

**Please remember in your prayers those who are ill:**

Doris Fahrenbach, John Fahrenbach, Roger Wright, Nancy Finneran, Michael Whyte, Marilyn Greene, Carol Higgins, Christine Money, Joann Coughlin, Barbara (Rhodes) Dillon, Ann Shroyer, Albert Scarpitti, Joni Dray, Janice Holtschulte, Lew Lindner, Maggie Cosgrove, Patsy Davis, Rosie Crego, Kenny Quinn, Mildred & Marlene Parsley, Madelyn Radich, Tom & Helen Moore, Nichola Storey, Don & Rita Schooley, Mary Jo & Shannon Patke, Karen Roberts, Michelle Stover, John Davis, Amy Manning, William Foley, Kathy Maxwell, Mary Kulp, Thomas Knight, Sue Keeler, Elizabeth Guy, Eleanor Lelonek, Alan Wiseman, Frances McNulty, Ken Miller, Kathleen Foley, Joann Colopy, Pam Moine, Dotty Kelly, Marge Foley, Nick Hayes, Marge Casey, Gene Catlett & Michelle Martin.

**From the pastor...**

Today is Palm Sunday, the beginning of holy week, a week filled with the modern incarnation of ancient liturgies dating from the first centuries of the church. Please make time to join in.

The blessing of palms to commemorate the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem dates from the 8th Century, when one Mass was celebrated in a church outside the walls of Rome wherein the palms were blessed. Then followed a procession to the Lateran or St. Peter's where the pope celebrated a second Mass. As time passed, the first Mass was simplified to a blessing service.

In the early centuries, three Masses were celebrated on Holy Thursday. The first was to reconcile penitents, the second to bless the holy oils [the "Chrism Mass"], and the third to commemorate the institution of the Eucharist. In most dioceses, the Chrism Mass is moved to another day of Holy Week to facilitate the participation of those who must travel. The third Mass, the Mass of the Lord's Supper, is celebrated in the evening. It is in this Mass that the washing of feet occurs.

The Liturgy of the Passion on Good Friday is an example of an ancient Roman "Synaxis," or prayer meeting without Mass. The service consists of readings, including the Passion from the Gospel of St. John, solemn intercessions, veneration of the cross, and Holy Communion.

The Easter Vigil begins after dark on Holy Saturday, restored to that ancient time by Pope Pius XII in 1955. We light new fire, solemnly proclaim the resurrection, tell the history of salvation with scripture, bless water and celebrate Christian initiation, celebrate the Holy Eucharist, and begin the 50 days of rejoicing of the Easter season that exceeds the 40 days of penance of Lent.

**LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS****Saturday, April 8 – Vigil: Palm Sunday**

4:00 p.m. 50th Anniversary of Pat & Kathleen Foley – Pat & Kathleen Foley

**Sunday, April 9 – Palm Sunday**

9:00 a.m. For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Magdalene Parish  
11:00 a.m. John Benedetto – Benedetto Family

**Monday, April 10 – Monday of Holy Week**

8:15 a.m. Rosa Fusca – Rosa Tavella  
7:00 p.m. One year Anniversary of Death (April 9, 2016) John Benedetto

**Tuesday, April 11 – Tuesday of Holy Week**

8:15 a.m. Mary Jo O'Rourke – Joe & Betty Regan

**Thursday, April 13 –****Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Last Supper**

7:00 p.m. For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Magdalene Parish

**Friday, April 14 – Good Friday**

1:30 & 7:00 p.m. – Passion of our Lord

**Saturday, April 15 – Vigil of Easter**

8:30 p.m. For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Magdalene Parish

**Sunday, April 16 – Easter**

9:00 a.m. **For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Magdalene Parish**  
11:00 a.m. For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Magdalene Parish

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH****Sunday, April 9**

No Bible Study

**Monday, April 10**

Eucharistic Holy Hour following 8:15 a.m. Mass  
Parish Council following 7:00 p.m. Mass

**Tuesday, April 11**

"Catholicism: The Pivotal Players" Views and review following the 8:15 a.m. Mass

**Wednesday, April 12**

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

**Thursday, April 13 Holy Thursday**

8:15 a.m. No Mass  
No PREP or ESL  
7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Last Supper

**Friday, April 14 Good Friday**

8:15 a.m. No Mass  
1:30 & 7:00 p.m. – Passion of our Lord  
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**Saturday, April 15 Holy Saturday**

4:00 p.m. No Mass

**Vigil of Easter**

8:30 p.m. Gather for Easter Vigil

*Offertory report will be in the next bulletin due to bulletin deadline for Holy Week and Easter.*

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULES****Servers for Weekday, April 10-11**

Sage Tilley, Alyssa Wolfe

**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE****Holy Thursday, April 13, 7:00 p.m.**Servers: Jonas & Jeremiah Happ, **need 3 volunteers**Readers: Chuck Rowe, Carole MarshGreeters: Nancy and Jack SmithEucharistic Ministers: \*Carole Marsh, Diane Puccetti,  
Jonas & Jeremiah Happ, Kathy Puccetti, Linda Henry**Good Friday, April 14, 1:30 p.m.**Servers: Evan Gruber, Jonas & Jeremiah Happ,  
**need 1 volunteer**Readers: David Gruber, Carole MarshGreeters: **need volunteers**Eucharistic Ministers: \*Paula & Evan Gruber,  
Jeremiah Happ**Good Friday, April 14, 7:00 p.m.**Servers: Wesley Rowe, **need 3 volunteers**Readers: Joanne Davis, **need 1 volunteer**Greeters: Joanne Davis, **need volunteers**Eucharistic Ministers: \*Linda Henry, Kathy Puccetti,  
**need 1 volunteer****Saturday, April 15, Easter Vigil, 8:30 p.m.**Servers: Dominic, Mary & Henry Tokar, **need 2 volunteers**Readers: Paula Tokar, Joanne Davis, Chuck Rowe,  
**need 1 volunteer**Greeters: Joanne Davis, Julie MarmonEucharistic Ministers: \*Bruce, Henry & Dominic Tokar,  
Linda Henry, Chuck Rowe, Andrew Rowe**Sunday, April 16, Easter, 9:00 a.m.**Servers: Cade, Conlan, Cullen & Cael Dent,  
Jeremiah HappReaders: **need 2 volunteers**Greeters: Julie Marmon, **need volunteers**Eucharistic Ministers: \*Carole Marsh, Diane Puccetti,  
Cade Dent, Jeremiah Happ, Kathy Puccetti, Brian  
Montgomery, Linda Henry, Maggie Shroyer,  
**need 1 volunteer****Sunday, April 16, Easter, 11:00 a.m.**Servers: Charlie Conley, Tony Puccetti, **need 2 volunteers**Readers: Paul Puccetti, **need 1 volunteer**Greeters: **need volunteers**Eucharistic Ministers: \*Martha Shannon, Charlie & Dawn  
Conley, **need 6 volunteers****Servers for Weekday, April 17-21**Counters: Regans and Schirtzingers

**Will you walk with Him? 2017 Walking Stations of the Cross** – Diocese of Columbus – Friday, April 14, 2017 beginning at 8:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral. Join us as we walk throughout downtown Columbus and stop at various locations to recognize Jesus' suffering and crucifixion, as well as reflect on a current area of social concern. **This is a mandatory activity for Confirmation candidates.** If you have any questions or concerns please call Cindy Oddi at 614-551-0338.

**Don't forget to turn in your Rice Bowls.** They can be dropped off in the Gathering Space (large Rice Bowl Box), sacristy or parish office.

**Save Your Yard Sale Items!** Have you been spring cleaning? Have you even started? Please continue (or start) gathering your gently used household goods for our big St. Mary Magdalene Yard Sale on Saturday, June 24th. We would love to sell your usable housewares, toys, books, holiday decorations, hand tools, sporting goods and baby items. We would especially appreciate "big-ticket" items such as furniture, large and small kitchen appliances, bicycles, sewing machines, lawn mowers and power tools. Since there will be no parish festival this year, our committee's goal is to double last year's profit. We can easily make our goal if we have an excellent assortment of good quality merchandise. Once again, we cannot accept used children's car seats, old TV's, obsolete electronics and VHS and audio cassette tapes. There simply is no market for these items. We also have no space for clothing and used linens, so please consider donating those items to another charity. The Yard Sale committee members will begin accepting donations in early June. Please watch future bulletin articles for details about donation drop-offs and volunteer opportunities. For more information, you may contact Jack and Nancy Smith at (614) 871-3248.

**Food Tent Donations Needed!** The Saint Mary Magdalene Yard Sale Committee is excited about our big sale on Saturday, June 24th, the same day as the Historic Bean Dinner and the Westgate neighborhood yard sales. We are expanding our food tent offerings this year to include authentic Mexican breakfast burritos and street tacos, as well as baked goods created by a parish pastry chef. We will also add a second concession stand in the air-conditioned parish hall where we will serve popsicles, popcorn and nachos. Our goal is for this to be a pure-profit event, with 100% of the costs covered by in-kind or monetary donations. To that end, we are asking members of our parish family to donate Kroger gift cards, cash or checks to help defray our food costs. Please place your donations in an envelope marked "SMM Yard Sale" and place in the collection basket. As in the past, we also would welcome home-baked cookies, muffins and brownies. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy and Jack Smith at (614) 871-3248.

**Attention, St. Mary Magdalene Alum:** You are invited to an alum wine and cheese gathering in the church hall on April 29, following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. This will be an opportunity to connect with other SMM school grads and share ideas on forming a SMM Alumni Association. Please reply to Rocco Fumi at [rfumi@cducation.org](mailto:rfumi@cducation.org) or call the school office at (614) 279-9935 so that we can plan accordingly. Looking forward to seeing everyone!

**THIS WEEKEND**  
No Bible Study