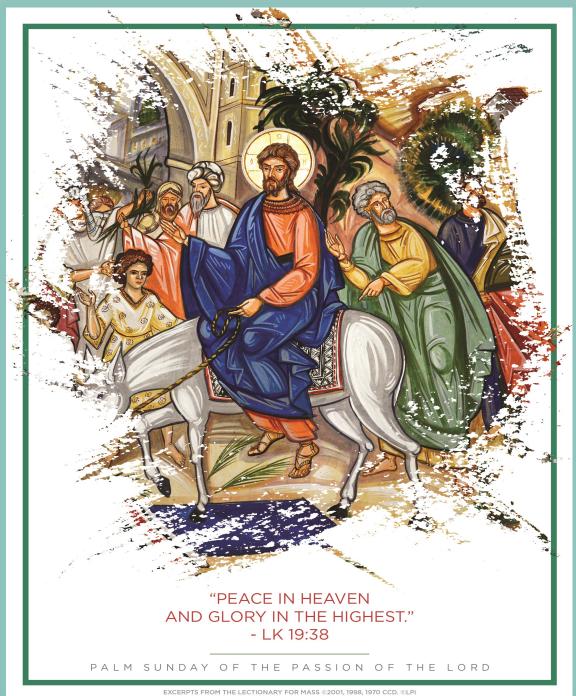


# ST. PAUL PARISH

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord **APRIL 10, 2022** 





## WEEKDAY LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Wednesday: St. Paul Church

8:00 a.m. -Daily Mass 12:10 p.m. -Daily Mass

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Fridays of Lent: 5:30 p.m.- St. Paul Church

## **CONFESSIONS:**

Mondays of Lent from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

# **Rev. Mon. Neil J. Van Loon, V.F., Pastor**Deacon John A. Hanni

## St. Paul Staff

Rita Cicco - Director of Religious Education Robert Fitzsimmons - Sacristan Eugene Mentz - Director of Liturgical Music Marci Stevens-Scanlon - Administrative Assistant Phoebe Wilson - Operations Manager



#### St. Paul Church

Corner of Penn Avenue and Marion Street, Scranton

#### St. Paul Rectory

1510 Penn Ave., Scranton, PA
Phone: 570-961-1549 ~
Fax: 570-961-0335
Office Hours ~ Mon-Fri
8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
info@stpaulscranton.org
Facebook ~ Saint Paul's
Parish Scranton
www.stpaulscranton.org

## St. Clare Church

2235 North Washington Ave.
Adoration and Rosary
Monday ~ Friday
4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. ~
Rosary at 4:30 p.m.
Food Pantry

3:00 p.m. ~ 4:30 p.m. St. Clare Church Basement

#### **IOIN US FOR MASS**

Join us on Facebook at St. Paul's Parish for our Saturday 4:30 p.m. livestreaming of the Celebration of Mass.

St. Paul Church is now open for Masses with social distancing seating.

## **Mass Schedule**

8 am Mass ~ Mon.-Sat. Vigil Mass ~ Saturday 4:30 (Livestreamed for those who cannot attend in person.)

Mass ~ Sun. 8 am or Sun. 10:30 am Confessions - Sat.-4:00 pm

## <u>Lenten Schedule</u>

MON-FRI 8am & 12:10 Daily Mass

Stations of the Cross
EACH FRIDAY during Lent
5:30 pm
St. Paul Church

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

All first time parents are asked to attend a baptismal preparation meeting prior to the Baptism.

Please call the parish office to schedule dates.

## **Sacrament of Matrimony**

A meeting with the parish priest should precede all other wedding plans. Contact the parish office at least six months before date of the intended marriage.

## **Sacrament of Holy Anointing**

All who are seriously sick, hospitalized, or having surgery can receive this sacrament.

Please call the parish office if you wish to be anointed.

### **Sponsor Cards**

Sponsor cards for Baptism or Confirmation will be issued to parishioners who attend Mass regularly; are Baptized and Confirmed Catholics; are married in conformity with the laws of the Church.

## Please Pray For...

### The People of Ukraine:

Please pray that all parties involved, refrain from any action that would cause even more suffering to the people of Ukraine. May the Lord restore peace, protect the people of Ukraine, and guide those providing emergency aid.

## **Our Deceased Family & Friends:**

Please remember all of our deceased family, friends, and fellow parishioners. May our faithful departed enjoy eternal rest in heaven.

### **Our Sick and Suffering:**

Please remember the sick, suffering and all who have asked for a remembrance in our prayers, May the Lord grant them health and peace in body, mind and spirit!

## **Our Military Men and Women:**

Please remember all our men and women in military and government service, especially those who serve in foreign lands. May the Lord preserve them from all harm.

#### **Persecuted Christians:**

Please remember our fellow Christians around the world who are being persecuted for their religious beliefs.

## **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life:**

Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially here in the Diocese of Scranton, that more men and women will respond to the call to serve God in religious vocations.

#### The Sanctity of Human Life:

Please pray that the life of every human person, from conception to natural death may be protected in our laws.

## St. Paul Mass Intentions

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

## Saturday, April 9

**Vigil: Palm Sunday** 

4:30 p.m. † Edwin Burkhouse

(Ellen & Barbara Burkhouse)

## Sunday, April 10

## Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish

† Edgar Morano

(Michael & Maryjule Kapacs)

10:30 a.m. † Paul Dougherty

(Renard Family)

## Monday, April 11

## **Monday of Holy Week**

8:00 a.m. † Maryclaire Jordan

(Casey & Maryjule Kapacs)

12:10 p.m. † John J. Yedinak

(Jim & AnnMarie McCrone)

## Tuesday, April 12

## **Tuesday of Holy Week**

8:00 a.m. † Maryanne Donohue

(Joe & Family)

11:45 a.m. † Confessions

12:10 p.m. † Maryclaire Jordan

(Husband, Arthur Jordan)

#### Wednesday, April 13 Wednesday of Holy Week

8:00 a.m. † Alice Cottone

(Family)

11:45 a.m. † Confessions

12:10 p.m. † Daniel Finnerty

(Amico Family)

## Thursday, April 14

## **Holy Thursday**

8:00 a.m. † Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m. † Fr. Joseph Boles

(Parish)

## Friday, April 15

## **Good Friday**

8:00 a.m. † Morning Prayer

3:00 p.m. † Solemn Commemoration of the Passion

5:30 p.m. † Stations of the Cross

## Saturday, April 16

**Holy Saturday** 

8:00 a.m. † Morning Prayer

12:00 p.m. † Blessing of Easter Baskets

8:00 p.m. † Maryclaire Jordan

(Husband, Dr. Arthur Jordan)

## Sunday, April 17

**Easter Sunday** 

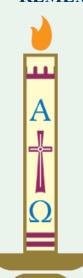
of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 a.m. † Members of the Parish

† Antoinette & William Pasko (Helen, Robbie & Noel)

10:30a.m. † Mollie Maloney Conway
(Mark & Children)

### REMEMBERED AT THE ALTAR



St. Paul's Sanctuary Candle In Memory of: † Dennis Lalley With Love From: The Bender Family

St. Paul's St. Joseph Candle In Loving Memory of: † Jerome P. Flynn With Love From: Family

St. Paul's Marian Candle In Loving Memory of:

† Antoinette & William Pasko With Love From:

Family

St. Paul's Wine and Hosts In Loving Memory of: † Sr. Mary William Philbin, IHM

## **MEMORIALIZING A LOVED ONE**

You may memorialize a loved one by having the candles lit at St. Paul's Church for the week. This beautiful tribute will be noted in our bulletin. Please call Marci at the rectory for more information.





Closed on Good Friday: Friday April 15th Regular Pantry Hours: Fridays~3—4:30 p.m.

## **Food Pantry Donations:**

Happy Birthday in Honor of: Margaret Mackrell With Love.

**Happy Birthday** 

in Honor of: **Anne Boles** With Love.

**Maureen Saunders Maureen Saunders** 

Sally Budash
With Love,
Karen Kelly

We annest to Quigley
With Love,
Acculto Family

In Loving Memory of In Loving Memory of

Thank You!

April 3rd

Offertory: \$ 4,194.00

Online: \$ 3,298.35



## Villa Saint Joseph: Housekeeping Position

The Villa Saint Joseph is looking for a dependable individual to perform general housekeeping duties. Hours: Monday through Thursday 7:30 am – 2:30 pm and Friday 7:30 am – 1:30 pm. This is a full-time position with a benefit package. Inquires may contact the Villa St. Joseph at (570) 343-4791 for an application.



## 2022 Wedding Anniversary Mass

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2022 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 26. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception.

The registration deadline is May 29, 2022.

To register, go to <u>www.dioceseofscranton.org</u> or contact Jen Housel (570-207-2213 x 1104 or jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org).

Pope Francis has called on all Catholics to pray for peace in Ukraine.

Pray with us Monday-Friday 4-5pm at St. Clare Church.

Corner of N. Washington Ave. & Park Street in Scranton

Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary beginning at 4:30, and Pray with us in Solidarity for the Imminent Restoration of Peace in Ukraine.

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have recently departed. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

## An Act of Spiritual Communion



My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things, And I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace

you as already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.



Saint Joseph's Center Sidewalk Sale Saturday, May 21, 2022 8 am - 1 pm

320 S. Blakely Street, Dunmore

## **Diocese Hiring:** Executive Administrative Assistant

This full-time position will provide administrative support to the Vicar General of the Diocese of Scranton.

The successful candidate will be responsible for answering the phone, preparing correspondence and mailings, organizing the Vicar General's calendar and mail, taking meeting minutes and maintaining the files/records within the office. This position requires a high degree of confidentiality and discretion. The Diocese is looking for someone with a minimum of five (5) years of high level administrative support experience who possesses an attention to detail, organi-

zational skills, computer proficiency, ability to multi-task, and strong communication skills in a service oriented environment. A college degree is desirable. Applicants must also possess a demonstrated knowledge of and commitment to the Catholic Church's teachings, mission, vision and values.

The Diocese of Scranton offers a competitive salary and comprehensive benefits program. Interested candidates are encouraged to send a letter of interest, complete resume with salary requirement, and a minimum of three (3)references by no later than **April 15**, **2022** to: James R. Burke

Diocesan Secretary for Human Resources, 300 Wyoming Ave. Scranton, PA 18503 Or email:

Jim-Burke@dioceseofscranton.org



## **PALM SUNDAY**

This Weekend, we commemorate Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The blessing and distribution of palm will take place at each of our regularly scheduled Sunday

Masses.

Many people display the palms received at this liturgy behind a crucifix or religious picture in their homes. It is traditional for some families to weave the palms into the form of a cross.

An Old Italian custom worth reviving is to present your palm branch to someone you have offended, as a gesture of reconciliation.

When it is time to dispose of your blessed palm **DO NOT THROW IT AWAY**, return it to church **NEXT YEAR** to be made into ashes for next Ash Wednesday.







## THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Sundown on Holy Thursday, April 14th, will mark the end of the season of Lent. At that wonderful moment, we will begin the Paschal Triduum, a tongue-twister of a phrase that means "the three days of Passover." The Triduum lasts until sundown on Easter Sunday.

During these holiest days of the year, we celebrate the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ.

## Why do these days need our whole-hearted attention?

Because the body of Christ is our own body; and who could even think of being absent from their own death, burial and resurrection?

## RULES FOR FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Fasting is required of all Catholics age 18-59 only two days each year: Ash Wednesday & Good Friday On fasting days, only one full meal is allowed, with two smaller meals, as needed.

Eating solid food between meals is not allowed.

Abstinence from meat is required of all Catholics over age 14 on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays in Lent. These regulations are considered to be a serious obligation for all Catholics. However, those who are ill, pregnant, on medication or special diets for health concerns, or those who must work at extremely physical jobs may be exempt from these regulations.



## Every Monday during Lent: 5:30 - 6:30p.m.

St. Paul's Church and all the parishes in the Diocese of Scranton will be open for individual confessions. In this season of renewal, Catholics are invited to experience Christ's healing love through the Sacrament of Reconciliation as an

important dimension of the Lenten journey. The website, www.dioceseofscranton.org/light has materials to assist you in preparing to make a good confession, prayers you may find helpful, and answers to frequently asked questions. Please make plans to come on a Lenten Monday, and spread the word of this special outreach of mercy to those you know!



Holy Week is the most solemn and glorious week in Christianity, the pinnacle of the liturgical year. It's more sacred than Christmas! This is because Holy Week commemorates the final week of Our Lord's life, the very purpose for which Christmas happened.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday (when Jesus made his final entrance into Jerusalem) and culminates with Easter Sunday.

As Holy Week progresses to its final days, the solemnity heightens.

THE SACRED TRIDUUM: Sundown on Holy Thursday to sundown on Easter Sunday is considered the most solemn part of the liturgical year. This three-day period is referred to as the Easter Triduum, also known as the Sacred Triduum, or Paschal Triduum. The Triduum "reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes with evening prayer on Easter Sunday" (The General Norms for the Liturgical Year).

The word "triduum" comes from the Latin word triduum, which comes from tris ("three") + dies ("day"). Basically, the Sacred Triduum is one great festival recounting the last three days of Jesus' life on earth, the events of His Passion and Resurrection, when the Lamb of God laid down his life in atonement for our sins. "Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery."

It is known as the "Paschal Mystery" because it is the ultimate fulfillment of the ancient Jewish Passover (or Pasch), which itself was a recollection of how God brought the Jews out of their slavery in Egypt. The spotless lamb was slaughtered at the Passover meal and consumed—that same night the destroying angel "passed over" the homes marked with the blood of the Passover Lamb, and those covered by the Blood were saved. This was the Old Testament prefigurement of Jesus' work at the Last Supper—where He inserted himself as the Paschal Lamb—and Calvary, where the sacrifice was offered to save us from our slavery to sin. With the Holy Eucharist, we consume the victim that died for our sins. The Paschal Mystery is, therefore, God's plan of redemption for the fallen human race through the passion, death, and resurrection of the God-man Jesus Christ. It is one marvelous event stretched out over three days...

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#### **HOLY THURSDAY**

The evening Mass on Holy Thursday is referred to as The Mass of the Lord's Supper. This is where the Church re-lives the institution of the Eucharist and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Last Supper, as well

as the institution of the priesthood, which took place the evening before Jesus was crucified.

After the homily there is an optional "washing of the feet" ceremony, where the priest washes the feet of others to signify his role as servant—just as Jesus did with His disciples. Extra hosts are consecrated at this Mass to be used on Good Friday on which no Mass will be celebrated anywhere.

The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday concludes with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the "altar of repose," a place where the consecrated Host is kept, away from the main altar where Mass is normally celebrated. Some people stay and pray with the reposed Eucharist at this altar of repose, remembering Jesus' request in the Garden of Gethsemane for someone to "watch and pray" with Him.

There is no daytime Mass on Holy Saturday. It is still a day of fasting and sorrow before the Easter Vigil begins that evening. We recall, with Mary and the disciples, that Jesus died and was separated from them for the first time as He lay in the tomb. The faithful often continue their Good Friday fast through Holy Saturday.

In the Apostles Creed we pray "He descended into hell" which describes what Jesus did in the time between his burial and Resurrection. Jesus descended to the realm of the dead on Holy Saturday to save the righteous souls—the Old Testament patriarchs, for example—who died before his crucifixion.

## **GOOD FRIDAY**

The evening Mass on Holy Thursday Good Friday is a mandatory day of fasting and abstinence. This is the day of the crucifixion—the day Jesus died for the sins of the world.

The parish altar looks very different on Good Friday: it is plain and bare. There is no consecrated Host in the tabernacle at the main altar of the church; It was carried away on Holy Thursday night to the "altar of repose" to signify Jesus' death. The candle by the tabernacle is blown out, and the tabernacle doors are left open to show that it is empty. Jesus is gone. This is quite dramatic. It reminds us that Good Friday is a solemn day of mourning and prayer.

The ceremony on Good Friday is not a Mass—it is a Communion Service using the consecrated hosts from Holy Thursday. Good Friday is the only day of the year on which no Masses are offered.

These Good Friday services often take place at 3 PM, the hour that Jesus breathed His last on the cross. Veneration of the Cross usually takes place at this service.

#### **EASTER VIGIL / EASTER SUNDAY**

A vigil Mass is held after nightfall on Holy Saturday, or before dawn on Easter Sunday, in celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. This is called the Easter Vigil: the most glorious, beautiful, and dramatic liturgy for the Church.

The vigil is divided into 4 parts:

- 1) the Service of Light,
- 2) the Liturgy of the Word,
- 3) the Liturgy of Baptism, and
- 4) the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This is also the Mass in which many RCIA catechumens are brought into full communion with the Catholic Church.

