Saint Columba Parish

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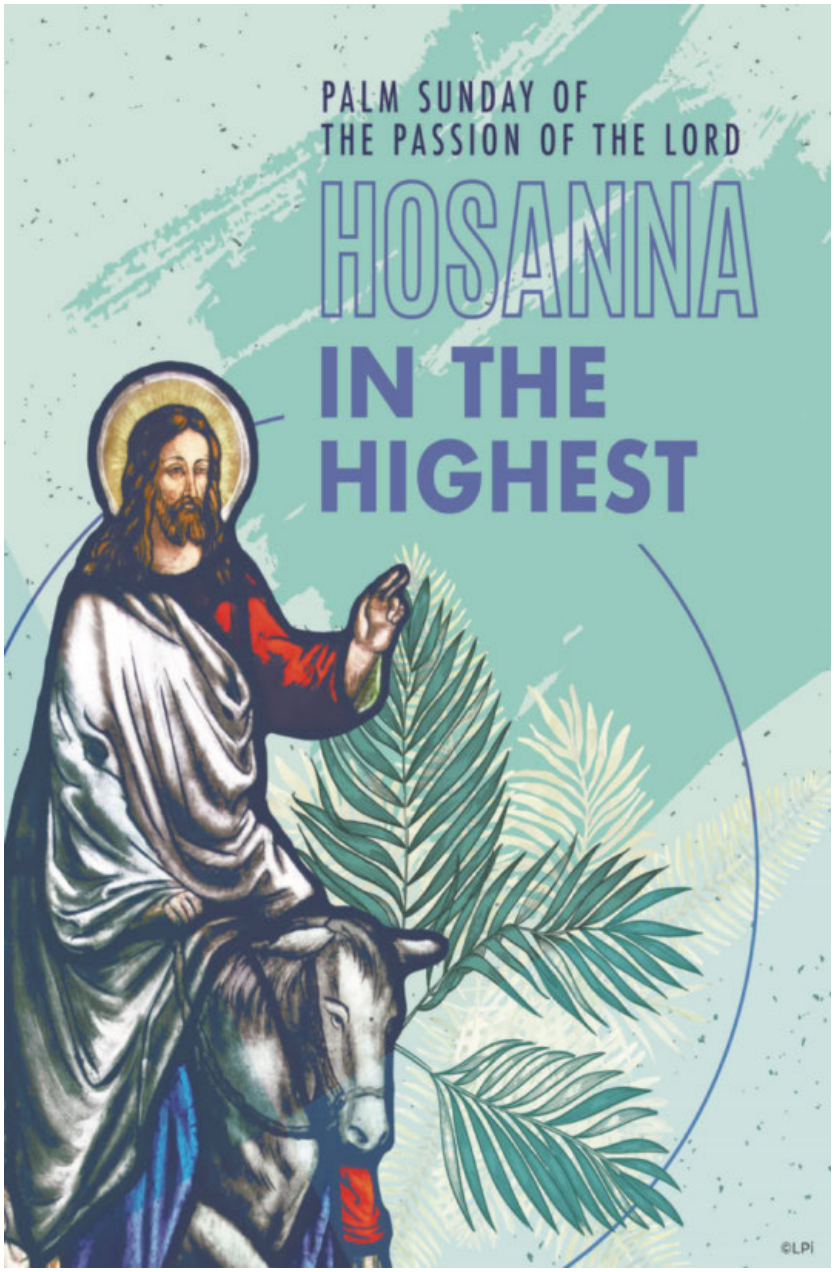

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SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday Vigil 4:30PM,
Sunday Morning 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES
8:00AM (Monday—Thursday)

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY
Please call the office when you become engaged.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Confessions are heard on Saturday at 3:45PM
Any other time is by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Please call the office for instructions and a Baptismal date.

BULLETIN DEADLINE
Friday 12:00 PM

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS
Please call or visit the rectory to register.
We hope you become an active part of our
Parish Community.

Worship Schedule

SATURDAY-APRIL 1ST
9:00a.m.-Rosary
4:30p.m.-Mass In Memory of Cathy Mattson Requested by Jay O'Day

SUNDAY-APRIL 2ND
8:00a.m.-Mass In Memory of Garry Power Requested by the Riley Family
10:00a.m.-Mass In Memory of Stephen Clinton 2nd Anniversary Requested by the Family
5:00p.m.-Mass Anna Maria College

MONDAY-APRIL 3RD
8:00a.m.-Mass In Memory of Mary Daigneault & Walter Horan Requested by the Family
12:00p.m.-Mass Anna Maria College

TUESDAY-APRIL 4TH
8:00a.m.-Mass
12:00p.m.-Mass Anna Maria College

WEDNESDAY APRIL 5TH
7:45a.m.-Stations of the Cross
8:00a.m.-Mass In Memory of Harold "Buzzy" Mullaney Requested by the Family
12:00p.m.-Mass Anna Maria College

THURSDAY-APRIL 6TH **HOLY THURSDAY**
7:00p.m.-Mass In Memory of Paula Timinsky Requested by the Family
Following the Mass there will be Adoration. The Church will remain open until 9p.m.

FRIDAY-APRIL 7TH **GOOD FRIDAY**
8:00a.m.-No Mass
3:00p.m.-Stations of the Cross
7:00p.m.-Good Friday Service

SATURDAY-APRIL 8TH **EASTER VIGIL**
9:00a.m. -Rosary
7:30p.m. -Mass

SUNDAY-APRIL 9Th **EASTER, THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**
8:00a.m. -Mass
10:00a.m.-Mass
5:00p.m.-No Mass Anna Maria College

"Hosanna to the Son of David;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
hosanna in the highest."
And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee." - Mt 21:9-11
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First Reading
I gave my back to those who beat me,
my cheeks to those who plucked my beard;
my face I did not shield
from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:6)

Psalm
My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?
(Ps 22)

Second Reading
He humbled himself,
becoming obedient to the point of death,
Even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him. (Phil2:8-9)

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Delay or School Cancellation

When there is delay or no school in the Wachusett District, there will be no morning Mass. The announcement can be heard on WTAG or found on the Wachusett School website.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK AND IN A SPECIAL WAY FOR:

Muriel Walsh, Dan Daignault, Eric Henault, Mellissa Angiolillo, Gayla Bergman, Aline Riedle, Doris Metilly, Michelle Reidy, Jacob Rivera, Blake George Murawski, Patrick Remington, Robert Mertig, Rosemary Foley, Elena & Paul Coffey, Paul Girouard, Ginny Bean, Emily Ellen Calamari, Ramona Brodeur, Mike Vienneau, Zoey Murray

To add or remove a name, please call or email the rectory.

Our faith community recently welcomed Josephine Hazel Cournoyer into Christ's life and the Catholic Church through Baptism. Congratulations to Josephine and her family.

Guidelines for Fasting and Abstinence

Abstinence from Eating Meat-
All Catholics, 14 years or older, must abstain from meat (beast or fowl) on all the Fridays of Lent and on Ash Wednesday. This does not prohibit the use of laticineria (viz. eggs or milk products) nor condments, even if they are made from animal fat.

Fasting-
Fasting is required for Catholics who are more than 18 years of age, but have not yet observed their 59th birthday. Those who are subject to the obligation to fast may take only one full meal. While two smaller meals (or collations) are allowed to maintain strength and according to particular circumstances, these two collations should not equal one full meal. On fast days, eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the only two fast days required; though fasting is encouraged throughout Lent.

Baptism, Marriage, Pastoral Care of the Sick -
Please call Father Cotter at the rectory or email him at dcotter01@gmail.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	Gr. 1 & 2	8:50-9:50a.m.	4/2/2023
Sunday	Gr. 9 & 10	11:00-12:00p.m.	4/2/2023
Monday	Gr. 3 & 4	3:00-4:15p.m.	4/3/2023
Monday	Gr. 7 & 8	7:00-8:00p.m.	4/3/2023
Tuesday	Gr. 5 & 6	3:00-4:15p.m.	4/4/2023

Partners In Charity Appeal 2023

Thank you to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2023 Partners in Charity Appeal and a special thank you to those who gave for the first time. We have received 50 gifts for a total of $28,680. St. Columba is about 72% toward their goal of $39,900. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope located at the entrances to the Church Or visit www.partners-charity.net to do it online. Partners in Charity, formerly known as the Bishop's Fund, is the Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Worcester, serving 26 charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries. Through your generous support we are able to serve thousands of families and individuals in Worcester County through outreach, formation, evangelization and worship. Thank you!

Hope for Housing Cards

Cards to benefit the Hope for Housing Program sponsored by the Interfaith Coalition to Prevent Family Homelessness will be available this weekend, April 1-2 after all the Masses at the front entrance to the Church. Your continued support of this program is appreciated.

Weekly Offertory Collection

Our parish budget requires $4,000 weekly to meet our expenses. On the weekend of March 25-26 we received $3022. Thank you for your continued and generous support of our parish.

If you wish to make a weekly direct deposit to the parish, please refer to the instructions on the parish website listed under the *"DONATE"* tab at www.stcolumbapax.org.

4/02/2023

PALM SUNDAY

MODERN DAY SIMON OF CYRENE

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. As we walk with Jesus this week, we remember the countless women, children and men who carry heavy crosses even today: crosses of hunger, of vulnerability to climate change, or of a lack of resources. How—like Simon of Cyrene—can you help to carry the crosses of our sisters and brothers in your local community and around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org/holy-week to learn more. Also please return your crs rice bowl at Easter and place it in the alcove where the Lenten table is. Thank you.

Haitian Sewing Ministry

The Haitian Sewing Ministry is meeting on Wednesday mornings in the church hall from 9am until noon. They welcome new volunteers all year long. Volunteer tasks include sewing, cutting fabrics, pressing fabrics and assembling kits for those who wish to sew at home. Please feel free to drop in and join them, or drop in to pick up kits any time on Wednesday mornings until noon. **There are many kits all set for pick up**. For more information, please contact Marianne Girouard at 508-798-8330 or at M.C.Girouard71@gmail.com.

Outreach Ministry

If you know of someone in the parish who would benefit from Home Communion visits, please contact the rectory by telephone at 508-755-0408 or by email at stcolumba@charter.net

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00p.m.

After the Mass people are encouraged to stay for a period of quiet adoration. The Church will remain open until 9:00p.m.

APRIL 7, 2023

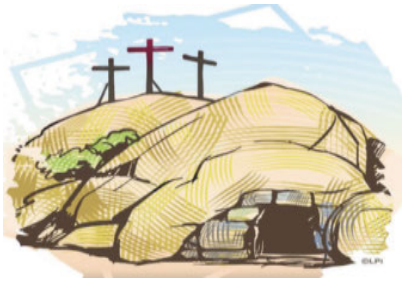
Stations of the Cross: 3:00p.m.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 7:00p.m.

EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 8, 2023

Mass: 7:30p.m.

EASTER, THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, APRIL 9, 2023



Mass: 8:00a.m. and 10:00a.m.

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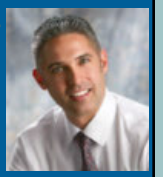
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