

**PALM SUNDAY - A**

**APRIL 2, 2023**

# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

63 Franklin Street (Silver Lake) Belleville, NJ 07109



## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### ***April 2 — Palm Sunday***

As Holy Week begins, palms are blessed and distributed at all Masses.

### ***April 3 to 5 — Holy Monday to Holy Wednesday***

Masses at 7:00 am and 8:00 am

### ***April 6 — Holy Thursday***

Morning prayers at 8:00 am. **Mass of the Lord's Last Supper at 7:00 pm.**

### ***April 7 — Good Friday***

Morning prayers at 8:00 am. **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 pm.**  
Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.

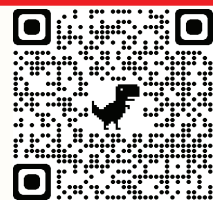
### ***April 8 — Holy Saturday***

Morning Prayers at 8:00 am. **Easter Vigil Mass at 8:15 pm.** (or at sunset)

### ***April 9 — Easter Sunday***

**Masses at 8:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 nn.**

12nn Baptism within the Mass



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# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## SATURDAY, April 1

5:30p Maria Baltazar by Noli & Rose Chavez

## SUNDAY, April 2 PALM SUNDAY

8:00a Doris Gomez by Adriana Rivera  
 10:30a Romeo Montas by Jay Montas  
 12:00n People of the Parish

## MONDAY, April 3

7:00a David & Carla Gates (Special Intention)  
 8:00a Fermina & Tess Montas (Healing) by Jay Montas

## TUESDAY, April 4

7:00a Angelo Castellano by Daughter  
 8:00a Souls in Purgatory by Rey & Norie Ramos

## WEDNESDAY, April 5

7:00a Anthony D'Anton by Valerie Lasky  
 8:00a Imelda Sanders & Vesia Baldonado by Noemi Rue

## THURSDAY, April 6 HOLY THURSDAY

8:00a Morning Prayer  
 7:00p Mass of the Last Supper—People of the Parish

## FRIDAY, April 7 GOOD FRIDAY

8:00a Morning Prayer  
 3:00p Service—Passion of the Lord  
 7:00p **Via Crucis**

## SATURDAY, April 8 HOLY SATURDAY

8:00a Morning Prayer  
 8:30p Easter Vigil—People of the Parish

## SUNDAY, April 9 EASTER SUNDAY

8:00a Doris Gomez by Adriana Rivera  
 10:30a Salvatore Gencarelli & Jimmy Coppola  
 12:00n People of the Parish

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

|  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| <b>Sunday Collections</b>                | <b>- \$ 3,109.36</b> |
| <i>(March 26, 2023 including online)</i> |                      |
| <b>Easter Flowers</b>                    | <b>-\$ 978.00</b>    |
| <b>Filipino Mass</b>                     | <b>-\$ 620.00</b>    |

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERINGS! YOUR SUPPORT TO OUR PARISH IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED!**

*"Just as you excel in everything — in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us — see that you also excel in this grace of giving." 2 Corinthians 8:7*

## PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Ranulfo D. Docabo, SSL**  
*Pastor*

**Ann Marie Kastner**  
*Co-Director of Religious Education*

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## MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK

April 2 - April 8, 2023

The **Altar Bread & Wine** will be offered for the Intention of  
**People of the Parish**

The **Altar Candles** will be offered for the Special Intention of  
**People of the Parish**

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will be offered for the Intention of  
**Joseph Benenato**

## LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

**Joseph Doria, Lydia Salzano, Jean Giordano, Gerry Baltazar, Pedro Esguerra, Lorraine Snowman, Edward McNulty, Jimmy Ragab, Empson Venturi, Nida Andre, Cynthia Magno, Boy Cagoco, Fr. Edward Okpu, Norma Jaramillo, Arlenia Salomon**

*Please call the parish office if you need to be kept in next week's bulletin.*

## A Prayer During Holy Week

*Jesus my Lord, let me strengthen my courage by taking on the courage of all those people who have been "centurions" for me. Many have faced disasters and hard times with great constancy. The upper hand of evil never turned them against you. They kept going. Let me be like them, Lord. No matter what the cross, let me never stop declaring you to be "truly the Son of God, the source of my hope, the reason why I will never quit on life. Amen.*

# Here's What's Happening!



## **Today, April 2: Palm Sunday**

Today we start the Holy Week, also called 'Great and Holy Week,' or 'Passion Week.' It is the week preceding Easter. It begins with Palm Sunday, a distinct liturgy that begins with a Gospel reading of Jesus's journey to Jerusalem at the entrance of the worship space. Those attending the service receive palms, a reminder of Scripture telling us that people welcomed Jesus by laying down their cloaks and waving palm branches (John 12:13). Palm Sunday is the first time we hear the Lord's Passion in the liturgical calendar.

## **April 3 - 5: Monday through Wednesday of Holy Week**

Daily Mass takes place like normal during these three days of Holy Week. Gospel readings during these days include passages from the Gospels of John and Matthew about Judas betraying Jesus, preparing us for the Thursday liturgy commemorating The Last Supper. While some Catholics refer to these days as "Holy Monday," "Holy Tuesday" and "Holy Wednesday," these names are less prominent than those given to other days that compose Holy Week. The USCCB simply refers to these days as "Monday of Holy Week," "Tuesday of Holy Week" and "Wednesday of Holy Week."

## **April 6: Holy Thursday**

Holy Thursday begins the Easter Triduum—the three days leading up to Jesus' Resurrection. Its formal name is Mass of the Lord's Supper, which was the first celebration of the Eucharist. This liturgy includes the reception of the Holy Oils, in which the Oil of the Sick, the Oil of Catechumens, and the Holy Chrism are processed through the church, to be used for the rest of the year. These oils are all blessed by the local bishop shortly before the liturgy. Also notable at the Holy Thursday service is the washing of the feet, in which the priest washes the feet of 12 parishioners. Jesus did this to demonstrate to his disciples how they are to serve others through selfless love. Originally, only men were invited to be among the 12 to have their feet washed. A decree from Pope Francis in 2016 opened up the ritual to all. At the end of Mass, consecrated hosts remain on the altar while everything else is stripped away. As incense fills the church, the priest, donning a special garb called a humeral veil, takes the Blessed Sacrament and processes out of the church to a chapel or other area for adoration.

## **April 7: Good Friday**

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion, commonly known as Good Friday, is the only day in the entire year in which no Mass is celebrated. It's a solemn day that calls for fasting and abstinence. Stations of the Cross are popular on Good Friday. The main service on Good Friday features no procession. The Passion is read and the Eucharist (consecrated on Thursday) is distributed. Veneration of the Cross and solemn intercessions—a set of shared prayer intentions offered universally on this day—are other unique elements to the Good Friday service.

## **April 8: Holy Saturday**

The Mass on Holy Saturday is the Easter Vigil, though its full reference on the USCCB schedule of daily reading is "Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord Holy Saturday At the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter." This is the most unique and perhaps most important liturgy of the year. The Easter Vigil ends the Triduum and begins Easter celebrations. The service can only begin once the sun has set. Outside the church, a fire lights the Paschal candle, and the flame is shared throughout the church to individual handheld candles. The Liturgy of the Word, which normally includes nine readings, begins in darkness. The readings demonstrate the connection between the Old and New Testaments and how Jesus fulfilled Scripture and achieved salvation for all humanity. The Liturgy of Baptism, which follows the Gospel and homily, marks the culmination of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program. Catechumens, who have been preparing to enter the Church, are baptized, confirmed, and later receive their first Holy Communion. The Easter Vigil is a joyous, celebratory liturgy, filled with rich songs. Although the services ends late at night, churches typically have a reception afterward to continue the celebration.

## **April 9: Easter Sunday**

Compared to other Holy Week services, Easter Sunday Masses are most similar to those that occur during Ordinary Time. The festive atmosphere continues from the Easter Vigil, with the worship space decorated with beautiful flowers, especially white lilies. Of course, many parishioners wear special outfits to celebrate the day. Easter, the biggest feast that the Church has, is also among the most well-attended services of the year.

## TRAVELING CHALICE

Today the Traveling Chalice will be received by the **TIAN-KEE Family** at the 10:30am Mass. Their family will be praying for vocations this week and present to the **VILLARIN Family** next Sunday. With these families, let us continue to pray for priestly & religious vocations in our parish!

**All Parishioners are invited to participate. Please contact the parish office for more information.**

## ALTAR SERVERS'

### SCHEDULE

at 1030am Mass

### April 2, 2023

Samantha Llaban  
Cloe Llaban  
Ryan Paurom  
Reagan Ocampo

### April 9, 2023

Ethan Venturi  
Taina Venturi  
Lukas Tiankee  
Reagan Ocampo

## LAST CALL!!!

**APRIL 23, SUNDAY AT 12NN MASS**

Our Parish Celebrates

**The Installation of Father Nol as Pastor  
and his 30th Priestly Anniversary  
Mass at 12:00 Noon — Reception to Follow at**

***The Brookside Banquets***

41 Broughton Ave., Bloomfield, NJ 07003

**Extended RSVP by APRIL 11, 2023 (Tuesday)**

973-481-1991 (*parish office*)

*Contribution \$65pp*

## FLORES DE MAYO

Month long devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary

**\*\*Catechetical activity for children and teens\*\***

**starts on May 6, 2023 and every Saturday of May at 3:00 p.m. in the Church**

*The children will present flowers to our Blessed Mother. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children and their families to spend time together honoring Mary. Our CCD student participation is strongly encouraged. Please join us in this beautiful tradition!*

**PROCESSION & MASS: Sunday, May 28 at 3:00 p.m.**

## CALLING ALL ROSARIANS

**Please attend our next  
special Mass on Sunday,  
May 7 at 12 Noon.**

The Rosarians will be celebrating the Crowning of the Blessed Mother with our 2023 First Communicants.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

**SUNDAY, MAY 7  
12 NOON MASS**

*Please pray for our young  
members as they prepare to  
receive our Lord for the very  
first time.*

## MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST MAY 14, 2023

Honor your Mother at our Holy Name Society's Annual Mother's Day Communion Breakfast 2023. Beginning with 8AM Mass and breakfast after in Ferraro Hall, the Holy Name Society will revive their Annual Mother's Day Communion Breakfast. All are invited to attend. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



The Image of Our Lady of Fatima will visit our parish for two days, **May 22** (Monday) & **May 23** (Tuesday) 2023. We are one of the few parishes chosen to host the image of our dear Mother Mary, who travels from Fatima, Portugal. Everyone is encouraged to come and venerate her. Please bring your family members and friends. *More details will be published in our future bulletins.*

## WE SERIOUSLY NEED BINGO VOLUNTEERS

We will start the **Saturday** Bingo by the first Saturday of June 2023. That is why we seriously need volunteers!

A parishioner may only commit for one or two Saturdays each month. With this commitment, he or she is already contributing a lot for our parish.

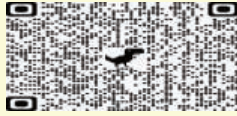
We need this extra Bingo day for the obvious reason that we are struggling financially. So, please share a Saturday or two each month for just a few hours.

Kindly call the Parish Office 973.481.1991 or talk to any of our Bingo volunteers to know more about this. ***Again, without Bingo, our parish cannot survive.***

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here



## ANNUAL APPEAL 2023 UPDATE

(as of March 29, 2023)

**Goal this year is \$21,091**

Total Pledged = \$11,515

% of Goal Reached (*in Pledges*) = 54.60%

Amount Received = \$6,525.00

Number of Contributors = 19 pax/family

Kindly make your pledges or contributions to the archdiocese or to our parish office **before June 30, 2023**. Your generosity is always appreciated!

## Sponsor A New Hymnal for St. Anthony of Padua

**Hymnals Still Available!!**

Purchase a hymnal in memory or in honor of a loved one. We still have available copies. Your dedication will not only honor your loved one but it will help with the cost of these beautiful new hymnals for our Church. Please contact the Parish Office at 973.481.1991 to order. The cost of a hymnal is just \$50.

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DEDICATION \_\_\_\_\_

## Tree of Life Leaf Memorials

Have you ever noticed our Tree of Life Memorial at the church entrance by the sacristy?

This special memorial tree was created for us by Sanford Werfel Studios and first introduced for our 100th Anniversary. Since then we have had a good amount sold. But, there are still some available leaves.

Based on the original price and procedure, each leaf would cost \$1,200 (which could be paid over a period of 12 months). Once payment is completed, we will send the leaf to the original artist to engrave it with your personal inscription.

Purchasing one of these memorial leaves would give your loved one or family a permanent remembrance at our church and, of course, help our parish in this time of need. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



# some Archdiocesan Activities

## NO GREATER LOVE

*presented by the Xavier Company*

**TODAY, APRIL 2 @ 4:00 pm**

**(FREE ADMISSION)**

**Cathedral of the Sacred Heart**

**89 Ridge Street Newark NJ**

**Contact:**

**CATHEDRALINFO@RCAN.ORG**

## REMINDER

### Married Couples for 5, 25 and 50 Years

The Archdiocese of Newark will celebrate your anniversary at a special Mass with Bishop Gregory Studerus officiating. If you would like to participate in this very special event please contact the Parish Office at 973.481.1991 to register. The 50th Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica in Newark and the 5th and 25th Anniversaries will be celebrated on May 7, 2023. You MUST be registered to attend. (Deadline April 11) Don't miss this opportunity to receive a very special blessing on your milestone.

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