

April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday
Of the Passion of the Lord

St. Columbanus Parish

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Prepare
Reflect
Rejoice

MASSES FOR THE WEEKSUNDAY ~ April 5Palm Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Kevin Tompkins
 10:00 a.m. Anthony Gasparovic
 12:00 noon For Our Parish & Parishioners

MONDAY ~ April 6

- 9:00 a.m. Irene Perricelli

TUESDAY ~ April 7

- 7:30 a.m. Richard V. Minichino
 (4th anniversary)
 9:00 a.m. Anneliese Obidzinski

WEDNESDAY ~ April 8

- 7:30 a.m. Walter Hron
 9:00 a.m. William J. & Maria S. Foy

THURSDAY ~ April 9Holy Thursday

- 9:00 a.m. Tenebrae service (no mass)
 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

FRIDAY ~ April 10Good Friday

- 9:00 a.m. Tenebrae service (no mass)
 3:00 p.m. Mass: Liturgy of the Passion & Death
 of Our Lord

SATURDAY ~ April 11Holy Saturday

- 9:00 a.m. Tenebrae service (no mass)
 8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

HOLY WEEK CHURCH HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Friday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



Names of the sick are listed for six months from the date of the initial request. Contact the rectory to add someone.

Ann Marie & Patricia Barber, Virginia Capodieci, Thelma Doeblner,
 Doreen Coppa, Juliet Epasmo, Justin Fedele, Matthew Hempel,

Alex Hetsko, Colleen Kennedy, Kerri Kennedy, Kevin Kolosky, Ronald McCaffrey, Vincent McKenna, Robert McLoughlin, Roselea Megna, Robert Modena, Lorraine Orza, Vivian Pabon, Debbie Pinto, Doreen Robinson, Patricia Salvador, Fr. Frank Samoilo, Cathy Samoilo, Patrick Scelza, Joan Schneider, Aurea Simbulan, Kelly Small, Rosamma Thomas, Brigid Velluzzi, Terry Vidal, Ann Waterhouse. And all those effected by the COVID-19 virus.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading:

My face I did not shield from buffetings and spitting knowing that I shall not be put to shame.
(Isaiah 50:4-7)

Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?
(Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 18-20, 23-24)

2nd Reading:

Christ humbled himself. Because of this God greatly exalted him.
(Philippians 2:6-11)

Verse Before
The Gospel :

Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this God greatly exalted him...

Gospel:

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.
(Matthew 21:1-11)

WINE, HOST, AND TABERNACLE CANDLE

The Tabernacle Candle is lit this week for St. Columbanus parish as offered by a caring parishioner.

BINGO IS CANCELED

THE ROSARY ALTAR CARD PARTY IS CANCELED

Please continue to send in your tithing as the Church still has operational expenses, food, lights, heat, etc. Please consider joining **Parish Giving**, the electronic tithing used by many Catholics. A link is on our website (right side). It is convenient for you, saves the parish time and money and ensures an uninterrupted revenue stream for your parish, so we can continue to meet your needs.



CORONAVIRUS

Archdiocese of New York



The policies delineated herein supersede and replace all other norms issued March 15, 2020 under my heading regarding the celebration of the sacraments and rites of the Church.

1. Baptisms administered by the ordinary minister of the sacrament within the parish setting are to be deferred, except in case of emergency. In these extreme instances, the faithful should contact a priest immediately.

2. Funeral Masses or services in the church or funeral home will no longer be conducted until further notice. Limiting the funerals to ten people has proven not to be feasible and caused problems for many priests. Burial prayers may be said in an open air setting in a cemetery, as long as proper distancing of the ten people allowed by state regulation is maintained. They may not be held in a mortuary chapel. The family is to be assured that a memorial Mass will be offered as soon as possible after restrictions are lifted.

3. Weddings are not allowed, unless absolutely necessary. If a wedding must take place for some serious reason, only the bride, groom, two witnesses and the officiant may be present, all maintaining the proper physical distance. Permission to celebrate a wedding must be obtained from the office of the vicar general.

4. Individual confession may be offered upon request, as long as hygiene and physical distancing requirements are observed (i.e., a barrier between the penitent and the priest, such as a grille and cloth). The use of Chapter II and Chapter III of the Rite of Penance is not permitted as this, by necessity, requires the gathering of people in our churches.

5. Holy Communion may be administered as viaticum only. The minister of communion must observe the safety protocols dictated by the civil authorities for the prevention of the spread of infection. Masses in convents will no longer be celebrated. The pastor or parochial vicar may consecrate a sufficient supply of hosts for the chapel tabernacle. One of the sisters may be mandated as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. A proper ritual will be followed for the distribution of the Eucharist.

6. If a pastor chooses to keep the parish church open for prayer:

- Definite hours must be announced.
- No public ceremonies such as the Mass or group devotions may take place so as to prevent any assembling of people.
- Exposition may take place, but there is to be no Benediction or group devotions.

7. Parishes should suspend all office activity.



Liturgical News and Additional Prayer Resources

In addition to our previously [recommended prayer resources for use when Mass is not available](#), our readers may find the following prayers and articles helpful:

1. Act of Perfect Contrition: The Holy Father has recently drawn attention to the fact that, before Easter, many faithful go to **Confession** to meet with God again. "However," he acknowledged, "many will say to me today: 'But, Father, where can I find a priest, a confessor, because one can't leave home? And I want to make peace with the Lord, I want Him to embrace me, that my Papa embrace me . . . **What can I do if I can't find priests?"**

"Do what the *Catechism* says," the Pope stressed, "it's very clear: if you don't find a priest to hear your Confession, talk with God, He is your Father, and tell Him the truth: 'Lord, I've done this, and that, and that . . . I'm sorry,' and ask Him for forgiveness with all your heart, with the *Act of Contrition* and [promise Him: 'Afterwards I will go to Confession, but forgive me now.'](#)"

"If you do all this," Francis said, "you will return to God's grace immediately. As the *Catechism* teaches," he reminded, "you yourself can approach God's forgiveness without having a priest at hand. Think: 'it's the moment!' And this is the right moment, the opportune moment. An *Act of Contrition* well made," Francis said, "will make our soul become white as snow."

– Pope Francis, Daily Mass Homily, Friday of the Third Week in Lent," 20 March 2020

While there is no set formula for making a Perfect Act of Contrition, a common one reads as follows:

**My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,
I have sinned against You, whom I should love above
all things.**

**I firmly intend, with Your help, to do penance,
to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin**

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~PASTOR'S NOTES~

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I would like to thank everyone who has sent in their weekly envelopes, donations, and electronic contributions. I also encourage everyone to sign up for electronic contribution through Parish Giving. You can sign up at our parish website, stcolumbanusparish.org. By signing up electronically you can avoid having to go outside too often. A reminder, too, that we are doing our Annual Stewardship Appeal. You can also contribute through our parish website.



Entry of Christ into Jerusalem (1320) by Pietro Lorenzetti

days). There is no dismissal after Holy Thursday or Good Friday because these three days do not end but are really one continuous liturgical event, culminating in the resurrection of Jesus Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. So these days should not be spent in any trivial matters but should be a time to allow us to be drawn into the mystery of our redemption through prayerful reflection on Jesus' unfathomable act of love.

Please make every possible effort to view the Masses and services during the Triduum, including the Tenebrae prayer services Thursday, Friday and Saturday morning. I will try to put them on youtube via our website and Flocknote so you can see them. Regardless of the current circumstances it can and will be a time of great grace for all.

In Jesus and Mary,
Fr. Frank Samoylo

St. COLUMBANUS MASS

Fr. Frank is saying daily and Sunday private masses and posting a video of it to YouTube. You can watch it here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HxCVqUmTVQ>

Daily and Sunday Masses can also be found on:

EWTN - Cablevision channel 135, Fios Channel 285
St Patrick's Cathedral - htw.saintpatcathedral.org/live

St. Patrick's Mass schedule is:

Monday - Friday at 7:00 AM

Saturday - 8:00 AM

Sunday - 10:15 AM

Each Mass can be viewed at any time during the day.

Families should also pray the Rosary daily.

The church will be *open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.* for individual prayers and devotions.

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2. Prayer resources: see the Archdiocesan website.

3. **Plenary Indulgence:** The [Apostolic Penitentiary of the Holy See](#) has granted that the following persons may obtain a [Plenary Indulgence](#), that is, the full remission of the temporal punishment due to sin, when they perform the following along with the usual conditions for obtaining an indulgence (i.e., sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the Holy Father's intentions):

1. **The faithful suffering from the Coronavirus**, subject to quarantine by order of the health authority in hospitals or in their own homes if, with a spirit detached from any sin, they: (a) unite themselves spiritually through the media to the celebration of Holy Mass, (b) recite the Holy Rosary, (c) engage in the pious practice of the Way of the Cross or some other form of devotion, or, at least, recite the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and a pious invocation to the Blessed Virgin Mary, offering this trial in a spirit of faith in God and charity towards their brothers and sisters.

2. "Health care workers, family members, and all those who, **following the example of the Good Samaritan**, exposing themselves to the risk of contagion, care for the sick of Coronavirus according to the words of the divine Redeemer. "No man has greater love than this: to give his life for his friends" (Jn 15:13)."

3. "**Those faithful who offer a visit to the Blessed Sacrament**, or Eucharistic Adoration, **or the reading of Sacred Scripture** for at least half an hour, **or the recitation of the Holy Rosary**, or the pious exercise of the Way of the Cross, or the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, to implore from Almighty God the end of the epidemic, relief for those who are afflicted and the eternal salvation of those whom the Lord has called to Himself."

4. "The Church prays for **those who are unable to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and the Viaticum**, entrusting each and every one of them to Divine Mercy by virtue of the communion of saints and granting the faithful a Plenary Indulgence on the point of death, provided that they are duly disposed and have recited a few prayers during their lifetime (in this case the Church makes up for the three usual conditions required). For the attainment of this indulgence the use of the crucifix or the cross is recommended (cf. Enchiridion indulgentiarum, n.12)."

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Weekdays: No obligation to fast, but voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

Friday's: All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

Good Friday: Those between 18 and 59 years old are to fast, only have one full meal (two smaller meals are permitted, but together those two meals cannot equal a full meal). Those 14 years and older must abstain from meat.
Lenten/Easter Season.