

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK****Monday, March 29, 2021**

7:30 AM Jose Pinheiro Lopes  
 12:30 PM Beatriz Arceo  
 7:30 PM Spanish Intentions

**Tuesday, March 30, 2021**

7:30 AM Theresa Varga  
 12:30 PM John de Almeida

**Wednesday, March 31, 2021**

7:30 AM Maria & Antonio Cirne  
 12:30 PM Frances Ely

**Thursday, April 1, 2021**

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Friday, April 2, 2021**

3:00 PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  
 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (English)  
 8:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Spanish)  
 9:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Portuguese)

**Saturday, April 3, 2021**

7:00 PM Solemn Easter Vigil

**Sunday, April 4, 2021**

7:00 AM Domingos & Maria P. Cunha  
 8:30 AM Portuguese Intentions  
 10:00 AM Helen Buzek (Birth Remembrance)  
 11:30 AM People of the Parish  
 1:00 PM Spanish Intentions

**PRIEST CELEBRANTS' SCHEDULE****Saturday, April 3, 2021**

5:00 PM Fr. Malcolm

**Sunday, April 4, 2021**

7:00 AM Fr. Ngozi

8:30 AM Fr. Tomaz

10:00 AM Fr. Ngozi

11:30 AM Fr. Malcolm

1:00 PM Fr. Tomaz

*(Schedule is subject to change)*

**Corpus Christi Mass on YouTube**

This Sunday March 28<sup>th</sup>, you can watch Fr. Malcolm celebrate the English Mass and Fr. Tomaz celebrate the Portuguese & Spanish Masses. The English Mass will be on YouTube as of 7:00 AM on Sunday, the Spanish Mass will be available at 7pm & the Portuguese Mass will be available after 11am. Please type tgomide to watch the Mass in the language of your choice from the comfort of your homes or wherever you are. The masses will be posted to our Facebook page as well. Tell all your friends and family about it so they too can watch.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

*Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure*

In today's Gospel, Jesus receives kindness, but then suffers betrayal and denial by His friends, false accusations, and humiliating death on a cross — all for our salvation. As Christian stewards, are we willing to gratefully take up our cross daily to become stronger disciples of Jesus?

**March 21<sup>st</sup> Actual Collection = \$8,329**

**March 21<sup>st</sup> Mail-In Donations \$4,092**

**Total Collection = \$12,421**

**Snow Removal = \$2,287**

**March 21<sup>st</sup> Attendance = 808**





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### Easter 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

*The Lord is truly risen, Alleluia!* Around the world and across Long Island, we proclaim this marvelous truth. Good news is ours. Sin and death have been vanquished. Christ has conquered. God is victorious!

In light of the suffering and death of the past year, how blessed we are to behold again the Mystery of the Resurrection. These months have been dark and bleak. They have been long and challenging. Yet, as we encounter Easter 2021, we are reminded that God has the final word. Indeed, *Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it* (John 1:5). This Light, Jesus Christ, illumines our path. He gives hope. As the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council said:

Through Christ and in Christ, the riddles of sorrow and death grow meaningful. Apart from His Gospel, they overwhelm us. Christ has risen, destroying death by His death; He has lavished life upon us so that...we can cry out in the Spirit: Abba, Father.<sup>1</sup>

With significant challenges facing us still on Long Island and across the globe, with darkness still afoot, perhaps the joy of Easter is difficult to embrace. Our hearts maybe like those of the disciples who went on Easter dawn to anoint the Lord's body. At the strange sight of an empty tomb and an apparently absent Jesus, instead of experiencing immediate joy, they were confused and distressed. Only in seeing the Lord face to face did they come to embrace His rising from the dead.

Like Mary Magdalene and the other disciples, we need to see Christ alive among us. We need to see the Resurrection in our midst. So, this Easter, let us ask, "Where is Christ alive?"

Christ is alive in the countless frontline workers, civil servants, and medical professionals who have served so faithfully and so heroically this past year. Their sacrificial love and Good Samaritan-willingness to help neighbors in need radiate the Lord Jesus!

Christ is alive in the catechumens who have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil. Their reception of the Sacraments reminds us of the power of our own Baptism – where each of us has died with Christ and risen with Him to new life.

Above all, Christ is alive in His risen and glorified presence in the Eucharist and in the transforming power of His Body and Blood that we receive in the celebration of the Mass. Christ

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<sup>1</sup> Second Vatican Council, Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World *Gaudium et Spes* (December 7, 1965), 22, in *The Documents of Vatican Council II* (St. Paul's Publications, 2009).

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is alive, and therefore the Church is alive. The Eucharist is the source of this life – and its power has become perhaps more evident than ever, after months of separation from the weekly and daily celebration of the Mass. Together, we recall the disciples' recognition of Jesus following the Resurrection at Emmaus in the opening of the Scriptures and the breaking of the Bread. We are grateful for the many ways in which our parishes and schools have continued to foster creatively this Emmaus experience on Long Island, both in-person and virtually. May we continue to recognize the Sunday Eucharist as the source from which the life of the Resurrected Christ bursts forth into the world.

At his Sunday Angelus on January 3, 2021, Pope Francis beautifully reminded us of Christ's continued presence in our midst:

"I like to think that when the Lord prays to the Father for us, he does not merely speak: he shows him the wounds of the flesh, he shows him the wounds he suffered for us. This is Jesus: with his flesh he is the intercessor, he wanted to bear even the signs of suffering. Jesus, with his flesh, is before the Father. Indeed, the Gospel says that *He came to dwell among us*. He did not come to visit us, and then leave; He came to dwell with us, to stay with us."<sup>2</sup>

May we continue to encounter the presence of Jesus Christ who dwells in and through His Church. May we continue to experience signs of His Resurrection even amidst the challenges and crosses we embrace, and may this encounter continue to fill our hearts, so that our voices can confidently cry out: *The Lord is truly risen! Alleluia!*

Faithfully in the Lord,

+ *John O. Barres*  
Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre



# Pastor's Notes

The sacrament of Reconciliation goes by several names; i.e. Confession, Penance, Forgiveness. But it's always about one profound truth; the abounding mercy of God through Jesus Christ, overcoming and absolving all the sins of our lives. On the night of the Resurrection, the crucified/risen Christ appears to the Apostles, breathing on them as He says: "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained" (John 20:22,23).

These Scriptural words of Jesus form the very foundation for the Sacrament of Confession. The mercy of God the Father through the power and peace of the Spirit of Jesus Himself, infinitely overcomes any/all the sins we commit in thought, word and deed. Yet we must first recognize in our personal conscience that we are indeed sinners (both in committing and omitting); and then open our hearts/souls in sorrow for our faults/failures. More than sin itself, the Lord in Confession sees our sorrow and our inner desire for conversion/metanoia, that is only possible with the grace of God.

An essential element of being Roman Catholic requires us to go to Confession at least once a year (and to go more often, especially if there is a mortal sin upon your soul). That is why nearly thirty years ago in our Diocese of Rockville Centre, Bishop John McGann instituted "Reconciliation Monday of Holy Week". Since then, this practice has spread to many other Dioceses throughout the country: opening all the Catholic Churches on Monday of Holy week from 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM, with priests to offer the Sacrament of God's forgiveness. Here at Corpus Christi, the following clergy will be available for Confession at these times:

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM Fr. Malcolm and Fr. Ngozi

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Fr. Malcolm and Fr. Ngozi

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM Fr. Ngozi and Fr. Tomaz

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Fr. Malcolm

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM Bishop. Anjay, Fr. Tomaz and Fr. Ngozi

8:00 PM – 9:00 PM Bishop. Anjay, Fr. Tomaz and Fr. Malcolm

Always remember that the Mass itself has the grace of Christ to forgive most of our sins (particularly in this pandemic year when Catholics go to "virtual Mass", with the Bishop's dispensation from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass).

Jesus gives us His Body and Blood at the Last Supper and on the Cross for the forgiveness of sin. And at every celebration of the Eucharist we pray the Penitential Rite (“Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy...May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life...Amen”). But we still need the Sacrament of Reconciliation as well, to deepen our ongoing commitment and conversion to the call of Jesus Christ.

I pray that each of you in these final days of Lent, will embrace Confession as a means to Salvation, and hear the words of the priest with his blessing hand extended over your head saying: “God the Father of mercies, through the death and resurrection of His Son, has reconciled the world to Himself and sent Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins. Through the ministry of the Church, may God give you pardon and peace, and I absolve you from your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen”.

Yours in Christ,  
Father Malcolm

P.S. For all Catholic adults (18 and over) who have been baptized, but never received Communion or Confirmation. We will have a meeting in Church to help you “catch up” with these Sacraments. The first meeting will be Wednesday 7 April at 7:00 PM. Please call Paula at the rectory to register for these classes. The Mass of Confirmation will be on Pentecost Sunday 23 May 2021!





## **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE, 2021**

### **HOLY THURSDAY, 1 APRIL**

7:00 P.M. Mass of the Lord's Supper (Multi-Lingual)  
**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Until 11:00 P.M.**

### **GOOD FRIDAY, 2 APRIL**

3:00 P.M. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  
7:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross (English in Church)  
8:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross (Spanish outside School)  
9:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross (Portuguese in Church)

### **HOLY SATURDAY, 3 APRIL**

7:00 P.M. Solemn Easter Mass

### **EASTER SUNDAY MASSES, 4 APRIL**

7:00 A.M. (English)  
8:30 A.M. (Portuguese)  
10:00 A.M. (English)  
11:30 A.M. (English)  
1:00 P.M. (Spanish)

### **CONFESSIONS**

#### **Monday of Holy Week, 29 MARCH**

3:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. (Every Parish Church)

**Good Friday** 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

**Holy Saturday** 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.



The Search is a beautifully produced on-line Lenten journey through the big questions we all share. This Lent, we are inviting YOU to *The Search*. Each week Chris Stefanick from Real Life Catholic will be guiding us throughout Lent on how to use *The Search*.

**What are you searching for this Lent?**

**Why am I here?**

**What is the life I was made for?**

**Is there a God?**

**Does He even care about me?**

These are questions we all ask ourselves. Are there answers? Can true peace be found? *The Search* unapologetically reveals that you were made for God, that your home is found beyond yourself, and that Jesus is the way.

You can participate in this Lenten Journey by accessing *The Search* from your existing membership in **FORMED**.

Don't have, like or want to use a computer, these sessions will be broadcast on the Catholic Faith Network. **The Search Part 5 Who is Jesus?** Tues 3/16 & Saturday 3/20 @ 9pm. **The Search Part 6 Am I Saved?** Tues 3/23 & Sat 3/27 @ 9pm.



### Living the Gospel Through our Support of the CMA

During this final week of Lent – the Great Week, may we continue to grow in a spirit of holiness and mission so that we can truly be missionary disciples of our Lord. Through prayer, almsgiving and service, we show our gratitude of God’s love for us. The Catholic Ministries Appeal gives us an opportunity to be stewards of God’s gifts in many different ways.

**Gift of Financial Resources:** More than 600,000 of our sisters and brothers receive support and assistance from the funds shared through the CMA each year. These programs include pastoral care to those in need through Catholic Charities food and nutrition programs, affordable housing for senior citizens; people with disabilities and our veterans; respect life initiatives; and formation of our priests, deacons, lay leaders, and young people.

**Gifts of Time and Talent:** The CMA offers opportunities to share our time and talent. Our parishes CMA committees support a smooth and organized Appeal effort. Others share their gifts by volunteering in the ministries that the CMA supports. One of the great benefits of the Appeal is communication. People are informed of the many good works, programs and opportunities in this diocese. The CMA tells of the good works of the Church and communicates the opportunities to share our God-given gifts.

**Gift of Prayer:** The Catholic Ministries Appeal helps us to be socially responsible as we support those in need. May we keep those who support us and those who are served by us in our daily prayers, especially during Holy Week and Eastertide.

Please make check payable to the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**To make a donation, you can also** visit <https://www.drvc.org/CMA/> or call us at **516-678-5800 ext. 296**. Thank You!



# COLORING PAGE PALM SUNDAY



## Religious Education Update

**Sunday, March 28, 2021**

**9:30 AM** Gr. 5-6 (*Fitzgerald Hall*)

**10:00 AM** Gr. 5-6 Class Mass

**Monday, March 29, 2021 - Reconciliation Day**

**3:00-9:00 PM** Confessions will be heard.

**Tues., Wed., Thurs., March 30, 31, April 1**

*No religion classes (Holy Week)*

**Tuesday, April 6, 2021**

**7:00 PM** Confirmation Practice for Candidates and Sponsors for Classes

8A (*Mrs. Ferreira/Mrs. Gandarela*)

8C-8N (*Mrs. Cunha*)

**Thursday, April 8, 2021**

**7:00 PM** Confirmation Practice for Candidates and Sponsors for

8B-8L (*Mrs. Raspen*)

8P (*Mr. Perone*)

IC-4 (*Chaminade and Kellenberg Parishioners*)

### With heartfelt gratitude...

Thank you to the volunteers who assisted with the Grade 6 Confirmation Interviews:

Ms. Nicole Henriques, Mr. Matt Kelly,

Ms. Kelen Rosier

### *Twenty Minutes with the Director*

**Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>** Grades 7, 8, 9

**Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>** Grades 1, 2, IC-2, IC-3

**Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** Grades 3-4



### **CMA Numbers for 2021**

**Goal = \$96,500**

Pledges = \$12,330

Payments = \$10,780

Donors = 60

Average = \$206

**Thank you to all the families who already have made a sacrificial gift. Please consider a yearly offering.**

## **Corpus Christi Columbiettes**

**proudly presents**

## **Mother's Day Cash Fundraiser for the Knights of Columbus**

Tickets are \$10.00 each

First prize is \$200 & Second prize is \$100

For tickets contact Ruth Ann 516-317-6356 or

Marge 516-269-9178

Drawing at meeting on Tuesday May 11, 2021



Please remember the sick in your daily prayers, including the following who have asked to be included in our list:

Connie Altvater, Armandina Araujo, Vinnie Benedetto, Violeta Bernal. Anne Boland, Erin Burke, Marie Byrnes, Jeanne Carroll, Michael Castalino, Arlene Cavanagh, Frank de Carolis, Sue Citro, Joann Cornacchioli, James Cunney, Jerry Daraio, Anthony Donnelly, Kate Donovan, Virginia Fallon, Lilly Fuentes, Kenneth Gallagher, Vanessa Gomes, Robert Hartlett, Eileen Hendrickson, Maryann Iaquinto, Sue Krebs, Diane LaBianca, Joseph LaBianca, Vincent Lodato, Christine Lucivero, Augustus & Camella Lodato, Jason Lopes, Thomas Mitchell, Pat Nicolosi, Susan O'Brien, Melissa Ogunsuyi, Gabriel Palhete, Edward Panzella, Linda Pires, JoAnn Russo, Mary Santucci, Robert Santucci, Lisa Simeone, Alice Squeri, Beatriz Silva Pontes, Paul Tubito, Lorraine Verdade, Phillip Washburn, and any other members of our parish who are sick at this time.



*Please Pray For  
The Deceased*



**Florence Anderson**

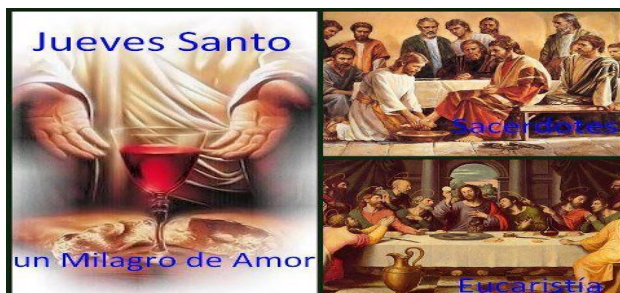
# Español

## DOMINGO DE RAMOS



**SIENDO DE CONDICIÓN DIVINA, SE DESPOJÓ TOMANDO LA CONDICIÓN DE ESCLAVO (Flp 2,7)**

Iniciamos este domingo la Gran Semana para cuantos professamos la fe cristiana. En el título litúrgico que lleva este día – Domingo de Ramos en la Pasión del Señor – confluyen dos aspectos: el sentido de fiesta que aclama a Cristo Rey, tal como viene expresado en uno de los himnos de la procesión – Victoria tú reinarás – en la antifona de entrada y en la oración inicial, en la que aparece todo el misterio pascual que tiene estos momentos: annihilation, muerte en cruz y resurrección del Redentor. El rito litúrgico de los ramos reproduce aquella entrada de Cristo en Jerusalén, rodeado de gritos de júbilo. Cuando empezamos la celebración de la Eucaristía, el tono festivo y jubiloso ha cambiado por la gravedad del sufrimiento del siervo de Yahvé del que nos habla el profeta Isaías en la primera lectura y la descripción del apóstol san Pablo de la annihilation del Señor que comenzó con la encarnación y llegó a la máxima realización con la crucifixión y muerte a manos de los hombres. Con el pasaje evangélico de la pasión según san Marcos llega a su culmen el misterio de la humillación y el sufrimiento de Cristo.



Hay algunos gestos humanos que nos conmueven profundamente. El evangelio del Jueves Santo con el que comenzamos el Triduo Pascual nos narra uno de estos. Jesús se levanta de la mesa y, con la simpleza y la profundidad de los gestos que son proféticos, lava los pies de sus discípulos. Dice el evangelista que Jesús en esta cena los amó a los suyos hasta el fin. En el gesto profético de Jesús encontramos un nuevo modo de amar. Un amor que no es pasividad ni espera, sino que es acción, iniciativa. Un amor que se abaja tomando el último lugar para servir a todos.



La Cruz es el cumplimiento definitivo de la revelación y de la historia de la Salvación. El peso de tu cruz, Señor, nos libera de todos nuestros pesos. De tu obediencia a la voluntad del Padre, nosotros podemos darnos cuenta de nuestra rebelión y desobediencia. En ti vendido, traicionado, puesto en el crucifijo por tu gente y tus seres queridos, nosotros vemos nuestras cotidianas traiciones y nuestras frecuentes infidelidades. De tu inocencia y tu corazón inmaculado, nosotros vemos nuestra culpabilidad. En tu rostro golpeado, escupido, desfigurado, nosotros vemos la brutalidad de nuestros pecados. Señor, en tu divino amor, vemos a nuestros hermanos perseguidos, decapitados y crucificados por su fe, muchas veces bajos nuestra mirada y silencio cómplice. Señor, llévanos a transformar nuestra conversión hecha de palabras en conversiones de vida y de obras. Enséñanos que la Cruz es el camino de la redención, que el Viernes Santo es el camino hacia la luz.



## *Português*

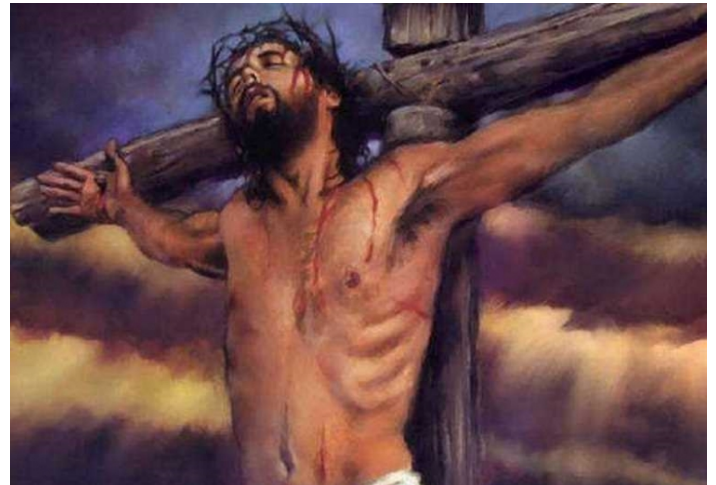
### DOMINGO DE RAMOS



Durante as cinco semanas da Quaresma preparamos os nossos corações pela oração, pela penitência e pela caridade. Hoje vamos iniciar, com toda a Igreja, a celebração dos mistérios da paixão, morte e ressurreição de Jesus, celebrando a sua entrada em Jerusalém para celebrar a sua páscoa. O Domingo de Ramos é também o Domingo da Paixão. Sigamos os passos de nosso Salvador para que, associados pela graça à sua cruz, participemos também de sua ressurreição e de sua vida.



Na Quinta-feira Santa, a Igreja abre solenemente o Tríduo Pascal, com a celebração da Ceia do Senhor, memorial do sacrifício de Cristo na cruz. Recordamos o gesto de Jesus de lavar os pés dos discípulos indicando-lhes o mandamento do amor. A celebração se conclui com a transladação do Santíssimo Sacramento para o altar da reposição. A partir desse momento a Igreja permanecerá em vigília de oração, pois o Senhor, após a Última Ceia, será entregue aos que irão condená-lo. A Quinta-feira Santa é quando celebramos a **INSTITUIÇÃO DA EUCARISTIA E DO SACERDÓCIO**.



Na Sexta-feira Santa a Igreja permanecerá em profundo silêncio orante, e é com esse silêncio que começará a celebração da Paixão e Morte do Senhor. A Igreja reunida ouvirá atenta o relato da Paixão, fará a adoração ao Santo Madeiro da Cruz e, como povo sacerdotal, rezará pelas intenções universais da Igreja.

[Na Sexta-feira Santa teremos a Via-Sacra em Português às nove horas da noite. No final da Via-Sacra haverá a adoração da Cruz, mas sem beijar a cruz por causa do covid-19](#)

### HORÁRIOS PARA AS CONFISSÕES EM PORTUGUÊS NO DIA 29 DE MARÇO

Segunda-feira, dia 29: das 5 até as 6 da tarde  
 Segunda-feira, dia 29: das 7 até às 9 da noite  
 Para esses horários o padre Tomaz estará atendendo confissões em português.

O padre Malcom estará atendendo confissões:  
 Segunda-feira: das 3 às 5 da tarde  
 Segunda-feira: das 6 às 7 da noite

Para os outros horários, consultar o boletim em inglês

