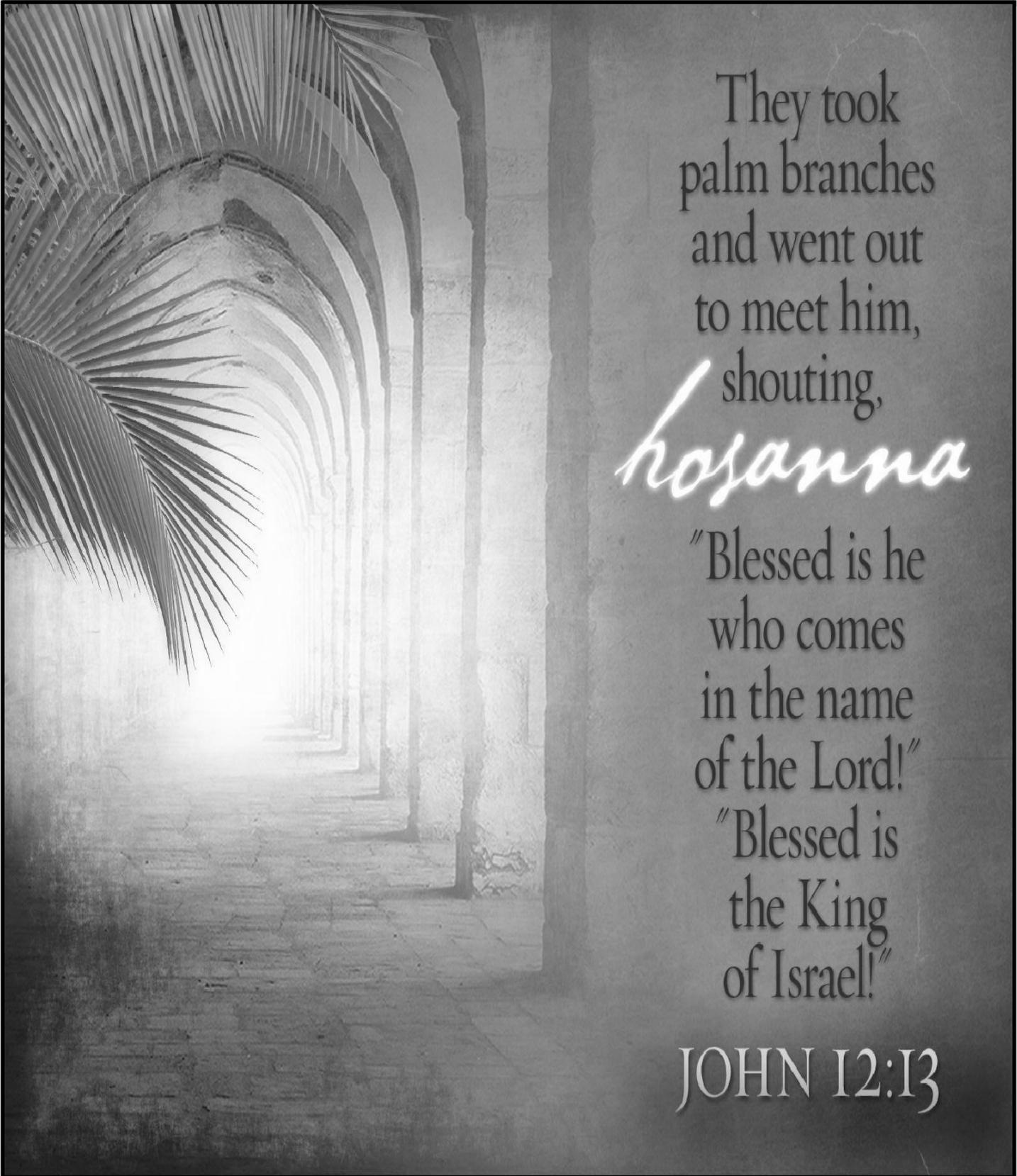


*St. Peter the Apostle University & Community Parish*  
*The Catholic Center at Rutgers University*

Celebrating a Marian Year 2018-2019



They took  
palm branches  
and went out  
to meet him,  
shouting,  
*hosanna*

"Blessed is he  
who comes  
in the name  
of the Lord!"

"Blessed is  
the King  
of Israel!"

JOHN 12:13

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, 15 April — Holy Week

7:30 a.m. Special Intention of Evan Mano  
12:15 p.m. Mary V. O'Shea

### Tuesday, 16 April — Holy Week

7:30 a.m. Special Intention of Samantha  
12:15 p.m. William O'Shea  
7:30 p.m. Reconciliation (CH)

### Wednesday, 17 April — Spy Wednesday

7:30 a.m. Special Intention of Leticia Roman  
12:15 p.m. Mary M. O'Shea  
7:30 p.m. Tenebrae (CH)

### Thursday, 18 April — Holy Thursday

9:00 a.m. Lauds/Morning Prayer (CH)  
7:30 p.m. For the People (CH)  
11:30 p.m. Compline/Night Prayer (CH)

### Friday, 19 April — Good Friday

9:00 a.m. Lauds/Morning Prayer (CH)  
3:00 p.m. Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ (CH)  
7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (CH)

### Saturday, 20 April — Great Silence/Vigil of Easter

9:00 a.m. Lauds/Morning Prayer (CH)  
12:00 p.m. Easter Food Blessing (PH)  
8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil, For the People (CH)

### Sunday, 21 April — Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Lucille De Lise  
11:00 a.m. Yolanda Egan

### *In your charity, please remember to pray for...*

Kevin Hoagland, Thomas Spataro, Connor Montferrat, Theresa Birdsey, Ginnie Previte, Jonathan Swedel, John William Criscuoli, Danielle Reiser, Esther Wambui, Norman Corbett, Florence Gowin, Margaret Cleary, Teresa Yannazzone, Bill Spataro, Nicholas Rossi, Chris Joyce, Gary Vavila, Patricia & Sylvanus Ashamole, Louis Svelec, Joseph D'Imperio III, the sick members of the Akushie and Nwachukwu Families, Doris Tarquinio, Peg Byrne, Rick Scuderi, Linda Ryan, Rita Pietrobono, Nicole Mancini, Angelo Mancini, Becky Yurga, Rebecca Miller, Orlando Gines, Yvonne Finaldi, Sheila Lavery, Tanya Davis, Sgt. John McLaughlin, Patricia Deri, Alessia DePasquale, Brian Donoghue, Christine Fellin, Jose Lopez, Joseph Gerity, Mary Cignarella, Lorraine Fellin, Russell C. Hall, Russell J. Hall, Angelo Rossi, Mary Ann Hrapsky, William Kish, Maria Kratzar, Theresita DeGuzman, Bette Smith, Mary Spicer, Tom and Kathleen Monchek, Anna Graziosi, Shirley Murphy, Joey Mahoney, Evelyn Echevarria, Patricia Krakowski, Carmella LaVera, Joseph Gutsick, Marlene Salimbene, Barbara Wittreich, Frederick DeLong, Anne Gutsick-Smith, Mario Fusco, W.J.R., Andre Bell

*All the sick, those who are homebound, the hospitalized,  
and all who serve in the military.*

## Stewardship

*A Way of Life*

### 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal *Help Build a Civilization of Love*

We have collected \$37,535.00 thus far which is 75.1% of our \$50,000 goal.

Thank you for your  
generosity!

*Thank  
you* 



### THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

*this week is lit*

*In Thanksgiving for  
Bernadette*

### Holy Week/Easter Parish Office Hours

*Please note the following hours of our  
parish office for the coming week:*

Holy Thursday, 4/18/19 - Closed  
Good Friday, 4/19/19 - Closed  
Easter Monday, 4/22/19 - Closed

*Please note our emergency contact information  
on page six if you are in need of a priest.  
Thank you.*

### Holy Thursday Altar of Repose

18 April 2019



Dear Friends,

At the conclusion of Holy Thursday Mass, there will be a Eucharistic procession from the Church to the Catholic Center Chapel, where you will find the Altar of Repose. You will have the opportunity to spend time in prayer in the presence of Christ until 11:30 p.m. Compline will be prayed in the Church at 11:40 p.m.

Pax,  
Fr. James



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

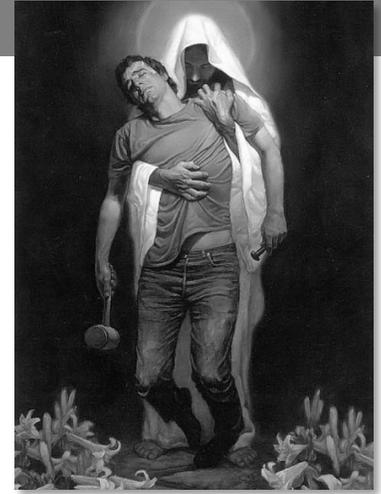
*A Reflection by Msgr. Celano on the Sacrament of Reconciliation*

We've all received "that" email; the one informing us there are millions of euros being held in an account for us. They usually come from a very official-sounding European lawyer or an African prince we had no idea we knew. All we have to do to collect the money is forward the sender our personal financial information and the money will be deposited in our bank account. Most of us know this is a phishing scam and either delete the email or send it to the junk file. Unfortunately, sometimes people fall for it. I recently read the story of a woman who lost over \$400,000 in the con. The scammers told her the money was from her grandfather. They even mentioned her grandfather by name, "This is what made me believe them," she said. "It all sounded so true..."

Sin, of course, is the "con" we have all fallen for; that lie that "sounds so true" which makes us believe we can find our "riches" apart from what we have been created for – communion with the Living God. The truth is there is no bank account waiting for us in Nigeria; the truth is, despite how right it may sound to us, we will not find happiness and our true fulfillment apart from Christ.

Many years ago, I preached a homily in which I admitted I didn't particularly *enjoy* going to confession – even though I celebrate the sacrament with my confessor routinely every 2 to 3 weeks. I talked about how hard it can be to sit before another flawed and sinful human being and humbly acknowledge, without justification or excuse, that I too am flawed and sinful. The following Saturday, someone who had heard that homily entered my confessional. It

had been more than a decade since that person celebrated the sacrament and my words had given that person courage to come back. Sometimes that's all we need – a little courage and a great deal of trust in the Christ's merciful love to come back to Him and be healed.



So why go to confession? At the risk of sounding simplistic, because Christ asks us to. The first fruit of His Death and Resurrection is *reconciliation* – the forgiveness of sin and the restoration of our friendship with God. On the evening of His Resurrection, the Risen Lord entrusts to His Church the authority to forgive sins in His Name. "*Whosoever's sins you forgive shall be forgiven. Whosoever's sins you hold bound shall be held bound...*" (Jn 65:66) So I wonder, why would we deny ourselves something that Christ Himself gave us as a means by which He embraces us in mercy and restores us to grace?

Sometimes it just takes a little courage and a great deal of trust. Please join us for prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday April 16, beginning at 7:30p.m. in the church. There will not be a lengthy service prior to confessions - just the healing presence of Christ in the Eucharist and confessors ready to welcome you to the sacrament of His mercy. Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us.

**CHRISM MASS****MONDAY, 15 APRIL****4:00 PM****ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI  
CATHEDRAL, METUCHEN**

On Monday, 15 April, 2019, Bishop James F. Checchio, will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At this Mass, the Bishop will bless the Holy Oils which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. Saint Ambrose [340-397] began this custom - which we now call the Chrism Mass - in his Cathedral in Milan. These Holy Oils, which are used to sanctify the Faithful, have been channels of holiness for centuries!

- \* The **OIL OF THE CATECHUMENS** is used to anoint the chest of infants and hands of adults before their Baptism.
- \* The **OIL OF THE SICK** is used on the forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.
- \* **SACRED CHRISM** is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of confirmandi, the hands of a priest at his ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination, and the altar and walls of new churches.

At the Mass, all priests make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His People; the bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support.

**All are strongly encouraged to join in the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00 PM.**

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# ***Holy Week/ Sacred Triduum 2019***

ST PETER THE APOSTLE UNIVERSITY & PARISH COMMUNITY

## ***16 April – Reconciliation***

7:30 P.M.

## ***17 April – Tenebrae***

7:30 P.M.

## ***18 April – Holy Thursday***

LAUDS/MORNING PRAYER

9:00 A.M.

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

7:30 P.M.

COMPLINE

11:30 P.M.

## ***19 April – Good Friday***

LAUDS/MORNING PRAYER

9:00 A.M.

PASSION OF THE LORD

3:00 P.M.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:30 P.M.

## ***20 April – Great Saturday***

LAUDS/MORNING PRAYER

9:00 A.M.

BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS

12 NOON

EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT OF EASTER

8:00 P.M.

## ***21 April – The Resurrection of the Lord***

8 A.M. & 11 A.M.

# Triduum



## The Triduum

The events commemorated during Holy Week stands at the very heart of our faith. It is in the death and resurrection of Jesus that Paschal Mystery – the mystery of human salvation - is accomplished, opening for us the hope of heaven through faith, conversion, and the sacraments.

The liturgical climax of Holy Week, of course, is found in the Triduum, a word that means “three days”. These three days are Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday-Easter Sunday (The Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday being considered the same liturgical day). Strictly speaking, these days are not holy days of obligation, save for Easter Sunday. However, we should make every effort to celebrate each day of the Triduum by participating in each of the liturgies. If work or other reasons prevent this, then honor each day by making a little time for prayerful reflection on the Word and perform some act of penance.

“Commemorating” the death and resurrection of Jesus does not mean we are simply remembering a past by re-enacting it. Christ’s death and resurrection are “timeless” in their benefit to the human race. What Christ achieved for us once and for all is given to us today in the sacraments of the Church, and what we possess now in sacrament will come to its’ completion in heaven. It is important to remember this as we celebrate the Triduum.

### Holy Thursday

Today we remember two sacraments instituted by Christ at the Last Supper; sacraments that are intrinsically joined together – the Eucharist and Holy Orders. It is Christ, made truly and substantially present on the altar through his priest, who gives himself to us for our salvation and life. We remember the call to selfless service that is reflected in the washing of the feet, which itself is an image of the passion, and receive the holy oils, blessed by the bishop at the Chrism Mass, that will be used for the administration of the sacraments in our parish. The Blessed Sacrament is transferred from the tabernacle at the conclusion of the liturgy and will be reposed in the Catholic Center Chapel until Holy Saturday night. The chapel will remain open until 11PM for prayer on Thursday night.

### Good Friday

Good Friday is like no other day in the Church. No Mass may be said. The day has a feeling of “starkness” and “emptiness” as we contemplate the mystery of the cross. The Liturgy of the Passion is celebrated at 3PM, the traditional hour of the Lord’s death and is celebrated in 3 parts: The Liturgy of the Word, the Veneration of the Cross, and the Rite of Holy Communion Apart from Mass. This is a day of fast and abstinence. All unnecessary work should be set aside. Consider the gift of love reflected in the cross, and whose life it is being poured out to shatter sin and death and open the way to heaven for you.

### Holy Saturday-Easter Sunday

The Fathers of the Church referred to Holy Saturday as the “harrowing of hell”, a term used to describe Christ’s descent into hell to claim victory over Satan and his works and to lead the just to heaven. It is a good image to think about as we proclaim the resurrection of Christ and the hope of our rising with Him from the grave. The Easter Vigil always begins after sunset. This Mass is sometimes referred to as the Mother of All Liturgies and is the chief celebration of the entire year. It begins with the lighting of the new fire and the preparation of the paschal candle, which is the image of the Risen Christ. We listen as 9 readings tell the story of salvation history, from creation to the Lord’s resurrection. We lead men and women to participation in the new life of grace through the sacraments of initiation and celebrate the Eucharist in which we proclaim the death and resurrection of the Lord until He comes again. While the Easter Vigil is a lengthy Mass, it is well worth participating in if you have never done so.

The early Church Fathers called Easter Sunday, the Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord, the eighth day of creation, the day that completed the old order of creation and begun the new. In Christ, the reign of sin and death are destroyed. Everything is now pledged to be made new again in the kingdom where we will “see God face to face” and “He will wipe away the tears from our eyes” (Rev.). Remember well that there is a tomb in Jerusalem whose occupant is no longer there. Because of that, everything is different...everything!

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