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APRIL 10, 2022

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

"Blessed is the king who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest."
- Lk 19:38

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MASS TIMES

Saturday

7:30am, 4:00pm (Vigil for Sunday)

Sunday

8:00am, 10:00am (Family Mass) & 12 Noon

Weekdays

7:30am

Holy Days

Vigil 7:00pm

7:30am & 7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm



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MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday April 9, 2022 (Vigil Mass)

4pm Rita Greco requested by Anna Alvino & Patrick Lee

Sunday April 10, 2022 Palm Sunday

8am Salvatore & Rose Picone requested by Debra Picone

10am Cateriana Chiodi requested by Giovanni Cipollone

12 Noon Carol DeGennaro requested by Antoniette Penta

Monday April 11, 2022

7:30am Rolando & Alda Mariani requested by The Mariani Family

Tuesday April 12, 2022

7:30am Peace in the World requested by Fred Gartner

Wednesday April 13, 2022

7:30am Emma Fronk requested by Dorothy Fronk

Holy Thursday April 14, 2022

No Morning Masses

7:00pm Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 15, 2022

No Morning Mass

3:00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday April 16, 2022

No Morning Mass

Easter Vigil Mass

7:30pm For the People of the Parish

Easter Sunday April 17, 2022

8am Anthony Blasucci requested by The DiPasquale Family

10am Vincenza & Phily Congo requested by Deborah Iachetta

12 Noon Anlu Payla requested by The Payla Family

*From the desk of our Pastor,
Father Salvatore DeStefano*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As you know, the Palm Sunday services that we celebrate this weekend are among the longest of the entire church year. I distinctly remember as a kid dreading going to church that day. I knew that I'd have to stand for a long time and follow a long gospel to keep track of when to speak my part of it. But I knew it was important to show up for this Mass, because it was one way of showing the Lord that I could bear something unpleasant for him. In this gospel, the entire passion is played out from Palm Sunday to Good Friday.



It's truly astounding to think of what happened during that short five day period. Jesus entered Jerusalem triumphantly to a very large crowd, maybe thousands of people, all trying to get a glimpse of him. I guess you could say he was like a rock star. Five days later, the situation changed dramatically. Many of the same people who were cheering him and waving palms at him were now shouting, "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" How fickle people can be and how fleeting fame can be.

Jesus of course knew all this. He wasn't trying to be famous and didn't care for adulation. He did what he did to save us. I sometimes wonder about the incredible rejection he must have felt. Still, it didn't stop him from completing his mission. His love for us is so great that nothing could stop him.

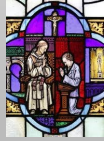
If you have trouble imagining this type of love, just think of the love that a mother or father has for their children. If one of the kids is seriously ill, nothing on earth could stop them from trying to save them. They'd gladly give their own life in place of their child and that's the story of the Passion. Of course, a parent's love is just a reflection of the love God has for us. God's love for us is even greater.

I never was able to understand that as a kid, standing in church during that long Palm Sunday Mass. I couldn't wait for it to be over. Now, as a pastor and spiritual father of many children, I understand it a little better. I hope you do too, and please know that God loves when you make sacrifices for him.

God Bless you
Father Sal

Due to early submission of the bulletin this weeks, weekly offerings will be published in next weeks bulletin.

April 11th Reconciliation Monday
Confessions heard from
4:00pm-5:30pm and 6:30pm-8:00pm



*******HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2022**

EASTER TRIDUUM



APRIL 14TH HOLY THURSDAY
No Morning Mass
7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
until 11:00pm Reposition

APRIL 15TH GOOD FRIDAY

No Morning Mass
3:00pm
Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

APRIL 16TH SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL

No Morning Mass
7:30pm Easter Vigil

APRIL 17TH EASTER SUNDAY

Masses: 8:00am, 10:00am and 12:00Noon

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.

The Rectory will be closed on Thursday April 14 &
Friday April 15 and will reopen on Monday April 18.

Annual Easter Fundraiser

Currently ongoing through Easter Sunday, April 17,2022.
A percentage of all sales during this period will be
donated by Big Deal Supermarket (Miguel Garcia, owner)
to St Clare of Assisi and St. Francis Xavier Churches. It's
easy! After you pay, simply drop your sales receipt into
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The Serra Club of the Bronx & Westchester cordially
invites you to its monthly luncheon meeting.

Date: Wednesday, April 27,2022 **Time:** 12:00 Noon
Place: Eastwood Manor 3371 Eastchester Road, Bronx,
NY 10469

Speaker: Deacon Salvatore Mazzella,
St. Barnabas Church

Topic: GOD RESPONDS

The luncheon consists of: Fruit Plate-salad-pasta, Entree-
Dessert, Bread-Wine-Soda-Coffee-Tea \$42.00 per person
Note: Please call Carl Lanzano at (718) 325-6706 no later
than April 20 if you will be attending our luncheon
meeting.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Saturday at

St. Clare of Assisi April 23rd
11:00am-2:00pm

Come spend some time
with the Lord!



During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held on
Fridays at 7pm:

April 15th (Good Friday) St. Clare of Assisi

Easter Envelopes Easter will soon be here, please
consider a special gift to your parish for Easter. Every
parish relies heavily on the special Christmas and
Easter gifts to make up for shortfalls in meeting their
expenses throughout the year.

Easter Flowers can be
memorialized in honor of loved
ones. Each \$25.00 donation can
be memorialized with up to three
names.

Both Easter Donation & Flower
envelopes are in the vestibule of the church.



The 2022 Mass Intention book is still open and there
are dates available. If you have any requests please
bring them to the rectory.



**PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS
OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR COMMUNITY PRAYERS:**

Elissa Antice, Julia Ayala, Betty Barbagallo, Minnie
Bell, Lorraine Capozzi, Lee Cerchiara, Theresa
Cantatore, Mary Cullen, James B. Dowling, Cheryl
Espinoza, Colleen Fitzpatrick, Mike Fitzsimons,
Santa Fumo, Sandy Gionta, Rosemarie Leo, Christian Maier, Anna
Manfredi, Patricia Mazzaelli, Suzanne Millner, Gary Morgan,
Marsha Morgan, Carmela Nigro, Maria Pia Paladino, Louis G.
Paone, Jr. Immaculate Palazzo, James Prendergast, Mary
Reardon, Dolores Rivera, Silvestre Rivera, Carole Shavel, Daniela
Saglimbeni, Denise Siracusa, Theresa Smith, Lori Mayer Tricoli,
Annmarie Vayda, Marlyn Villanueva, Antonio Vito (a young boy),
Lucy Vogel



**REMEMBER ALL THE MEN & WOMEN SERVING IN
OUR ARMED FORCES ESPECIALLY:**

Master Sgt. Janelle Amador, Captain Christopher
Antony, Carlos E. Blanco, Anthony Vincent Boccia,
Anthony Thomas Candito, Captain Nicholas T.
Cardiello Christopher C. Cannata, Anthony Hart,
Emmanuel Martinez, Captain Brian Pascuzzi,

