



Week of March 28, 2010

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekend Masses

- Saturday evening at 4:30 p.m.
- Sunday at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

- Monday - Friday at 9 a.m.
- Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m.

Holy Days

- Check *The Connection*

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

This weekend begins our annual Holy Week, which, of course, will include the reverent days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and will culminate with the glorious celebration of Easter. We all know the significance of each of these days. We can experience quite a transition of feelings as we progress through this week.

Crowds gathered when people heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. Spreading palm branches in his path, they shouted "Hosanna, to the Son of David. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!" Yet, on this same weekend, we peer forward to what is to be commemorated later in the week as we listen to the reading of the Passion. With the coming of Holy Thursday, we remember how Jesus prepared for the establishment of his Church by institution of the Eucharist and ordaining of his apostles as the first priests of our Church. This was followed by his betrayal during the coming night. Finally, emotions had done a complete turn-about as the crowds that had honored Jesus as he rode into Jerusalem, changed to crowds calling for his crucifixion, as we recall on Good Friday.

Many of us continue a tradition of using the palms that we receive in church on Palm/Passion Sunday to make little crosses to distribute to members of our family. Consider how this symbolizes what happens during Holy Week. Palms were used to gloriously welcome Jesus, and palms are used by many to create the cross that symbolizes the crucifixion of Jesus.

This week will be the end of Lent. How'd you do with your Lenten sacrifices and/or good works? It's not too late to finish Lent with a re-emphasis of the fulfillment of your Lenten resolutions.

Father Leone will celebrate **36 years of Priesthood** on **MONDAY, APRIL 5th**! God Bless him for his care and kindness –

We thank God for the blessing he is to our parish and we wish him good health and many more years of service to Our Lord!

On **Good Friday**, our parish will take up the annual **Good Friday Collection** for the Holy Land. Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places.

Please pray for our beloved Deceased:

Albert Ebner, Gerald Kiah, Anthony Rube & Lena Licata

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 29

9:00 Deceased Members of Connors & Dixon Families Family

Tuesday, March 30

9:00 Catherine E. Bauter Amy Kauffman

Wednesday, March 31

9:00 Paul Riedman Family

Thursday, April 1

7:30 PM Beverly Jean Frank Mom

Friday, April 2

9:00 Morning Prayer Service

3:00 Solemn Liturgy

Saturday, April 3

9:00 Morning Prayer Service

8:00PM Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 4

8:30 For all Living & Deceased of St. Cecilia Parish

Easter Mass Schedule

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

April 3, 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday

April 4, 8:30AM & 11:00AM

Future Fund

in memory of

Whitey Wollschleger from

M/M James Janicki and

M/M Richard Stone

Memorial Fund

in memory of

Eleanor Conte from

Carmella Figaro, Sophia Kolb,

Catherine Kolb,

M/M/Bernard Pezzimenti &

Jeanette Marzano

SPRING RAFFLE

FUNDRAISER

This is just a reminder to return your Spring raffle tickets to the office or put them in the collection basket. The drawing will be held at the coffee hour on Sunday, May 2. You could be one of the BIG WINNERS. Thank you for your support.



Sunday Offering

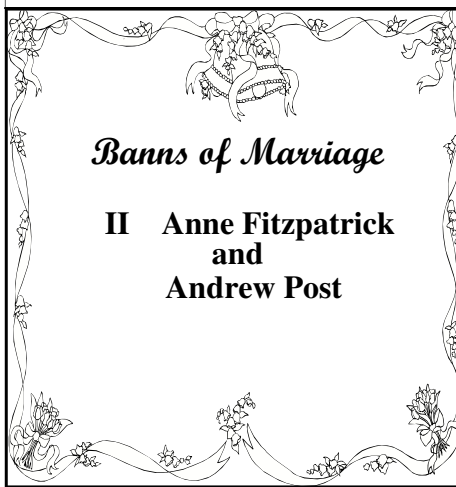
Envelope User..... \$ 6,507.50
Non-Envelope Users..... \$ 484.33
Children's..... \$ 7.25

Total..... \$ 6,999.08

Easter Flowers.....\$ 1,181.00
Spring Raffle.....\$ 3,510.00

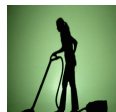
Attendance Last Week – 804

Thank you for Your Generous Support!



Banns of Marriage

II Anne Fitzpatrick and Andrew Post



God's Housekeepers March, 29 Team # 1

J. Stiegler, J. Urban,

M. Gramlich, V. Wendelgass,

A. Ferruzza, J. Caretta,

Substitutes:

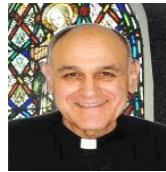
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Greeters please pick up your April Schedules after Mass in the Sacristy.

**NO BINGO
Good Friday April 2**

DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY
Sun., 3/28	10:30 am Newcomb Center	Palm Sunday Procession
Mon., 3/29	8:30 am MCR	Collection Counting Team B M. Ferreri
Tues., 3/30	5:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm Newcomb Center Church Room 109 Basement Hall	Soup Supper Devotions to Mary & Benediction Alanon Meeting AA Meeting
Wed., 3/31		
Thur., 4/1	9:00 am 7:30 pm Church Church	Morning Prayer Mass procession to the Repository Solemn Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Fri., 4/2	9:00 am 8-9 am 3:00 pm Church Church Church	Morning Prayer Private Confessions Solemn Liturgy NO Bingo
Sat., 4/3	9:00 am 2:00 pm Church Church	Morning Prayer Blessing of Food FOOD CUPBOARD COLLECTION
Sun., 4/4		Easter Sunday

Dear Parishioners,



The 2010 Ordo for Prayer states the following: “What the paschal triduum actually celebrates is mystery, not history; anamnesis, not mimesis. The liturgies of these days do not ‘take us back’ to the upper room or the path to Calvary. Their ultimate purpose is not to retrace or relive the last hours of Jesus’ life—nor to catch sight of him emerging from the tomb at Easter’s dawning. They celebrate not what once happened to Jesus but what is now happening among us as a people called to conversion, gathered in faith, and gifted with The Spirit of Holiness. They celebrate God’s taking possession of our hearts at their deepest core, recreating us as a new human community broken like bread for the world’s life—a community rich in compassion, steadfast in hope, and fearless in the search for justice and peace”.

**God bless you all,
Father Leone**

New Parishioners—Welcome to St. Cecilia’s! Please stop in at the Parish office to introduce yourself and register. We look forward to meeting you and your family.

Celebration of Baptism—The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on pre-arranged Sundays. Parents are required to have an interview with the Faith Formation Coordinator, Ann Kubiak at 467-4286 ext.105.

Celebration of Penance/Reconciliation Saturdays at **3:30 p.m.** and at other times by appointment by calling the Parish Office.

Celebration of Matrimony—Couples planning to marry should contact the priest at the Parish office six months prior to their wedding date. Pre-Cana is required.

Ministry to the Sick—The Sacraments are available to those in need. Please call Mary Ann Noto.

R.C.I.A.—Interested in becoming a Catholic? Please contact Ann Kubiak at 467-4286 ext. 105.

Pastoral or Liturgical Volunteer Opportunities—Call Mary Ann Noto at 467-4286 ext. 106.
Bequests—In making out your will, kindly remember your Church. Our legal title is St. Cecilia’s Church of Rochester, NY.

**Irondequoit Senior Ministries:
697-6322**

**Good Samaritan Transportation:
336-1777**

MINISTRY & GREETER SCHEDULE: April 3 & April 4

	8:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Lector		D. Hummel	V. Magin
Commentator		C. Milligan	B. Lawrenz
Eucharistic Ministers		D Hamilton L Gaston G. Gaston, G. Moroni A DellaFave	B. Pellegrino R. Tanzi J. Staffieri, V. Magin B. Lawrenz
Altar Servers	N. Kalpin, R. Becker E. Becker	Danielle Smith Adam Smith	Matthew Quirino Giavanna Sylar
Greeters	Betty Sheridan Carol DiNieri Suzanne Becker	Evelyn DePeters Elli Marzano Ann Zemel Dorothy Vinci Lorraine Long	Lee Garcia Angie Mancuso Helen Mercurio Sue Flanigan Nancy Calcagno



PLEASE NOTE: All articles for the Connection need to be submitted to the Parish Office by the end of business on Monday’s in order to appear in the following week’s *Connection*.

**Building Peace with Justice
Palm Sunday**

“Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” Jesus calls us to conversion. He reveals a merciful God and stands in solidarity with a woman who has been judged a sinner. The woman is used as a tool to entrap Jesus, but Jesus wisely confronts her persecutors with the truth of their own double-standard.

Today vulnerable women may be used as tools to advance questionable medical research.

In 2009 New York became the first state to approve payment for eggs donated for research, opening the door for impoverished women to undergo painful procedures to harvest their eggs to be cloned for embryonic stem cell research.

Reflection: What conversion of heart is needed to ensure that all people have access to quality health care without investing in research that risks women's health and our own moral values?

Palm Sunday

Today, we hear of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Later this week, we will walk with Jesus on the painful and sorrow-filled road to Calvary and the Cross. How was Our Lord able to stay on the path to which his father had called him? It was obedience to God, certainly, but it was much more than that. Jesus trusted, not only that God would lead him in the right direction, but that God would travel with him every step of the way. It is the same for us. God invites us to follow the path meant for us – our vocation – and promises to walk that path with us. Whatever your vocation - married life, religious life, ordained priest or deacon - remember that God walks that path with you every step of the way. Office of Vocation Awareness/ 585-461-2890/ vocations@dor.org/website: www.dor.org/vocations

**Holy Week
Liturgies & Events**

We invite you to join us for any or all of our Holy Week liturgies and events...our Soup Supper on Tuesday evening followed by the Chrism Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 7 p.m., our Holy Thursday Mass at 7:30 p.m., Good Friday Solemn Liturgy at 3 p.m. and Easter Vigil Mass at 8 p.m. Saturday evening. Morning Prayer is offered all three mornings at 9 a.m. What a wonderful opportunity to prepare for Easter and be reminded of Christ's great love for us!

Pro Life Education

“Every child with Down syndrome, every adult with special needs, in fact every unwanted, unborn child, every person who is poor, weak, abandoned or homeless—each one of these persons is an icon of God's face and a vessel of His love.” Archbishop Charles J. Chaput of Denver, October 16 speech to Phoenix Catholic Physicians' Guild

Chrism Mass

The annual Chrism Mass will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Cathedral on **Tuesday, March 30, 2010 at 7:30 PM**. This Eucharistic Liturgy includes the blessing by Bishop Clark of the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick and the Sacred Chrism. These oils are used throughout the year in the sacramental life of our Church. It is also an opportunity for the diocesan family to gather and celebrate Eucharist with the Bishop during Holy Week. Please extend an invitation to all in your community to attend the Chrism Mass. Please drop off your oil stocks at the tables in the Cathedral Hall. Please use the stairs or the elevator near the narthex on the Ridgeway Avenue side. Please do not use the stairs on the Flower City Park side. Parishes may pick up their filled oil stocks in the Cathedral Hall immediately after the Mass. All Priests: Please bring your own alb. Diocesan vestments will be provided.

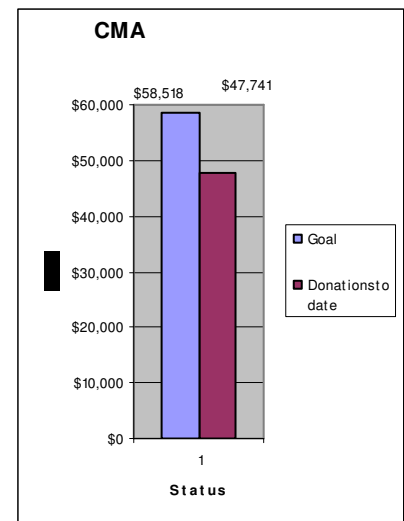


**St. Cecilia Parish Retreat
Walking with the Risen Lord**

Beginning at 7PM on Sunday night April 25, 2010 Fr. David Delich from St. Louis Mo. will give the opening talk for this year's parish retreat. Four more talks will follow: Monday morning after 9:00 o'clock Mass; and 7PM Monday night; Tuesday morning after the 9:00 o'clock Mass; and 7PM Tuesday night.. All talks will be in church, and refreshments will be served in the Newcomb Friendship Center after the evening talks.

**Catholic Ministries Appeal
Update as of 3-24-10**

2009—2010 Our CMA Goal is \$58,518 and as of 3-24-10 there are 425 Donors who pledged 47,741. We're 82% of the way **thanks** to all who have contributed to date. If you need more information contact Linda in the office (467-4286, x100) for forms or more information on how to contribute. Please read the inserts prepared by Fr. Jim Hewes. All who have read them have been inspired to make an offering!



Please turn in your Lenten mite boxes (milk cartons) by Good Friday or by Easter week-end. All proceeds will be sent to Catholic Relief Services for Haiti Victims. They can be dropped off at the Parish Office or placed in the blue crates which are located at all the entrances to the Church. **Thank You!**

LADIES GUILD

Will be holding their annual tureen supper and meeting on **Thursday, April 8th at 6:00 PM.** Members are asked to bring their favorite dish to pass. We will have entertainment by the Mt. Carmel Gospel Choir consisting of children between the ages of 9 to 15 years old.

REMEMBER your Ladies Guild tickets...please turn them in at the office or at the meeting. Three great prizes will be drawn that evening.

Bishop Matthew Clark will preside at a Wedding Jubilee Mass to honor couples who have been married 25 years or more on **Sunday, May 16th at 2:00 p.m.** at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Rochester. A reception will follow the Mass to honor the attendees. If you would like an invitation to this Mass please send your name and address to Sylvia Mancuso at smancuso@dor.org or call her at 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1295 or 585-328-3228, ext. 1295.

Updating Parish Records

Please notify the Parish Office if you have a change of address, telephone number, or any other information related to your current records on file @ 467-4286 ext. 100.



Join us for great day at Seneca Niagara Casino

**Tuesday April 20,2010
9:45am-6:30 pm
\$26.00 pp**

You will receive \$20.00 coin bonus
And \$5.00 food credit

Please call Marlene
585-342-3928

**Taizé Good Friday
Prayer Service**

Taizé prayer is a simple form of ecumenical Christian prayer centered on Scripture, Silence, and Song inspired by the monastic tradition in Taizé, France. This international community founded by Brother Roger in the 1940's seeks to continue the work begun by Brother Roger "...where kindness of heart and simplicity should be at the centre of everything." (from God Is Love Alone). All are invited on **Good Friday, April 2, 7:30pm to Christ the King Church** in Irondequoit to come and pray awhile in the silence, and the song of the Taizé Community.



The Irondequoit Lions club is selling 4 oz. Easter Bunnies, Andy's candy for \$4.00 each. Choices are milk and white chocolate. The club is also selling coloring and activity books- 8 1/2 x 11 for \$2.00 and large coloring books 17 x 22 for \$5.00. Contact Bill or Judy Davis at 544-1853. These items will also be available at the Lions Club, 52nd annual Easter egg hunt to be held Saturday, April 3rd at Camp Eastman. Siren for the egg hunt will go off at 9:00 am sharp. Flyers will be distributed to area elementary schools. Breakfast items will be available at a nominal charge.



**St, Cecilia
Men's Club News**

Men's Club Euchre Tournament will be held on **Monday April 5th at 6:30PM** in the Newcomb Friendship Center. The tournament is open to all men and women in the Irondequoit Community. Please call Sam @ 342-8560 or Ray @ 266-2524 by 7PM Friday, March 26th for a reservation . An accurate count is needed in order to provide refreshments for all. The cost is only \$5.00 per person. Bring a partner if you want.



Don't forget the Spring Fling April 17th. Tickets can be purchased at Coffee Hours and after all Masses. You also can contact Dorothy @ 342-0587 or Peter Kelderhouse @ 303-3659 for more information.

**Nazareth
Elementary School Spring
Open House**

Nazareth Elementary School, a Partner School of the Aquinas Institute and Nazareth Schools System, is having an Open House on Wednesday, April 14th 6:30 pm at their 1001 Lake Avenue campus in Rochester. Prospective families interested in Pre-K – Grade 6 are invited to tour our school. This will provide you an opportunity to see firsthand the many advantages Nazareth Elementary school has to offer your student.

For more information, call Sheila Abelein, Director of Enrollment at 647-8738.