

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 24, 2018 –

Blessed Oscar Romero, Bishop and Martyr

8:15 AM † Pasquale Formentin
 Birthday Blessings for Trudi Zegel

5:30 PM † Rose Brino
 † Keith Alberque.

In thanksgiving for blessings received.

Sunday, March 25, 2018 – PALM SUNDAY

7:30 AM † Domenick Rocco

9:00 AM † Teresa Manzo
 Special Intentions for Sr. JoAnn

10:30 AM † Elena Coscia – 1 Year Mass
 † Silvestro Sama
 † Emmanuel DiBartolo
 † Marco and Franco Tullio
 † Paul Russo – 10-Yr. Anniversary

12:00 Noon For our Vocationist Fathers
 Birthday blessings to Tony Savastano

1:30 PM Matrimonio Feliz Mass

Monday, March 26, 2018

6:30 AM For all law enforcement officers
 8:15 AM † Deceased Cannata family members

**7:00 PM – CHRISM MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL
 OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**

**There will be no Adoration or Confessions. All Priests
 will be attending the Chrism Mass.**

Tuesday, March 27, 2018

6:30 AM Ordination Anniversary of
 Rev. Edgar da Cunha

8:15 AM † Ernest Ventrella

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

6:30 AM For the unborn children

8:15 AM † Anthony Zisa
 † Marion Cuva

Birthday Blessings for Ruth Hoffner and Frank Becker

**6:30 PM – In Church. RCIA and RCIC candidates
 rehearsal**

Thursday, March 29, 2018 – HOLY THURSDAY

8:15 AM No Mass – Morning Prayer

**8:00 PM – Mass of the Lord’s Supper –
 English, Italian and Spanish**

9:30 PM – Children’s Choir

10:00 PM – Rosary Society

10:30 PM – Padre Pio Group

11:00 PM – Spanish Prayer Group

Friday, March 30, 2018 – GOOD FRIDAY

8:15 AM No Mass

9:00 AM – Morning Prayers followed by the Rosary

The Church will be open for Personal Prayers

2:00 PM – Stations of the Cross in Church –
 English and Spanish

**3:00 PM – Celebration of the Lord’s Passion with
 Communion – English, Italian and Spanish**

**7:00 PM – Live Stations of the Cross by St. Gerard
 Majella School Children**

Holy Saturday, March 31, 2018 – EASTER VIGIL

8:15 AM No Mass

7:30 PM – Easter Vigil – English, Italian & Spanish

† Deceased members of the Adult Choir
 † Ruth Becker
 † Catherine Stasiak
 † Georgina Guzman

Blessings for Doeniell Caraballo as he celebrates his
 5th Birthday

Sunday, April 1, 2018 – EASTER SUNDAY

7:30 AM For all those serving in the Military

9:00 AM † Raymond Swan
 † Margaret and Michael Pompa

10:30 AM † Silvestro Sama
 † Teresa McCauley
 † Dan Englishman

12:00 Noon † Joseph Petolino
 † Maria Ragusa-Rovella
 † Domenica and Giuseppe Montesano
 † Concetta Montesano
 † Maria Chiovetta

Birthday blessings for Samantha Cannata

1:30 PM † Maria Colon

Special Intentions for Proclamadores de la Palabra



“The Lord has given me a well trained tongue that I may know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. The Lord God is my help therefore I am not disgraced. I have set my face like flint knowing that I will not be put to shame....Because of this God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every other name, that at the name of Jesus every knee must bend.”

From the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

May the words of Isaiah and Paul help set the stage for our Holy Week. The gospel of Mark provides details of the passion not just to provide information but to rouse us to break from routine and ordinariness and appreciate the saving mystery of salvation.

We may read and reflect upon the scriptures and find great meaning as we live in 2018. The suffering servants are those displaced by war and the natural disasters. Those trying Christ are the oppressors, attacking Christians in various parts of the world as the Sudan, Syria and Nigeria. The passion of Christ continues today when wars rage, poverty grows, exploitation reigns, and worst of all, indifference to suffering continues.

We are called this week to die and rise with the Christ. Pope Francis has asked that we not be robbed of our missionary enthusiasm. He tells us not to look the other way but to address the cause, as well as the effects, out of concern for those who are marginalized and suffering. May this be a new approach to Holy Week.

HIS WORD TODAY, by Rev. William J. Reilly



Thank You

Your gifts, blessings and generous donations to our Parish Community were as follows:

MARCH 18, 2018

Total: \$2820 Envelopes: 107




Thank you for your continued generous offerings and donations. Please remember to use your parishioner envelopes. If you missed Mass, please try to make up your weekly contribution.

Thank You.

Deceased Parishioners:

Please keep in your prayers those of our parishioners, family or friends who have entered into eternal rest. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the eternal light shine upon them..



Sanctuary Lamp	Flowers	The Bread and Wine
		
The Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of Paul Russo	Flowers are given in loving memory of Rose Brino	The Bread and Wine is offered in memory of Dominick Rocco



If you know of anyone in the parish who is sick or homebound and needs communion, confession, any sacramental needs or just a visit, please contact *The Rectory* at (973) 595-8446. We will arrange for a Priest to visit them. Visited this week were: Irene Sciro, Jeannette Masiak, Louise Peterson, Ann Contini, Eleanor Verlardi, and Catherine Gravino



Bible Readings

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

3/25/18-Sunday-Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39
3/26/18-Monday-Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11
3/27/18-Tuesday-Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
3/28/18-Wednesday-Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25
3/29/18-Thursday-Christm Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
3/30/18-Friday-Is 52:13—53:12; Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42
3/31/18-Saturday-Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a; Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ex 14:15—15:1; Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11; Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6:3-11; Mk 16:1-7

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Weekend of March 24th and 25th

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	June and Lillian
7:30 AM	English	Frances
9:00 AM	English	Pattie and Ruth
10:30 AM	Eng/Ital.	Tino and June
12:00 PM	English	Carmela and Sharon
1:30 PM	Spanish	

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER LIST

Weekend of March 24th and 25th

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	Carol and Marie
7:30 AM	English	
9:00 AM	English	Irene and
10:30 AM	English	Christine
12:00 PM	English	Lillian and Luis



DOES YOUR CHILD LIKE TO SING?

The Youth Choir is looking for anyone that would like to join. The choir sings at the 9:00 am and 12:00 Noon Masses on Sundays. Call Jenny Reyes at 201-936-7985 for more information.



**HOLY WEEK
WORSHIP
SCHEDULE**

PALM SUNDAY – 3/25/18

- 7:30 AM – English
- 9:00 AM – English
- 10:30 AM – English/Italian
- 12:00 Noon – English
- 1:30 PM – Spanish

MONDAY, 3/26/18 – CHRISM MASS
7:00 pm at the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist. There will be no adoration or confessions on this date. All Priests will be attending the Chrism Mass.

HOLY THURSDAY – 3/29/18

- 8:15 AM – No Mass-Morning Prayers
- 8:00 PM – Mass of the Lord’s Supper
(English, Italian and Spanish)

Adoration

- 9:30 PM** – Children’s Choir
- 10:00 PM** – Rosary Society
- 10:30 PM** – Padre Pio Group
- 11:00 PM** – Spanish Prayer Group

GOOD FRIDAY – 3/30/18

- 8:15 AM – No Mass
- 9:00 AM – Morning Prayers followed by the Rosary

The Church will be open for Personal Prayers

- 2:00 PM – Stations of the Cross in Church – English and Spanish

3:00 PM – Celebration of the Lord’s Passion with Communion – English, Italian and Spanish

- 7:00 PM – Live Stations of the Cross by St. Gerard Majella School Children

HOLY SATURDAY/Easter Vigil-3/31/18

- 8:15 AM – No Mass
- 7:30 PM–Easter Vigil - Italian/English/and Spanish**

EASTER SUNDAY– 4/1/18

- 7:30 AM – English
- 9:00 AM – English
- 10:30 AM – English and Italian
- 12:00 Noon – English
- 1:30 PM – Spanish



SUNDAY DIVINE MERCY – 4/8/18

3:00 PM – Divine Mercy with Adoration of Blessed Sacrament



St. Joseph’s Table

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this year’s St. Joseph’s Table which took place after all Masses the weekend of March 17th and 18th.



Estas invitado

The Matrimonio Feliz group invites you to join them on the last Sunday of each month for the Open Community for Couples. This meeting takes place after the 1:30 pm Mass in St. Joseph’s Center. Call Jerson Sanchez for more information at: 973-652-2975.

Confirmation



DIOCESE OF PATERSON *Office of the Bishop*

Congratulations to the following Confirmandi who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, March 17th at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. Bishop Arthur Serratelli was the celebrant.

Samantha Alcantara, Marie Alvarado
Jesus Delgade, Danny Gonzalez Jr.
Steven Gonzalez, Divinity Harris,
Brandon Olivo, Julius Pallero,
Daniel Ramirez, Eladio Torres and
Enrique Torres



The Diocese of Paterson *Presents*

Our Religious Sisters
In Concert
SUNDAY, APRIL 8TH
at 3:00 PM

Saint John the Baptist Cathedral
Main and Grand Streets, Paterson
(Free garage parking available)

HOLY THURSDAY

On Holy Thursday the Church celebrates Jesus' final meal with his disciples and the institution of the eucharist. The regular Eucharistic ritual is enhanced by the rite of foot-washing, recalling how Jesus washed his disciples' feet. After the liturgy, the consecrated bread is transferred to a side altar and kept in a tabernacles there for adoration. Then the altar is stripped.

Dear Friends in Christ,

On each Good Friday, our Diocese takes up a special collection for the Church in the Holy Land. I ask you to give your support during this Lenten season as we focus of the place where Jesus ministered, died and rose again to new life.

The collection for the Church in the Holy Land supports the work of the Franciscans who are responsible for promoting the faith in an area where Christians are a minority. The funds raised help support and maintain the Holy Places so that all who come on a pilgrimage experience a deeper connection to their faith. Your support also helps operate schools, provide housing for needy families and staffs parishes in the area.

Our Lenten journey promotes the joy of almsgiving. Please make the Collection for the Church in the Holy Land one way to respond to this call when it is taken up on Good Friday. May God bless you for being such generous stewards!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Arthur Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D
Bishop of Paterson



Palm Sunday commemorates the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-9), when **palm** branches were placed in his path, before his arrest on Holy Thursday and his crucifixion on Good Friday. It thus marks the beginning of Holy Week, the final week of Lent.