

# Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

March 16, 2008

God greatly exalted [Christ]  
and bestowed on him the name  
which is above every name.



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— *Philippians 2:9*

**March Rosary:** For those suffering from cancer.

## Music for Sunday,

- 46 - All Glory, Lord and Honor
- 471 – Jesus The Lord
- 59 – Sanctus
- 61 – Amen
- 62 – Agnus Dei
- 774 Lord Who At thy First Eucharist
- 430 – O Sacred Head Sorrounded

## TODAY'S READINGS

**Gospel at the Procession with Palms** — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11).

**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 Matthew (Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
- Monday: Monday of Holy Week; St. Patrick's Day
- Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
- Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week
- Thursday: Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins; Purim (the Jewish festival of the story of Esther) begins at sunset; Spring begins
- Friday: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion; Fast and Abstinence
- Saturday: Holy Saturday; Easter Vigil

**Seder Meal** — Come a join us as the parish celebrates the traditional Seder Meal on Monday, March 17, in the gymnasium at 6:30 p.m.



The Seder Meal is what Jesus shared with his Apostles at the Last Supper and recalls the great event of Moses leading the Chosen People out of Egypt. It is significant for Christians because Jesus leads us out of our slavery to sin. Each

family should bring a covered dish to share that is enough for all members of the family plus 4 other adults. Drinks will be provided. Call the Parish Office to reserve your family's seats at the table.

**CHRISM MASS** — The annual Chrism Mass at which the bishop blesses the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens and consecrates the Sacred Chrism used in the baptism of infants, Confirmation and ordination of Priests and Bishops will be at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Tuesday, March 18, at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and support their parish priests who will renew their ordination promises during this Mass.

**Good Friday** — Fr. Timby has accepted the invitation of the Frayser Ministerial Association to deliver "the Message" at the Ecumenical Prayer Service on Good Friday. The service will be held at Schoolfield Methodist Church, 1621 Dellwood Ave., at 11:30 am on Good Friday. Lunch will be served following the service. Please make plans to attend as a sign of our support of Fr. Timby and the Frayser Community.

**This Week at Our Lady of Sorrows**

**Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mass – 8:15 am  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade retreat Krug Hall 8-2:30 pm  
Confessions – 3:00 – 3:30 pm  
Mass – 4:00 pm

**Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday**

Mass 8:00 am & 10:30 am  
PRE 9:15 am  
Adult Classes – 9:15 am Krug Hall  
Spanish Mass 5:00 pm  
Bible Study Class 7:00 – 9:00 pm Krug Hall

**Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

Mass– 8:15 am  
Sedar Meal 6:30 pm GYM

**Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

Mass – 8:15 am  
First Communion Practice 6:30 Church

**Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

Mass - 6:30 pm  
Legion of Mary Meeting 5:15 pm Lucius Hall  
RCIA Classes 7:00 pm Krug Hall (Gerry Taulman)  
Youth Group 7:00 pm

**Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> Holy Thursday**

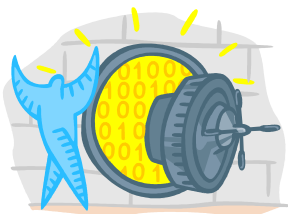
Mass 6:30

**Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup> Good Friday**

RECTORY CLOSED  
Confession 1:45-2:15  
Bilingual 6:30 pm  
Stations of the Cross – 2:30 pm

**Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> Easter Vigil**

Confession 3:00 – 3:45 pm  
Easter Vigil Mass 7:30 pm



**OLS TRIVIA NIGHT –**

Think you have a good memory? Think you've mastered the game of Trivia Pursuit? Put your brain and memory to the REAL TEST.

OLS Trivia Night is coming **March 29<sup>th</sup>**. Watch the bulletin for more details. Meanwhile, get your team together for your chance to conquer the greatest memories in town. Prizes and Fun! All proceeds benefit OLS Parish School.

No **baptisms** will be celebrated during Lent to focus our attention on the call to conversion and the significant role the sacrament plays in the celebration of the Easter Vigil. In fact, there will be no holy water available during the season.

**In your prayers please remember:** Barbara Allard, Bill & Grace Aspinall, Dewey Aureli, Theresa Baker, June Bennis, Rebecca Bethune, Julius (Sonny) Black, Robert Butler, Carolyn Fracchia, Trudi Collier, DePriest Family, James Essary, Elena Everroad, Margaret Dries, Rena Frazier, Sue Guinn, Linda Gonzales, Eileen Haklitch, Amanda Hall, Bootsie Hammett, Peggy Hooten, Michael Jackson, Margaret Jones, Earline Johnson, Paul Kennedy, Robert Kuehner, Mildred Lewis, Robert Lutts, Jerry Lynn, Louise Macdonald, Thomas Miller, Bill Nutt, Eudora Mays, Jackie Perfetti, Waldyr Poilis, Dr. Cheryl Pearson, Kenneth Rainey, Louisa Reilly, Maureen Spain, Fr. Bryan Timby, Keith Trenham, Carolyn Walsh, Lewis Wilkinson, Mary Wilson, and Angie Wright.

**Parish Retreat Weekends** – The Cathedral parish has invited members of Our Lady of Sorrows to join with them in making a spiritual retreat at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Retreat Center in Dancyville, TN (I-40 East, exit #47). A Women's Retreat is scheduled for April 4-6. Henry Littleton is coordinating our participation in these retreats. If you are interested in participating in one or more of the retreat weekends, please contact the Parish Office.

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**SEEING CHRIST CLEARLY**

We start today looking through the portals of Jerusalem, seeing crowds of people, cheering and waving palm branches in the air. The whole atmosphere is one of joy, triumph, and celebration. We can get distracted or enthralled by the scene, and not see clearly the features of Jesus as he enters. But our readings from Isaiah and Paul's letter to the Philippians clarify his features for us. He is the Suffering Servant, meek and mute before his captors and persecutors; he is the very image of the unseen God, yet will not clutch at equality with God before he endures his final confrontation in humility. Isaiah and Paul help us "behold the Lamb of God" before we hear the story of his final and greatest confrontation. It is important that we see Christ clearly before we hear the account of his passion, for we—his Body through baptism, the church—now bear his face. We must, with him, enter into this time of trial so we can, also with him, enter into his final triumph.

Each Friday evening we will meditate on the **Stations of the Cross** at 6:30 p.m. The Stations were originally promoted by St. Francis of Assisi as a way for those were unable to visit Jerusalem and trace Our Lord's steps along the Via Dolorosa to make the ascent with Jesus to Calvary in their parish churches. Besides being a good spiritual exercise, a **Plenary Indulgence** is offered to those members of the faithful who make a good confession and complete their penance within a week prior to meditating on the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent and on Good Friday. **Benediction** will conclude the Stations of the Cross each Friday evening.

**Ministers Schedule – for March 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**\*\*\*Please note the dates\*\*\***  
**for the Minister and Altar Server Schedule**

4:00	8:00	10:30	5:00
D. Bennis	M. Hensley	M.Standridge	
G. Pannell	T. Acklen	B.Comans	
R. Pannell	B.Plessinger	L.O'Donnell	
<b>Lectors</b>			
E. Monroe	D.Gohman	M.Standridge	
<b>Altar Server</b>			
L.Carter	B.Hudson	E.Foote	J.Rivera
	K.Hudson	D.Butler	S.Roque

**Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent**, including Good Friday, are also days of **abstinence** from meat and meat by-products. **All Catholics who have celebrated their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday are obliged to**



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**abstain from meat and all food made with or flavored with meat on these days.** For those who wish to beg the question "What is meat?" the answer is: "meat" is the slaughtered of flesh of any creature that uses lungs to

breathe, e.g., cows, chickens, whales, frogs, snake, etc. Fish and other creatures that use lungs to breathe are not considered "meat" and may be consumed in days of abstinence. There is no dispensation from abstinence, not even for health reason or "old age," despite the valiant efforts of some to get me to give one

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maria Guadalupe Hernandez, mother of Carolina Roque. Please keep Maria and her family in your prayers.

*Dear Fr. Timby and OLS parishioners,  
 Our family would like to thank all of you for your prayers and support during this difficult time.  
 Also, thank you for your contributors to OLS in mom's name. She would be so proud. She loved this parish very much.*

*Sincerely, Jerry & Loretta Schmitt, David & Linda Schmitt and Mike & Nancy Crocker*

**Schedule for Holy Week**

**Holy Thursday: 6:30 pm**

D. Bennis	H.Williams
N.Vintruella	G.Williams
B.Plessinger	K.Hissong
D.Hall	J.Rivera



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**Good Friday: 6:30 pm**

D.Bennis	B.Hudson
H.Littleton	K.Hudson
	A.Younger



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**Easter Vigil: 7:30 pm**

S.O'Brien	C. Bailey
K.Pope	D.Bailey
G.Taulman	J.Rivera
	R. Martini
	H.Martini



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## Mass Intentions

### Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm

Fran Schmitt+

### Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am

Guy & Sally Finnely+

### Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am

People of Parish

### Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm

Int. of Joseph Marshall

### Monday March 17<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am

Fr. Patrick Heenan+

### Tues. March 18<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am

Louise Fracchia+

### Wed. March 19<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm

Fran Schmitt+

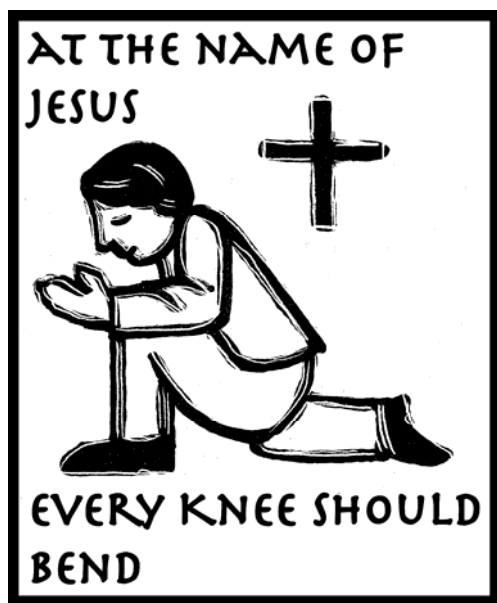
### Thur. March 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm Holy Thursday

Int. of Pastor

### Friday March 21<sup>st</sup> 6:30 pm Good Friday

### Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:30 pm Easter Vigil

Int. of Pastor



**EAGLEFEST 2008:** Kim funk has taken over the position of chairperson. We still need individual to be on our committee .If you are interested, please contact Ms. Tracy at Our Lady of Sorrows School at 358-7431, or Mrs. Carolyn Roberts at the parish office at 353-1530.

## **Financial Report for Weekend of March 9<sup>th</sup> 2008**

Envelopes	\$2,879.00
Loose Checks	845.00
Loose Currency/Coin	153.50
Improvement	330.00
Debit	216.00
Catholic Relief	70.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 4,493.50</b>
Church Budget for the Week	<u>-5,324.00</u>
<b>Collection Diff for the Week</b>	<b>(830.50)</b>

Collections Revenues Y-t-D	180,332.76
Church Budget Y-t-D	<u>196,988.00</u>
<b>Collections Deficit Y-t-D</b>	<b>\$(16,655.24)</b>



**Information for those to be confirmed in April: The letters from your sponsors' pastor are now due. These letters are required by the Diocese of Memphis to authenticate a person's eligibility to serve as a sacramental sponsor. Please**

**encourage your sponsor to return the letter to OLS parish office as soon as possible. If letters are not received, Fr. Timby will appoint someone from the parish to serve as your sponsor.**

**OLS is seeking a person to do light maintenance 8-12 hours each week during Kim Hissong's leave of absence. The work will include cleaning the church and adjacent buildings (not the rectory), keeping the yard free of debris, changing light bulbs, etc., and any special projects Fr. Timby determines. The position pays minimum wage. Please make an appointment with Fr. Timby to discuss your interest. All employees/volunteers of the Diocese of Memphis are required to participate in VIRTUS training before undertaking their assigned duties.**

**PARISHONERS IN NURSING HOME:**

**Carolyn Fracchia  
St. Peter Villa, 331-A  
141 North McLean  
Memphis, TN 38104**

**Paul Kennedy  
Ave Maria Nursing Home  
2805 Charles Bryan Road  
Room 111-B  
Bartlett, Tn 38134**

**Jackie Perfetti  
St. Francis Nursing Home  
5959 Park Ave, room 306  
Memphis, Tn 38119**

*Visit the sick and/or send them a card to let them know they are not forgotten*

**You Can Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the Spring program beginning with a weekend on April 11-13th call 901-465-8538 or email: MemphisRV@comcast.net or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

**Seeking Employment:** Maria Flores mother of Alejandra, a student at OLS is seeking employment. She is interested in housekeeping please call Maria at 353-7094.

**Monthly Bus Trip** – The Bus Trip will be Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup> after 10:30 am Mass. If you are interested in going, please call Bonita Comans at 412-6700.

**OLS Trivia Night** – Join us for our first-ever Trivia Night under the direction of Brother Ignatius, FSC, on Saturday, March 29. Get your friends together to test your collective memory of all things important and not so important. There will be gifts for all members of the winning team and multiple door prizes. There will be a prize for the woman wearing the best decorated Easter Bonnet and another for the man wearing the best decorated Easter Bonnet. Test your luck in the “Heads and Tails” competition. Teams of six at \$10.00/person. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Individual walk-ins are welcome and will be teamed with others. Competition begins at 7:00 p.m. All proceeds benefit OLS Parish School. To register or for more information, call 353-1530. Do you have a Christmas present that you received that you are not likely to use or are considering re-gifting next year? Why not donate it to the prizes to be given at Trivia Night? Your contribution will help our parish school.

**EASTER CALENDAR** – Easter is always the 1st Sunday after the 1st full moon after the Spring Equinox (which is March 20). This dating of Easter is based on the lunar calendar that Hebrew people used to identify Passover, which is why it moves around on the Roman calendar. Based on this schedule, Easter can actually be one day earlier (March 22) but that is pretty rare. Here's the interesting info. This year is the earliest Easter any of us will ever see. Only the most elderly (95 or older) of our population have seen it this early and none of us have ever, or will ever, see it a day earlier! Here's the facts:

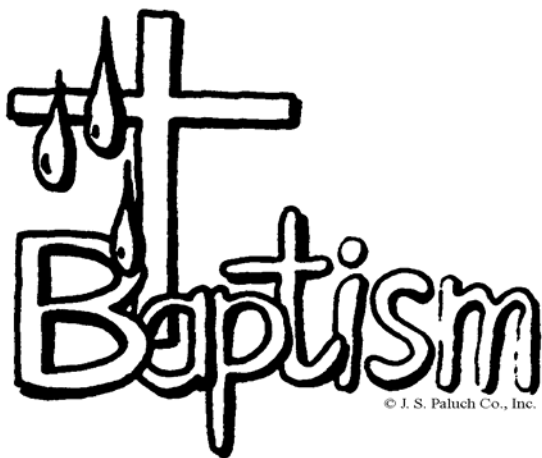
1) The next time Easter will be this early, (March 23), will be the year 2228 (220 years from now). The last time it was this early was 1913, so if you're 95 or older you were around for that.

2) The next time it will be a day earlier, (March 22), will be in the year 2285 (277 years from now). The last time it was on March 22 was 1818. So, no one alive today has, or will, ever see it any earlier than it is this year.



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**May Mania Auction** – It is time to start organizing our efforts to make this year’s maniacal evening even more successful than last 2007. We need people to take charge of advertising, donation solicitation, volunteer enlistment, ticket sales, set-up, clean-up, and anything else that comes up. It is not too early to begin asking your employers for donations to our May Mania Auction on **May 3**. Perhaps you would like to donate **NEW** items to be auctioned. Some of the items we have received already include a *set of luggage, a very nice toaster oven, some lovely vases, a UT stained glass end table, a UT stained glass illuminated wall pennant, a five-course gourmet dinner for 6, and some professionally framed photographs from the recent Memphis-UT basketball game.* It never too early to get busy for the benefit of our school! We will be taking orders for **Barbecue Butts** in April. Pat Kurrus has accepted the position as chairperson. Please call the rectory.



St. Benedict Spring Break Sports Day Camp, Mon - Thur, March 24-27, ages 5-12, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at St. Benedict High School. \$120 for week/\$30 per day. Lunch and snacks provided. Contact Coach Buchanan at 260-2888 or [buchanana@sbaeagles.org](mailto:buchanana@sbaeagles.org).

**Gantert Memorial 4 mile Run/Walk** – The second Annual Gantert Memorial Run in memory of Fr. Rick Gantert, will be held April 13 at 2:00pm. Scholarships will be established at St. Paul and Our Lady of Sorrows Elementary Schools, where he was Pastor for many years. A memorial donation to Johns Hopkins will also be made. For more information, to become a sponsor or to register for the run visit the website [www.gantertmemorialrun.net](http://www.gantertmemorialrun.net). You can also reach the race director, Linda O’Donnell at 382-2167

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Now we have come to the center of the Christian year, beginning with today, Passion Sunday, Holy Week, and culminating in the Pasch, the Sacred Triduum. Some have called the culminating event in this week’s journey of faith “The Three Days of Easter.” The origins of many of our observances, including today’s blessing of palms and solemn entry into the church, harken back to old Jerusalem.

In the late fourth century, a woman living a consecrated life in southern France made a four-year pilgrimage to Jerusalem. There, she encountered the rich liturgies of the city, bursting with Christians. She was a keen observer, and fortunately for us wrote vivid letters of her experience to a circle of women friends she calls her sisters. By the time of her journey, it is clear that even some catechumens were undertaking the dangerous journey so that they could be formed at the very site of the events of Christ’s passion and rising. At the heart of the pilgrim experience were processions, such as today’s joyous procession to the Mount of Olives, and brilliant catechesis from the bishop every day, as well as intense fasting and prayer. When you resolve to keep this week holy in your own life, and especially when you commit to participate in the full Triduum with worship in church and fasting at home, a very ancient tradition is within your grasp.

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**HOME FOR SALE:** 3 bedroom, 1 ½ bath, LR, DR, Den, eat in kitchen, huge wash room, covered & screened in patio with gas grill, adjacent study with heat & air. Carpenter’s workshop with electricity. Floored attic with cedar closet. New roof, furnace and kitchen/washroom flooring ,all hardwood floors fenced back yard and very nice neighbors. One owner very well loved. If interested buying, please call Nancy Crocker (Fran Schmitt’s daughter) at 647-3671

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