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The Passion of the Lord

March 20, 2016 -- Palm Sunday

Mass Intentions

Holy Thursday, March 24
7:30PM
Good Friday
6:00PM
Holy Saturday, March 26
7:30PM **Easter Vigil**

Easter Sunday, March 27
8:30AM Sunday of the Resurrection
11:00AM Sunday of the Resurrection
(No 6:30PM Mass)

COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 13, 2015 - will be reported in next week's bulletin. *Thank you for your generosity.*

HOLY THURSDAY ~ COME TO THE FEAST!
Bring and share a meal with your family and friends on Holy Thursday, March 24 at 6:00PM in the Parish Hall.
WE NEED HELP WITH THE SUPPER:
- **5:30-6:15PM - 1st shift serve "Bring & Share" Supper**
- **6:15-7:00PM - 2nd shift serve "Bring & Share" Supper**
- **7:00 to 7:45PM - CLEAN UP.**

Sign-up sheets are posted at the church parking lot entrance.

GOOD FRIDAY ~ HOLY LAND COLLECTION ~
The annual collection for the Holy Land will be taken on Good Friday. Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Catholic Community in the Middle East and protect Christianity's holiest places. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on this collection for living their faith. Please help by giving to this collection.

COME AND KNOW GOD'S MERCY—PERSONALLY

Been putting off confessions for a while? Months? Years? Decades?

Come to Mater Christi Church ANYTIME after 7:00pm, Monday, March 21 thru 6:00pm, Tuesday, March 22. Experience the peace and intimacy of the healing graces and spiritual renewal of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. Don't worry if you don't remember all the formulas or prayers. The priest will help you.

Mater Christi Catholic Church
40 Hopewell Street
Albany, NY 12208
(518) 489-3204

This Week in our Parish

MON	(No Yoga)
	Bible Study, 7:00PM (PH)
TUES	(No Prayer Labyrinth)
	Bible Study, 2:00PM (Chapel)
	Choir Rehearsal, 7:00PM (C)
WED	Bereavement, 7:00PM (Chapel)
THURS	***Morning Prayer, 9:00AM (C)***
	Bring & Share Supper, 6:00PM (PH)
	Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:30PM (C)
	Food Pantry & Rice Bowl Collections
	Church will be open until 10:00PM
FRI	*Parish Offices Closed*
	Morning Prayer, 9:00AM (C)
	Voices from Good Friday, 12:00PM (C)
	Stations of the Cross, 3:00PM (C)
	Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 6PM (C)
	Holy Land Collection
SAT	***Morning Prayer, 9:00AM (C)***
	Easter Vigil, 7:30PM (C)
SUN	***Easter Masses at 8:30AM & 11:00AM (C)***
	(No 6:30PM Mass)
MON	*March 28 - Parish Offices & Food Pantry Closed*

(C) Church, (G) Grotto, (PC) Parish Center, (PH) Parish Hall, (L) Lounge, (HIS) Hubbard Interfaith Sanctuary

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2015 **2016**

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Faith Formation Schedule - N*o sessions March 20 & 27; Classes meet April 3, 10 & 17 (last class).*

Youth Day Schedule - next Youth Day Session is April 17. Visit www.stvincentalbany.org or call 489-5408.

TALENT AUCTION RESULTS ~ Thank you to all who participated in the *End Hunger Talent Auction.* A special thanks to those who shared their creativity and expertise by donating 68 amazing items and services for all of us to bid on. More importantly your participation demonstrates your commitment to ending hunger locally and around the world. The $3,100 raised will be split equally between Bread for The World and St. Vincent's Food Pantry. And, mark your calendar for Advocacy Sunday on April 9-10. *Winners are posted on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.*

2016 LENTEN CELEBRATIONS OF RECONCILIATION

Mater Christi Church - March 21 - 7:00pm
(40 Hopewell St, Albany 12208)

Immaculate Conception Cathedral - March 22 - 7:00pm
(125 Eagle St, 12202)

BULL OF INDICTION OF THE EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY

FRANCIS, BISHOP OF ROME SERVANT OF THE SERVANTS OF GOD TO ALL WHO READ THIS LETTER GRACE, MERCY, AND PEACE

7. "For his mercy endures forever." This is the refrain that repeats after each verse in Psalm 136 as it narrates the history of God's revelation. By virtue of mercy, all the events of the Old Testament are replete with profound salvific import. Mercy renders God's history with Israel a history of salvation. To repeat continually "for his mercy endures forever," as the psalm does, seems to break through the dimensions of space and time, inserting everything into the eternal mystery of love. It is as if to say that not only in history, but for all eternity man will always be under the merciful gaze of the Father. It is no accident that the people of Israel wanted to include this psalm – the "Great *Hallel*," as it is called – in its most important liturgical feast days.

Before his Passion, Jesus prayed with this psalm of mercy. Matthew attests to this in his Gospel when he says that, "when they had sung a hymn" (26:30), Jesus and his disciples went out to the Mount of Olives. While he was instituting the Eucharist as an everlasting memorial of himself and his paschal sacrifice, he symbolically placed this supreme act of revelation in the light of his mercy. Within the very same context of mercy, Jesus entered upon his passion and death, conscious of the great mystery of love that he would consummate on the Cross. Knowing that Jesus himself prayed this psalm makes it even more important for us as Christians, challenging us to take up the refrain in our daily lives by praying these words of praise: "for his mercy endures forever."

~ Given in Rome, at Saint Peter's, on 11 April, the Vigil of the Second Sunday of Easter, in the year of our Lord 2015, the third of Pope Francis' Pontificates.

(Parts of this letter will be included in our bulletin.)

PLEASE NOTE:

- **No Prayer Labyrinth on Tuesday, March 22.**
- **There will be no Coffee Hour after morning Masses on Easter Sunday.**
- **There will not be a 6:30PM Mass on Easter Sunday.**
- **Parish offices will be closed on Good Friday, March 25, & Easter Monday, March 28.**
- **The Food Pantry will be closed on Mon., March 28.**

OFFERING OF LETTERS WEEKEND COMING

Join us on April 9 & 10 after Masses in the Parish Hall for our annual letter writing campaign. You can help by urging legislators to maintain and increase efforts to ensure that poor mothers and their children living in Third World countries "survive and thrive". Details in April 2/3 bulletin.

Holy Thursday ~ March 24

9:00am ~ Morning Prayer (church)

Traditional Prayer consisting of Psalms, a brief Scripture reading and intercessions. Begin each day of the Triduum with 20 minutes of prayer.

PREPARATION OF THE CHURCH FOR THE EVENING CELEBRATION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MORNING PRAYER.

6:00pm ~ Bring & Share Supper (parish hall)

No need to sign up, just come. Bring a dish to share. We can always use help with clean up.

7:30pm ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper

Food Pantry & Rice Bowl Collection

During this Mass we all have an opportunity to participate in the Washing of Feet, a profound and humble expression of faith and our commitment to serve as Jesus did.

Church will be open until 10PM for prayer.

Good Friday ~ March 25

9:00am ~ Morning Prayer (church)

12:00—1:00 pm Good Friday Service sponsored by the Capital Area Council of Churches

"Voices from Good Friday, A Passion Collective"

Rev. David Preisinger, presider

Bertrand Fay, presenter

3:00pm ~ Stations of the Cross (church)

Led by the youth of the parish

6:00pm ~ Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday ~ March 26

9:00am ~ Morning Prayer (church)

PREPARATION OF THE CHURCH FOR THE EVENING CELEBRATION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MORNING PRAYER.

7:30pm ~ Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday ~ March 27

8:30am ~ Mass

11:00am ~ Mass

Readings for the Week of March 20, 2016

Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56
Monday: Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wed: Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Good Friday:
Is 52:13--53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42
Easter Vigil:
Gn 1:1--2:2/Gn 22:1-18/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/Lk 24:1-12
Easter Sunday:
Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/
Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

BEREAVEMENT GROUP ~ will meet on Wednesday, March 23 at 7:00PM in the Chapel. We will meet only if we know that you are coming. Please call Sr. Eleanor at 489-5408.

FIRST EUCHARIST WORKSHOP ~ for Children & Parents - Saturday, April 2 from 9:30 - 11:45 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Contact Susan Sweeney with questions.

ST. VINCENT'S PRESCHOOL ~ The Preschool is accepting applications for the Fall 2016 school year. Space is available for children 3 to 5 years of age. The 3 year old class meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 to 11:45am. Four year olds have the option of attending either 3 or 5 mornings a week. For questions or to arrange a tour, call Eileen Jaklitsch, Preschool Director, at 482-5346.

ADULT/TEEN "BETWEEN MASSES" FAITH FORMATION ~ The "Talk Back" session for Part II of *The History of the Christian Movement* will be held on April 3 Sunday at 9:45AM in Meeting Room 1.

YOGA ~ Classes are held Mondays from 6-7:00PM in the church. Bring your own mat, towel, etc. A free will donation of $5/class is asked. Proceeds benefit our Sister Parish in Panama. *Class schedule: April 4, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23; June 6, 13, 20 & 27.* Enter from the parking lot, through the side door. Contact Judi England at yogajudi@aol.com.

Liturgical Ministers for March 27:

Sunday, 8:30 am
CLW: TBD

Sunday, 11:00 am
CLW: Katrina Consiglio, Dan Bernadett

Liturgical Ministers for April 2/3:

Baker: Lynn Dollard
Writer: Jabrina Robinson
Writer for April 10: Barbara DiTommaso

Saturday, 5:00 pm
Presider: Fr. Leo O'Brien
Adult Acolyte/Homilist: Betsy Rowe-Manning
Readers: M. Morris, M. Ringelmann
Eucharistic Ministers: Madeline Cafiero, Pat Cullings, Nancy Cullings, Fred Morris, Deb Morris
Liturgical Coordinator: Eleanor Guerin

Sunday, 8:30 am
Presider: Fr. Richard Vosko
Adult Acolyte/Homilist: Betsy Rowe-Manning
Altar Servers: Jake Ruud, Arielle Duvall
Readers: E. Simcoe, K. Chant
Eucharistic Ministers: Fran Dempsey, Rich McDevitt, Bill Dollard, Julie Heslin Pokat, Lisa Ruud, Maryanne Tuite
Liturgical Coordinator: Lynn Dollard
Ministers of Hospitality: Kevin Cole, Jean Talbot
CLW: TBD
Coffee Hour: Nancy Calkins, Molly Johnson
Counters: Tim Farrell, Mary Sheridan, Steve Trimboli

Sunday, 11:00 am
Presider: Fr. Richard Vosko
Adult Acolyte/Homilist: Betsy Rowe-Manning
Altar Servers: Walker Robinson, Gabriel Zullo
Readers: J. Richard-Morrow, R. Bangert-Drowns
Eucharistic Ministers: Rheuben Bowling, Ron Jones, Erin Knoerl, Mary Ann Neimeyer Elizabeth Martinez, Eileen Shirey, Julie Sullivan, Jean Viglucci, Bob Ward, Angela Warner
Liturgical Coordinator: Ed Falterman
Ministers of Hospitality: Ray Pitlyk, Marie Dieffenbach, **2 Needed**
CLW: Meg McCarthy, Beth McCarthy
Veronica Ministry: Bill Dollard
Coffee Hour: Cheri Burke, Katrina Consiglio
Counters: Michelle Herkenham, Janice Kehn, Dick Neimeyer

Sunday, 6:30 pm
Presider/Homilist: Fr. Scott VanDerveer

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

Weekday Communion Services have been cancelled.
Contact Sr. Eleanor Guerin for questions or concerns.

Hospital Visitation: Week of March 20
SPH - Kathleen McCoy / Leslie Phelan
AMCH - Jeanne Qualters / Kathy McCoy

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 P.M. Vigil
Sunday	8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
	6:30 P.M. (no 6:30 on Easter Sunday)
PARISH CENTER	984 Madison Avenue
FOOD PANTRY	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 12:30-2:30 PM~ (518) 694-3153
PRESCHOOL	(518) 482-5346 www.stvincentspreschool.com

OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday, 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
For emergencies outside of office hours, call (518) 253-5503.

EMAIL secretary@stvincentalbany.org

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PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR:

- **Pastoral Care** - Visits to homebound parishioners, hospital patients or nursing home residents.
- **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults -** Membership in the Roman Catholic Church.
- **Infant Baptism** - Celebrated monthly (except during Lent)
- **Reconciliation** - By appointment or 4:45PM Saturdays
- **Matrimony** - At least 6 months prior to your hoped for date.
- **Bereavement Ministry -** is available through the parish office. Please call and ask for Sr. Eleanor Guerin.

Gluten Free Hosts & Personal P.A. Receivers are available.

~ 11:00 AM Mass is signed for the hearing impaired. ~

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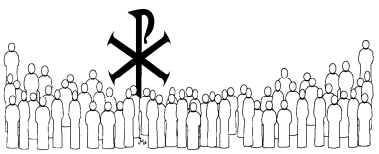

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