



**Passion & Palm Sunday – C**



Today's liturgy shows us the height and depth of Jesus' life, from the triumphal entry into Jerusalem to his death on the cross a short time later. Only Paul's letter alludes to the victory of Easter and Christ's equality with God; Holy Week holds up to our contemplation the perfect obedience of this man who will die an abject death before being exalted as Lord of all Creation. His good works are

repaid with ill, much as Isaiah's servant song shows the ministry of God's disciple interrupted by persecution. Both the first reading and the psalm describe prophetically Jesus' sufferings, and both conclude with an expression of enduring trust in God's help. According to Matthew and Mark, Jesus prayed this psalm as he hung on the cross. Its cry express abandonment, but its ending asserts resolve to continue the work of praise in the assembled community. Every eucharist associates us with Christ as he offers his sacrifice in our midst and continues his perfect praise of the Father.

**Passion & Palm Sunday– March 20, 2016**

Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact **Fr. Chris** at 416-968-0997 or email at [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or call **Fr. Victor** at 416-757-2806 or email at [olfatima@rogers.com](mailto:olfatima@rogers.com) for information.



**BUNDLE UP ... .. this weekend!**

We accept Winter Coats, Boots, Children's Wear, Baby Clothes, Ladies' Wear, Men's Clothing, Toys, Bedding, Shoes, Drapes, Accessories, Household goods.

**NO mattresses or appliances accepted!**

*The St. Vincent de Paul truck is parked in front of the Rectory in the parking lot this weekend of March 19/20 ...*

*Please leave bundles in trailer outside the rectory*

*Thank you in advance*

**First Holy Communion meetings ...**

Applicants are to attend the Sunday 10.30 am Mass and Children's Liturgy gatherings. The next meetings are on **Apr 10, 17, 24** after the Easter break during the 10:30 am Sunday Mass. **Thanks.**

**Next Confirmation classes are on ...**

Classes start at 2.30 pm in the church hall. Attendance is **mandatory** for all the meetings. Up-coming classes after Easter Break: **Apr 2, 16 [Retreat], 23, 30**. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist, here or in another church is a must. **Thanks.**



<b>HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE</b>		<b>Holy Week</b> March 21 - 27 2016
Mon 21	7:00 pm	Nastasha Abogado [D]
Tues 22	7:00 pm	Rebecca Vela [D]
Wed 23	7:00 pm	Agnes Gomes [D]
Thur 24	7:30 pm	Mass of the Last Supper People of the Parish - Church open till midnight -
<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>		<b>Adoration</b>
Fri 25	12:00 N	1st Liturgy of the Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ
	3:00 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Liturgy of the Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ
	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
Sat 26	8:30 am	- Church is open for silent prayers -
	8:00 pm	Easter Vigil & Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord
Sun 27	9:00 am	Fiorino Family – Deceased members
	10:30 am	Deborah Mangal [D]
	12:15 pm	People of the Parish

**Special Good Friday Collection: Needs of the Church in the Holy Land!**



The collection on Good Friday is done worldwide in the Catholic Church and offered in support of the Holy Land. There are many Christian communities who are suffering persecution in the Holy Land.

**Please, use the envelopes that are in your box of donation envelopes or use the ones available at all of our church entrances. Thanks.**

**Let us please be generous**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING HOLY WEEK**

**Stations of the Cross** are prayed every evening from Monday to Wednesday of Holy Week at 6.30 pm before the evening Mass.

On **GOOD FRIDAY** the Stations will be prayed at 7.00 pm.

**During these holy days we are all encouraged to reflect and meditate on Christ's journey of healing, forgiveness, mercy and love.**

The **DIVINE MERCY Novena** begins on *Good Friday*, March 25. The **Pilgrimage to the DOOR OF MERCY** will take place next **Saturday, April 02**. Buses leave at 8:30 am and there is no morning Mass in our church.

**ShareLife Campaign 2016**

Thank you all for your offerings in our first collection in the **2016 ShareLife Campaign** last weekend. The **next collection** in this year's campaign will be in the weekend - **Apr 16/17**. But any donations toward this campaign are welcome and acknowledged at any time of the year.

Visit [www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org) for more information




**Holy Week**



# Palm Sunday

**Activities – Sun. Mar 20**  
 This Sunday marks the start of **HOLY WEEK**.  
**First Holy Communion** students have a class at 9:30 am, and then they take part with the **Children's Liturgy group** in the Palm Sunday procession at 10:30 am. The **Lord's Flock** prayer meeting is at 2:00 pm.  
**HOLY WEEK: Mon, Tues, Wed. – Mar 21, 22 + 23**  
**Reconciliation/Confessions:** 8:00-9:00 am & 5:00-6:00 pm.  
**Stations of the Cross** at 6:30 & **Mass** at 7:00 pm.

## MASS OF CHRISM



**Archbishop Thomas Cardinal Collins will celebrate the MASS OF CHRISM with all the priests of the archdiocese on Tuesday, March 22 at St. Michael's Cathedral at 11.00 am.**  
 The Holy Oils – blessed during this Mass – will be afterwards distributed to all the parishes to be used in the celebration of the sacraments as from Easter.  
**Deacons and all parishioners are invited to attend.**

March 24 <i>Holy Thursday</i>	8 – 9 am 5:30 – 6:30 pm 7:30 pm 9:00 pm - midnight	No morning Mass/ Reconciliation Reconciliation/Confession ➤ Mass of the Lord's Supper and Procession to the Altar of Repose ➤ Solemn Adoration at the Altar of Repose [in the Chapel]
March 25 <i>Good Friday</i>	7:30 am 12:00 noon & 3:00 pm 7:00 pm	<b>Day of Fasting and Abstinence</b> ➤ Church is open for Adoration and prayers ➤ Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death ➤ Stations of the Cross
March 26 <i>Holy Saturday</i>	9 – 10 am 6 – 7 pm 8:00 pm	Reconciliation/Confession Reconciliation/Confession ➤ Easter Vigil and Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord
March 27 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	9:00 am 10:30 am 12:15 pm	<b>Easter Day</b> <b>The Lord is Risen – Alleluia!</b> <i>Sunday Masses</i>
March 28	9:00 am	Easter Monday – Octave Mass

**The Office is closed from Good Friday (March 25) to Easter Monday (March 28) both days inclusive.**



**Feast of the Divine Mercy**  
**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**  
**April 03, 2016**  
 >> 2.15 pm – The D.M. Chaplet, Adoration & other prayers  
 >> 2.45 pm – Mass and Benediction  
**JESUS I TRUST IN YOU**

## YEAR OF MERCY – Pilgrimage to Holy Door



On the eve of **Divine Mercy Sunday** – to celebrate the Feast of the Divine Mercy – our parish is organizing a Pilgrimage to the designated **HOLY DOORS** at St. Paul's Basilica and St. Patrick's Church. Prayerfully, we will pass through the Holy Doors and say our prayers to obtain the **Jubilee Indulgence**. Holy Mass will be celebrated at St. Paul's Basilica and the Divine Mercy chaplet will be prayed at St. Patrick's Church. Parishioners from St. Bonaventure Parish will be joining us. Buses leave the respective parking lots at **8:30 am sharp. Early booking is highly recommended as tickets are limited.** Tickets - @ \$10 each – are available from the Knights of Columbus and from the Office on weekdays. Light snacks and refreshments will be served at St. Patrick's church hall, courtesy of **DELMANOR**.

*"This Extraordinary Holy Year is itself a gift of grace. To pass through the Holy Door means to rediscover the infinite mercy of the Father who welcomes everyone and goes out personally to encounter each of them. This will be a year in which we grow ever more convinced of God's mercy. How much wrong we do to God and his grace when we speak of sins being punished by his judgment before we speak of their being forgiven by his mercy. Let us set aside all fear and dread, for these do not befit men and women who are loved. Instead, let us experience the joy of encountering that grace which transforms all things"*

### How do we obtain a Jubilee Indulgence?

In addition to passing through a Holy Door, a pilgrim is to: 1.receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation; 2.receive the Holy Eucharist [Holy Communion]; 3.make a profession of Faith [recite the Creed]; 4.pray for the Holy Father and his intentions. *It is suggested but not necessary to complete all the conditions above on the same day; 20 days before or after passing through a Holy Door is acceptable. You can receive an indulgence for yourself or for the soul of a deceased loved one. An indulgence can be gained only once a day.*



### Merciful like the Father ...

## INFANT JESUS NOVENA 2016



- Novena 1 – Wed April 27 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 2 – Wed May 25 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 3 – Wed June 22 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 4 – Wed July 27 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 5 – Wed Aug 24 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 6 – Wed Sept 21 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 7 – Wed Oct 26 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 8 – Wed Nov 23 at 5:30 pm
- Novena 9 – Wed Dec 26 at 10:00 am

*The Feast of the Infant Jesus of Prague is celebrated on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 6.00 pm*

