



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

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Papal Intention

March: For the new martyrs. We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Liturgy Schedule

Scripture readings can be found online at:
bible.usccb.org

Monday, March 25-Monday of Holy Week

8:30am Mass.....Fr. Anthony Muzic

Tuesday, March 26-Tuesday of Holy Week

6:45am Mass @ St. Mel

8:30 am Mass.....**Presider's Intention**

Wednesday, March 27-Wednesday of Holy Week

Thursday, March 28-Holy Thursday

8:30am Morning Prayer

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

10:00pm Night Prayer

Friday, March 29-Good Friday

8:30am Morning Prayer

3:00pm The Passion of the Lord

Saturday, March 30-Holy Saturday

8:30am Morning Prayer @ St. Mel

1:00pm Food Blessing @ St. Mark

9:00pm The Easter Vigil In the Holy Night @ St. Mel

Sunday, March 31-Easter Sunday

7:00am Mass @ St. Mel

8:30am Mass...For The Parishioner of St. Mark Parish and
St. Mel Parish

10:00am Mass @ St. Mel

11:30am Mass.....Maggie Willmitch

Luke McGraw Memorial Candles

Weekly Intention

March 24

Maureen Gale

IN MEMORIAM

May the peace of our Lord be with

Deacon Dave Lundeen, Husband of Marian Lundeen

Deacon Robert J. Dybo

And may God grant comfort to their family and friends.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing various illnesses. Give them the hope and courage they need today and every day. Comfort their pain, calm their fears, and surround them with Your peace. In Jesus' name, Amen!

Please Pray for Our Sick

William Adams
Gianna Andolina
Carol Behnke
Jack Behnke
Katy Brent
Henry Buehner
James Coyne
Margaret Fadrowski
Nicole Foerstner
Mary Frantz
Theresa Fridrich

Lisa Groh
Irene Gurchensky
David Kurth
Catherine Kutsick
Loree Leasure-Poirier
Jim McIlwee
Mary Miller
Maisie Nowlin
Sr. Josette Obodzinski

Bill Retzer
Mary Stark
Nora Sudetic
Lena Sunyak
George Surovec
Herb Tippie
Georgieann Treible
Joe Wantz
Charlotte Whiting
Lillian Zahara
Joseph Zavatchen Jr.




LITURGICAL MINISTERS
Liturgical Ministers are asked to sign up in the
Sacristy for Holy Week Liturgies.
Thank you!

Weekly Collections

Sunday Envelopes:.....\$ 2,947.00

Faith Direct:.....\$ 5,381.00

Thank you for your generosity!



Join us in prayer and worship during

The Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday

March 28th

8:30am Morning Prayer @ St. Mark

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper @ St. Mark

10:00pm Night Prayer @ St. Mark

Good Friday

March 29th

8:30am Morning Prayer @ St. Mark

3:00pm The Passion of the Lord @ St. Mark

Holy Saturday

March 30th

8:30am Morning Prayer @ St. Mel

1:00pm Food Blessing @ St. Mark

9:00pm The Easter Vigil @ St. Mel

Easter Sunday

March 31st

7:00am Mass @ St. Mel

8:30am Mass @ St. Mark

10:00am Mass @ St. Mel

11:30am Mass @ St. Mark

"Holy Week is a time of grace, let us not forget; it is a time of grace that the Lord gives us so that we can open the doors of our hearts, our parishes, our confraternities. To 'open' and to 'go out' is what we are asked to do in Holy Week, to open the heart and go towards Jesus and others, and also to bring the light and joy of our faith. Always go out! And do so with the love and tenderness of God, with respect and patience, knowing that we give our hands, our feet, our heart, but it is God who guides us and shows us the way."

Pope Francis, Message of the Holy Father for the Mérida Holy Week, 16 March 2024

Background: Ricci Sebastiano, *The Resurrection*, circa 1715

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dramatic. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in the Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org



Please come to pray WITH Mary, Our Blessed Mother, in this beautiful devotion, The Rosary. We are living in troubled times and so much in need of peace within our souls and for the world. We ask Mary, Our Mother, to intercede and lead us contemplating the mysteries of Jesus. "The Family that Prays together, Stays together"...Fr. Patrick Peyton
Every Sunday following the 8:30am Mass

St. Mark, St. Chris, and OLA Present
The Living Stations of the Cross

Join the youth of these parishes for this powerful prayer and performance as we journey through Holy Week this year.

Friday, March 22nd | 7:30pm | St. Mark Parish
15800 Montrose Ave., Cleveland, OH 44111

Sunday, March 24th | 7pm | St. Christopher Parish
20141 Detroit Rd, Rocky River, OH 44116

Friday, March 29th | 7pm | OLA Parish
3600 Rocky River Dr, Cleveland, OH 44111



You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, Say to the Lord,
"My refuge and fortress, My God in whom I trust."

Psalm 91:1-2

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all our military men and women presently serving and those who have returned home.

Jason Bochert, James Boone, Jr., Elijah Brolly, Kurt Brown, Nathan Chomoa, Jeremy Cole, Matthew Craven, Josh Dunleavy, T.J. Finucan, Martin Hartsel, Joe Isabella, John Kester, Randy Kloos, Stephanie Lasch, Adam Lemmerman, Torrey Lynch, Ron McDough, Andrew J. McGinty, Owen McGrew, Jake North, Jon Novak, Danny O'Malley, Sean P. O'Reilly, Nick Ortiz, Steven Podhradsky, Nico Russo, Tom Sarko, Matthew Shirley, Brady Smith, Montana Stiegelmeyer, Edward Thomas, Joseph Toole, Jacob Trefney, Jonah Treible, Lukas Whitney.

God Bless them all!

Kathy O'Malley womalfam@sbcglobal.net for any updates.



**St. Mark
Holy Name Society**

**Welcome All
Men and Women Parishioners
18 and Older
We Meet Second Tuesday of the Month
at 6:00 in the Social Hall**

Interested?

Email jimcocita@gmail.com

REQUEST FOR 2023 CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Please send a request via email to dbroughton@stmarkcleveland.com or fill out this form and return it to the Parish Office.

Name (print) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email report to: _____

Pick up at Parish Office _____ Mail to above address _____

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I have set my face like flint,
knowing that I shall not be put to shame. (Is 50:7)

Psalm:

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

Second Reading:

He humbled himself,
becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him. (Phil 2:8-9)

Gospel:

They brought him to the place of Golgotha
—which is translated Place of the Skull—. (Mk 15:22)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The crowds of Jerusalem beautified the path of Jesus as he came into the city, offering their own cloaks in homage. Let us make way in our hearts for the King as we enter into Holy Week.

Observances for the week of March 24, 2024

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord,
Holy Week begins

Thursday: Holy Thursday

Friday: Good Friday

Saturday: Holy Saturday

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday



Saint of the week

St. Toribio Romo González was a Mexican priest and martyr from Jalisco in the early 1900's. He's known for his strong devotion to the Eucharist and catechesis to the poor. During a time of religious persecution in Mexico, government troops shot and killed him.

Prayer for Palm Sunday

Blessed be your name, oh Lord my God! As we enter this week of your Passion and Death, keep me in lockstep with you. Help me to be attentive to every word you would have me hear, every lesson you would have me learn. I want to journey with you. Amen.

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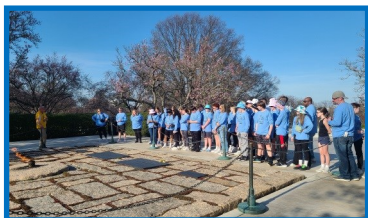
Congratulations to our 7th Grade Classroom of Champions Team who stepped up to the challenge of representing St. Mark School in the absence of the 8th Grade who were in Washington, D.C. They did an outstanding job with the topic of British Literature. We came home with another 1st Place win and as a school we are sitting overall in 1st Place for the year. There are two more months of competition. I am very proud of our students!

Last Tuesday, we celebrated the Feast of St. Joseph. Students were asked to “earn” canned food to donate to the poor by doing acts of service in their homes. At an All-School Mass on March 19th, students brought their canned food into church and members of Student Council were on hand to collect these donations and bag them. The food was donated to St. Edward High School’s Labre Ministry program, which donates food to the poor within our city.

Finally, our 9th Grade returned from Washington D.C. with great stories and even greater memories. They were able to see and do so much. Some of the places they visited included: the U.S. Capitol, the Holocaust Museum, the American History Museum, an evening tour of the monuments including Martin Luther King, Franklin Roosevelt, and Jefferson Memorial. They visited the Library of Congress, the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial, the National Archives, and the Korean, Lincoln, Vietnam, and WWII Memorials. But the trip was not over yet! They visited Arlington National Cemetery where they visited the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Changing of the Guard Ceremony, and the Kennedy family gravesites followed by a visit to Iwo Jima and the Air Force Memorials. They celebrated Mass at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception where votives were lit for student Lucy Hauck, Officer Wayne Leon, Officer Shane Bartek, Mr. Adams and Deacon Dave. On their way home they stopped in Shanksville, PA to pay respects at the Flight 93 Memorial. They exited the bus quite exhausted but full of happiness!

Sadly, that same evening, Deacon Dave passed away. The children continually prayed for him during his illness. Last Friday, Father Adam met with the entire school and we prayed together for Deacon Dave, his wife, and his family. He will be missed by all of us, but his legacy will live on in the hearts and minds of all those he touched. He is at peace- which is what he wishes for all of us. He was a good and faithful servant, and one I am proud to call friend.

Mrs. Cocita



THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH

Saturday,	March 23	
3:00 pm	Confessions	
4:00 pm	Mass	
Sunday,	March 24	
8:30 am	Mass	
9:30 am	Rosary	
9:30 am	Young Families	SH
11:30 am	Mass LS w/Youth Choir	
11:30 am	Sunday Pre-School	CR
	Palm Sunday	
	Holy Week	
Monday,	March 25	
8:30 am	Mass	
6:30 pm	PSR Class Gr. 1-8	CR
7:00 pm	Rehearsal for Holy Thursday	CH
Tuesday,	March 26	
8:30 am	Mass w/All School	
5:30 pm	Children's Choir	CH
7:00 pm	Choir	CH
Wednesday,	March 27	
1:30 pm	Awards Assembly	CH
Thursday,	March 28-Holy Thursday	
8:30 am	Morning Prayer w/Gr. 7 & 8	
7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	CH
Friday,	March 29-Good Friday	
	School Closed	
	Parish Office Closed	
8:30 am	Morning Prayer	
9:00 am	Rehearsal for the Passion	
3:00 pm	Passion of the Lord	
Saturday,	March 30-Holy Saturday	
10:00 am	HNS Easter Egg Hunt	G/PL
1:00 pm	Food Blessing	CH
Sunday,	March 31-Easter Sunday	
8:30 am	Mass	
11:30 am	Mass w/Youth Choir	

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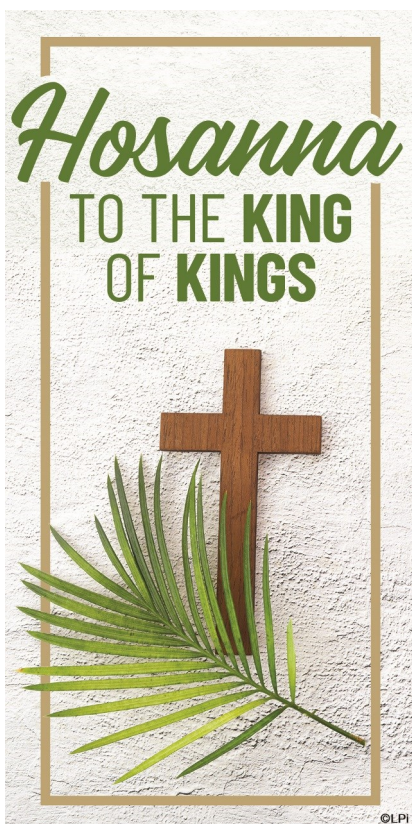
VIRTUS COMPLIANCY — IMPORTANT

The USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) will be doing on-site audits at parishes in the Diocese of Cleveland. It is imperative that prior to working with children - coaches, scout leaders and helpers, St. Mark Staff, catechists & teachers (PSR and DAY school), parent volunteers, etc. - are Virtus compliant. This means that one must be:

- Virtus trained (see below)
- **Current with reading on-line bulletins**
- Read and signed off on Policy for **Protecting Children Revised 2016 (turn into Parish Office)**
- Read and signed off on **Standards of Conduct Revised 2016 (turn into Parish Office)**
- **New Volunteers must complete a Background Check through Virtus.org.** In the Virtus website click on the "Toolbox" tab, click on the Selection.com tab and begin the process. Must have a credit card to complete.
- **Current Volunteers with a BCI Fingerprint/Background check must renew after 5 years through Virtus.org click on the "Toolbox" tab, click on the Selection.com tab and begin the process. Must have a credit card to complete.**
- Filled out a **St. Mark Volunteer Application (turn into Parish Office)**

All of the above-mentioned requirements are mandatory. (You can check your compliancy by going to "Virtus.org", signing in, and clicking on the green 'Training' tab.) If you are not sure of your compliancy, call Cheryl Birchfield at the Parish Office (216-226-7577) and your compliancy will be verified. If one is not Virtus compliant, **YOU MAY NOT WORK/VOLUNTEER WITH CHILDREN.**

To see available Virtus training sessions please go to **Virtusonline.org** click on **First Time Registrant, Begin Registration Process** also available is **List of Sessions**, select the **Cleveland Diocese. You MUST register to attend a session.**



St. Mark 1966 Class Reunion: A reunion is being planned for 11:00am Saturday, August 10, 2024 in the party room at Gene's Place, Kamm's Corners. Any interested classmate, please contact Diane Carson Teater at stmark66reunion@yahoo.com