



CANE CATHOLIC COURIER

The Parishes of St. James, St. Philip, & Our Lady of Peace

Palm Sunday

OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Christ became obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.
Philippians 2:8-9

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Today we prepare to commemorate the death and resurrection of Jesus. Isaiah reminds us of the suffering that Jesus will endure. He says Jesus will not be disgraced or put to shame, but we know that there will be humiliation at the hands of others. The psalm recalls the fear and sorrow as we repeat over and over Jesus' words of anguish and abandonment. Philippians describes Jesus' humility and the exaltation that will follow. But it is Mark who takes us through the last days of Jesus' life, the ordinary and the extraordinary. He describes the meal shared with the one who will betray him; his anguished prayers with friends who cannot stay awake and will later deny him; his treatment at the hands of priests, elders, soldiers; and finally his death and the recognition that truly Jesus is the Son of God

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The Prayer of Being Present

There are some cultures that make a big deal of Holy Week. In Latin America, for example, there are towns where the entire community is engaged in Holy Week. There are public processions with statues of our Lord and our Lady. They have a live-action Way of the Cross with many members of the town playing a part. Stores are closed. School is out for the week.

As we begin Holy Week, will this just be another week for you? Why not a change of pace? For those who can, why not come to one of the Triduum services in the cluster? Why not make a Way of the Cross on Good Friday? If you can't come to church, you can pray the Way of the Cross at home.

We celebrate Holy Week in a special way to remind ourselves of the love of the Lord. It's easy to take His love for granted, to see God as a vending machine. How often we pray, "Gimme, gimme, gimme!" The prayers of Holy Week are what I call the prayer of being present.

When you fall in love with someone, you let that person know your needs from time to time. That's important. But what would your relationship look like if the only conversation with that person was to express your needs? "I need this. I need that. Gimme, gimme, gimme!" There's one word for that kind of relationship: dysfunctional.

We ask God for different things in life. That's fine. However, if our relationship with God is made up only of "gimme prayers", there probably isn't much of a relationship to speak of. By taking time out of your Holy Week to be with the Lord, you are saying by your actions, "My relationship with the Lord matters. Just like a person spends time with the one he loves, sometimes just sitting with that person, I am going to spend time with you, Lord."

A parishioner told me recently, "I don't feel the Lord's love." During the first Holy Week 2,000 years ago, I can't think of many moments where the feeling of love was strong. The apostles felt discomfort (washing of the feet), fear (Jesus' arrest), and utter dismay (crucifixion). However, we do see some of Jesus' disciples practicing the action of love – being present to Him – during His Passion. Let's follow the example of the women of Jerusalem, our Mother Mary, and the Apostle John who did not abandon Jesus. Let's practice the prayer of being present this Holy Week.

Peace,
Fr. Matthew

THE HOLY MASS -WEEKDAYS

MON	8am	Our Lady Of Peace
TUE	8am	St. Philip
WED	8am	Our Lady of Peace
THU	8am	Our Lady of Peace, 6pm St. Philip
FRI	8am	St. James

THE HOLY MASS -WEEKENDS

SAT	4pm	OLOP
	6pm	St. Philip
SUN	8am	St. James
	10am	OLOP

Sacrament of RECONCILIATION

SUN	7:15-7:45am	St. James
SAT	3:00 – 3:45pm	OLOP
SAT	5:30 - 5:50pm	St. Philip

If you need to go to Confession outside one of these times, please call the office

Sacrament of Baptism - Call Office to schedule

Sacrament of Marriage - call the parish at least six months in advance before setting date or making preparations

Baptismal Seminar - 2nd Thursday of the month at St. Philip rectory immediately following Mass (6:30pm) *Call the office to register at least one day prior to the class. Or you can register on the website - www.canecatholics.com*

PRAYER LINE

St. James

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Cecile Hymel 225.265.7705

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TRAVELING CHALICE: Mar 24 - Nathan & Andrea Folse
Mar 30 - Clothilde & Gerard Hymel

Flowers and Sanctuary Candles

Our Lady of Peace:

Sanctuary Candle - Mary's Cajun Country Pilgrims by Nancy Haas
Adoration Chapel - In memory of Shawn & Cheryl Cortez by Bessie Rouge & Family

St. Philip:

Sanctuary Candle - In memory of Burchman "Burk" Hymel by Cecile Hymel

St. James:

Sanctuary - In memory of Lawrence Matherne by Family

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Prayer Groups/Bible Study

Bible Study @ OLOP - **9:15am** -, April 2, 2018

Under the Mantle of Our Lady Women's Prayer Group - 7:30am in Holy Cross Hall
at OLOP - April 7, 2018

Men's Prayer Group OLOP- 7:00am on Saturday, April 28, 2018
Charismatic Prayer Meeting - Tuesdays at 7pm at OLOP

Rosaries, Adoration and Novenas

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is prayed after the 8am Mass at St. Philip
on Tuesdays

The Scripture Rosary for Peace is prayed at St. Philip at 5:10pm on Thursdays.

Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament follow the
6:00pm Mass at St. Philip on First Thursdays.

Recitation of Rosary at 7:30am at St. James on Fridays

Recitation of Rosary for Priests at 8:30am at St. James on Saturdays.

Choir Practices

St. Philip Choir - 4:00 on Tuesdays

Spirit of Praise - OLOP - 6:00pm on Tuesdays

Gospel Choir - OLOP - 6:00pm - Thursdays

Gospel Choir - St. James - 6:30pm - Thursdays

Please Note:

**Offices will be closed on Monday, March 19, Friday, March 30 and
Monday, April 2. We are closed every Thursday morning from 9:00 - 10:30
for Staff Meeting.**

NO morning Masses on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday of Holy Week.

Good Children will meet on April 8 since April 1 is Easter.

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School - June 18-22 at OLOP.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: *St. Joseph* 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;

Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: *St. Turibius of Mogrovejo* Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; (procession)

Is 50:4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 - 15:47 [15:1-39]

FAITH FORMATION

Attention St. James & St. Philip Faith Formation Parents:

Registration is now open for the
2018-19 school year. Forms were
sent home sent home with your
children next week (March 18-20)

First Eucharist will be celebrated
at Our Lady of Peace on April 8
St. Philip on April 14
St. James on April 22.

The Parent Meeting will be on
April 7 at St. James for St. James
and St. Philip parents.

RCIA

at Our Lady of Peace on
Sundays at 6:30pm

BAPTISMS

Baptisms will be held at Our Lady of
Peace on April 1 at 10am Mass.
Call the office to schedule.

Baptisms all be held at St. Philip and
St. James at the 8:00am Masses on
April 1.

Please call the office to schedule.

Next Baptismal Seminar will be on
April 12 at St. Philip at 6:30pm.

Please register at

www.canecatholics.com and call your
parish office to set up the actual
baptism

Anointing of the Sick

The third and final opportunity will be at St. Philip on March 27 at 9:00am.

Donations to Metanoia House

If you did not go to the Lenten Mission last Tuesday but would like to contribute to the Metanoia House, it is not too late. Put your donation in an envelope marked Metanoia House and put it in the collection at church or mail it to the the church office.

Funerals and Holy Week

There can be no funerals during the Sacred Triduum - Thursday, March 29, Friday, March 30 and Saturday, March 31. The first opportunity for a funeral will be Monday, April 2.

Good Friday Church Walk with Fr. Brad

Hey guys, I'll be leading a group for the 9 Church walk in NOLA on Good Friday. 7 miles. 9 churches. Stations & a rosary. Leaving from St. Stephens Church on Napoleon at 7:15am. Done at around noon at Cathedral. Uber back to cars.

Memorial Candles

Candle Memorials are still available at St. Philip and St. James. If you would like to have the sanctuary candle burn in memory of your loved one this year, please call the parish office at St. Philip or St. James to schedule. The cost is \$10.00

St. Vincent de Paul Prescriptions

The prescription container is at the entrance of the church for your donations to the St. Vincent de Paul

Pharmacy. Donations containers will be picked up after the weekday Masses on Monday and Tuesday.

Adoration Chapel

Adoration Chapel will close at 4pm on Holy Thursday and remained closed until after the Easter Vigil on Saturday.

Reminder About Good Friday

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. You are to consume only one full meal. Food and drink between meals, (except for taking medicine) is not permitted. Please remember that this is a solemn day in which we remember the Lord's passion. It is not a day for celebrating with day long fish fries or crawfish boils.

KPC Ladies Auxiliaries

are asked to dress out in full regalia for Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday (or on Saturday at St. Philip).

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Divine Mercy Novena will begin at St. Philip immediately following the 3:00pm Good Friday Service. It will conclude on Sunday, April 8 at 3:00pm at Our Lady of Peace church with a special Divine Mercy program and confessions.

Collection To Aid Retired Priests

A special collection for the retired priests of our diocese will be taken up on Easter weekend. Unlike priests who belong to religious orders and whose retirement needs are completely taken care of by their religious communities, a retired diocesan priest, for the most part, must support himself in retirement. Please give generously to this special collection for the retired priests of our diocese.

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Holy Thursday -
7:00pm at St James

Good Friday -
12 Noon - Mary's Way of the Cross - St. Philip
Stations of the Cross - Our Lady of Peace
3:00pm at St. Philip

Easter Vigil -
8:00pm at Our Lady of Peace

Easter Sunday -
6:00am at Our Lady of Peace
8:00 am at St. James
& St. Philip
10:00am - Our Lady of Peace

Greetings from Father Sanjay

When I came back to India, I was named Rector of the Seminary. After that my blood sugar and blood pressure shot up and as a result I had a drop in my eyesight to the point where I can hardly see, my vision is blurred and I cannot read anymore. Thanks for your prayers. The New Year 2018 I celebrated in the hospital. I had a viral infection of lungs and chest. Now I am ok. God is great!

I miss you all and think of you and pray for you.

Love,
Fr Sanjay/MS

You can write to Fr. Sanjay at
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Please visit our website: www.canecatholics.com for more information on programs, schedules and calendar.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Donald, Sr. & Genevieve Abadie
 Norman Allen
 Roland & Nell Amedee
 Viola & Joseph Bartholomew & Fly.
 Betty Becnel
 Bluebeck, Irene & Jamin Becnel
 Bryon Becnel
 Christopher David Becnel
 Daniel Becnel
 Dano & Diane R. Becnel
 J. G. & Marietta Becnel
 Joseph Lloyd Becnel
 Joseph Marcel Becnel
 Maurice Sr. & Daisy K. Becnel
 Mr. & Mrs. Jules E. Becnel
 Olga Becnel
 Roland & Honorine Becnel
 Stephan Borne
 Emilca & Hazel Bourgeois
 Francois & Lucille Brazan & Fly.
 Gaspard & Ronnie Brazan
 Denis, Eve & Denis Jr. Chenier
 Frederic Clarke
 Linda Stein Clark
 Edward, Anna & Eddie Clement
 Joseph "Lal" and Frances Constant
 Leslie Cortez
 Lester, Lois & Neil Cortez
 Terry & Bertha Cortez
 Donald Delatte, Jr.
 John, Jr., Rene' & Hilda Donald
 Bernard, Esther & Karen Dumas
 Edwin Joseph Dumas
 Janet Becnel Folse
 Reid & Jeanne Folse
 Chance & Doris Frazier
 David Mark Granier
 Andrew Gravois
 Edwin "Menew" Gravois
 Eloise B. Gravois
 Jessica Rodrigue Busscher
 Honora Gravois
 Lynn & Lizzie Gravois & Fly.
 Joseph N. Gros, Jr.
 Joseph Sr. & Olympe Gros
 Raymond L. Gros, Sr.
 George Grow, Jr.
 Gillis & Mabel Guillot
 Kelsey Hymel

Lynn & Gayle Hymel
 John & Laura Isom and Family
 Willie & Josephine Isom
 Eva D. and Joseph I. James
 Warren A. Jeffery
 Byron J. & Morris Keller, Jr.
 Johnny J. & Jarran Keller
 Morris & Catherine Keller
 Ora Lee L. Keller
 Francile Baker Labat
 Cecilia W. Loup
 Philip & Inez Marse
 Thomas & Thelma Marse
 Joseph, Gladys & Ernest Narcisse
 Clamce & Alvin Oubre
 Eddie & Therese Oubre Fly.
 Eugenia Steib Oubre
 Freddie P. Oubre, Sr. family
 Hurby J. Oubre
 Joseph Sr. & Hilda Oubre family
 Herman Reulet
 Joyce Reulet
 Lloyd Reulet family
 Alwin Rodrigue
 August & Alice Rodrigue
 Chester & Joyce W. Rodrigue
 Manuel Rodrigue
 Todd Rodrigue
 Elodie Rome
 O'Neil and Mary D. Rome
 Roger & Eugene Rome
 V. J. Rome
 Jerry Rougee
 Lucien & Edna Rouge
 Raymond Rouges
 Elmond J. Saul Family
 Fernand & Lorne Schexnayder, Jr.
 Mr. & Mrs. Guy Schexnayder
 Willie Mae Smith
 Alvin Joseph "Specky" Steib
 Andre & Iona Steib
 Benoit & Alice Steib & Rashaud
 Charles Steib
 Flo, Regina, Mark, Donavon Steib
 Paul & Alice I. Steib
 Rosemond & Vivian Steib
 Sylvester & Vivian J. Steib
 Bernice T. Stein
 Leonard J. Stein
 Oscar Zeno, Sr. & Larry

KPC 135 Fundraiser

Knights of Peter Claver Council 135 will be selling tickets for the Good Friday Fish Fry after masses on Sunday, March 11 and Sunday, March 18, 2018. Tickets are \$8.00. Thank you for your support.

Knights of Columbus 1514 Dinner

Don't forget to pick up your dinners today. (Sunday) at the KC Home until 12:30pm
 The CDA will have their annual Sweet Shop fundraiser today. Please visit them to see all the goodies they have.

In Memoriam

Henry Pierre

funeral and burial at St. James on
 March 17, 2018

Mildred Chiquet

buried at St. James on
 February 28, 2018

E. J. Rose

funeral and burial at Our Lady of
 Peace on March 17, 2018

Adorers needed for the following hours:

SUN 3-4 am, 12 NOON - 1pm, 5-6pm

MON 3-4 pm, 4-5 pm

WED 1-2 am, 3-4 am, 1-2 pm, 5-6 pm

THURS 1-2 AM, 2-3 am,

FRI 1-2 am, 10-11pm, 12mid - 1 am

SAT. 2-3 am, 3-4 am, 5-6 am 4-5 pm, (2),
 5-6 pm, 9-10 pm, 10-11 pm

Please call Rose Brazan at 504-621-4092
 (cell) 265-3196 (house) to take one of
 these or any other hours.

Upcoming Collections

We have to Second Collections during Holy Week

Good Friday Collection - The Pope has requested that we support the collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday. The funds from this collection are used to maintain the Christian shrines and caring for the refugees of the Holy Land.

Two Second Collections on Easter Sunday:

Collection for Retired Diocesan Priests

Please give generously to this collection as it stays in our diocese to help the retired priests of our own diocese.

Building and Maintenance collections will be taken up at the Masses on Easter Sunday.

Rice Bowls - can be placed in the basket near the main entrance of the church.