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MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Thursday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. or
by appointment.

MARRIAGES:

Must be scheduled with the Priest
at least 6 months in advance.

MORNING ROSARY:

8:30 a.m. before Mass.

MONDAYS:

Miraculous Medal Novena following Rosary.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY:

Novena To The Sacred Heart
of Jesus - before 9 a.m. Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION:

Third Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

August through May. Ages 3 yrs. through
High School.

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, March 28, 2015

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 29, 2015

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord March 29, 2015

[Christ Jesus] humbled himself,
becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.

— *Philippians 2:8*



Mass Intentions March 30– April 5



Monday: Andy & Trudi McClay by *The Brazzolottos* †
Tuesday: Henry, Lillie & Al Troncalli by *Frank Troncalli* †
Wednesday: Pete Battaglia by *The Brazzolottos* †
Thursday: Sydney Sellers by *The Freeman Family* †
Friday: Angelina Gagliano by *The Brazzolottos* †
Saturday: Marjorie Frey by *The Crapet Family* †
Sunday: Easter Sunday- He Has Risen!

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

*Dianna Markevich, Anne Forister, Alice Reid,
Lexie Smith, Gene & Walton Smith, Daniel Centilli,
Wilson Fletcher, Hildie Bowman, Matt Joiner,
Pat Roberts, Antoinette Bruno, Richard F. Mars-
ton*

Please pray for all our loved ones who are ill
and our shut-ins. To add a name, call the
church office; or to add to the Prayer Hot Line
call Sharon Stice at 205-338-0207, or email:
cocoapuff@centurytel.net

Please note that names remain on the pray-
er list for 30 days and then are removed un-
less the Church Office is notified.

Weekly Readings March 30 – April 5

- 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 61:1-3a, 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, 15-17, 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) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
- Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

Pastor's Message

Today we enter that most sacred and most solemn week of the year: Holy Week. In this Holy Week we pause before the mystery of evil, sin, and death. It is innocence trampled; it is power corrupted; it is love rejected; it is commitments broken. Yet through it all is a love stronger than death. It is God who saves and vindicates his faithful ones.

Holy Week is the great liturgical re-enactment of the story of our salvation. It is to be experienced as a total event—the unfolding of the incredible story of how God saved us in Christ and saves us even now.

To celebrate Holy Week is to experience transformation, to be touched deeply by God's saving grace. It is to let the timeless saving actions of God shed light and hope on our sometimes troubled and darkened world. It is to be lifted up from our own betrayals and blindness, our own brokenness and feeble attempts to save ourselves and experience the power of the Cross and the Alleluia of Easter.

One of the remarkable features of the Passion narratives, quite distinct from the Jewish martyr accounts from the same period, is that there is very little concentration on the physical sufferings of Jesus. (Take note, Mel Gibson).

The mockeries, the scourging, even the crucifixion itself, are related in surprising understatement. It was not biography but theology that dominated the choice of events to be narrated. The Gospel writers were trying to explain the rich theological meanings of Jesus' actions.

Jesus is presented as the faithful believer. He is the just man who cries out to his God in the midst of agony and defeat. He trusts that even death cannot nullify God's promise.

His true identity is revealed from the Cross after he breathed his last. The acknowledgement came, ironically, not from believers but from a Roman centurion (in Matthew's Gospel) who confessed: "Truly this was the Son of God."

I hope that every family in our Parish will make every attempt to participate in as many of the Holy Week services as possible. Elsewhere in this bulletin is a detailed schedule of all the Holy Week services. To participate in these Liturgies with a lively faith will surely transform us. The Introduction to the Liturgy of Palm Sunday expresses it well: "United with Christ in his suffering on the Cross, may we share his resurrection and new life".

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**Thought for the Week:** "Passion of Christ, my comfort be: Oh Good Jesus, listen to me; in Thy wounds, I feign would hide: ne'er to be parted from Thy side." (Translated by Blessed Cardinal Newman).

Peace and Blessings,

*Fr. Sexton*

## Calendar of Events March 29 - April 5

### Sunday-March 29- Holy Week **PALM SUNDAY**

**Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am**

\* RE/Lenten Penny Bong Ends

\* Living Stations 7 pm

### Monday-March 30

**Mass 9 am**

\* Bridge

\* Legion of Mary

\* Reconciliation 9:30-10:30 am

### Tuesday-March 31

**Mass 9 am**

**Chrism Mass 11:00 am**

\* RCIA 7 pm - Practice & Reflection

### Wednesday-April 1

**Mass 7 pm**

\* Reconciliation 9:30-10:30 am

\* SR Youth 5:30 pm

\* Practice HT after Mass

### Thursday-April 2

**HOLY THURSDAY**

**The Lord's Supper 7 pm**

**Institution of the Eucharist & Washing of the Feet**

\* Adoration till 12 Midnight

### Friday-April 3

**GOOD FRIDAY**

\* Stations of the Cross 2 pm

\* Reconciliation 3-4 pm

\* **Veneration of the Cross & Communion Service 7 pm**

### Saturday-April 4

\* Confessions 3:30-5:00 pm

\* Practice HS 11:00 am

\* **Easter Vigil (RCIA Initiation) 8 pm**

### Sunday-April 5

**EASTER SUNDAY**

**Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am**

\* No RE Youth Mass 11:15

\* Egg Hunt between Masses

**FINANCE NEWS**  
**July 2014-June 2015**  
Last week

|                    |                   |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                    | <b>Actual</b>     | <b>Budget</b>     |
| <b>*Offertory:</b> | <b>\$ pending</b> | <b>\$ 5481.00</b> |

Year-to-date

|                    |                      |                      |
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| <b>*Offertory:</b> | <b>\$ 244,469.26</b> | <b>\$ 213,759.00</b> |
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**Reminder**

**Please remember to turn off your cell phones while you are in the Sanctuary, as they cause issues with our sound system.**

*Thank You!*



**Knights of Columbus  
Council 12270**

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal service organization open to Catholic men, 18 and older, in good standing with the faith. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie: it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your church, while enhancing your family life. Come see what we are all about.  
**Contact: James Raynor 205-884-1777 or J.P. Willi (205-338-3131).**

**Our website is : [www.ollkofc.com](http://www.ollkofc.com).**

**Next meeting April 27th, 7:00 pm.**

*Scholarship  
Awards*



The Knights of Columbus Council #12270 are now accepting applications for their annual scholarship(s) to be given on Senior Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. **The application forms may be requested by sending an email to: [jwilli@coosahs.net](mailto:jwilli@coosahs.net).**

The scholarship is available to all high school seniors that are OLL members.



**The Love Pantry**

The Love Pantry has requested that we bring cans of soup each week to help meet the needs of our Community.

**Total cans last week - 50 cans.**

*Ministry Spotlight*



All ministries need volunteers to help in many ways. Are you involved in the life of our Parish?

*Lectors*

Anyone over 18 years of age and in good standing with the Catholic Faith is welcome. Training sessions are held periodically throughout the year. Servers are scheduled quarterly.

**For more information please contact:  
Teri Brown @ 205-903-4572**



**Pro Life Corner**

**YARD SALE**



**Saturday, April 11, 2015**

**Benefitting Ann's New Life Center**

Donations are now being accepted during normal business hours: Tue./Thur. 9:00-4:00, or **call ANLC 205-338-4580 to schedule your drop off.**

## Announcements

### Attention All Parishioners



### New Pictorial Directory!

Sign up will begin in May.  
Photography will take place:  
**June 10, 11, 12 & 13.**

Each family photographed will receive a  
free 8X10 and a free directory.

### Diana Wall To Speak At April 18<sup>th</sup> Magnificat Luncheon At Prince of Peace Catholic Church

The **Magnificat Prayer Luncheon** will be held on Saturday, April 18th, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Deasy Hall at Prince of Peace Church. The speaker, Diana Wall, freely professes, "God can take your biggest challenge and make it your biggest blessing," as she sought help for her autistic son.

Tickets are \$10 and are available by contacting Catherine Patton (205) 680-6007, and from Alpha Church Supply and from any Service Team Member. Ticket sales end April 15th at 5:00 p.m. No tickets will be sold at the door.

## ASSIGNMENT LIST FOR April 1 – April 5

### WEDNESDAY MASS 4/1/2015 7:00 PM

Altar Servers  
Greeters  
Lectors  
Ministers  
Ushers

## ASSIGNMENT LIST FOR April 1 – April 5, cont.

### HOLY THURSDAY 7:00 PM 4/2/2015

Altar Servers Stephen & Sophie Poteracki, Ronnie Gagliano, Jimallia Sayles, Carson Falkner  
Greeters Patrick Cowart, Patsy Lopez de Victoria  
Lectors  
Ministers Deacon  
Ushers

### GOOD FRIDAY 4/3/2015 Stations of the Cross 2:00 pm

Altar Servers Andrew & Will Thomaston, Matt Frey

### Veneration of the Cross & Communion Service 7:00pm

Altar Servers Monica Liverman, Ryan Murphree  
Greeters Crapet/Freeman, Crapet/Freeman  
Ministers Deacon

### HOLY SATURDAY 4/4/2015 EASTER SUNDAY VIGIL 8:00 PM

Altar Servers Stephen & Sophie Poteracki, Matthew Reese, Anthony & Michael Emerick  
Greeters Susan Moseley, Gisella Scruggs  
Lectors  
Ministers Deacon,  
Ushers Cecil Rodgers, Bob Hand, Karen Hand, Jerry Noto

### EASTER SUNDAY MASS 4/5/2015

#### 8:30 AM

Altar Servers Andrew & Will Thomaston, Carson Falkner, Matt Frey  
Greeters Anna Emerick, Frank Troncalli  
Lectors  
Ministers Deacon,  
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Dennis Veigl, Cristy McKinney, Joe Pittman

#### 11:15 AM

Altar Servers Monica Liverman, Paul Boyle, Travis Cooley, Brennan Cardenas  
Greeters Marsha Armstrong, Shirley Skeivelas  
Lectors  
Ministers Deacon,  
Ushers Don Frederick, Ron Markevich, Johnny Armstrong, Jimmy Pittman

If you cannot keep your assignment **PLEASE** find a substitute.

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Take time for a Holy Pause

*Family Questions of the Week*

Questions are based on Sunday Readings.

## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

March 29, 2015

Theme: Jesus dies for us.

**Question for Youth:** We hear the story of Jesus' death each year. What did you hear differently this year? How has your faith changed in the past year?

**Question for Adults:** Identify and share one way that you personally "die in Christ."

**Pregunta para los jóvenes:** Escuchamos el relato de la muerte de Jesús todos los años. ¿Qué escuchaste de diferente este año? ¿Cómo ha cambiado tu fe en el último año?

**Pregunta para los adultos:** Identifique y comparta una manera en que personalmente "muere en Cristo".

## Religious Education 2014-2015

Every Sunday at 9:45 am.

Grs PreK4 thru 12



### COMING UP \* MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Mar 29 Palm Sunday \* RE 9:45am \* Penny Bong Ends  
LIVING STATIONS 7:30pm Music 7pm

HOLY WEEK BEGINS:

3/30 Mon. Mass 9am Reconciliation 9:30-10:30am

3/31 Tue. Mass 9am

CHRISM MASS 11am at St. Paul's Cathedral  
RCIA 7pm

4/1 Wed Reconciliation 9:30-10:30am \* Mass 7pm  
Altar Server Practice for Holy Thur. after Mass

4/2 Holy Thur. Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm  
Washing of Feet \* Adoration until 12M

4/3 Good Fri. Stations of the Cross 2pm  
Reconciliation 3-4pm  
Veneration of the Cross 7pm

4/4 Holy Sat. Altar Server Practice for Holy Sat. 10am  
Reconciliation 3-5pm  
Mass 8pm with the Rite of Initiation RCIA

4/5 Easter Sunday NO RE

Masses 8:30 & 11:15am

EASTER EGG HUNT BETWEEN THE MASSES

ATTN!!! **DATE CHANGE**  
**FOR PARENT MEETING**  
**THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**  
**PARENT MEETING**  
**Will be Monday, April 13th \* 7pm**



Communion Banners are due!



JOIN THE FUN  
MAKE NEW FRIENDS  
Be apart of our YOUTH GROUPS

**LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST** Grs PreK-Gr 2

JOIN US AT OUR YOUTH GROUPS

**LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST** Grs PreK-Gr 2

**Next Mtg:** APRIL 12 12:30-2:30pm

Contact Joanna Murphree 473-1444

**JR YOUTH** Grs 3-6 **LAST MTG:** APRIL 12\* 5-7pm

**WE CAN USE YOUR HELP...** If you would

like to help prepare next years Youth Meetings  
please Contact Sonya Lewis 863-7305.

**SR YOUTH** Grs 7-12 Meets every 1st & 3rd Wed

**Next Mtg:** APRIL 1 \* 5:30pm **Dinner served**

Contact Peter Boyle 613 5435

## DATES AND INFORMATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

May 6 & 7 **Personal Interviews** with Fr Sexton.  
4-6:30pm

May 11 **Dinner with Bishop Baker**

4:45pm Candidates only.

**Sacrament of Confirmation**

**Mass 7pm**

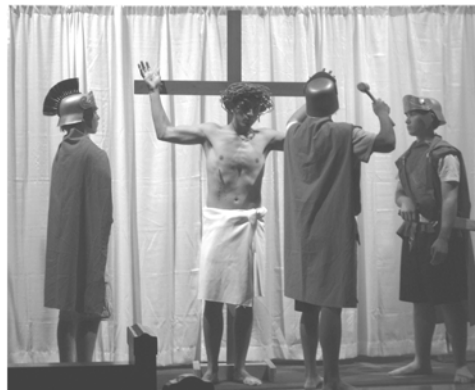


## THIS SUNDAY EVENING \* MARCH 29

**ALL ARE INVITED TO**

**begin your Holy Week with the**  
**LIVING STATIONS 7:30 pm**

**Contemporary Music begins at 7 pm**



Join our  
Youth as  
they  
perform **THE**  
**PASSION,**  
**DEATH**  
**AND**  
**RESUR-**  
**RECTION**  
**OF OUR**  
**LORD.**

**BRING THE FAMILY,**  
**BRING A FRIEND** and share the faith!  
**HAVE A BLESSED HOLY WEEK!**

Join us at our  
**Annual Easter Egg Hunt!**  
**Easter Sunday**

after 8:30 Mass  
Children 1 thru 10 years of  
age are invited



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to hunt for  
eggs! Meet in the hall! All ages are  
invited to meet the Bunny and share  
together the joy of new life and new  
beginnings as we  
**Celebrate the Resurrection of  
our Lord, Jesus Christ!**  
**Contact Sonya Lewis 863-7305**



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**WONDERING WHAT TO DO FOR LENT?**  
**FAMILY CHALLENGES:**

**PRAY for our RCIA members.**

Armando Arellano, Renee Bentel, Meleah Boyle,  
Jody & Tiffany Harkins, Jatoya Pattom, Jerome &  
Anna Schell, Toni Smith, & Jennifer White  
Pictures are in both foyers. Please introduce your-  
self, pray and encourage these candidates as they  
continue their RCIA Journey through Holy Saturday.  
A wonderful way to share your faith, build new  
friendships and build the Kingdom of God.

**FISH FRYS 5-6:45pm LAST FISH FRY**  
**MARCH 27th**

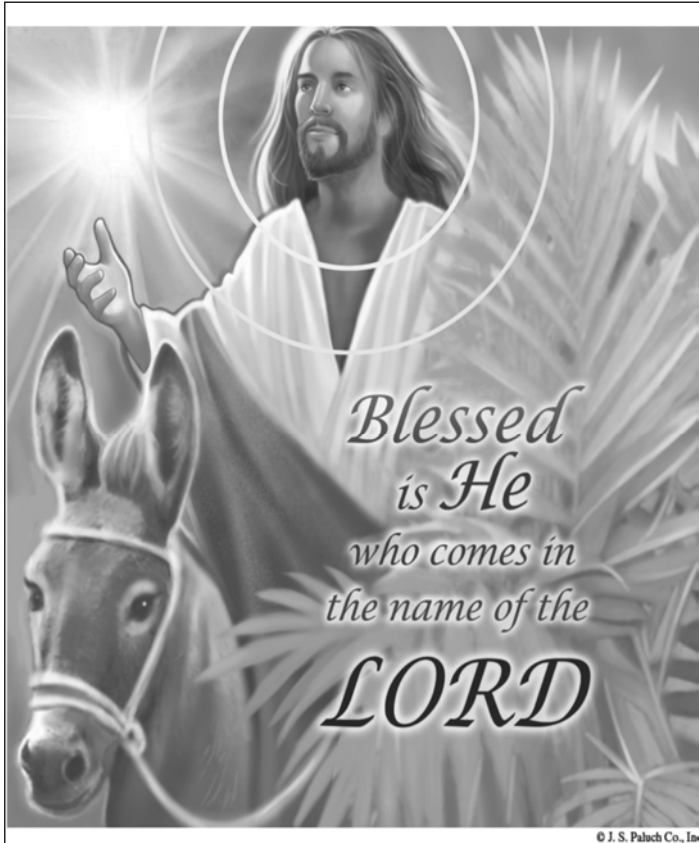
Gather the Family and keep the Fast!  
Dine with the K of C



**PRAY with us**

**THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7pm**

Pick up your cross and follow me.  
Pray the **Passion of our Lord** as a family.  
Jesus asks, **"Won't you spend 1 hour with me?"**



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*—Paul Claudel*

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