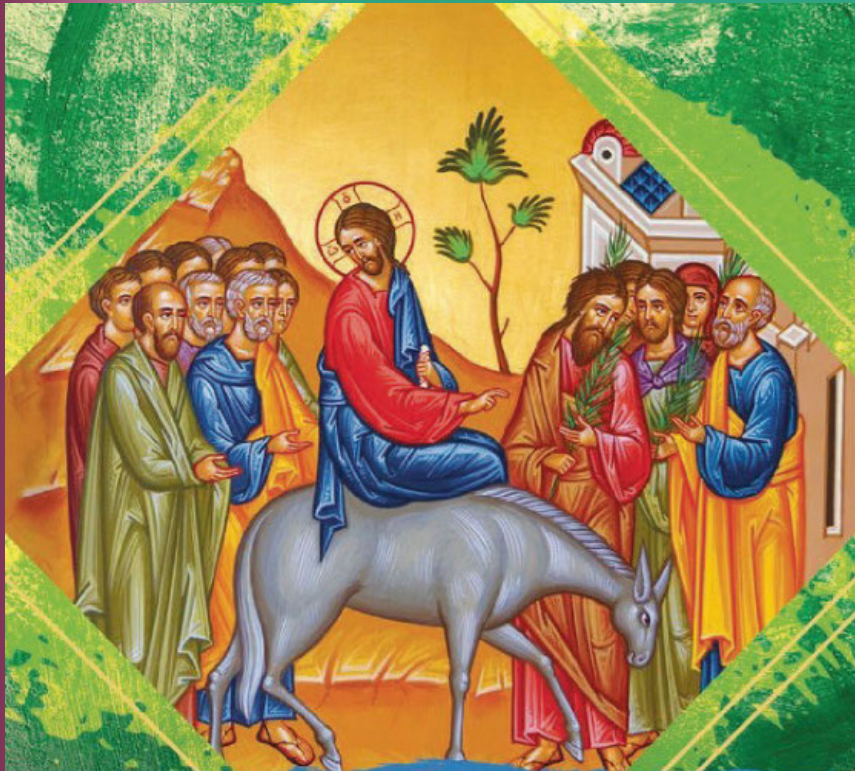


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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

"Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord!" - Mk 11:9

DOMINGO DE RAMOS DE LA PASIÓN DE CRISTO

"¡Bendito el que viene en nombre
del Señor!" - Mc 11, 9

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Mission Statement

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Community exists to be a vibrant faith-filled community, proclaiming with our lives that God is deeply in love with us. Through open hearts, meaningful worship and compassionate service, we model the Spirit of Christ in the world today.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, March 28th

7:00 PM Mass

Good Friday, March 29th

Office Closed

12:00/Noon Service

2:30 PM Spanish Stations

of the Cross

Holy Saturday, March 30th

8:00 PM Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

Mass Times

8:00 AM

10:00 AM

1:00 PM Spanish

March 24, 2024 / 24 de marzo de 2024



Dear Folks,
Grace and Peace and Blessings!

With Palm Sunday, we begin the holiest week in our Liturgical Year. The Season of Lent ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. **Please come and share in the events of the Paschal Triduum:** The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday with the Reception of the Holy Oils at 7:00pm, Good Friday of the Lord's Passion at Noon and Stations in Spanish at 2:30pm, Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter beginning at 8:00pm, and Easter Sunday the Resurrection of the Lord at 8:00am, 10:00am and 1:00pm in Spanish.

Our Lenten project this Lent (and beyond) is to partner with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) in helping the people in the country of Somalia in Africa. Those employed by CRS LIVE in those countries of need and so are acutely aware of the challenges and the small victories over hunger and desperation, where even camels at times cannot survive! *A group of folks have come together and are making a generous offer: for every one dollar we share with the people of Somalia, they will give two dollars. For every \$100 dollars we raise, \$200 more will be given.* Please bear this in mind as we share this Lenten Season. Look for the small TENT in the Gathering Space to place our gifts! To date, we have raised over \$11,500.

The Bishop's Appeal is under way. This Appeal is important to raise the needed funds for folks right here in our diocese. My favorite is Catholic Charities, and the work they do to help those hurting spiritually and emotionally. Their work is vital to us as we assist others who struggle in relationships or with mental illness or addictions of all kinds. So far our gifts total \$29,000, with our total goal of \$45,152.

Lastly, thank you Holy Spirit for inspiring the amazing generous hearts and prayers of your people who day after day reach out and love neighbors with the love of Jesus. May this Holy Week be unique and filled with mystery as well as healing, gratitude and joy.

Godspeed, Fr. Dave



Why do we celebrate some Masses bilingually and not necessarily all Sunday celebrations?

Let's refer to the Roman Missal, especially when referring to the Paschal Triduum (the time between sundown on Holy Thursday and sundown Easter Sunday) when we often experience a bilingual Mass. The Paschal Triduum is *not a combination of separate events, but it is really one uninterrupted, continuous three-day event focusing on the very basis of our entire faith...the crucifixion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.* The Roman Missal states that *"it is desirable that small communities, associations, and special groups of various kinds join together to carry out the sacred celebrations in a more noble manner."* Thursday of the Lord's supper states it *"is celebrated in the evening, at a convenient time, with the full participation of the whole local community."* Then looking forward to Easter Vigil, we also read, *"Of this night's Vigil, which is the greatest and most noble of all solemnities, there is to be only one celebration in each church. It is arranged, moreover, in such a way that after the Easter Proclamation (1st part of Vigil), Holy Church meditates on the wonders the Lord God has done for his people from the beginning, trusting in his word and promise until, as day approaches, with new members reborn in Baptism, the Church is called to the table the Lord has prepared for his people, the memorial of his Death and Resurrection until he comes again."*

Masses are chosen to be bilingual to both follow the Roman Missal's guidance as well as serve the needs of the entire Church. I think we would all agree that we would all want to understand the sacraments that we ourselves celebrate as well as the family and friends that would come to celebrate those sacraments with us. While this Easter Vigil is an exception to the norm, most Easter Vigils have an array of folks celebrating the sacraments for the very first time. Some speak Spanish, some speak English, and some speak both; but not all of their relatives necessarily speak both. We want **all in attendance to pray and be engaged in the "greatest and most noble of all solemnities".** How else can we do that without trying to accommodate everyone?

Other Masses can be celebrated bilingually, too. The picnic Mass is a wonderful opportunity to join our Spanish and English speaking family members together into ONE...which is what we truly are and long to be...**one community of faith.**



We wanted to share a little update from Terry Burbey about her granddaughter, Gina, that had the stroke back around Thanksgiving. Gina was initially expected to have a very grim future with zero chance of regaining any movement from being paralyzed. Gina has gradually been regaining movement. The feeding tube is out, and she is now eating soft foods and can work her wheelchair!!! ALLELUIA AND AMEN!!! If you would like to send cards to help continue to support her and pull her through, her new address is below.

Gina M. Burbey- Clark County Health Facility
W4266 County Road X, Room # 219
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CALENDAR EVENTS

March

- 25th– Cleaning Day
6:30 PM Choir practice
- 26th– 9:30 AM Bible Study
- 27th– 6:15 PM **RE– grades 1-5**
7:15 PM Mass
- 28th– 7:00 PM Holy Thursday Mass
- 29th– **Office Closed**
12:00 PM Good Friday Service
2:30 PM Stations of the Cross- **Spanish**
- 30th– 8:00 PM Easter Vigil
- 31st– Easter Sunday– Regular Mass times

April

- 1st– **Office Closed**
2:00 PM Coping with Grief
- 2nd– Cleaning Day
7:00 PM Women’s Bible Study
7:00 PM Men’s Bible Study
- 3rd– 6:15 PM **RE– grades 6-9**
7:15 PM Mass
7:30 PM **OTIS**
- 4th– 8:00 AM Mass
- 7th– 11:30 AM **Spanish RE**
- 8th– Cleaning Day
6:30 PM Choir practice
- 10th– 10:30 AM Bible in a Year
6:15 PM **RE– grades 1-5**
7:15 PM Mass
- 11th– 8:00 AM Mass
2:00 PM Worship committee
6:00 PM Living Justice
- 14th– 11:30 AM **Spanish RE**
- 15th– Cleaning Day

Funds received the week of March 10th

Scrip profit for the week **\$363.58**

Tithing– Envelopes	\$4,691
Offertory	\$453
Capital Improvement	\$190
Unrestricted/Our own needs	\$655
My Easter Offering	\$25
Easter Flowers	\$85
Unrestricted Donations	\$475
Grant Money	\$250
Lenten Project for Somalia	\$1,443

Many thanks for the generous donations to the World’s Poor special collection. Since Lent began, together we have collected a total of \$2,711.02.. Thanks again and God’s blessing to all for your donations and prayers.

OTIS Did You Know?

Did you know OTIS has a Chili Sale in the Gathering Space this weekend? See you there!!!

OTIS Events

- April 3rd - OTIS
7:45PM-9:00PM
- April 17th - OTIS
7:45PM-9:00PM
- May 1st - OTIS
7:45PM-9:00PM
- May 22nd - OTIS
6:30PM-8:30PM
(No CCD this evening)

Spring clean up date is **April 1st**. All items must be removed by this date. Any items left in the cemetery after April 1st will be disposed of.

You may start placing items back in the cemeteries on May 15th.

Thank you for your help.



Wondering how you can help St. Thomas?

A few more adults are needed to help out with hospitality ministry at the 10:00 Mass once a month. Won't you please consider sharing your time and talents this way? Please contact Vickie in the parish office. We need YOU!
vickfrau@gmail.com or 920-726-4228

March 31, 2024

Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9

What change could the hope of the resurrection of Christ inspire you to make?

Save the Date!

You are a Beacon of Hope whose kindness saves lives, including those with cancer or sickle cell disease. These fighters and their families are counting on you.

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Every donation is needed to meet the high demand from hospitals in your community. People like you can make a difference. We hope to see you soon.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule **March 31st**

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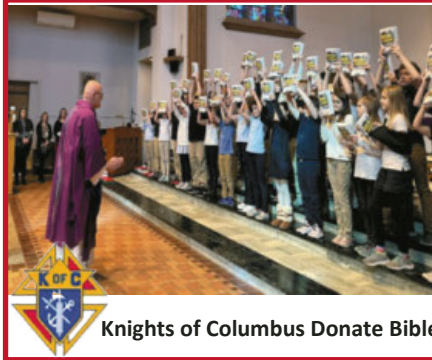
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Knights of Columbus Donate Bibles

Recently the 4th grade students in Roncalli Catholic Schools each received a Bible donated by Manitowoc Council 710. Additionally, Bibles were donated to Religious Education students at St. Thomas the Apostle and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes. Pictured is Father Dave Pleier blessing the Bibles being held by the Roncalli students.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, March 27th
7:15 PM Available

Holy Thursday, March 21st
8:00 AM NO Mass
7:00 PM For the Parish

Good Friday, March 29th
12:00/NOON Service

Holy Saturday, March 28th
8:00 PM Vigil

Easter Sunday, March 29th
8:00 AM For the Parish
10:00 AM For the Parish

Sanctuary Light March 31st– April 6th
A Special Intention

Homebound, Sick, or Elderly...

For a minister of care to bring Eucharist to your home, please call the parish office or refer to the information below.

Sunday Communion Minister for the homebound for the week of:

- March 31st- Sandie Fitzgerald
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- April 7th– Wayne Wallander
920-946-9002
- April 14th– Patti Schneider
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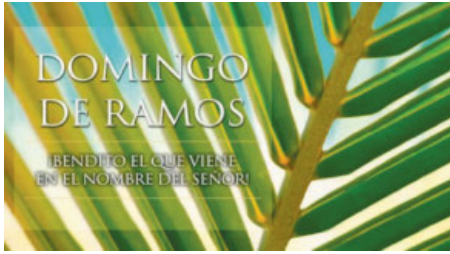
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.DOMINGO DE RAMOS Por. aciprensa



El Domingo de Ramos abre solemnemente la Semana Santa, con el recuerdo de las Palmas y de la Pasión, de la entrada de Jesús en Jerusalén y la liturgia de la palabra que evoca la Pasión del Señor en el Evangelio de San Mateo.

En este día, se entrecruzan las dos tradiciones litúrgicas que han dado origen a esta celebración: la alegre, multitudinaria, festiva liturgia de la Iglesia madre de la ciudad santa, que se convierte en mimesis, imitación de los que Jesús hizo en Jerusalén, y la austera memoria -anamnesis- de la pasión que marcaba la liturgia de Roma. Liturgia de Jerusalén y de Roma, juntas en nuestra celebración. Con una evocación que no puede dejar de ser actualizada. Vamos con el pensamiento a Jerusalén, subimos al Monte de los Olivos para recalar en la capilla de Betfagé, que nos recuerda el gesto de Jesús, gesto profético, que entra como Rey pacífico, Mesías aclamado primero y condenado después, para cumplir en todo las profecías. .

Por un momento la gente revivió la esperanza de tener ya consigo, de forma abierta y sin subterfugios aquel que venía en el nombre del Señor. Al menos así lo entendieron los más sencillos, los discípulos y gente que acompañó a Jesús, como un Rey. San Lucas no habla de olivos ni palmas, sino de gente que iba alfombrando el camino con sus vestidos, como se recibe a un Rey, gente que gritaba: "Bendito el que viene como Rey en nombre del Señor. Paz en el cielo y gloria en lo alto".

Palabras con una extraña evocación de las mismas que anunciaron el nacimiento del Señor en Belén a los más humildes. Jerusalén, desde el siglo IV, en el esplendor de su vida litúrgica celebraba este momento con una procesión multitudinaria. Y la cosa gustó tanto a los peregrinos que occidente dejó plasmada en esta procesión de ramos una de las más bellas celebraciones de la Semana Santa. Con la liturgia de Roma, por otro lado, entramos en la Pasión y anticipamos la proclamación del misterio, con un gran contraste entre el camino triunfante del Cristo del Domingo de Ramos y el Vía Crucis de los días santos.

Sin embargo, son las últimas palabras de Jesús en el madero la nueva semilla que debe empujar el remo evangelizador de la Iglesia en el mundo.

"Padre, en tus manos encomiendo mi espíritu". Este es el Evangelio, está la nueva noticia, el contenido de la nueva evangelización. Desde una paradoja este mundo que parece tan autónomo, necesita que se le anuncie el misterio de la debilidad de nuestro Dios en la que se demuestra el culmen de su amor. Como lo anunciaron los primeros cristianos con estas narraciones largas y detallistas de la pasión de Jesús.

Era el anuncio del amor de un Dios que baja con nosotros hasta el abismo de lo que no tiene sentido, del pecado y de la muerte, del absurdo grito de Jesús en su abandono y en su confianza extrema. Era un anuncio al mundo pagano tanto más realista cuanto con él se podía medir la fuerza de la Resurrección.

La liturgia de las palmas anticipa en este domingo, llamado Pascua florida, el triunfo de la resurrección; mientras que la lectura de la Pasión nos invita a entrar conscientemente en la Semana Santa de la Pasión gloriosa y amorosa de Cristo el Señor.

Reza esta oración al poner en casa las palmas benditas del Domingo de Ramos

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Este Domingo de Ramos, los católicos iniciarán la Semana Santa conmemorando el momento en el que Jesucristo hizo su entrada triunfal en Jerusalén, y fue aclamado como el Mesías por una multitud que lo recibió con palmas y ramos de olivo.

En el también llamado Domingo de la Pasión, los fieles acompañarán al sacerdote en una procesión solemne antes de la Misa, en la que se leerá el relato de la Pasión de Cristo. Como es tradición, los fieles llevarán en las manos palmas o ramos de olivo, que también pueden ser de otros tipos de plantas locales, pero que en esencia buscan rendir honores al Hijo de Dios.

Según recuerda la Carta de fiestas pascales del Vaticano, durante la procesión los cristianos celebran la entrada triunfal de Cristo a Jerusalén, "imitando las aclamaciones y gestos, que hicieron los niños hebreos cuando salieron al encuentro del Señor, cantando el fervoroso 'Hossana'", grito de júbilo de significado mesiánico. La liturgia de las palmas tiene un significado profundo, pues anticipa el triunfo de la resurrección, que celebraremos al terminar la Semana Santa en la Fiesta de la Pascua, la celebración más importante de la vida de todo cristiano.

Al terminar la Misa del Domingo de Ramos, muchos fieles acostumbran colocar sus palmas benditas en sus hogares o lugares de trabajo. Sin embargo, se debe recordar que las palmas no se conservan como amuletos, porque eso sería superstición, sino que son "signos de la paz mesiánica" que nos recuerdan hacer de nuestra vida un don para Dios y nuestros hermanos.

A continuación, compartimos una sencilla oración para colocar las palmas benditas en casa:

**Bendice, Señor, nuestro hogar.
Que tu Hijo Jesús y la Virgen María reinen en él.
Danos paz, amor y respeto,
para que respetándonos y amándonos
los sepamos honrar en nuestra vida familiar,
sé Tú, el Rey en nuestro hogar.
Amén.**



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Queridos amigos,

Gracia, Paz y Bendiciones!

Con el Domingo de Ramos damos inicio a la semana más santa de nuestro Año Litúrgico. El tiempo de Cuaresma finaliza al atardecer del Jueves Santo. Por favor venga y comparte los eventos del Triduo Pascual: La Misa de la Cena del Señor el Jueves Santo con la Recepción de los Santos Óleos a las 7:00 p. m., Viernes Santo tenemos la Pasión del Señor al mediodía y Estaciones en español a las 2:30 p. m. Sábado Santo la Vigilia Pascual en la Noche Santa de Pascua a partir de las 8:00pm, y Domingo de Pascua la Resurrección del Señor a las 8:00am, 10:00am y 1:00pm en español.



Nuestro proyecto de Cuaresma esta Cuaresma (y más allá) es asociarnos con Catholic Relief Services (CRS) para ayudar a la gente del país de Somalia en África. ¡Los empleados de CRS viven en esos países necesitados y, por lo tanto, son muy conscientes de los desafíos y las pequeñas victorias sobre el hambre y la desesperación, donde a veces ni siquiera los camellos pueden sobrevivir! Un grupo de personas se ha reunido y está haciendo una oferta generosa: por cada dólar que compartamos con el pueblo de Somalia, ellos darán dos dólares. Por cada \$100 dólares que recaudemos, se donarán \$200 más. Tenga esto en cuenta mientras compartimos esta temporada de Cuaresma. ¡Busque la pequeña TIENDA de campaña en el Espacio de Reunión para colocar nuestras donaciones! Hasta la fecha, hemos recaudado más de \$11,500.

La colecta anual del Obispo está en marcha. Esta Campaña es importante para recaudar los fondos necesarios para la gente aquí en nuestra diócesis. Mi favorito es Caridades Católicas y el trabajo que realizan para ayudar a quienes sufren espiritual y emocionalmente. Su trabajo es vital para nosotros mientras ayudamos a otras personas que luchan en sus relaciones o con enfermedades mentales o adicciones de todo tipo. Hasta ahora nuestras donaciones suman \$29,000, con nuestra meta total de \$45,152.

Por último, gracias Espíritu Santo por inspirar los increíbles corazones generosos y las oraciones de tu gente que día tras día tiende la mano y ama al prójimo con el amor de Jesús. Que esta Semana Santa sea única y llena de misterio, así como de sanación, gratitud y alegría.

Bendiciones, P. dave