

Passion Sunday

March 28, 2010

As Jesus rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road . . . They proclaimed: "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord." Luke 19: 28-40



Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Isaiah 42: 1-7; John 12: 1-11
Tuesday: Isaiah 49: 1-6; John 13: 21-33, 36-39
Wednesday: Isaiah 50: 4-9; Matthew 26: 14-25
Thursday: Exodus 12: 1-8, 11-14;
1 Cor 11: 23-26; John 13: 1-15
Friday: Isaiah 52: 13 - 53: 12;
Hebrews 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9;
John 18: 1 - 19: 42
Saturday: Genesis 1: 1 - 2: 2; Genesis 22: 1-18,
Exodus 14: 15 - 15: 1; Romans 6:
3-11; Luke 24: 1-12
Sunday: Acts 10: 34, 37-43; Col 3: 1-4;
Luke 24: 13-35

"Let the little children come to me."

With that in mind, please mark your calendars. The Lakewood/West Cleveland Cluster is planning a special **Eucharistic Holy Hour for Children** on Monday, April 19th at 7:00 PM at St. Luke Church. All children and their families are invited to attend this special and holy time. Come and see — bring a friend. There will be refreshments afterwards in McBride Hall.

What Risks Will We Take?

It isn't easy being a young person. Anxiety about the future is a steady companion as one prepares to make one's way in the adult world. It is tempting to hold back from taking those tentative first steps toward independence, to shrink from risks and relationships.

Today's readings offer us a rich view of what it means to risk. The gospel reveals in painful detail the suffering of Jesus. The physical suffering, yes, but also the suffering of being misunderstood and belittled. And yet, through it all, Jesus stands firm, faithful to God to the end. In the process, things shift. A leader becomes a servant, shame turns to honor, mockery becomes praise, fear turns into trust, abandonment becomes love, despair turns into hope and, above all, death blossoms into new life.

Whether we are young, or not so young, as followers of Jesus we must take risks. Loving others, especially people we don't even like, is always difficult. Giving of ourselves when we feel that we have nothing left to give requires great strength. Having faith when everything points to doubt is a struggle. Feeling hopeful when our lives are in ruins takes all our energy. Yet in risking love and faith and hope, we discover countless blessings, and our ability to love and to believe only increases.

Jesus, remember us - young, old, faithful, doubting, hope-filled, despairing - when you come into your kingdom.

A.L. Mahoney : *Living with Christ*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 29 - Monday of Holy Week

5:15 PM Nora Tylicki

Tuesday, March 30 - Tuesday of Holy Week

8:00 AM Mary Trayte

Wednesday, March 31 - Wednesday of Holy Week

5:15 PM Deceased Parishioners of St. Clement

Thursday, April 1 - Holy Thursday

See Holy Week Schedule

Friday, April 2 - Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

See Holy Week Schedule

Saturday, April 3 - Holy Saturday

See Holy Week Schedule

Pot of Gold Winners

(\$25) Sally Kerfoot, Ken Tischler,
Richard Geib, Anthony J. Heibili,
Fred C. Buelow, Lillian Engeler



Note from Fr. Workman

In recent months I have been learning a lot about the parish and the Lakewood community. Thank you for your generous patience and wonderful welcome. Many questions have come to my attention. One particular question surrounds the current Mass times. The question was raised about the possibility of changing the Saturday Vigil Mass time from 5:15 PM to 4:00 PM. The reasons that were given for the change are safety (Mass would start and end in daylight), easier time for the elderly (especially those that have health issues), makes an easier transition for families, and there is no other 4:00 PM Mass in the area. The Parish Council has been inquiring responses to this proposal. So far there is great support for this change to the Saturday Vigil Mass time. This is the only Mass time being considered for change. I am asking the parish community to consider this proposal. If you have any questions or comments on this proposal, please feel free to call me at the rectory or send an email to the parish. Our Lord's blessing upon you and our community.

Votive Candles

The votive candles are here beginning Easter Sunday. There is a \$2 donation per candle. Please use the envelopes provided. Drop them in the collection box, or the rectory, or you may give them to Fr. Workman.

Senior Clementines & Friends

Senior Clementines & Friends will be holding their monthly meeting on Thursday, April 8th, from 1:00 - 3:00 PM. "What's New in Senior Housing in Lakewood", will be presented by Larry Falhaber. Also attending the gathering will be the Barton Center Entertainers. There will also be a 50/50 raffle. If this is the first time attending a meeting, please call Jean Lombardo at 216-226-5878. Thank you to all who attended the March meeting and brought donations for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. It was a great success!

Marriage Enrichment

All married couples are cordially invited to attend the 3rd Annual Marriage Enrichment: An Evening of Insight and Delight! being held on Saturday, April 17th at 2:00 PM - 10:00 PM at the Holiday Inn on Rockside Road in Independence. Talks, reconciliation, Mass, a candlelight dinner and social will be directed by Fr. Martin Connor with guest speaker Bill Boomer (Office of Marriage and Family). For more information contact Bill and Tanis Merimee at 440-268-9866.

Finance Corner:

Collection for weekend of March 21 - \$ 8,492.02

Envelopes used - 185

Thank you for your continued support and generosity for the parish.

What's Happening this Week in the Parish

Monday, March 29: See Holy Week Schedule

Tuesday, March 30:

Wednesday, March 31: Tenebrae Service
7:00 PM

Thursday, April 1: See Holy Week Schedule

Friday, April 2: See Holy Week Schedule
Rectory Office Closes at Noon
AA Gratitude
7:00 PM - Hall

Saturday, April 3: See Holy Week Schedule

Please Note!

The rectory office will close at 12:00 Noon on Good Friday, and will be closed on Monday April 5th. The office will re-open on Tuesday, April 6th at 8:30 AM.

Living Stations of the Cross

Be the town that condemned Jesus. Witness as they stripped, beat and humiliated our Lord. Walk with Jesus and experience the heavy burden He must bear. Feel the prayer of weeping women express when they see this humble suffering servant. Observe the agony of the Crucifixion as he dies for our sins. Be a part of the Living Stations and walk on the Journey with Christ. The Living Stations are set to popular music and will be presented twice by our area youth: Palm Sunday at Trinity Lutheran Church, 16400 Detroit Ave., at 4:00 PM, and at St. James Church, 17514 Detroit Ave., on Good Friday at 7:30 PM. For more information contact Jason Mravec at 330-807-8332, or Matthew Shanafelt at 330-242-2509. You can also email at livingstations@hotmail.com. All are welcome!

A Note from a Parishioner:

Dear Parishioners:

My name is Kim Sinagra. I have been a member of St. Clement for about 1 year now. I am interested in starting a program to help fellow St. Clement families who are experiencing an illness or have had recent surgery and could use a hot meal. For this to work, I need YOU! The first step in getting this meal project off the ground is to develop a list of volunteers. You can contact me at 216-7879-1131 or klsinagra@msn.cox. Once a critical mass of meal providers is achieved, we will get those in the project detailed information and the names of those that need a meal. I am also interested in anyone who wants to accept a leadership role to help me as a co-coordinator of the program. Thank you very much! Kim Sinagra

Coffee & Donuts

Join us for coffee, donuts and conversation after the 9AM and 11AM Sunday Masses.