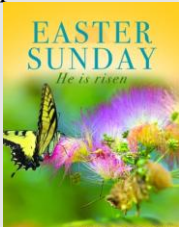
APRIL 2ND

8:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer in the church
10:00 – 11:00 a.m. –Confessions in the church
3:00 p.m. – Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion
7:00 p.m. – Living Stations of the Cross in the church



Holy Saturday **APRIL 3RD**

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon - Confessions in the church
2:30 – 3:30 p.m. - Confessions in the church
7:30 p.m. – Easter Vigil



EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 4TH

Masses will be celebrated in the church at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. **THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT 5:00 P.M.**

Holy Week at St. Pius X and St. Patrick Churches

Holy Thursday - April 1st St. Pius X Church:

6:00 p.m. - Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Followed by a simple supper in the parish Hall

Good Friday - April 2nd St. Pius X Church:

3:00 p.m. - Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion

7:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

Good Friday - April 2nd St. Patrick Church:

3:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. - Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion

Holy Saturday - April 3rd St. Patrick Church:

8:00 p.m. – Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday - April 4th St. Pius X Church:

Masses at 7:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday - April 4th St. Patrick Church:

Masses at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- ❖ Disciples In Mission Small Group: Monday, March 22nd, 6:30 p.m., friary meeting room.
- ❖ St. Joseph Parish Council: Tuesday, March 23rd, 6:30 p.m., friary meeting room

**SEE OUR MONTHLY CALENDAR
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ST. BRIGID SCHOOL NEWS

OPEN HOUSE

St. Brigid School will host an open house today, March 21st, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. The open house will start in the Fr. Hayes Center.

SPRING AUCTION

St. Brigid’s Annual Spring Auction will be held on Friday, March 26th at the Italian Heritage Center, starting at 5:00 p.m.

TAG BOARD

Stop by the St. Brigid School Tag Board that is located in the church vestibule. It contains many inexpensive suggestions that will enable you to support the school in very meaningful ways.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

We are just past the “halfway mark” of our month-long “new recruitment” period. If you’ve ever had an interest in joining this wonderful organization, this is a perfect time to get involved! Give Council President Mike Pizzo a call at 797-6326, he would be more than happy to speak with you and give you an overview of the good work performed by our Knights and answer any questions you might have.



Among the intentions remembered at the Masses during the upcoming week are:

Monday, March 22

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Capuchins & Their Benefactors

Tuesday, March 23

8:00 a.m. Anna Mae Cannon

Wednesday, March 24

8:00 a.m. Theresa Mazurkiewicz (Living)

Thursday, March 25

8:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

Friday, March 26

8:00 a.m. Eleanor McCallum

Saturday, March 27

8:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

4:00 p.m. Harriet Burt

Sunday, March 28

8:00 a.m. Our Parish Family

10:00 a.m. Andrew Kaseta

5:00 p.m. Alfred & Lee Carnicella

CHURCH SUPPORT



A total of \$7,330 was received at last weekend's four Masses. This was \$380 less than what was collected one year ago over the same weekend. As a result, we were unsuccessful in achieving our weekly "challenge goal" of a 4% increase in our offertory giving. As all of you who are weekly readers of our parish bulletin know, an anonymous parishioner has agreed to make a donation equal to 3% of that week's budgeted offertory collection from now through June 30 for each week that we exceed our "challenge goal". This week's offertory challenge goal is \$7,265.

Last weekend's second collection to benefit Catholic Relief Services totaled \$1,570. As always, your continued financial support of our parish is most appreciated. **Thank you!**

PARISH MAINTENANCE FUND

The second collection next weekend will benefit our Parish Maintenance Fund. Your generous donations will help to restore areas of the church interior that have suffered water damage over the years. Restoration work is planned for this spring. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

MITE BOXES

Lenten Mite Boxes should be returned next weekend. Please place your mite box in the baskets at the entrances of the church. Proceeds from our Parish Lenten Project will go to Catholic Relief Service's Haiti relief efforts.

ST. BRIGID SCHOOL PARISH SUBSIDY

St. Joseph's parishioners who wish to enroll their child(ren) at St. Brigid School are eligible for a parish subsidy towards annual tuition. To apply for the subsidy, carefully read and complete the necessary agreement form for 2010-2011. The form is available at the school office. Keep in mind: Families must be registered parishioners prior to September 1, 2009, users of parish budget envelopes, and active participants in the life of St. Joseph Parish (which includes attendance at Sunday Mass). Fr. Peter will personally review each application prior to subsidy approval.

FLU PROTOCOLS AT MASS TO BE LIFTED

Bishop Malone, in consultation with the Maine Center for Disease Control and his own staff, has decided to lift the temporary H1N1 protocols at Mass effective Palm Sunday weekend (March 27th/28th, 2010). As of Palm Sunday weekend, the liturgy will be celebrated according to the usual norms that include the invitation to exchange the sign of peace and to share the Precious Blood at Holy Communion. Parishioners or those who exercise ministry during the liturgy are urged to stay home if they are ill, for their own health and that of others. However, if they do attend Mass, they should refrain from shaking hands at the sign of peace or receiving from the chalice at Holy Communion.



Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." - Jn 8:6b-7

Readings for the Week of March 21, 2010

Sunday:	Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11
Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday:	Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14---23:56 or 23:1-49

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