

Most Blessed Sacrament

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Parish News

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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m./Confessions 3:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m., & 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Communion Service - Monday 8:45 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 8:45 a.m.
Thursday School Mass - 8:15 a.m.

Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
(Closed 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.)
Friday: 8:00 a.m. - Noon

MBS Early Learning Center

Director: Laurina Conger 752-8829

MBS SCHOOL

Principal: Cheri Gioe
School Phone 751-0273/Fax: 753-7259

Extended Care: Sheena Gauthier 751-0023

•**BAPTISMS:** Twice a month, after 11:30 Mass. Call office during pregnancy to sign up and for class information.

•**MARRIAGE:** Law of Diocese requires 6 month preparation period prior to wedding. Call church office for more information.

•**FUNERAL:** Please call the priest for prayer and before setting date/time.

•**RCIA:** If interested in becoming Catholic, call the church office.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

TODAY'S READINGS

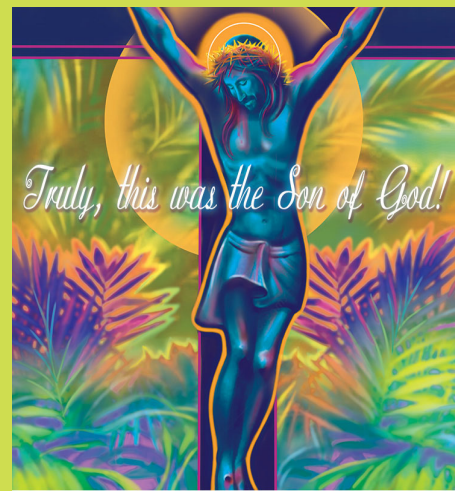
Gospel at the Procession with Palms
— Jesus' entry into Jerusalem
(Matthew 21:1-11).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

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

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Matthew (Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]).



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 9-15, 2017

Palm Sunday: April 9 Regular weekend Mass schedule

Monday: April 10 8:45 a.m. Communion Service

Tuesday: April 11 8:45 a.m. Mass

Wednesday: April 12 8:45 a.m. Mass (Confessions: Refer to "Light is On For You" in bulletin)

Holy Thurs: April 13 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper (includes the Washing of the Feet Ceremony) followed by Adoration until 10:00 p.m.

Good Friday: April 14 12:00 Noon— celebration of the Lord's Passion (Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion). This is the primary Good Friday Service, thus there will not be a regular Stations of the Cross devotion.

Holy Saturday: April 15 Easter Vigil at 8:00 p.m.

No 4:30 p.m. Saturday vigil Mass or confession.

Easter Sunday: April 16 8:00, 9:45, & 11:30 a.m. Masses.

The Collection for the Diocesan Priests' Retirement is taken up Easter Weekend, April 15th-16th.

PARISH LIFE

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
 Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
 Thursday: **Chrism Mass:** Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
 Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
 Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10

Collections — March 25-26, 2017

Identified Contributions	\$21,233.00
Unidentified Contributions	\$ 2,481.00
Total	\$23,714.00

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. 8	4:30 pm	For the People
Sun. 9	8:00 am	Mildred Aymond Lynel Anthony Clause William de la Cruz
	9:45 am	Babs Faber Laura Capozolli Harry Stein, Jr. Suzanne Mire Henry Tulusso Grace Gary Marie Sutton
	11:30 am	Mark Andrew Smith Don Fletcher Alex Sulik Irene Berthelot Linda White Ethel Duffy
Mon. 10	8:45 am	Communion Service
Tue. 11	8:45 am	Dorothy Diamond Bramhall
Wed. 12	8:45 am	Taylor Bossom Thuy Joseph Nguyen
Thurs. 13	7:00 pm	Dusty Brouillette
Holy Thurs		
Fri. 14	12:00 pm	
Good Friday		

Vacation Bible School Canceled

After much consideration, the decision has been made to cancel Vacation Bible School this summer, 2017.

The reasons for this cancellation involve courtyard changes taking place this summer on the school campus, as well as the fact that many of our VBS Volunteer Staff and families are still in the process of rebuilding their homes from last year's flooding.

In preparation for VBS in 2018, a committee will be formed to look at possible new formats that would enhance the VBS experience for our parish families.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of Christian Formation at (225) 751-5867.

Good Timers

The Good Timers will gather on Wednesday, April 19th at 11:30 a.m. in the St. John Room.

Please bring a dish to share for a pot luck meal.

All parishioners age 50 + are invited and you may bring a friend.

Our Last Friday Night Lenten Dinners

Dinners are served in the M.B.S. Bishop Ott Center. TO GO orders only may be picked up beginning at 5:00 p.m., and from 6:00-7:30 p.m., you may DINE IN.

The fried fish or fried shrimp dinners are \$7.00/plate and crawfish pies are \$2.00 each. A "combo plate" of catfish & shrimp will also be offered for \$7.00/plate. Each week a special entre` will be offered and this week (Friday, April 7th) will be Shrimp Fettuccine.

Any men in the parish willing to give a helping hand, you may call the parish office at (225) 752-6230 for more information.

Beaded Rosary Bracelets

Beaded Rosary Bracelets will be available in the church office for sale beginning Wednesday, April 5th and will continue until the weekend of May 6th-7th where they will be sold after all Masses. These bracelets make the perfect First Communion and Mother's Day gifts. They are made by our very own Court Divine Mercy Catholic Daughters of America. The bracelets will range in price from \$5 to \$10. Contact Mona Braud 335-5589 or Marian Munro 751-1641 for more information.

Living Stations of the Cross

Most Blessed Sacrament School 8th graders will prayerfully perform a living Stations of the Cross for our parish family at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12th**. This event will be held in the St. Ursula Hall on the school campus. This lovely tableau is done in period costumes of the time of Jesus and is a powerful devotion for our families to witness. We hope you will join us and bring your children to pray the stations of the cross with our 8th grade students.

Fill A Prescription For the Needy - St. Vincent de Paul

We invite everyone to participate in our 20th Annual Fill a Prescription for the Needy effort in the coming weeks. The St. Vincent de Paul Community Pharmacy, Pat Shingleton and WBRZ - Channel 2 are once again promoting the **Fill A Prescription For the Needy** campaign. LENT is the time to hold this annual event because it is a time of almsgiving when we can share our blessings with those who have no place to run for this critical need. The "Fill A Prescription" canister will be placed at the entrance of church through the Lenten and Easter season. Checks can be made payable to Fill a Prescription For the Needy. Thank you for your support!

PARISH LIFE



Easter Egg Hunt

This Sunday!! M.B.S. Parish Easter Egg Hunt

Palm Sunday, April 9th

For Babies through 3rd grade (9 y/o)

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Please Bring Easter Basket!

Church / Administration Bldg. Grounds

Don't Forget Your Camera!

Reminders

- Please pick up your Cross-Shaped Palms as you walk in Mass this weekend.
- The Adoration Chapel will be closed for adoration on Wednesday, April 12th at midnight. It will re-open on Monday, April 17th at 3:00 a.m.

Dear Parishioners,

When you come to Mass this weekend, we begin the most solemn week of the church year - "Holy Week". We move from the "Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord" to Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and then to the great celebration of Easter. All Catholics are called to make an effort to walk with Jesus through these critical salvific events in His life that have such a beneficial and eternal consequence in our lives.

Can you and your family be "PRESENT" to the "PRESENCE" of Christ by attending the special services of Holy Week? While Holy Thursday and Good Friday are not days of formal "obligation", should we not still make a serious effort? Look back at the effort we made to get ashes on Ash Wednesday which is not a holy day of obligation. Ash Wednesday points to these most holy of days and this should encourage an even greater effort on our part. Please refer to the schedule provided on the front page of this bulletin and know of my prayers for you and your family during this solemn time.

From the Pastor



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- Fr. Phil

Last Scheduled Confessions before Easter & The Easter Duty

- Saturday, April 8th before Vigil Mass from 3:00-4:00 p.m.
- The Light Is On For You - Wednesday, April 12th, 6:00-7:30 p.m. at St. George, St. Thomas More, and Our Lady of Mercy.

The "Easter Duty" for Catholics is not Confession and Communion between Ash Wednesday and Pentecost - but reception of Communion. The requirement of Confession before reception of the Eucharist is in the case of serious/mortal sin. There is not a "have to" to the Sacrament of Reconciliation when one has venial/less than serious sins. We have only limited scheduled confessions before Easter weekend. Confessions have been offered every Saturday afternoon during Lent, every Wednesday evening in area churches during Lent, and there is always the invitation to make private appointments with a priest anytime during the year.

Mass Time - April 8-9, 2017	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Phil	Fr. Phil	Fr. Phil	Fr. Phil

April 8-9, 2017 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	S Werling, C Adolph, H Barnett	A Torregrossa, G Landry	J Sutherland, I Braud, B Willis, C Willis, E Wright, R Rinaudo, Deacon Don, E Yurik
8:00 am	R Kidder, K Huynhn, P Hines	R Arceneaux, M Gallo	V Clause, S Daugherty, E Daugherty, M Dayries, J Dietrick, S Gauthier, K Bourgeois, K Hollier
9:45 am	JP Bourgeois, J Cascio, H McCann	A Guillot, P Rushing	V Primeaux, T Rinaudo, B Shedlof, L Stevens, K Talbot, S Wilson, Deacon Don, P Adolph
11:30 am	C Gauthier, M deGrauw, M deGrauw	J Mancuso, H Powell	S Gremillion, J Johnson, S Keagle, T Kelley, A Kelley, L Landry, V Webre, M Leger