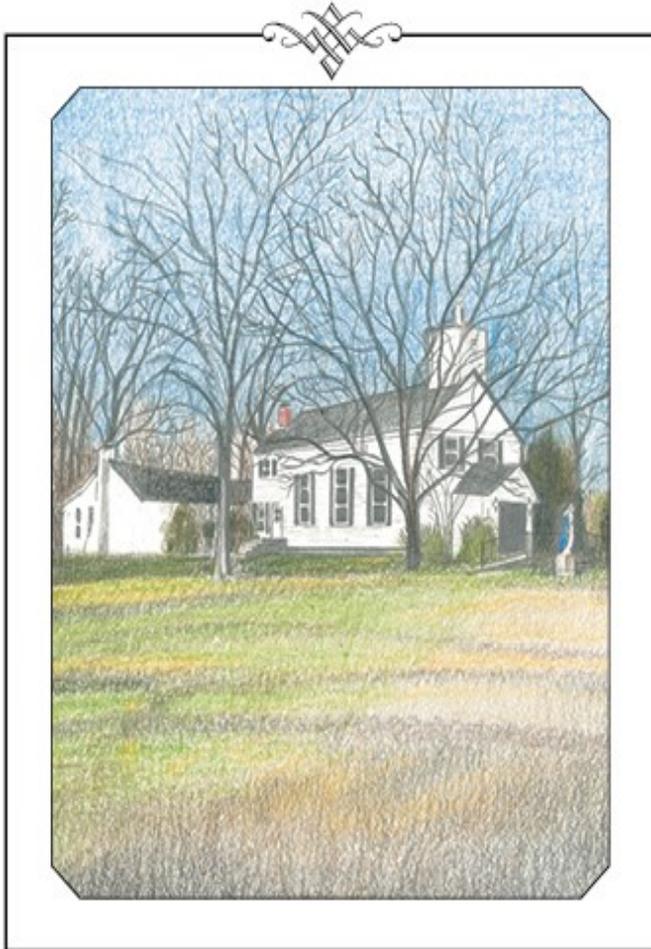


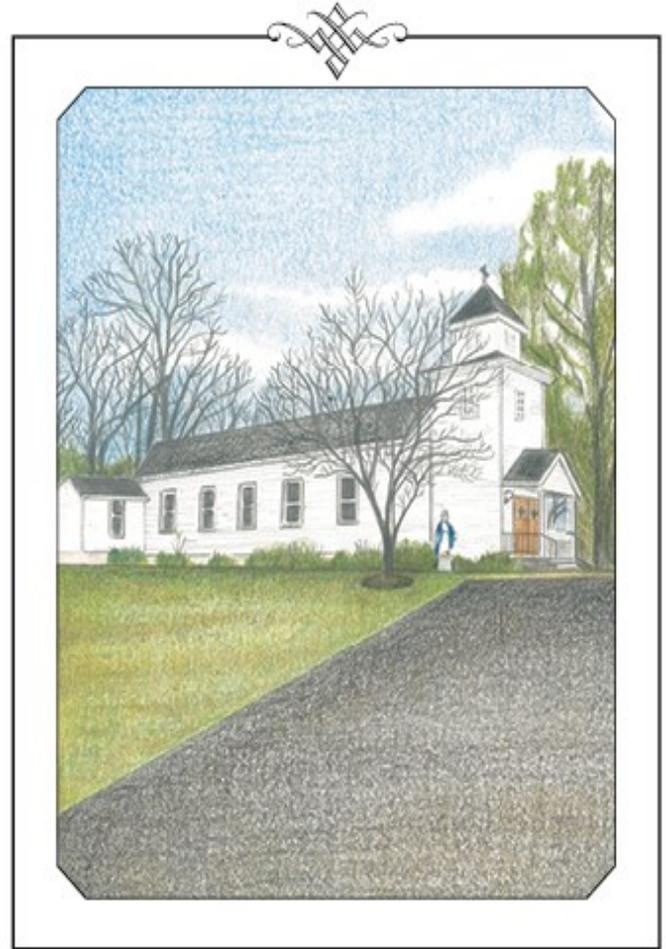
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*Established 1859  
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## St. Catherine of Alexandria

*Established 1911  
McConchie, Maryland*



### March 28, 2021 ~ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

#### SUNDAY MASS

St. Catherine Sat 4:00pm  
St. Ignatius Sun 8:30am  
St. Catherine Sun 10:30am

#### CONFESSIONS

St. Catherine Sat 3:00-3:45pm  
St. Ignatius Sun 7:45-8:15am  
St. Catherine Thu 5:30-6:15pm

#### DAILY MASS

St. Catherine Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 6:30pm

#### ADORATION

St. Catherine Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 5:30-6:30pm

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Please keep in your prayers those with long term illnesses and their caregivers. To have names added to or removed from the prayer list or if you need a priest at the hospital, nursing home or assisted living facility, call (301) 934-9630. Please leave your name, phone number, person's name, facility and room number.

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## Mass Intentions and Readings

Saturday March 27 – Vigil of Palm Sunday  
Mk 11:1-10 Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Mk 14:1;  
15:1-39  
4:00pm

Sunday March 28 – Palm Sunday of the Passion  
of the Lord

Mk 11:1-10 Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Mk 14:1;  
15:1-39  
8:30am Peter Anthony Cribbin  
10:30am People of the Community

Monday March 29 – Weekday

Is 42:1-7 Jn 12:1-11  
6:30pm Poor Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday March 30 - Weekday

Is 49:1-6 Jn 13:21-33m, 36-38  
6:30pm Taylor Harrigan

Wednesday March 24 – Weekday

Is 50:4-9a Mt 26:14-25  
*No Mass at St. Catherine's*

Thursday March 25 – Holy Thursday

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Cor 1L23-26 Jn 13:1-15  
7:00pm

Friday March 26 – Good Friday

Is 52: 13; 53:12 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1;  
19:42  
6:30pm

## **Sacrificial Giving**

### **Weekend of March 21, 2021**

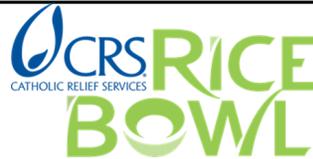
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Offertory: \$1,627

## **Parish Office Closed**

Thursday April 1 (Holy Thursday)  
Friday April 2 (Good Friday)  
Monday April 5 (Monday after Easter)



Please return Rice Bowls

## **Please Wear a Mask**

Please note that masks are still required in our churches and in our office. This is an act of charity which protects not only ourselves, but also our fellow parishioners. Even those who have received vaccinations should at this point continue wearing masks until the pandemic is contained.



## **St. Ignatius Easter Baskets**

We will be collecting non-perishable items for two families at St. Ignatius. Please leave your items at the Church Hall. Gift cards and cash are also welcome. Call Julie Smoot with any questions 301/281-5133.



Thank you for your kind generosity!

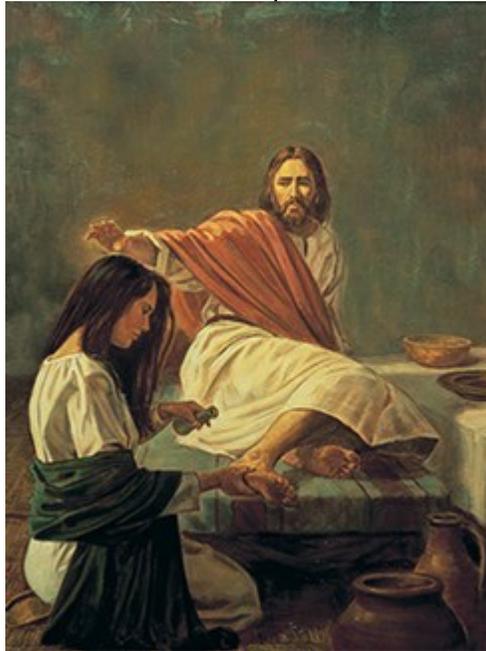
## **Help Wanted!**

Warmer weather is here, which means... time to start mowing the lawn! We need the help of a number of mowers to rotate service at the rectory. Many hands make light the work. Please contact Fr. Q, 301/934-9630 or QureshiA@adw.org.



## From Fr. Q's Desk

Holy Week has arrived - the most sacred day of the entire Christian year! Even as we tend to our usual daily duties, let us strive as a parish to walk closely in Jesus' footsteps with a spirit of recollection in this sacred week. The Triduum begins on Holy Thursday, continues on Good Friday, and culminates in the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening. In my earlier years as a "working man", I always made a point of taking Good Friday afternoon off of work so that I could spend time in prayer, liturgy and silence, and that practice might be helpful for you as well. To help you in your contemplation, here is a day-by-day review of Jesus' activities during Holy Week.



**Palm Sunday:** Jesus enters the city of Jerusalem in triumph, just as Passover week is starting and the city is thronged with pilgrims from around the world. "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they cry out in jubilation. Jesus spends the night just outside the city in Bethany at the house of Martha and Mary, where he will lodge each night until Thursday.

**Holy Monday:** Jesus re-enters the city, cursing the fruitless fig tree as he goes. He cleanses the Temple and reclaims it for God's worship, reasserts his authority against his critics, and weeps over Jerusalem.

**Holy Tuesday:** Jesus returns to the Temple and teaches the crowds gathered there. His parables deal with welcoming the Kingdom when it should come. He tackles the thorny

questions of paying tax to the Romans, and marriage in heaven. He concludes by prophesying the destruction of Jerusalem (which would happen 40 years later).

**Holy Wednesday:** Jesus goes to the house of Simon the Leper for dinner, and there is anointed by an unnamed woman. This anointing takes on the meaning of preparing a body for burial. Judas slips away from the group to go to the chief priests and arrange for Jesus' arrest. Thus, we know this as "Spy Wednesday".

**Holy Thursday:** Jesus instructs his apostles to go into the city and arrange for a room to share the Passover meal. The Eucharist and the priesthood are instituted at this "Last Supper". They then make their way to the garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus is arrested. He is then taken for a late-night interrogation at the High Priest's residence and kept there overnight.

**Good Friday:** Jesus is taken before Pilate and condemned to death. He walks the sorrowful road to Calvary and there dies for our sins, with Mary, John and some women keeping watch. Joseph of Arimathea takes charge of burying him in a tomb.

**Holy Saturday:** In his humanity, Jesus rests in the sleep of death. In his spirit, he goes into the netherworld to liberate from bondage the righteous souls who came before him.

**Easter Sunday:** In the Jewish reckoning, Sunday begins with Saturday sundown. Sometime between sundown and sunrise, Jesus rises from the tomb. The Church celebrates this Resurrection on Saturday evening after sundown.

## Address Change



Our old PO Box has closed, so be sure to use our new mailing address :

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## Food Items Needed for the Pantry

- Canned Carrots
- Canned Tuna Fish
- Mixed Vegetables
- Canned Potatoes
- Pork & Beans
- Canned Potatoes
- Pancake Mix/Syrup
- Peas and Beets

All Poor Box donations support our Pantry

Thank you!

## Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday



### Easter Sunday April 4

8:30am Mass at St. Ignatius  
10:30am Mass at St. Catherine

### Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11

2:00pm Holy Hour + Confession at St. Ignatius  
3:00pm Sung Divine Mercy Chaplet

## Holy Week Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	11am Stations of the Cross St. Ignatius			11:00am Stations of the Cross at St. Ignatius  3:00pm Passion of the Lord at St. Catherine	
5:30pm Adoration St. Catherine	5:30pm Adoration St. Catherine		7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Ignatius		7:00pm Easter Vigil at St. Catherine
6:30pm Mass St. Catherine	6:30pm Mass St. Catherine	7:00pm Mass Sacred Heart, LaPlata	8:00-10:00pm Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Ignatius Hall		

## *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

### **Article 1**

#### **CELEBRATING THE CHURCH'S LITURGY**

#### **II. How is the Liturgy Celebrated?**

##### Signs and symbols

1154 The liturgy of the Word is an integral part of sacramental celebrations. To nourish the faith of believers, the signs which accompany the Word of God should be emphasized: the book of the Word (a lectionary or a book of the Gospels), its veneration (procession, incense, candles), the place of its proclamation (lectern or ambo), its audible and intelligible reading, the minister's homily which extends its proclamation, and the responses of the assembly (acclamations, meditation psalms, litanies, and profession of faith).

1155 The liturgical word and action are inseparable both insofar as they are signs and instruction and insofar as they accomplish what they signify. When the Holy Spirit awakens faith, he not only gives an understanding of the Word of God, but through the sacraments also makes present the "wonders" of God which it proclaims. the Spirit makes present and communicates the Father's work, fulfilled by the beloved Son.

##### Singing and music

1156 "The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. the main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as a combination of sacred music and words, it forms a necessary or integral part of solemn liturgy." The composition and singing of inspired psalms, often accompanied by musical instruments, were already closely linked to the liturgical celebrations of the Old Covenant. the Church continues and develops this tradition: "Address . . . one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart." "He who sings prays twice."

## **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

### *Recognize God in your Everyday Moments*

#### **Walk Every Step with Christ**

Holy Week is a week for being mindful. We must set loose the baggage of Lent, and not be deterred by the dazzling sunrise of Easter morning beckoning in the distance.

It's okay for us to be excited for Easter. We've waited so long, after all. In my opinion it's one of the best feelings there is: the yearning we have in our hearts for the Resurrection as we embark on Palm Sunday. And in a purely logical sense, many of us have Easter celebrations for which we are preparing, and practical considerations to contend with. It's going to be a busy week, one likely full of happy distractions.

But my friends, we simply must keep our feet on the ground. Let's not "skip" Holy Week. Resist the urge to flip to the last page of the book, to fast-forward to the final scene of the movie. Don't rob yourself of the journey. This week is a blessed opportunity. It is this week that teaches us who we are. In the span of the Triduum, we have the birthday of the priesthood, the institution of the Eucharist, the sacrifice on Calvary and so many other vivid and meaningful scenes.

It may sound strange, to advise someone to savor the moments of Holy Week. There are so many violent and heartrending moments, after all. But this is the valley of tears, remember — we are not in Heaven yet. And here, in our fallen, sin-filled world, it is the heartrending moments that seem to matter the most.

These are the moments that define us as Catholics. Live them. Cherish them. Be present for each one.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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## Palm Sunday

March 28, 2021

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## THE SACRED TRIDUUM

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. 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.

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.

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*. 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.



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Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion • John 12:12-16