

Bulletin # 910038

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MESSAGES:

# PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion  
April 1, 2007

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## SUNDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

## DAILY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday at 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.  
Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 11:00 a.m. until final penitent is finished

## BAPTISM

On Sunday twice a month after parental interview

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Twice a year in a communal celebration  
Individually upon request

## MATRIMONY

Saturday weddings at 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m.  
Notification at least 6 months in advance

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at 12:00 noon



## THE SACRED TRIDUUM

The most sacred moments of the entire Liturgical Year will be celebrated this week under the title "The Sacred Triduum" (Latin for "three days") The violet of Lent is put aside as Holy Thursday calls for white, Good Friday for red and Easter for the color of the glorious Resurrection. These three days celebrate the salvific days of Jesus' triumph over death through the Resurrection; but they also celebrate what is happening right now among us as the People of God. All parishioners, and Catholics throughout the world, are urged to join us for three days of wondrous liturgical celebrations as our Parish Family comes to the apex of the Liturgical Year.

### HOLY THURSDAY: THE LAST SUPPER

The celebration of the Lord's Supper will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evening with the accent upon the Blessed Sacrament. After the liturgy, the sacred species will be placed in the area of reposition for private adoration. The church will remain open until 12:00 midnight for those who wish to come and "keep watch with Jesus."

### GOOD FRIDAY: THE DEATH OF JESUS

We are asked to return to the church on Good Friday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. as we commemorate the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus. The tri-part celebration includes the Liturgy of the Word, the veneration of the Cross and the reception of the Eucharist from the consecrated species of the previous night. The church will be closed 30 minutes after the service to decorate for Easter.

### 12:00 NOON TO 3:00 P.M. FRIDAY

For those who would like to keep the 3 hour vigil from noon to three in church in commemoration of Jesus' hanging of the cross, we will begin at noon with a reflection on the mystery of the Cross that will lead into the service beginning at 1:30 p.m.

### EASTER VIGIL: THE RESURRECTION

The Easter Vigil will begin at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday evening and calls for all of us to be present to announce the Alleluia of the Resurrection. The four-part liturgical celebration is the high point of the entire Liturgical Year and beckons to all of us to join the Community of Faith in proclaiming this central mystery of our lives in Christ.

## IMPORTANT HOLY WEEK NOTE

There will be a 1:00 p.m. liturgy added to our Easter Sunday schedule along with the regular times of 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Parishioners who wish to avoid the great crowds of the three earlier liturgies may choose to participate at this one o'clock liturgy.

The Blessing of Baskets will take place at 12:00 noon on Holy Saturday. All families are invited to gather in church at that time for this ancient custom of preparing for the Resurrection.

There will be a collection on Good Friday as prescribed by the Diocese. There is an envelope in our packet for this collection, all of which goes to maintaining the sacred places of the Holy Land.

There will be no confessions scheduled during Holy Week. A person who wishes to celebrate Reconciliation may simply call the rectory to make an appointment with one of the priests.

Today is the final day to submit names for the Easter Flower Memorial. There is an envelope included in our packet for this purpose. We ask a donation of five dollars with each name submitted. Please print clearly on the envelope the name(s) of each person to be memorialized.

## SOME OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE

The Pastoral Council will be meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday evening seeking volunteers of those who would like to help form a TEAM to reach out to those who no longer practice their Faith. Any good suggestions? Contact a Council member!

The CCC will meet on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory. They will be setting the deadline for placing names on the "Memorial Plaque." Make or increase your pledge before this deadline.

Save your newspapers, magazines and junk mail and drop them in the bin found behind the school anytime during the week.

The "Extended Staff Appreciation Dinner" is set for Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> in Marian Hall. Invitations will be forthcoming to all those involved.

"Festival Flashes" will begin next week in the bulletin as we continue our plans for the Parish Family Festival, June 21-23. Watch for your ONE book of raffle tickets coming shortly!

There will be great crowds during these next weeks so plan on coming early for parking purposes!

**Liturgies for the Week**

**Sunday, April 1, 2007 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**  
 4:00 p.m. George Duffy - Duffy Family  
 6:00 p.m. John Kirby - Carol & Tom Roberts  
 7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of Our Parish Family  
 9:00 a.m. Maxine Deasy - Family  
 11:00 a.m. Marie Sonnett - Tom & Babs

**Monday, April 2, 2007 - Monday of Holy Week**  
 7:00 a.m. Mary Grace Canfield - Jim & Joanne  
 10:00 a.m. Louise Mikulan - Rose Stegman

**Tuesday, April 3, 2007- Tuesday of Holy Week**  
 7:00 a.m. Mary Ann Mozeyko - Family  
 10:00 a.m. Alma Rygielski - Bert Elling

**Wednesday, April 4, 2007 - Wednesday of Holy Week**  
 7:00 a.m. Charlotte Ann McGuire - Marie Hunkele  
 10:00 a.m. Paul Berrang - Paul & Joan Kramer

**Thursday, April 5, 2007 - Holy Thursday**  
 7:00 p.m. **Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**Friday, April 6, 2007 - Good Friday**  
 12:00 noon **Reflection on the Mystery of the Lord's Passion & Death**  
 1:30 p.m. **Good Friday of the Lord's Passion Liturgical Services**

**Saturday, April 7, 2007 - Holy Saturday**  
 8:30 p.m. **Easter Vigil**

**Sunday, April 8, 2007 - Easter Sunday:**  
**The Resurrection of the Lord**  
 7:30 a.m. Francis Werling, Jr. - Family  
 9:00 a.m. Harry Heiml - Harry & Rachele  
 11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of Our Parish Family  
 1:00 p.m. Alphonse Buzzelli - Son & Family

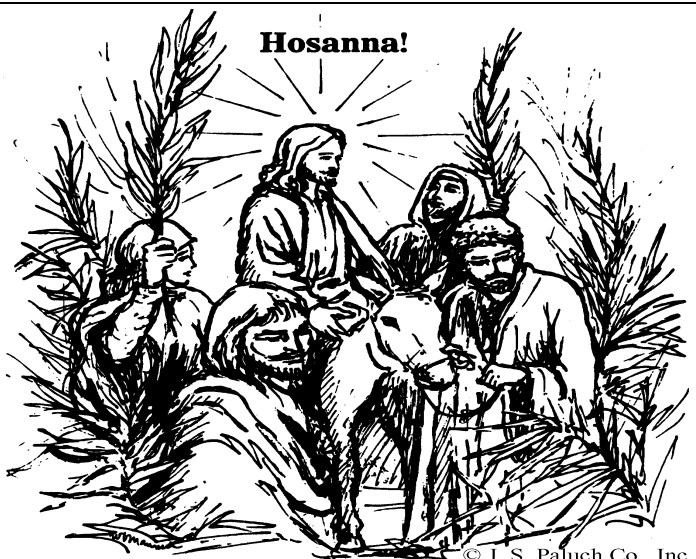
**Prayer List**

*Please pray for all the sick and those recovering from illness. Family and friends have requested prayers for the following:*

Anthony, Anna Marie Belch, Bethann, Herman J. Clarke, Liz Fornaser, Kathie Francis, Gemma, Finisia Golden, Gladys Hefferin, Kate Heinricker, Martha Hornak, Ava Hutchenson, Andrew Kadash, Robert Kaminski, Katie Lang, Abby Lutz, Maggie, Larry McIntyre, Darryl Miersch, Hannah Shuker Pallas, Courtney Ryce, Annabelle Segriff, Joshua Stanek, Eileen Stegman, Kerry Stiffey, Trevor Tofil, Craig Trimble, Mark Thimons, Renae Vivaldi-Breskovich, Vickery Family, Walter.

**A VOCATION VIEW**

**Are you willing to surrender your life to God? You are promised eternal life. (Luke 22:14-23:1-49)**



**Second Bann of Marriage:**  
**Amber Giannuzzi (St. Mary) and Chad Scholtz**

**Offertory Collection**

April 1, 2007	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	836	\$17,478.15
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$594.00
Children's Offertory	-	\$81.00
Catholic Campaign Human Development	-	\$356.00
Easter Flowers	-	\$726.00
Easter Offering	2	\$25.00
Parish Share 2007	66	\$6,275.00
Holy Land	1	\$10.00
Parish Needy	-	\$544.00
Religious Formation	1	\$10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>\$26,099.15</b>

**DAILY READINGS**

**April 2:** Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11  
**April 3:** Is 49: 1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  
**April 4:** Is 50: 4-9a; Mt 26: 14-25  
**April 5:** **Chrism Mass:** Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21  
**Lord's Supper:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15  
**April 6:** Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31; Hev 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42  
**April 7:** a) Gn 1:1-2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; c) Ex 14:15-15:l; d) Is 54:5-14; e) Is 55:1-11; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Lk 24:1-12  
**April 8:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24: 1-12 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

## **SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

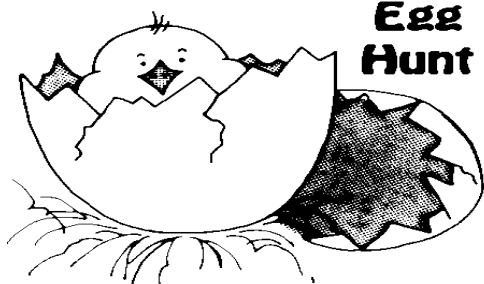
**LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME:** a ministry to parents with young children under age 5 provides a variety of different activities. All parents with children under ten years of age are invited to join the little ones for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Holy Saturday beginning in church at 10:30am with a family blessing.

### **A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar**

In today's gospel, the leaders brought false charges against Jesus because it was easier to live a lie than live the truth. Families sometimes maintain "secrets" for the same reason, but they soon learn, just like Peter in today's gospel, lies only lead to shame.

**PRAY AND PLAY DAY-** all are invited to come to the children's liturgy room on Wed. April 4th at 9:30am. A special presentation will be made preparing the children for the Easter Egg hunt on Sat. April 7<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:30am in church. For more information, call Cindy Shadle at (412)487-5272.

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**Easter Egg Hunt** We still need volunteers to stuff the eggs that will be used for this Saturday's **EASTER**

**EGG HUNT** beginning in church at 10:30am with a Family Blessing. All children ten years of age and under are invited to participate. Call Donna Polito (412) 492-9312 to register your children and/or to help prepare for the hunt.

## **RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

### **FAITH SHARING Holy Week**

Jesus makes the decision to trust God's wisdom in spite of everything. When have YOU decided to face your fears and trust God? To what extent do you pour yourself out for others as Jesus did?

### **MONDAY FAITH FORMATION ALL**

meet in church tomorrow for a very short film about the Holy Land "Adventure in Galilee".

**The SEDER MEAL** will be anticipated and celebrated in some of our Monday eve classes. Copies of the adapted Seder meal prayers and symbolic foods may be obtained from our Faith Formation office for those who will have the meal on Holy Thursday in commemoration of Jesus' observance of Passover before his death. Call 412-486-5521 if you wish to get copies.

### **FAMILIES with children in public schools:**

1. Donations of non-perishable items for the Easter Meal project may be placed in the marked boxes on the last pew in the "Children Liturgy Room".
2. RESPONSES to the Summer Programs questionnaire may be returned to the Faith Formation Office.
3. Faith Formation classes will NOT meet Sat., April 7, nor Mon., April 9. Use the excellent resources in the GOSPEL WEEKLIES during the Triduum and Easter days for your lesson-at-home.

**The DIVINE MERCY NOVENA** begins on Good Friday and extends to MERCY SUNDAY, April 15. Copies of the Novena are on the pamphlet rack at the rear of church.

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

**FYI** The next T-ROC will be on Sunday, April 22. **Fr. Michael Komakec** has just returned from Uganda and will be the celebrant for the 6 PM liturgy. We will continue our discussion about "The Invisible Children" in Africa. The topic for this session will be on **Children's Rights: National, Global and Galactic**. This liturgy plus the activities afterward are **open to all** in the parish.

**IF YOU HAVE NOT COME TO T-ROC AT ALL THIS YEAR, THIS WILL BE A GREAT TIME TO TRY IT.**

### **TEEN HOLY WEEK ACTIVITIES.**

**Holy Thursday, April 5** the youth of the parish traditionally attend the **Chrism Liturgy** at St. Paul Cathedral at 10 AM to pick up the chrism oils for our parish. This is a **great** opportunity for our youth to reunite with former priests from our parish, like **Fr. Philip and Fr. Paul. Fox Chapel and Hampton are on scheduled days off** from school and **we can provide release time papers for any Shaler students**. Our group will depart from our parish at 8:40 AM. Students in grades 9-12 may register by calling the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

**GOOD FRIDAY CROSSWALK** is a joint effort between **St. Mary of the Assumption and Epworth Methodist**. It will be on **Good Friday, April 6, 2007, beginning at noon**. All teens report to Marian Hall at 9 AM, breakfast will be served. Teens, even if you have not signed up as part of the Crosswalk cast, **please feel free to spend the day with us**. Our activities will conclude with a meal ending around 4 PM.

### **CYM CALENDAR**

**Sun., Apr. 1** HOSANNA (must pre-register)  
**Thur., Apr. 5** Chrism Liturgy at St. Paul Cathedral  
**Fri., Apr. 6** Good Friday Teen Lenten Experience 9 A - 4 P  
**Sat., Apr. 7** Easter Vigil at 8:30 PM  
**Wed., Apr. 11** Serving meal at homeless shelter

### **HOMELESS SHELTER MONTHLY DINNER**

It's official - CYM is responsible for preparing and serving a dinner meal at the SOAR shelter for homeless women on the second Wednesday of every month. **NEXT DINNER WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11**. We would appreciate donations of salad ingredients, drinks, main course and dessert for 16-20 women. Call 412-486-4100, ext. 409 if you are interested in helping.

## **ST. MARY SCHOOL**

# **Registration**

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St. Mary School will be accepting registrations for students in preschool through grade 7. If you are interested in becoming a member of our school community or would like additional information, please call the school office at (412) 486-7611.

The 3 year-old preschool program meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-11:00 AM; the 4 year-olds meet on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30-11:00 AM. The school also offers half-day and full-day kindergarten classes as well as an after-school program until 6:00 PM.

Students entering kindergarten must be age 5 by September 1st. A copy of the child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate (if Catholic), and social security identification must be provided at the time of registration. A \$100.00 deposit is also required but is applied towards tuition.

**SCRIP NEWS** - We are pleased to announce that we are now able to accept credit cards as payment for your Giant Eagle/Shop 'N Save purchases at both selling times in the vestibule of the church. If you are assigning the assessment credit from your credit card purchase to a specific school family, there will be a 1% service charge added to your total. This 1% service charge will not apply if you do not assign your credit to a family. We will accept all major credit cards except American Express.

**SUPER BINGO** - Another Super Bingo will take place on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, in Marian Hall. Advance tickets are \$35; \$40 if purchased at the door. Admission includes 12 cards for regular games and 5 specials. Doors open at 5:30 PM; early birds begin at 7:00 PM. The evening includes 40 regular games (50 points each), 5 specials (100 points each), one jackpot at 500 points and another at 1000 points. All proceeds benefit St. Mary School. Call Coleen at (412) 486-6622 for tickets or more information. Thank you for your continued support!

## GENERAL PARISH NEWS

**Family Faith Formation Session:** meets Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at the 9:00am Liturgy with sessions following for children & youth faith formation and adults until 12:00 noon.

**Liturgy:** Grade 4  
The Adult Session begins in Marian Hall 10:30am.

**The Closing Prayer:** Kindergarten & Grade 1

**Special Project for April:** Please take all donations for the Orr Compassionate Care Center to Marian Hall and place on the back table before the session. The Orr Center provides a Christian respite care program for men and women, and they are in need of socks, undergarments, P.J.'s, sweat-shirts, and tee shirts. As always, your generosity and support is greatly appreciated!

**CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP-** All men are welcome to come to the rectory on Thursday, April 12 at 7:30pm for discussion and fellowship. All welcome! Come and share your experiences. Call Bill Cross (412) 486-8232 for more details.

**R. C. I. A.-** Please continue to pray for our catechumens and our candidates as they prepare to enter the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil this coming Holy Saturday beginning at 8:30pm. They will meet today and discuss Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum. All are welcome to attend. Come to the rectory dining room following the 9:00am liturgy. For more information call Father Ed or Jim Finn at (412)486-4100.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT COLLEGE?** St. Mary's is holding an Information Session with Financial Consultant, Fred Sample, and University of Pittsburgh junior, Joshua DeFilippo. Information on **financial aid** and such **questions** on how to take advantage of what colleges and universities have to offer plus **what to expect** will be addressed. Open to **parents plus youth in Grade 9 – 12**. Session will occur on **Saturday, April 14th**, in **Providence Hall immediately following the 6 PM liturgy**. Contact the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409 for more information.

## AROUND THE TOWN

### **SPECIAL THANKS TO...**

~Deacon Francis for driving the bus to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Gathering of Catholic Men and to the 52 men who attended. Mark your calendars! The Third Annual Gathering of Catholic Men will be held next year on Sat., April 12, 2008!

~Martha's Hands for planning and preparing the meal for the Teen Chorale before last Sunday's Passion Play.

~Tom Goral and his committee for planning the special Lenten Program last Sunday night.

### **WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING-**

The April meeting will be held on a different day. Members are asked to meet on Wednesday, April 11 at 7:00pm in the rectory. Call Tom Goral (412)487-6244 to submit Agenda items.

**Holy Thursday Church Visits** after the 7:00 PM liturgy, ride the bus with Deacon Fran as the pilgrimage will stop at the Chapels of Vincentian and Divine Providence Sisters and Churches of Saints Ursula, Catherines, Richards and Holy Sepulcher, to recall the places Jesus was taken between the Last Supper and his journey to Calvary. **CALL NOW** to reserve your seat on the bus, 412-486-5521.

**EXTRA wide WHEELCHAIR**, needed for a shut-in. Call Sister Lois at 412-486-4021

**MARKET DAY** – Springtime meals easier. Order forms in this week BULLETIN and at the Scrip and Faith Formation offices. Call, Lee Holleran 724-443-0673 if YOU will like to assist at the Market-in-Marian Hall, April 28th.

**FISHERS OF MEN**, an 18 minute DVD about life as a priest is available for loan from our parish library. Call 412-486-5521 to sign it out.

**PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS** from Father John

The sacred TRIDUUM (three days) includes Holy Thursday --- Good Friday --- Easter Vigil. Those who have gathered for these days in the past have spoken glowingly of the experience. Magnificent! Spiritually-enriching! Liturgically brilliant! These are some of the ways others have tried to describe this wondrous summit of the liturgical year. Yet, others do not come to these sacred three days because it is “too long to be in church” --- others do not come because three days in a row is “too much religion” --- others do not come because “it ends too late” or it starts “at a bad time.” Then there are those parishioners who put aside all of these objections and make the celebration of these three days the high point of their entire year.

There are some Catholics who have never celebrated these three days as an expression of the deepest meaning of our Faith. This might be compared to a life-long football player who has never won the Super Bowl; or a consummate movie star who has never won an Oscar; or a patriotic soldier who has never won the Medal of Honor. These persons are to be admired for the giftedness of their lives; and for how they have served in their own individual fields; but still, all in all, they never experienced the “pinnacle” of their chosen way of life. The celebration of the TRIDUUM is the pinnacle of our Catholic Faith. There are those liturgists who claim that “everything we believe as Catholics” is in one way or another experienced in the celebration of the Triduum. There are many Catholics who are to be admired for how they live out their Faith; but, all in all, having never celebrated the Triduum, their lives might not reach the heights they otherwise could achieve!

The central mystery of our Catholic Faith lies in the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord Jesus. The liturgical events celebrated during the Triduum bring this mystery front and center in our lives. It gets no better than this when we look at all we come to believe in our Catholic Faith. Once more this year the opportunity of celebrating with the other members of the Parish Family is given to each one of us.

So the choice belongs to each one of us! Will this be the year when I too will be included in the sacred events of the TRIDUUM or will I allow this magnificent opportunity simply to slip away from under my experience? Nothing that we do at anytime in the year compares to what we will do in this next week!!!