

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	April 1
4pm-	Peggy Ladner †
Sunday	April 2
8:00am	Parishioners
10:30am-	Huey & Pat Curet†
Monday	April 3
8:00am-	Marge Blaisdell†
Tuesday,	April 4
8:00am-	Marge Blaisdell†
Wednesday	April 5
8:00am-	Eddie Peterson†
Thursday	April 6
8:00am-	No Mass
Friday	April 7
8:00am-	No Mass

 If you are unable to come inside the Church, sit in your automobile and listen to our Broadcasting on 91.1 Fm. You can also listen to a Portable radio in Church if you have trouble hearing.

Pray for our Troops

Amir Darwis _____	US Army
	National Guard
Darrell Little _____	US Army
Devin Nelson _____	US Army
Brandan Witt _____	USAF
Evan Cameron _____	USAF
David Arceneaux _____	USAF
Lance Cuevas _____	USAF
Christopher Abney _____	US Navy

Lord, hold our troops in Your Loving Hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need, and bring them home safely. May their sacrifices bring about a lasting and just peace in those lands. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord;
Monday:	Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday:	Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday:	Wednesday of Holy Week;
Passover	(Jewish celebration) begins at sunset
Thursday:	Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum
Friday:	Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence;
First Friday	
Saturday:	Holy Saturday; The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday:	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 3:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday:	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:	Chrim Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 16:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday:	Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12- 13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday:	a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10
Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

Claiborne Hill Receipts

We appreciate dropping off your Claiborne Hill receipts! Thank you for your support. **YTD \$150.38**



COFFEE SHOP

Come by and enjoy some Coffee, Breakfast & Fellowship after 8am Mass.

Donations are accepted



Church Cleaning

Team 4 this week

ENCOUNTER WITH THE CROSS

The journey of Lent brings us to an encounter with the cross. During Lent, we have been led more deeply into questions at the heart of our faith: Who is God? And who are we, the Church? The Gospel of Matthew indicates that, in the crucifixion, God's true nature is most fully revealed in Jesus. In Jesus, God is the self-emptying One, who embraces humility and suffers rejection, as Paul tells the Philippians. God's power is redefined, present not in coercion and violence, but in Jesus' unbounded love. We the Church can learn who we are, the followers of the Crucified One, when we bear crosses that offer life and hope to the world. We more fully become the Church when we empty ourselves by sharing in others' sufferings, rejecting violence, and taking risks for justice and reconciliation. Like Jesus, we may reveal God's power as compassion and mercy.

Act of Contrition

I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things I firmly intend, with your help, to do Penance, to sin no more, and to avoid Whatever leads me to sin.

Amen

Prayer Request

Stephen Blaisdell-
Brandon Boudreaux
Sandy Ledford
Denyse McGovern
Timothy Odom

Please note

Beginning July 1st Prayer Request names will be deleted and start anew. Please call the office to add names of family members needing prayers.



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APRIL 2, 2023
Palm Sunday



Masses

Saturday Vigil:	4:00pm
Sunday:	8am, 10:30am
Weekday Mass:	8:00am (Chapel) (Monday-Friday, Rosary after)
First Tuesday (of the Month)	Anointing of the Sick & Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help (after 8am Mass)
First Friday: (of the month)	8:00am(Chapel) Mass & Devotion To Sacred Heart

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday:	3:00 - 3:45 pm
Sunday:	7:15 - 7:45am 9:45 - 10:15am (Other times by Appointment)

Adoration

Tuesday:	8:00am-6:00pm
Friday:	8:30am-9:30am

Office Hours

Mon-Friday	8:30am-12:30pm
Wednesday	8:30am-12:00pm

Secretary Linda Bellocq

TODAY' READINGS

First Reading (Isaiah 50:4-7)

The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them.

Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

Psalm (22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24)

R. My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me scoff at me; they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: "He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him,

let him rescue him, if he loves him."

R. My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?

Indeed, many dogs surround me, a pack of evildoers closes in upon me; They have pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.

R. My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?

They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots. But you, O LORD, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me.

R. My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?

I will proclaim your name to my brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you: "You who fear the LORD, praise him; all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; revere him, all you descendants of Israel!"

Second Reading (Philippians 2:6-11)

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel (Matthew 26:14-27:66) Passion Reading

Page 221 in the Book of Sacred Liturgy

Gospel Reflection

We begin the 'Holy Week' during which we see Jesus reaches the climax of his passion, each unfolding event emphasizing the deepest meaning of his life and teachings. During this week he will speak of our human condition: our life with all its sorrow, pain, work, worry, anguish and anxiety or their absence. He invites us to walk with him so that we can imitate his "self-emptying" attitude, emptying ourselves of our own will and our desire to control our own lives and the lives of others. This is not a call to a life of pain and misery but to a life of deep freedom, peace and happiness. It is not easy even if we are sincere, but Isaiah assures us "The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back." (Isaiah 50:4).

The narration we listen on Palm Sunday is the most central to salvation history - of how Jesus laid down his life for our redemption. We may quick to condemn many of the characters presented in the account. But think for a while: would we have acted differently if we were in a similar situation? Judas may be considered the most wicked in the story, but his love for money may not be totally in our life. Those who handed over Jesus to death were more concerned about their positions and privileges than justice and truth; we need to ask ourselves how often we have yielded to self-interest and opportunism than stood for justice and fairness. If the disciples fled the scene when the soldiers came for Jesus, we remember how carefully we have shunned risk involving situations. If we did not deny Jesus as Peter did, we are sure we have avoided taking an evangelical stand on many issues that mattered. Yes, we find ourselves doing the very things that we condemn in others. But we have hope yet. It was to make amends for these and similar failures of ours that Jesus came. We surrender our sinful selves to him.

 HOLY WEEK	Holy Thursday Good Friday	7pm Washing of the feet & Adoration 3pm Stations of the Cross 7pm Passion of the Lord
	Holy Saturday Easter Sunday	7:30pm Easter Vigil 8am & 10:30am

 No Morning Mass Holy Thursday And Good Friday	Easter Flower Offering Easter Flower Offering Envelopes are available in the Vestibule. Please fill out the names for whom you offer.
Special Mass and Devotion First Tuesday: Mass, Anointing of the sick, and Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. (8:00am in the Chapel)	Special Collection Holy Land Good Friday

Catholic Sharing Appeal
You are the Light of the World

The forms the Diocese sent to parishioners, please fill out and return along with your pledge to the Diocese. Those who have not yet made the Pledge, collect the forms from the Vestibule.

THANK YOU

Annunciation Parish would like to thank the Ladies Club and all who worked and supported this years Lenten Fish Fry. Thank you for making it a Huge Success.

Financial News	
Insurance	\$64,983.79
Diocesan Support	\$14,524.68
School Supplement	\$28,609.38
Salaries, Utilities, & Other Expenses	\$138,968.38
Total Yearly Financial Obligations	\$247,086.23
Amount needed each Week	\$4,751.66
Last Sunday Collection	\$3,070.95
YTD Needed	\$65,750.43
YTD Collected	\$45,260.84
YTD Shortfall	\$19,489.59

50/50 RAFFLE

Annunciation Parish Ladies Club will be having their annual 50/50 Raffle. Tickets will be available in the Vestibule after each Mass. Drawing will be at the BBQ Dinner in May.

Holy Mass Offering

Please call the office for any Mass Intentions for your Loved ones. Envelopes are available in the pews.

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER
The Jesus Prayer
 Lord Jesus, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.