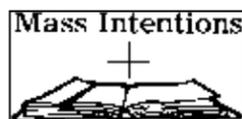


Recognizable Offering..... \$7,333.65
Loose Cash \$522.00
Total Weekly Offering..... \$7,855.65
Mass Attendance Mar 12/13



Mar 21 - Mar 27
MondayRein Podrang(+)
TuesdayMary Griewisch(liv)
Wednesday.....Dan & Debra Wade(liv)
ThursdayDiocesan Priests
FridayGood Friday
SaturdaySherwood Fowler(+)
Sunday.....Allen Scarleski(+)(8:00 a.m.)
.....St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)

Weekly Calendar of Events

- 3/20 K-5 Faith Formation - No Class
Mandatory Easter Choir Rehearsal - 12:15 p.m.
SYMBOLON - 6:00 p.m.
HS/MS Meetings - 6:00 p.m.
- 3/21 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 3/22 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 3/23 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.
- 3/24 Holy Thursday Service - 7:00 p.m.
No Adoration
- 3/25 Good Friday Service - 7:00 p.m.
- 3/26 Easter Vigil - 7:45 p.m.
- 3/27 Easter Party/Egg Hunt - after 10:30 a.m. Mass
No K-5 Faith Formation
No HS/MS Meetings

Offertory Collections for Holy Thursday
and Good Friday.

Holy Thursday's collection will be for the Education of Future Priests and Good Friday's collection will be for the Holy Land. Parishioners who do not receive offertory envelopes and wish to contribute can use an envelope in the pew. If you are using electronic giving you can log on to your account and make a onetime gift or use an envelope in the pew, if you prefer. Please drop your Good Friday contribution in **Thursday or Sunday's collection.**



Our Easter egg hunt/party will be Easter morning, March 27th after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Everyone is invited! Children 2 years old through 5th grade are welcome to participate in the egg hunt. If your child would like to join us for the egg hunt, please bring a dozen plastic eggs filled with wrapped candy (no chocolate, as it can melt) per child **participating.** Please put eggs in a bag marked with your child's (ren) name and age as we will have the different age groups hunting eggs in separate places. You may drop off the filled eggs in the Easter egg box near the Hospitality Cart.

The spring mail out for Shelter House is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5th. We have over 4,500 envelopes to stuff and need volunteers to come for an hour or as long as they can stay. We will begin in the parish center at 8:30 a.m. With enough hands, we should be done by early afternoon.



In Loving Memory and lasting peace for all who have died, especially **Greg Grigsby and James Smith.** Pray for the consolation of their families as they mourn the loss of their loved ones.

HUNGERING TO BUILD COMMUNITY



We follow Jesus this week on our Lenten journey as he enters Jerusalem, a community he knew well. CRS Rice Bowl asks us to prayerfully enter into our own communities, to find those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we encounter in our daily lives? Visit crsricebowl.org for more. Please bring your cardboard CRS Rice Bowls with your contributions to the Hospitality cart or you may choose to convert your collection to a check made payable to St. Peter Parish and leave it in the CRS collection box at the cart next weekend. Just write CRS Rice Bowl on the memo line of your check.

Dear Padre

March 20, 2016



Did Jesus have to die in such a terrible manner?

Q Why did Jesus have to die such a horrible death? Wasn't there an easier way to redeem us?

Every Good Friday we are brought face to face with the crucifixion. Many of us have seen violent and bloody depictions of Christ's death and found them difficult to watch. Since we serve an all-good, all-loving God, how could he allow this to happen to his Son? Couldn't God have forgiven us without the sacrifice?

God is indeed a God of mercy, but we often forget that he is also a God of justice. He can certainly forgive all our sins, but in the process he cannot (will not) deny the righteousness of justice. We all yearn for justice. We want to see good rewarded and evil punished. So God is very good, and the fact is, our sins are also very bad. We deserve punishment, even death, for denying God and for hurting others. If God were to condemn me, it would not be unfair. I would be getting exactly what my sins deserve. I am happy to say that is not where the story ends! Jesus came to take our just punishment so that we could receive mercy and justice in their fullness. Jesus reveals to us a God who is just, merciful, and ready to suffer because he loved sinners. Praise his name forever!



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Monday

MARCH 21
Holy Week
Is 42:1-7
Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday

MARCH 22
Holy Week
Is 49:1-6
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

MARCH 23
Holy Week
Is 50:4-9a
Mt 26:14-25

Thursday

MARCH 24
Holy Thursday
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14
1 Cor 11:23-26
Jn 13:1-15

Friday

MARCH 25
Good Friday
Is 52:13-53:12
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9
Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday

MARCH 26
Holy Saturday
Gn 1:1-2:2
or 1:1, 26-31a
Gn 22:1-18 or
22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
Ex 14:15-15:1
Is 54:5-14
Is 55:1-11
Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4
Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28
Rom 6:3-11
Lk 24:1-12

Sunday

MARCH 27
Easter
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8
Jn 20:1-9
or Lk 24:1-12

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion ABC 1
Isaiah 50:4-7

The Mystery of Suffering

The speaker of today's first reading is a victim. He speaks, but people beat him, pull out the hairs of his beard, slap and spit on him. Why? He suffers all this because he has spoken God's word. Every morning God speaks to him and enables him to speak to others. This word gets him into trouble.

But the speaker does not quit. Nor does he curse God who gives him these pointed words. He remains firm, committed to the word God gives him, even in the face of resistance.

Although Isaiah wrote about the difficulties faced by faithful Israel in the midst of enemies, Christians read through these lines and see the image of Jesus. He received God's word, spoke it with eloquence, and suffered at the hands of his enemies.

Do your words ever get you into trouble? Does it happen even when you say the right thing? If so, you stand in a long line of those who suffer because they are servants of God.

The victim on the cross hangs in full view in our churches. Christians can face the agony of suffering as it befell Jesus and as it comes to us, because we know there is something more.

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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion ABC 2
Philippians 2:6-11

Extreme Life

On Palm Sunday we experience the greatness and the poverty of the human spirit. As Jesus entered Jerusalem, the crowds acclaimed him as the Son of David. But as he stood trial before Pilate, the same crowds called for his crucifixion.

On Palm Sunday, near the end of Lent, we have come in touch with the greatness and poverty of our own lives. Throughout this season we have reflected on our sin, but **we have also experienced God's grace in communion, community, and scripture.**

On Palm Sunday, we also hear about the greatness and poverty of Jesus. Jesus was in the form of God, but he took on human form. He had all greatness as God, but he did not cling to it.

St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians says, "Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave." Jesus humbled himself to become like us and to experience what we experience—even death. "Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name."

Sometimes in a single day we experience unfettered joy and inconsolable grief. A child is born, but someone dies. We receive mercy from a stranger, but we fail to love our neighbor. The extremes of human life are vast. But Christ came to us embracing both extremes and all that is in the middle. All, all of human life he redeems and makes his own.

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Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of Mar 26/27

Easter Vigil

7:45 p.m.

Altar Servers: Patrick Sweeney, Paul Gagnon III, Erin Van Dorn, Kevin Van Dorn

Extraordinary Ministers: Alice Thompson, Therese Sweeney, Carrie Gagnon, _____

Lectors: Lynn Griggs, Paul Gagnon II, Tina Henderson, Ron Berthelette

Ushers: Eric Van Dorn, James Johansen, _____, _____

Greeter: _____

Sacristan: Stan Griggs

Easter Sunday

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Alina Schorzman, _____, _____, _____

Extraordinary Ministers: Shareen Ketchem, Stacy Fralic, Michael Klickovich, Joyce Klickovich, Maria Bridges

Lectors: Tina Henderson, Deidre Henderson

Ushers: Gary Jordan, Cathy McKnight, Eden Carter, _____

Greeter: Shareen Ketchem

Sacristan: Jean Jordan

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Micayla Colwell, Patrick Sweeney, _____, _____

Extraordinary Ministers: Penny Sweeney, Therese Sweeney, Kathleen Garcia, _____

Lectors: Terri Turnbull, _____

Ushers: _____, _____, _____, _____

Greeter: _____

Sacristan: Bill Roth

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, please contact Susi Evers at 664-9165 or email her at saintpeterparishprayerchain@gmail.com

Hospitalized Parishioners: If you or a family member are hospitalized, please call the Parish Office, otherwise we have no way of knowing who in our parish is there.

In Your Daily Prayers, Please Remember our parishioners who are deployed and:

Monday Johanna Adam*, Charles Cummings*, Steve Lange, Mike and Jeanne Trueting, Julie Bourg

Tuesday Lynn Graham*, Thomas Holdsworth, Pam Stockbridge, Ashley Marie Code, Mary Eichler

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard*, Ken and Bette Dellner*, Caroline Frederick, Pam Holt, Barbara Kirschten*, Wilda Mayhew*

Thursday Gene and Pam Bauchwitz*, Robert Welniak, Frank Crowder*, Theresa Stegall, Connie Jordan, Lucille Kesler, Clare Van Zelfden

Friday Lloyd Biehl*, Doug Babiak*, Sharon Lewis, Shannon Anderson, Vera Thornburg*

Saturday Peter Adam*, Mary Anyel*, Joel & Leo Grieves*, Dan Brenton*, Harriett Warren

Sunday Theresa Fowler* Mary Beth Downer, Greg Babiak, Tony Kelly, Jeff Harp

*Indicates our parishioners.

Please call the church office if you or a family member can be removed from this prayer list.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

We are in the process of transferring the inventory of our library into a new database system. Please make sure to return any books, VCR tapes, DVDs, etc. that have been taken out of the parish library or borrowed from the Adoration table as soon as possible. Thank you.

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Today, Palm Sunday, is the sixth and last Sunday of Lent and marks the beginning of Holy Week for us. Officially the Church calls this **day Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. There is a dichotomy in this name** that we must acknowledge for it reflects, in many ways, who we are and how we sometimes act.

On the one hand is Palm Sunday, a time of celebration that marks **Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. It is a time of joy and celebration** and we all festively raise our palms in salute to our King. However, as the readings continue, the mood turns somber with the reading of the Passion of the Lord.

As we stand for this Gospel, and play a part, we call out, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" What a change, beginning with Hosanna! and ending with condemnation. Although we may be intellectually aware that we are playing the part of the people of Jesus' time, we really must reflect on whether this also represents how we can be today.

Do we glorify Christ at one moment, but then condemn him through our own actions, our own inability to fulfill His expectations for us? Of course we do. As Lent culminates and Easter comes upon us, it is time for us to admit our sins and to vow as good stewards to live out the love to which the Lord has called us. Jesus made His sacrifice for us with determination to save us. Should we not show the same fortitude in converting our lives?

Living God's Word

We pray to experience the compassionate love of Jesus and to be able to respond to it with all our heart and mind and soul. We ask that his spirit enter us in such a way that we will be able to pray each day as he prayed with his final breath: "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit" (Luke 23:46).

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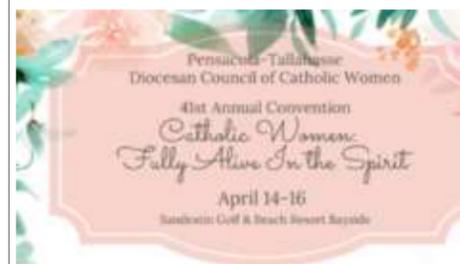


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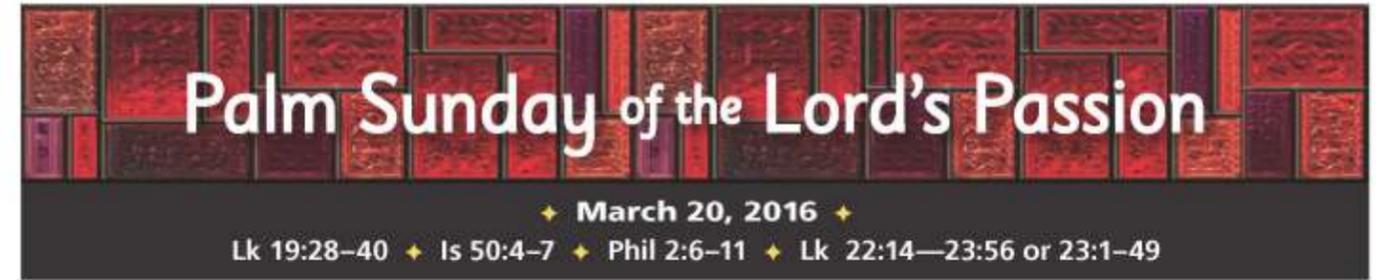
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graders through
12th grade

Registration Deadline
April 17th
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The P-T Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be holding their 41st Annual Convention, *Catholic Women Fully Alive in the Spirit* April 14-16 at the Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort Bayside. Keynote speaker, Jane Carter, a creator of the NCCW Leadership Development Program, is an inspiring woman who exemplifies this year's theme. These 3 days are filled with speakers, workshops, liturgies, prayer, fellowship, fun and the presentation of the annual Burse Club check to Bishop Parkes. Registration deadline is April 7 and you need not be a member to attend. For more information, including registration forms, visit www.ptdccw.org. May Our Lady of Good Counsel bless the CCW with a fruitful 2016 Convention.

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On Palm Sunday, we gather as a Church to celebrate Jesus' coming into Jerusalem and hear the story of his passion and death. Each Gospel writer tells the story a little differently. Each one lifts up different faces and characters, and through their eyes we watch what unfolds.

Luke's Gospel is the only one that mentions the women who followed Jesus from Galilee (23:55-56). We know nothing about these women other than where they came from, but two things stand out: These women temporarily set aside their Passover preparations to care for a man who had been publicly condemned as a criminal, and they were willing to look their beloved Jesus' death full in the face. They

watched while Joseph of Arimathea lay him in the tomb and made sure that Jesus would be cared for even in death. They saw where he was buried and laid out and then went to prepare the spices and oils that would anoint his body and honor it.

Today, these women are examples of the countless anonymous disciples who quietly challenge culture and politics to follow the Lord's call. We rarely notice them, even now, but they are in our churches and our neighborhoods, willing to do what needs to be done, even if it means suffering, sacrificing, or looking rejection and death in the face. As we enter Holy Week, these people just might be the companions we need.

MARY KATHARINE DEELEY
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A Word From Pope Francis
"This week it would benefit all of us to look at the crucifix, to kiss the wounds of Jesus, to kiss them on the crucifix. He took upon himself all human suffering, he clothed himself in this suffering...
Let us kiss the crucifix and say: for my sake, thank you Jesus, for me."

General Audience,
April 16, 2014



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