



Welcome to
Saint Gianna Parish
St. Brigid Church
St. Mark the Evangelist Church

March 28, 2021

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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The Celebration of the Grace of God Through The Sacraments

Baptism: Please call the parish Administrative Center in advance to make arrangements.

Reconciliation: By appointment, or on Saturday St. Brigid 3-3:30; St. Mark 3:15-4:00.

Communion: For parishioners who are homebound or hospitalized, contact the Administrative Center.

Marriage: Please call the Administrative Center six months in advance of proposed marriage date to make arrangements.

Holy Orders: Please call the Office of Vocations (860) 242-5573 or www.hartfordpriest.org. You may also speak to a parish priest or call the Administrative Center for more information.

Mass Schedule

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Saturday, March 27, 2021
4:00 PM Francesca Cerone, Birthday Remembrance, by Her Family—SB
4:30 PM SM

Sunday, March 28, 2021
8:30 AM For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SB
10:30 AM SM
11:00 AM Nunzio Chelli, 1st Anniversary, by His Family—SB

Monday, March 29, 2021
8:30 AM SB
9:00 AM SM

Tuesday, March 30, 2021
8:30 AM SB

Wednesday, March 31, 2021
8:30 AM Mary Lee Duffy—1st Anniversary—SB
9:00 AM Frederick Dearborn—1st Anniversary—SM

Thursday, April 1, 2021
8:30 AM *No Daily Mass*—SB
9:00 AM *No Daily Mass*—SM

6:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper: For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SB

Friday, April 2, 2021
9:00 AM *No Daily Mass*—SM

12:00 PM Stations of the Cross—SB
3:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion—SB
8:00 PM Tenebrae Service—SB

Saturday, April 3, 2021
8:30 AM *No Daily Mass*—SB

8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass: For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SB

Sunday, April 4, 2021
8:30 AM Theresa and Bart Roncaioli and Richard Cipolla—SB
10:30 AM For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SM
11:00 AM Joseph Plompen by His Wife, Ann—SB

SB=St. Brigid;
SM=St. Mark the Evangelist

ST. GIANNA PARISH
HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2021

Holy Thursday: **8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.**
 Church open for quiet prayer/reflection (SB)

(end of the Lenten season...)

The Easter Triduum of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord

Holy Thursday evening:

6:30 p.m. **Mass of the Lord's Supper (SB)**

Good Friday: **8:00 a.m. – 12:00** **Church open for quiet prayer/reflection (SB)**
 12:00 noon **Stations of the Cross (SB)**
 3:00 p.m. **Celebration of the Lord's Passion (SB)**
 8:00 p.m. ***Tenebrae* prayer service (SB)**

Holy Saturday: **8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m...**
 Church open for quiet prayer/reflection (SB)

8:00 p.m. **Easter Vigil Mass (SB)**

Easter Sunday: *(regular Sunday morning Mass schedules)*



St. Gianna Parish News and Events

LADIES GUILD OFFICERS NEEDED

The Ladies Guild is looking for a few good women! We are looking to fill two positions on our Executive Board for the 2021-2022 year: 2nd Vice President and President. If you are interested or have any questions, please call Alison Goroshko at 860-402-3592 or email kgoroshko54@comcast.net. Please consider joining this fun and lively group!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION HOLY WEEK IN A BOX BAGS

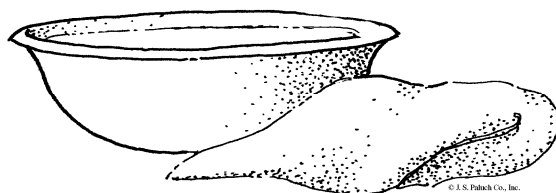
This Saturday, March 27, Holy Week in a Box bags will be available in the back vestibule of each church. Continue your Lenten journey, as we walk with our Lord to his Death and Resurrection. If anyone cannot make it to church, but would like a bag, please contact Donna Wolcott at 860.543.2607 and I will get one out to you.

Religious Education Reminder

There will be **NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** classes Saturday, April 3, Holy Saturday. Classes will resume the following week.

Bad Weather Cancellation Reminder

Any cancellation of Religious Education Classes due to bad weather will be made known by TV CHANNELS 3, 8 and 30. Wednesday snow closings will follow West Hartford closings and early school closings.



Lenten **fast** and **abstinence** regulations :

fasting = 1 substantial meal, plus 2 other *light* meatless meals allowed
mandatory on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday
encouraged on other days of Lent
persons 18 - 60 years old

abstinence = no meat, or even soup/gravy made from meat
mandatory on Ash Wednesday, Lenten Fridays, & Good Friday
persons 14 years & older

EASTER FLOWER INTENTIONS

Donor:

Ms. Helene L. Hebert

Intentions:

Louise and Leo Hebert

FEAST OF FAITH

The Liturgies of Holy Week

Holy Week is the culmination of the liturgical year. During these holy days, the liturgy will lead us, with Jesus, to the depths and to the heights.

It begins with a harsh juxtaposition, as we carry palms in remembrance of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem and then listen to the Passion according to Matthew, as the King is handed over for crucifixion. Then, on Holy Thursday, we remember the night Jesus was handed over—the night he gave himself for us and to us, to live in our midst forever in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. On Good Friday, we touch with our hands the mystery of the Lord's cross, the instrument of torture that has become the tree of life. Then, at the great Easter Vigil, the lighting of the paschal candle speaks to us of the triumph of light over darkness, of life over death. The resurrection of the Lord becomes a living reality in our midst as the catechumens for whom the Church has prayed throughout Lent are plunged into the mystery of Christ's death and share in the glory of his resurrection. These are indeed holy days, the culmination of the Church's liturgy, and an invitation to participate in the very life of Christ. Come, let us worship.

—Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Is today “Palm Sunday” or “Passion Sunday”? Though now known officially as Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, confusion is understandable, since before the 1969 reform of the calendar two separate Sundays bore these titles. Passion Sunday was a week before Palm Sunday. To add to the confusion, the Gospel accounts of the Passion of the Lord were not read on Passion Sunday, but on Palm Sunday! On Passion Sunday, the cross and statues were veiled in full purple drapes. The organ had fallen silent at the beginning of Lent, and now the sanctuary bells were replaced by wooden clappers. The introit (opening chant) for the old Mass of Passion Sunday hints at a reason for reform: “Do me justice, O God, and fight my fight against a faithless people” (Psalm 42). This liturgy was laden with references to the “infidelity” of the Jews, a theme that gave rise to inflammatory preaching and, in some places, attacks against the persons and property of the Jewish people. This does not stand as a “treasure” of any sort in our tradition. Our authentic tradition, rather, is the ability to reflect and repent and to seek reconciliation with the Jews, our brothers and sisters in the love and service of God.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PARISH WISH LIST- 2021 - Update

Here is the latest (as of 18 March) listing of where we stand with Wish List donations. **THANK YOU** to those who have so generously donated, up to this point. Items may be purchased, and costs shared by more than one person - if you so desire. Also, once again our thanks go to all who have participated the last several years in this endeavor.

Hosts for Mass <i>(already taken...thank you!)</i>	\$ 750	parish annual cost
Altar wine <i>(already taken...thank you!)</i>	\$ 300	parish annual cost
Altar candles <i>(already taken...thank you!)</i>	\$ 750	parish annual cost
Easter/Paschal Candles <i>(already taken...thank you!)</i>	\$ 450 (2 candles total)	parish annual cost
Missalettes <i>(already taken, thank you!)</i>	\$ 1,600	parish annual cost
Sanctuary/tabernacle lights <i>(already taken, thank you!)</i>	\$ 600	parish annual cost
Incense <i>(already taken, thank you!)</i>	\$ 250	parish annual cost
*Church flowers/plants <i>(partially taken...thank you!)</i>	\$ 1,100	parish annual cost
Palms (Palm Sunday) <i>(already taken...thank you!)</i>	\$ 300	parish annual cost
Altar cloths and coverings <i>(partially taken...thank you!)</i>	\$ 1,500	parish annual cost

N.B., *Church flowers listed here do **not** include those for Christmas and Easter, which are covered by our collections for those purposes.

'Parish annual cost' = the sum total for both St. Brigid and St. Mark

Altar candles in memory of Francisco Gomes

Altar candles in memory of John and Bridget Prout

Altar wine donation...in memory of the Deprey, Pelletier, Bazzoni, Hornkohl, and Bidmead Families

Easter Candle donation... in memory of Andy Mank, Dick Kyle and Geri Olander.

Easter Candle donation...in memory of Bill and Ann Cullinane

Sanctuary lights donation...in memory of Frank Rovella

In memory of the Batayte Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31,
33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Chrim Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;
Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8;
Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18;
1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13,
15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9;
Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a];
Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35;
or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18];
Ps 16: 5, 8- 11;
c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5;
43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or
Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17,
22-23; Mk 16:1-7
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17,
22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8;
Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7
or (at an afternoon
or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the
Lord; Passover begins at sunset
Monday: Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week
Thursday: Holy Thursday;
Paschal Triduum begins
Friday: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion;
Fast and Abstinence
Saturday: Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

TODAY'S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]).

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HOLY WEEK

For the Palm Sunday Gospel, we return to the Gospel according to Mark. The account of the Passion takes up nearly one-third of Mark's entire Gospel and, of all the evangelists, he is the one who presents the details most graphically. He depicts the humanity of Jesus most intensely, describing his sufferings thoroughly. Mark portrays Jesus as a complete fulfillment of the "Suffering Servant" of Isaiah, the obedient, humble slave dying on a cross of whom Paul speaks in Philippians. But it is important to remember that we call this "Holy Week" and not "sad week" or "suffering week," for each of the readings today, even the lamentations of the psalm, end in the promise of the strength and hope that is granted by God to those who faithfully give of themselves in love. As we enter into this week through these readings, we must reflect deeply on the sufferings of Jesus, but still be confident in the joy of risen, eternal life that awaits all of us who faithfully walk with him through these days.