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Palm Sunday  
April 9, 2017  
Fr. José Zepeda, FSSP, Pastor

Mass Intentions

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| Sun. Apr. 9th | 8:00 a.m. | Palm Sunday, I Class  
              | 10:15 a.m. | Anthony Bogorowski - David & Karen Scatena  
                                            | Pro Populo |
| Mon. Apr. 10th | 7:45 a.m. | Monday of Holy Week, I Class  
              |           | Alison & Penny Parker - Anon. |
| Tues. Apr. 11th | 7:45 a.m. | Tuesday of Holy Week, I Class  
              |           | Souls in Purgatory - Hanisch Family |
| Wed. Apr. 12th | 7:45 a.m. | Wednesday of Holy Week, I Class  
              |           | Skuba Children - Their Parents |
| Thu. Apr. 13th | 7:00 p.m. | Holy Thursday, I Class  
              |           | Pro Populo |
| Fri. Apr. 14th | 2:15 p.m. | Good Friday, I Class  
              | 3:00 p.m. | Stations of the Cross  
                                            | Solemn Liturgy |
| Sat. Apr. 15th | 10:00 p.m. | Holy Saturday & Easter Vigil, I Class  
              |           | Solemn Liturgy  
                                            | Pro Populo |
| Sun. Apr. 16th | 10:15 a.m. | Easter Sunday, I Class  
                                            | Pro Populo |

Mass Schedule

Sunday  
Low Mass: 8:00 am  
High Mass: 10:15 am

Weekdays

Monday-Thursday: 7:45 am  
Friday: 6:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:00 am

Confessions

Monday-Saturday  
One half hour before Mass  
Sunday: 7:15-7:50 am  
& 9:15-10:05 am

Devotions

Exposition-Benediction  
Friday 5:00 pm  
Saturdays 8:00 am

Daily Rosary

Monday-Thursday - After Mass  
Friday-Sunday - Before Mass

Office Hours

Mon-Friday 9 am – 4 pm  
Thursday - Closed  
Saturday - 10 am - Noon
INTROIT Ps. 21:20, 22
O Lord, remove not Thy help to a distance from me, look toward my defense; deliver me from the lion’s mouth, and my lowness from the horns of the unicorns. Ps. 21:2. My God, my God, look upon me, why have You forsaken me? Far from my salvation are the words of my sins. O Lord.

COLLECT
Almighty, eternal God, Who, in order to give mankind an example of humility, didst will that our Saviour should assume our flesh and suffer on the Cross; grant in Thy mercy that we be found worthy of the heritage of His patience and the fellowship of His Resurrection. Through the same our Lord Jesus Christ.

EPISTLE Phil. 2:5-11
Brethren: Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus; Who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God; but made Himself as nothing, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men, and in habit found as a man. He humbled Himself, becoming obedient unto death, even the death of the cross, For which cause God also hath exalted him, and hath given Him a Name which is above all names (here all kneel): that in the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL Matt. 26:36-75; 1-60
See Holy Week Booklet

OFFERTORY Ps. 68:21-22
My heart hath expected reproach and misery; and I looked for one that would grieve together with Me, and there was none: I sought for one to comfort Me, and I found none; and they gave me gall for My food, and in My thirst they gave Me vinegar to drink.

SECRET
Grant, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that the gift presented to the eyes of Thy majesty may both obtain for us the grace of devotion and acquire for us the effect of a blessed immortality. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION Matt. 26:42
Father, if this chalice may not pass away, but I must drink it, Thy will be done.

POSTCOMMUNION
By the operation of this mystery, O Lord, may our vices be purged away, and our righteous desires have fulfillment. Through our Lord.
Holy Communion, and How to Join in It

Part II, Chapter 14

1. So far I have said nothing concerning the Sun of all spiritual exercises, even the most holy, sacred and Sovereign Sacrifice and Sacrament of the Eucharist,--the very center point of our Christian religion, the heart of all devotion, the soul of piety;--that Ineffable Mystery which embraces the whole depth of Divine Love, by which God, giving Himself really to us, conveys all His Graces and favours to men with royal magnificence.

2. Prayer made in union with this Divine Sacrifice has untold power; through which, indeed, the soul overflows with heavenly grace, and leaning on her Beloved, becomes so filled with spiritual sweetness and perfume, that we may ask in the words of the Canticles: "Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?"

3. Strive then to your utmost to be present every day at this holy Celebration, in order that with the priest you may offer the Sacrifice of your Redeemer on behalf of yourself and the whole Church to God the Father. Saint Chrysostom says that the Angels crowd around it in adoration, and if we are found together with them, united in one intention, we cannot but be most favourably influenced by such society. Moreover, all the heavenly choirs of the Church triumphant, as well as those of the Church militant, are joined to our Dear Lord in this divine act, so that with Him, in Him, and by Him, they may win the favour of God the Father, and obtain His Mercy for us. How great the blessing to my soul to contribute its share towards the attainment of so gracious a gift!

4. If any imperative hindrance prevents your presence at this sovereign sacrifice of Christ's most true Presence, at least be sure to take part in it spiritually. If you cannot go to Church, choose some morning hour in which to unite your intention to that of the whole Christian world, and make the same interior acts of devotion wherever you are that you would make if you were really present at the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist in Church.

5. In order to join in this rightly, whether actually or mentally, you must give heed to several things: (1) In the beginning, and before the priest goes up to the Altar, make your preparation with his--placing yourself in God's Presence, confessing your unworthiness, and asking forgiveness. (2) Until the Gospel, dwell simply and generally upon the Coming and the Life of our Lord in this world. (3) From the Gospel to the end of the Creed, dwell upon our Dear Lord's teaching, and renew your resolution to live and die in the faith of the Holy Catholic Church. (4) From thence, fix your heart on the mysteries of the Word, and unite yourself to the Death and Passion of our Redeemer, now actually and essentially set forth in this holy Sacrifice, which, together with the priest and all the congregation, you offer to God the Father, to His Glory and your own salvation. (5) Up to the moment of communicating, offer all the longings and desires of your heart, above all desiring most earnestly to be united for ever to our Saviour by His Eternal Love. (6) From the time of Communion to the end, thank His Gracious Majesty for His Incarnation, His Life, Death, Passion, and the Love which He sets forth in this holy Sacrifice, intreating through it His favour for yourself, your relations and friends, and the whole Church; and humbling yourself sincerely, devoutly receive the blessing which our Dear Lord gives you through the channel of His minister.

If, however, you wish to follow your daily course of meditation on special mysteries during the Sacrifice, it is not necessary that you should interrupt yourself by making these several acts but it will suffice that at the beginning you dispose your intention to worship and to offer the holy Sacrifice in your meditation and prayer; since every meditation includes all the abovenamed acts either explicitly or implicitly.

St. Francis de Sales
ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH extends a warm welcome to all new parishioners in the parish. If you would like to register, please contact the rectory.

WELCOME: Please welcome Rev. Mr. Alex Stewart, FSSP, and Seminarian William Rock, FSSP, who will be assisting us during Holy Week.

APPRECIATION: St. Michael’s parish wishes to thank Fr. James Buckley, FSSP, for his inspiring talks during the Parish Mission. We were also happy to see so many parishioners in attendance to hear this well known speaker. May God reward you.

PALMS will be blessed at the High Mass today. Extra palms will be kept in the vestibule of the church. You may pick them up during Holy Week.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: There will be a collection for the Holy Land on Good Friday. Through this collection, you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Thank you for your generosity. May God reward your charity!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (Low Sunday) April 23rd: A plenary indulgence is granted to those who take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the Merciful Lord Jesus (e.g., “Merciful Jesus I trust in You!”

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA: If you would like to pray the novena in honor of the Divine Mercy (i.e. reciting the Chaplet of Divine Mercy), it should begin on Good Friday.

EASTER BASKETS will be blessed after the 10:15 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.

SCHEDULE FOR EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday - Solemn High Mass 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday - Stations of the Cross 2:15 p.m.
- Solemn Liturgy 3:00 p.m.
Easter Vigil - Solemn Liturgy 10:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday - Solemn Mass 10:15 a.m.

## PALM SUNDAY
April 9th
8:00 a.m. Mass
AC1 Patrick Schneider
AC2 William Schneider

SPECIAL TEAM
MC Matthew Gillenkirk
TH Patrick Seeley
AC1 Stephen LaFata
AC2 Jack Gardner
C Brian LaFata
S1 Michael Gardner
S2 Mathias Morris
S3 Brendan Seeley
S4 Christian Tioli

## HOLY THURSDAY
April 13

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## GOOD FRIDAY
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## EASTER VIGIL
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## EASTER SUNDAY
April 16

SPECIAL TEAM
LaFata’s
Seeley’s
Schneider’s