

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, March 24, Blessed Oscar Romero

8.30AM No Mass

4.00PM Wait Hankins by Kathleen & Ben Johnson

Sunday, March 25, Palm Sunday

9.00AM Elaine Blaut by Blaut Family

11.15AM Least Prayed for Person in Purgatory by Elaine & Mike Foote

Monday, March 26

8.30AM Joseph & Maria Meyer by Anna & Ron Meyer

Tuesday, March 27

8.30AM Andrew Valenti by Rae Ann Valenti

Wednesday, March 28

8.30AM Charles & Marie Meyer by Anna & Ron Meyer

Thursday, March 29, Holy Thursday

7.00PM Margaret Smith by Louis & Doreen Zicoello

Friday, March 30, Good Friday

3.00PM For our Parish

Saturday, March 31

8.30AM No Mass

8.00PM Michael Stierheim by Albert & Eleanor Stierheim

Sunday, April 1, Easter Sunday

9.00AM Fr. Jerome Pavlik, OFM by Anna & Ron Meyer

11.15AM Elaine Blaut by Blaut Family

Dear Brothers and Sisters...

As you are all aware, this year the Easter Sunday will be on April 1st. This year the celebration of Easter is going to be very special for our Parish because two of our Parishioners; Amanda Scully, Susan Goller and Neil Stasilli, who have been coming to our Church for the past few years have expressed their desire to come to the church fully by receiving the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Communion and Confirmation). We will be administering these sacraments to them in the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, March 31st at 8.00 PM. Let us show our appreciation and gratitude by participating in the Ester Vigil Mass and pray for them. We too will have small party in our Parish Center after the Vigil Mass. Please come with your family and receive the blessings of Risen Christ.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please Pray for Don Tedesco, Marilyn Pizzonia, Michael Dean, Kyle Graham, Michele Griesbaum, Lisa Donohue, James Valenti, , Kathleen Quinn, Vincent Russo, Aliya Rachlin, Tara Byrne, Anthony Giordano, Bob Einterz, Andrea Fedoruk, Nicky Castagna, Jane Schneider, Michael and Matthew Mclean, and Samantha. For Our Military Personnel: Michael Donnelly, Vaughn Schlott, Ana Lucia Teran-Stasilli, Arianar Severf, Larry Weiss, Martin Kamen, Gale Kaufman, Peggy Connolly, Mary Ann, Kimberly Chatfield, Isabella Marchese, Ira Glickler, Rose Infantino, Cathy Gerrard, Lorraine Wells and Linda Bozza

NOTIFY US OF CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

PALM SUNDAY

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Isaiah describes the pain and insults of the Servant of God. Yet he sounds hopeful when describing God as his help, knowing he will not be disgraced.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Paul exults Christ's great sacrifice of humbling himself to become human and die on the cross. He explains that this is why we should now realize the importance of honoring both his name and memory.

Gospel: Mark 14:1—15:47

Mark describes the events leading up to Christ's crucifixion. The Last Supper is described, explaining where the Eucharist began. Judas betrays Jesus and his suffering at the hands of the Sanhedrin (Council) is detailed.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection \$ 1472.00

Fuel Collection \$ 437.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity

Easter Flower Offering

Easter Flower Envelopes are kept at the back of the Church. Donations can be given in memory and/or in honor of your loved ones and your intentions will be remembered during each mass throughout the Easter Season. As always, we thank you for your generosity.

THE THREE MOST SACRED DAYS

The Easter Triduum is the most ancient and central celebration of the Church's liturgical year. The Church no longer considers these days as part of Lent but instead has made them into a special liturgical season all its own. The three days recall Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples (Holy Thursday), his crucifixion and death (Good Friday) and his resurrection (Easter Vigil and Easter Day). Then for the fifty days of the Easter season we bask in the joy of Christ's resurrection and the promise that the relationship with God begun on earth cannot be stopped by death but will be transformed into new life with God forever.

During these three days, we immerse ourselves at home and at church in the most sacred memory of our relationship with God. The paschal mystery of Christ's [passion, death and resurrection is the heart of what God wants to tell us about God's own self and about ourselves in relation to God. As we remember Jesus' passion, death and resurrection, we come face to face with the mystery of our own dying and rising.

HOLY THURSDAY

On Holy Thursday the church celebrates Jesus' final meal with his disciples and the institution of the Eucharist. The regular Eucharistic ritual is enhanced by the rite of footwashing, recalling how Jesus washed his disciples' feet (Jn13:1-20). After the liturgy, the consecrated bread is transferred to a side altar and kept in a tabernacle for adoration. Then the altar is stripped.

GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday is the only day of the year on which Mass is not said. The altar is bare, and the liturgy consists of proclaiming the passion story from John's Gospel, intercessions, veneration of the cross and a communion service with bread consecrated on Holy Thursday. Some parishes might also have a meditation on the way of the Cross (Stations of the Cross) or meditations on the seven last words of Christ.

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

The Easter Vigil echoes the early Christian ritual that lasted through the night to celebrate the Eucharist at dawn. Only the Eucharist itself is older than the Easter Vigil liturgy. This service re-enacts the passage from death into life. On this night, we celebrate our deliverance by Christ our Passover and look forward to the day when we shall see him face to face. Its four parts are: the lighting of the Easter candle, the scripture readings recounting the story of our salvation, the initiation of the new converts (or the renewal of our baptismal commitments if there are no baptisms) culmination in the celebration of the Eucharist.

**I invite all to participate in the Easter Triduum with family
God bless you!**

Fr. Joselin Berkman

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday: 4.00 PM (Procession will begin from Parish Center)

Sunday: 9.00 AM & 11.15 AM

HOLY THURSDAY: 7.00 PM (Washing of the feet)

GOOD FRIDAY: Good Friday Service will begin at 3.00 PM & Stations of the Cross at 7.00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY

Saturday: Vigil Mass at 8.00 PM

Sunday: 9.00 AM & 11.15 AM

GUIDELINES TO MAKE A GOOD CONFESSION

My dear Brothers and Sisters,

As you are aware, we have our Reconciliation Monday on March 26th from 3 PM to 9 PM. Here are some guidelines to make good Confession before Easter.

Examine your conscience using the Ten Commandments first. Examine your conscience to check whether you succumbed to one of the **Seven Deadly Sins: Lust, Gluttony, Greed, Sloth, Wrath, Envy and Pride.**

Examine your conscience with the **Precepts of the Church. Attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, Observing the days of fast and abstinence, Making a good confession once a year, Receive the Eucharist once a year during Easter, To maintain the stewardship of your Church.**

Examine your conscience with **Corporal Works of Mercy: Feeding the hungry, Give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, comfort the prisoners, visit the sick and bury the dead.** Examine your conscience with **Spiritual Works of Mercy: Teach the ignorant, Pray for the living and dead, Correct sinners, Counsel those in doubt, Console the sorrowful, bear wrongs patiently and Forgive wrongs willingly.**

LUNCHEON GATHERING at ROCKLAND HOUSE

Join us for Sullivan County Catholic Church's Luncheon Gathering on April 8th, Sunday at 2.00 PM at the Rockland House (159 Rockland Rd, Roscoe, NY). The cost for the event is \$30.00 per person. Menu includes choice of: Their Famous King Cut Prime Rib or Chicken Marsala or Salmon. Beer and Soda included Cash Bar from Hard Liquor. Please make a check payable to St. Anthony's church and give it to the Rector.

FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry is always in need of food stuffs and/or monetary donations! Please be generous. Thank you for your increased giving to the food pantry.
