



**Palm Sunday
The Passion of
the Lord**

March 25, 2018

Masses for the Week

Saturday	Tom Browne	5:00pm
Sunday	People of the Parish	8:00am
Sunday	Palm Sunday	10:00am
Monday	Msgr. James Cox	5:30pm
Tuesday	FIO Bethany Jelliffe	8:00am
Wednesday	Roger & Dorothy Beaulieu	5:15pm
Thursday	Holy Thursday	7:30pm
Friday	Stations of the Cross	Noon
	Passion of the Lord	3:00pm
Saturday	Easter Vigil	8:00pm

Please Pray for Our Sick

Fanny Bonventre, Herb Cahill, Billye Doria, Hal Holly, Ken Gottstine, Sr. Maureen Jerkowski, Fred Kimlin, Maureen Krom, Lynne Lazzaro, Mary McNamara, Tony Peralta, Joe & Virginia Petras, Daniel Sweeney, Alice Theiss, Thomas Vavrinc, Irene Waddell, Joe Walsh, Luisa Walsh, Denise Woltman, Amelia Zak

Please Pray for Our Deceased
Frank Eisinger & Shirley Spornyak

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Reconciliation Monday

This Monday, March 26th is Reconciliation Monday. We encourage all Catholics to take advantage of this wonderful sacrament of Christ's forgiveness. Confessions will be between the hours of 4pm and 8pm.

Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Monday. It will re-open on Easter Tuesday at 8:30am.

Holy Week Schedule

Monday, April 10th – Reconciliation 4-8pm
 Holy Thursday –
 Mass the Lord's Supper 7:30pm
 Adoration after Mass until 10pm
 Good Friday –
 Stations of the Cross Noon
 Passion of the Lord 3pm
 Holy Saturday-
 Easter Vigil Mass 8pm
 Easter Sunday Mass 8am, and 10am
 Easter Egg Hunt after 10am Mass

Holy Thursday

On Holy Thursday, we will commemorate the Last Supper, the institution of the priesthood, and of the Eucharist with our evening Mass at 7:30. After Mass, The Tabernacle of Repose will be stationed at the side altar for those who would like to spend quiet time in adoration of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament until 10pm.

Good Friday

Our Good Friday services will be Stations of the Cross at noon, and the Commemoration of the Lord's Passion with Holy Communion at 3pm. One of the ways we show our Lord that we are thankful for his dying on the cross for us is by commemorating it.



Good Friday Fast and Abstinence

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence:

- *Abstinence* from meat (beef, veal, pork, chicken, but not seafood) on those who are over 14 years old.
- *Fasting* binds for those between the ages of 18 and 59. Fasting entails eating only three times a day: two light meals and a moderate main meal. Health problems may moderate the fasting obligations.

Holy Saturday

Holy Saturday is a quiet day, the quietest day of the Church's year. The church will be open for silent visits.

Easter Vigil



The Easter Vigil is the most solemn, most important Mass of the year. So, if it is possible, please try to attend the Easter Vigil. It is at 8pm on Holy

Saturday night.

Easter Sunday

Our Masses on Easter Sunday will be at 8am and 10 am. There will be an Easter egg hunt in the back after the 10am

Easter Eggs and More

We will have our annual Easter Egg Hunt for the kids after the 10am Mass on Easter Sunday with coffee and a treat for the waiting adults.

Holy Thursday, March 29th

A Guide is available in the back of the Church for those who wish to participate in the venerable custom of visiting seven churches on Holy Thursday. Mass times,

location of Altar of Repose and closing times are listed along with prayer responses and the Pope's prayer intentions. Participants normally set out after attending the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper in their own parish and then continue on a self-directed pilgrimage to six more churches to visit their decorated Altars

Religious Ed News

There will not be class on March 28th but classes will resume on April 4^h. First Communion is on May 5th at 10am practice at 6pm on Friday, May Crowning will be on Sunday, May 6th at 10am Mass.

Good Friday Collection **Support of Holy Land**

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. It also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars and unrest have been especially hard on Christians. When you contribute, you become an instrument of peace and join the Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous.

50th Wedding Anniversary

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime in 2018 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Sunday, June 3rd at 2:15pm Pre-registration is required. Contact the rectory for registration before May 14th. Pews will be reserved for Golden Jubilee Couples and 1 guest. Additional family and friends will be accommodated in pews outside of the reserved section.



The Book Club at St. Joseph's Parish **Invites you to an evening with** **Sr. Carol Perry**

One night only, an invitation to encounter the resurrection as Jesus' followers did 2000 years ago.

Walking as Easter People

Monday, April 9th at 6:00pm

Sr. Perry uses her extensive scholarship and imaginative storytelling skills to offer a fresh approach to exploring the Scriptures, bringing people and stories of the Bible to life.

A free will offering will be taken up.

Abortion Expansion Law

In his recent Budget proposal, Governor Cuomo included a radical bill (S.7511) that would expand late-term abortions in New York State. The bill would eliminate New York's ban on late-term abortions allowing abortion for any reason in all nine months of pregnancy, empower non-doctors to perform abortions, and permit a baby born alive after an abortion to die of neglect and starvation. The enacted state budget requires three-way negotiation and must be finalized by April 1. The State Senate is our only hope to stop this tragedy. Please let your State Senator know that they must not allow the state budget to be used as a vehicle for expanding late-term abortion.

For ease of communication in contacting your Senator, go to www.nyscatholic.org and click on "Take Action", which will provide a message you can send directly to your Senator. If you prefer to call Rep. Senator John Flanagan (Majority Leader), who will be part of the three-way negotiation, he can be reached at (631) 361-2154, and say: "I am calling because Governor Cuomo included a radical abortion expansion proposal (S.7511) in budget bills. This proposal would eliminate virtually all limitations on abortion in New York State, particularly on late-term abortions. Please insist that these abortion provisions are removed from the final budget."

Easter Flower Memorials

Envelopes for Easter memorials are in the rear of the church. We are indebted to our parishioners who choose to remember their deceased loved ones by contributing to this.



Catechetical Office Archdiocese of NY **Adult Confirmation Program**

For baptized adult Catholics who have received their First Holy Communion, regularly attend Mass, and use the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Ulster County Location

**Saint Joseph Church 34 South Chestnut St
New Paltz, New York 845-255-5635**

All sessions are held on Mondays

7:00pm – 8:30pm.

Begins April 2nd concludes May 21st

Rosary Altar Society

Next weekend team *five* is scheduled. The RAS meeting will be April 8th.