



SAINT CECILIA'S CHURCH  
PALM SUNDAY AND HOLY WEEK



## WITH THE HELP OF SAINT CECILIA PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today we begin Holy Week, the holiest of all weeks of the year. I strongly encourage you to join us for the liturgies of the **Sacred Paschal Triduum** on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday as we celebrate the saving Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord.

I also encourage you to join Bishop McManus and all of the priests of our Diocese at the **Chrism Mass** at Saint Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday morning, at 10:30 A.M. The Chrism Mass gathers the diocesan family to celebrate the unity of all persons who have been anointed with Holy Chrism at Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders.

Bishop McManus blesses the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Catechumens and consecrates the Holy Chrism which will be used in sacramental rites throughout the coming year. Also during the Chrism Mass, the priests of the Diocese renew their Priestly Promises. Those priests who are celebrating notable anniversaries of priestly ordination and service to the Church in Worcester are also recognized.

You will notice that several pages of the Bulletin this week serve as a Music program for Holy Week. Please remember to either save this Bulletin or pick up a new one when you join us for these sacred rites this week.

Finally, I remind you of the importance of prayer during this Holy Week. Stop in the Church to say a little prayer before the Crucifix or to wait a while with the Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament. Perhaps stop into the chapel to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy or walk the Stations of the Cross. Meditate with Saint Cecilia on her participation in the Passion of the Lord or just sit quietly and let the light streaming through the stained glass windows remind you of the love which God bears for you and with which he embraces you this week in our commemoration of his saving Sacrifice upon the Altar of the Cross.

A Blessed Holy Week to you and all those whom you love!

In the Lord,

Monsignor Moroney





Over 250 people took part in the city-wide Penance Service on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, with seven priests hearing confessions.

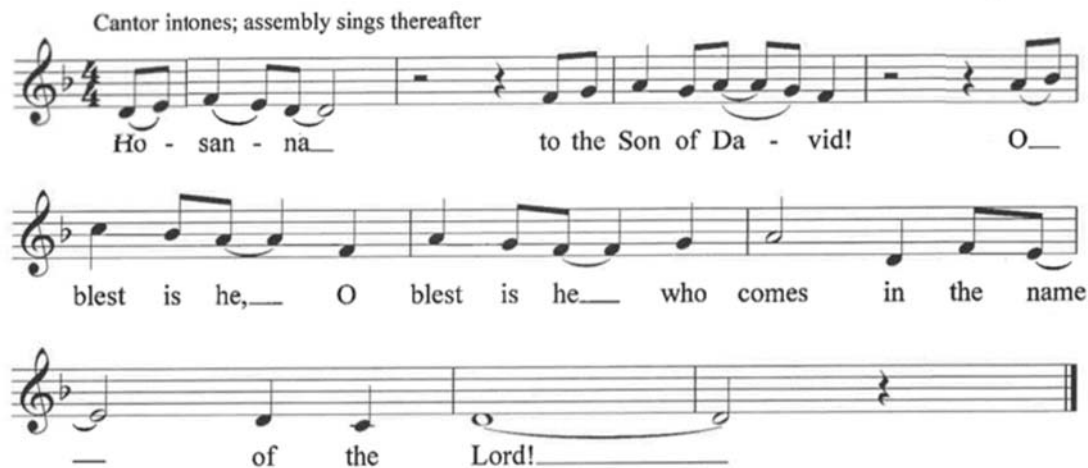


Irene and Deacon Bob Connor receive the Mother Theresa Pro-Life award from Bishop McManus.

# MUSIC FOR PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

## ENTRANCE HYMN

Cantor intones; assembly sings thereafter



Ho - san - na to the Son of Da - vid! O  
blest is he, O blest is he who comes in the name  
of the Lord!

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM



My God, my God, why have you a - ban - doned me?

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## OFFERTORY HYMN

*Were You There?*, Breaking Bread Hymnal, no. 150

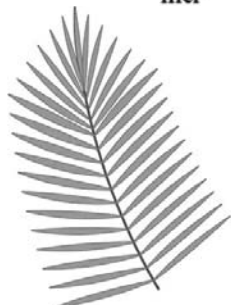
## COMMUNION HYMN



Be mer - ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned; be  
mer - ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

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# MUSIC FOR HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

## ENTRANCE HYMN

*Lift high the Cross, Breaking Bread Hymnal, no. 717*

## PENITENTIAL ACT

Cantor Assembly

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Cantor Assembly

Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

Cantor Assembly

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

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## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Our bless - ing cup is a com - mun - ion with the Blood of Christ.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, King of end - less glo - ry!

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## HYMN AT THE WASHING OF THE FEET

Cantor intones; Assembly sings each time thereafter

Where char - t - ty and love are found, there will the face of God be  
seen. The love of Christ will bind our hearts; as one bod - y we will be.

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## OFFERTORY HYMN

Jacques Berthier

Cantor intones; assembly sings each time thereafter

Stay here and keep watch with me. The hour\_\_\_ has come. Stay  
here and keep watch with me. Watch\_\_\_ and pray.

## MUSIC FOR GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Fa - ther,\_\_\_ in - to your hands I com - mend my spir - it.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, King of end - less glo - ry!

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Attention: **Ladies of St Anne** we are having our first meeting for 2023 Wednesday April 12 (**NEW TIME**) 6:00 pm. Please plan to attend this very important meeting. If you are not current on dues, please bring your book. We encourage all members to attend to show their support for our wonderful organization. It is at the parish center lower hall, we will resume our raffle and have refreshments.

**Last Weekend's Collection was \$5,836.29. Thank You!**



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**Spring Flea Market** will be coming up in May, more information to come.

In preparation we will be accepting items this Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5-7pm. Please enter through the Third Street Lower Center door.

We will be happy to receive any holiday decorations, dishes, knick-knacks, religious items, sports memorabilia, DVDs, toys, canning jars, jewelry, books (children's only), etc.

Please note, we cannot accept computers, monitors, televisions, electrical appliances, padded furniture, VHS tapes, cassettes, clothing or shoes. We are unable to take large furniture. If it doesn't fit in your car, please don't bring it.

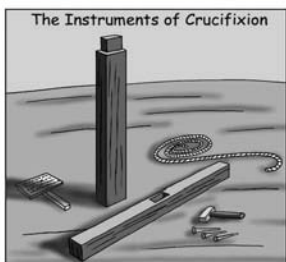


## FAITH FACTS

The Gospel Reading.

Crucifixion was the method used by the Romans to execute people. Often, the vertical part of the cross stayed in the ground. The prisoner carried the cross-beam to the place of execution. He might or might not be tied to the beam. At the place of execution he was nailed to cross-beam and the beam was slotted onto the upright. Then the victim's feet were nailed to the upright. In Jesus' case, a notice was fixed to the cross.

Crucifixion was a horrible and agonizing way in which to die.



## CODE - BREAKER!

The sentence below is to be found in one of today's readings. Can you break the code and write in the sentence? Here are two clues:  
J = O, N = S and D = I.

JIXZ VBVDI EZNP

XMDZY JPO DI V GJPY

QJDXZ, VIY OCZI BVQZ

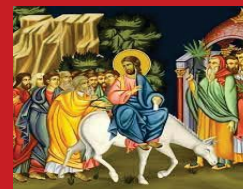
PK CDN NKDMDO.

ANSWER: Once again Jesus cried out in a loud voice, and then gave up his spirit.

Crossword solution from last week

D	A	W	N		E	Y	E	S
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A	I	R			R	A	I	S
D		D	A	Y	S			T
			L			F	R	E
F	L	E	S	H		A		R
A			O			L	A	S
I	L	L		O	I	L		O
T							D	M
H	E	A	R			W	O	M

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT CECILIA



Saturday April 1 Vigil

*Breaking Bread, page 86*

3:00pm Confessions (Church)  
**4:00pm Mass** for Glenn Reynolds, by Dian Grote (Church)

Sunday April 2 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

*Breaking Bread, page 86*

**7:00am Mass** for Murray Heald, by the Connor family (Church)  
**9:45am Mass** for Domethilde Bernard (17<sup>th</sup> anniv.), by Anne-Marie and Jean-Noel Bernard (Church)  
 9:30am-11:00am RCIA Group (Rectory)  
 9:45am-11:00am Catechist of the Good Shepherd, and other classes through (Parish Center)  
**11:15am Mass** for Evelyn M. Cormier (9<sup>th</sup> anniv.), by Jan and Wayne Doucet (Church)  
 12:30pm Baptism of Camryn Angelina Pelletier  
 6:00pm-7:00pm Confirmation Interviews with Priests (Parish Center)  
 7:00pm-8:00pm Confirmation Class (Parish Center)

Monday April 3 Monday of Holy Week

**6:30am Mass** for the Parishioners of St. Cecilia's Parish (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
 7:00pm - 8:15pm Grades Seventh through Tenth Religious Education (Parish Center)

Tuesday April 4 Tuesday of Holy Week

**6:30am Mass** for the Intentions of Robert Hamel, by his mother (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
 7:00pm - *Introduction to The Sacred Liturgy*, with Monsignor Moroney (Rectory)

Wednesday April 5 Wednesday of Holy Week

**6:30am Mass** for Richard Uschold, by his son, Bert (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
**4:00pm Mass** for Doug Ross (6 months), by Carole Watts (Chapel)  
 7:00pm Rosary (Chapel)

Thursday April 6 Holy Thursday

*Breaking Bread, page 95*

9:30am-11:00am Bible Study Course Exodus II (Parish Center)  
 3:00pm Rosary and Divine Mercy Novena (Chapel)  
**7:00pm Mass** of the Lord's Supper (Church) followed by Adoration until 10:00pm in the Chapel

Friday April 7 Good Friday

*Breaking Bread, page 102*

9:00am Office of Readings (Chapel)  
 3:00pm Stations of the Cross (Church)  
 7:00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (Church)



Saturday April 8 Holy Saturday

Breaking Bread, page 112

**8:30pm Mass** of the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night (Church)

Sunday April 9 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Breaking Bread, page 135

**7:00am Mass** for Camille and Nathan Richard, by Leandre and Phyllis Maillet (Church)**9:45am Mass** for Norman Richard (7<sup>th</sup> anniv.), by his sister and family (Church)**11:15am Mass** for Deceased members of George Dallaire family, by Jeanne Conti (Church)

**3 April - Monday  
of Holy Week**  
Mass at 6:30am

**4 April - Tuesday  
of Holy Week**  
Mass at 6:30am

**5 April - Wednesday  
of Holy Week**  
Mass at 6:30am

**6 April - HOLY THURSDAY**  
7pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Adoration in the Chapel until 10pm.

**7 April - GOOD FRIDAY**  
9am - Office of Readings  
3pm - Stations of the Cross  
7pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

**8 April- HOLY SATURDAY**  
8:30pm Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

**9 April - EASTER SUNDAY**  
Sunday 7am, 9:45am and 11:15am

*Please note there are No Confessions scheduled during Holy Week and  
No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Good Friday.*

***Please pray for those who are ill, especially:***

*Dolores Garceau, Judy Davis, Claudette Hamel, Jesse Rojas, June Roy,  
José Dhiogo, Jenn, Doris, Elena and Doris Maillet.*

*If you know someone who needs prayers, call the rectory or email us at  
office@stceciliachurch.net and we will add them to our list for a month or so.*





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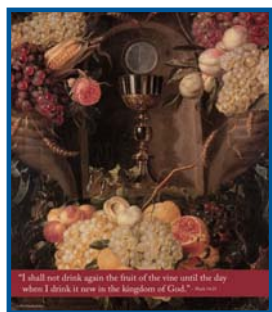
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