

## THE RECTOR'S REFLECTION

I was speaking with a brother priest recently about Lent and the upcoming Holy Week. He said something like, "Even more than celebrating the liturgies of Holy Week, you know what's even better? Having celebrated the liturgies of Holy Week." (Forgive my English if it's improper or incorrect. I am trying to improve!). His main point was that it is a wonderful feeling and recognition after the fact of what has been accomplished, namely, the recollection, commemoration and making present of the greatest of mysteries that are brought about in Holy Week, the Paschal Triduum and Easter Sunday.

They are times of gravity and contemplation. Occasions of prayer and beauty. Our Lord's confrontation of sin, death, and hell joined to his subsequent triumphant rise and conquering victory. The manner in which the Church accomplishes these things has roots going back to some of her oldest prayers and celebrations. Whether here or at home, this is a week to set aside extra time to accompany our Lord in his trial, scourging, march to calvary, death...and resurrection. And once we have done all that, I hope that we will look back in the same way as my brother priest and understand that it is truly the best moment to have completed a worthy celebration and entrance into Holy Week, the Triduum and Easter.

## CALENDAR OF SPECIAL EVENTS

### Spy Wednesday, April 1

5:15–5:45 PM – Confessions

6:00 PM – Latin Mass (Recited only, not sung)

### Maundy Thursday, April 2

6:00 PM – Mass of the Last Supper (Latin according to the older *Missale Romanum*)

8:00 PM - Midnight – Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Crypt

### Friday, April 3

3:00 PM – Mass of the Presanctified (Latin according to the older *Missale Romanum*)

6:00 PM – Candlelit Stations of the Cross

6:45 PM – Soup and bread in Pryor-Hubbard Hall

### Saturday, April 4

7:00 – 9:00 AM – Confessions

Noon – Blessing of Easter Foods in Pryor-Hubbard Hall

6:00 PM – Vigil of Easter (Latin according to the older *Missale Romanum*)

## OFFERTORY

- **March 21 and 22**
  - **Sunday Offertory**    \$3,063.00
  - **Online Giving**        \$609.12
  - **Total**                    \$3,672.12



QR Code for online giving

## MASS INTENTIONS

### March 28 – April 5

#### Saturday, March 28

8:30 AM – Int. of Michael P. Novajosky

4:00 PM – Elizabeth W. Esser +

#### Sunday, March 29

9:00 AM – Int. of David Whitehead

10:30 AM – Int. of Santiago & Daniel Calderon

12:00 PM – Int. of Tess Michaelson

#### Tuesday, March 31

8:30 AM – Chad Heinke +

#### Wednesday, April 1

6:00 PM – Donald Kager +

#### Thursday, April 2

6:00 PM – Elizabeth Knapp +

#### Friday, April 3

3:00 PM – No Intention

#### Saturday, April 4

6:00 PM – Int. of the Members of the Georgetown Oratory

#### Sunday, April 5

9:00 AM – John Wowak, Jr. +

10:30 AM – Jimmy Evans +

12:00 PM – Karwowski Family +

**PRAYER INTENTIONS** - Each week in the Oratory Bulletin we include the names of those who need our particular prayers. Please contact the office if you would like to add someone to our prayer list.

Kathy Romano, Joe and Lucille Faugno, Anna DeLuca, Susan Brown, Timothy Burns, Elise Burns, Emily Dexter, Jorge Chiavirria, Gerald Owczarczak, Matthew Krakowiak, Michael Majoris, David Knapp, Brian O'Donnell, Ralph Nilson, Michael Jansen, Andrew B. Slagle, Jim Jogodinski, David Whitehead, Sr., Gina & Matthew Bouvier, Tom Kelly, Ligia Monsalve

Repose of the souls of Nancy Define, Michael Peloso, Ryan Yannalfo, Lucy Procaccini, Gabriella Patterson, Michelle Leigh Gray, Edith Wald, Michael Rossi, Michael Tejada, Madeline Hanusovsky, Nikolaos Soukeras, James Crawford Grace, Michael Marushak, James Lomuscio, Monsignor Joseph W. Pekar, Theresa Truffini

## ORATORY NEWS

### CHARITABLE GIVING INFORMATION SESSION

Mr. Cecil Nazareth, CPA, MBA, an accountant and member of the Georgetown Oratory will be hosting two sessions to inform about some of the best ways to make charitable contributions. It is NOT a pitch for a program or to sign up for anything, simply advice that you can use in consultation with your own tax adviser. See the flyer on the bulletin board or Flocknote for more information. In addition to the presentation, he will answer any questions that you may have. He will give the same presentation on two days: Thursday, April 9 at 6:30 PM and Saturday, April 11 at 3 PM. Both presentations will take place in Pryor-Hubbard Hall.

### OCTAVE AT ORATORY MEETING

Friday, June 12 is the feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and begins an eight-day period of commemoration with the Octave of the Sacred Heart. Everyone in the diocese will be making an act of consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at the weekend Masses by order of the bishop. It is a PERFECT time for us to host events for the diocese and help others to devotion to their love for our Lord's Sacred Heart. Please join Fr. Novajosky for a meeting on Saturday, April 11 at 9:15 AM in the Conference Room to discuss ideas.

### MUSIC ON WEBSITE

Recordings of English chants of the Ordinary of the Mass from the 9 and 10:30 AM Masses have been posted on the website under the Liturgy tab. These will remain until Easter, when different chants will be used for Paschaltide. Thanks to Michael LaBarre for creating the videos and updating the website, as well as to the Viri, who chant on Wednesday nights, for singing for the recordings.

### GEORGETOWN FOOD PANTRY

We are still accepting food donations. Please drop off in the bin outside the glass doors of the Parish Office.

### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FOR TRIDUUM & EASTER

The office will be closed Thursday, April 2 – Wednesday, April 8. We will reopen on Thursday, April 9.

## RECESSIONAL

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry:  
Thy humble beast pursues his road  
With palms and scattered garments strowed.**
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die:  
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin  
O'er captive death and conquered sin.**
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The winged squadrons of the sky  
Look down with sad and wondering eyes  
To see the approaching sacrifice.**
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The last and fiercest strife is nigh;  
The Father on his sapphire throne  
Awaits his own anointed Son.**
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,  
Then take, O God, thy power, and reign.**

Words: Henry Hart Milman 1791-1868

Tune: WINCHESTER NEW, LM

Mass Readings:

Glory & Praise # 823A (Year A)

RCDM pg. 455

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the Intentions of Marge Hansen requested by Sherry Morris.  
Sacred Heart Votive Candle burns for Larry Helstern + requested by Lee Helstern.



### GEORGETOWN ORATORY

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**Dominica II Passionis seu in Palmis  
/ Palm Sunday  
March 29, 2026**

Rev. Michael P. Novajosky, Rector  
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(203) 493-1829 (call or text)

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Sunday

4 PM (Saturday Vigil) 9 AM 10:30 AM 12 Noon (1962)

#### Tuesday & Thursday

8:30 AM

#### Wednesday

6 PM (1962)

#### Friday & Saturday

8:30 AM (1962)

### ADORATION

First Friday 9 AM – 8 PM

### CONFESSIONS (in the oratory)

Wednesday 5:15 – 5:45 PM

Saturday 7:00 – 8:15 AM

By request at any convenient time

### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 9 AM – 1 PM

### WEBSITE

georgetownoratory.org

### EMAIL

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