The Holy of Weeks

Today we begin the best week in the Church’s liturgical year. Centuries ago it was called Great Week. Nowadays we call it Holy Week, the week we accompany Jesus through his passion, death and resurrection.

We start today with his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where he is welcomed by a large crowd of his followers enthusiastically acclaiming him as their expected messiah.

Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying:
“Hosanna to the Son of David!
‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!’
Hosanna in the highest!”

And when He had come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, “Who is this?”

So the multitudes said,
“This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth of Galilee.”
— Matthew 21:9–11

On Thursday, we will join him at table for his last supper with his apostles, and we will receive the enduring gift of himself in bread and wine, our food for life’s journey. On Friday, we will stand at the foot of the cross beside his mother and feel compassion for him in both his physical and mental agony. On Saturday, we will be quiet and silent around his tomb as we ponder the injustice and cruelty of those who crucified him.

Late on Saturday night, we will celebrate the Vigil of Easter, the Church’s most glorious and dramatic liturgy of the year. The service begins in total darkness, an acknowledgment of the darkness that is so very real within us and around us. All sorts of darkness—from our own fears and addictions, to the contempt for human life and dignity that we witness daily in our world. We will gather around a small fire and light the great Easter candle, representing Christ the light of the world. The light from that candle will slowly spread throughout the church to the small, unlit candles held by the congregation. Signs of hope. We will listen to some of the most treasured texts of the Hebrew bible and celebrate the liturgy of the Eucharist. The twenty-three men and women who have been preparing for this night since last September will be formally received into the Church through the sacraments of baptism and confirmation. There is a kind of death and resurrection at work in them on this night as a whole new phase of their life begins.

As we prepare to celebrate this most Holy Week, it is important for us to understand that Jesus was put to death because of the way he lived. He rejected all relationships based on the dominance of one person or group over another. He reached out to the suffering and the shunned. He knew that his message and lifestyle were an affront and a challenge to the entrenched religious authorities of his time and would surely lead to his death. But this was the way to implement God’s loving compassion in this sinful world, and Jesus could not live otherwise. He died because of the most hateful things human beings can do, and yet refused to condemn his persecutors. He died unwilling to define human life as anything less than love and forgiveness. God gave final endorsement to his life by raising him from the dead, and confirming the power of goodness over evil and the triumph of love over hatred. In our times, when so many parts of the world are convulsed by hatred and violence, it is all the more important that our own lives give witness to the way Christ lived his life.

Do come and join us for the liturgies of Holy Week, the Great Week when we connect with our roots, our great traditions. Join us as we pray with the Lord who addressed the problem of evil that is always so current, and who died speaking truth to power. Come and be with the whole Church as we struggle together and find light in darkness. This is not past history. This is our continuing story.

— Rev. William J. Bergen, S.J.
Senior Priest
THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, APRIL 9th
IYA Lenten Reflection Group.
6:00 PM. Faber Lounge.

MONDAY, APRIL 10th
Archdiocesan Day of Reconciliation.
3:00 PM – 8:30 PM. Church.

TUESDAY, APRIL 11th
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Church. Details at right.

Scheduling Note
The church will remain open after the 5:30 PM Mass until 8:00 PM.
At 6:00 PM, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed.
Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place shortly before 8:00 PM when the church closes.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12th
Stations of the Cross for the Parish Community.
7:30 PM. Church.

HOLY THURSDAY THROUGH EASTER

For the confession schedule and schedule of liturgies for the Triduum and Easter Sunday, see page 5.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Through Tuesday, April 11th
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM in the Church

The church will be open for exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private adoration.

Immigration: A Catholic Perspective

I was a stranger and you welcomed me.

Tuesday, April 18th at 7:00 PM
Wallace Hall

PANELISTS

DR. MEGHAN CLARK
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THE ANNUAL
CHANGE FOR CHANGE DRIVE

Donations this year will be forwarded to Xavier High School, Chuuk, Micronesia.

Please bring donations to the Parish House in care of Carly-Anne Gannon.

For your convenience

To reach the Giving page on the parish website, scan the QR Code at left.

Haydn’s The Creation

Wednesday, May 24th
7:00 PM

FEATURING

Danya Katok, soprano
Matthew Anderson, tenor
Jeremy Galyon, bass
Choir and Orchestra of St. Ignatius Loyola
K. Scott Warren, conductor

Performed in English, Franz Joseph Haydn’s beloved oratorio depicts the creation of the world as told in the Book of Genesis and John Milton’s Paradise Lost.

Tickets: $25 – $80

Tickets are available online at www.smssconcerts.org or by calling 212-288-2520.
THE THREE HOURS DEVOTION

Good Friday, April 14th
Noon to 3:00 PM

“The Seven Last Words of Christ”

A traditional Christian devotion commemorating our Savior’s death, centered around the “seven last words” spoken by Jesus from the cross.

FIRST WORD: “Father, Forgive Them”
Rev. Dr. Laurie Andersen
Chaplain
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

SECOND WORD:
“Today You Will Be With Me In Paradise”
Rev. Michael C. McFarland, S.J.
Treasurer
USA Northeast Province of the Society of Jesus

THIRD WORD: “Woman, Behold Your Son”
Rev. Andrew Smothers
Interim Associate Pastor for Outreach and Evangelism
Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

FOURTH WORD:
“My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?”
Sr. Marylin Gramas, S.U.
Spiritual Director
Society of St. Ursula

FIFTH WORD: “I Thirst”
Sister Camille D’Arienzo, R.S.M.
Founder, The Cherish Life Circle

SIXTH WORD:
“Into Your Hands, Lord, I Commend My Spirit”
Rev. Thomas J. Scirghi, S.J.
Rector
Jesuit Community, Fordham University

SEVENTH WORD: “It Is Finished”
Mr. Andrew Donacik
Parishioner, Loyola School Faculty

Participating Musicians and Choirs
K. Scott Warren
Robert Reuter, Michael Sheetz, Philip Anderson
Members of the Choir of St. Ignatius Loyola
Canticum Sacrum Parish Community Choir
Wallace Hall Choir
St. Ignatius Loyola Children’s Choirs, Maureen Haley, Director
with Omega Dance Company

Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence

“Fasting” requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

“Abstinence” prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

The Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil liturgy is the most beautiful liturgy in the Roman Catholic Church. Celebrated on Holy Saturday after sunset, the Vigil Mass is regarded as the most important Mass of the liturgical year.

Adults who have never been baptized are baptized at this liturgy. Baptized Christians of other denominations are received into the Church through the sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. Baptized Roman Catholics who have never had religious instruction are confirmed and receive their First Eucharist.

Because it is so rich with detail, the Vigil Mass usually lasts about three hours. We invite you to attend the Vigil service on Saturday, April 15th! Doors will open at 7:30 PM; the service begins at 8:00 PM. Because the Vigil begins in complete darkness, no latecomers will be admitted into the Church until the end of the “Exultet.”
Announced Masses and Readings for the Week

Monday, April 10th
(Monday of Holy Week)
Isaiah 42:1–7    Psalm 27    John 12:1–11
8:30   MEM    Kate McLoughlin
12:10   MEM    Valentino Mazzia
5:30   MEM    Deceased Members of the Scanlon & McLoughlin Families

Tuesday, April 11th
(Tuesday of Holy Week)
Isaiah 49:1–6    Psalm 71    John 13:21–33, 36–38
8:30   MEM    Hildegard Kretzschmann
12:10   MEM    Cecil Spadafora
5:30   MEM    John Flanagan

Wednesday, April 12th
(Wednesday of Holy Week)
Isaiah 50:4–9a    Psalm 69    Matthew 26:14–25
8:30   MEM    Giro & Elina Zullo
12:10   MEM    Jack O'Leary
5:30   MEM    Joyce Flammer

Thursday, April 13th
(Thursday of Holy Week)
Mass of the Lord’s Supper:
8:30   MEM    Giro & Elina Zullo
12:10   MEM    Jack O’Leary
5:30   MEM    Joyce Flammer

Friday, April 14th
(Good Friday)
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion:
8:30   MEM    Giro & Elina Zullo
12:10   MEM    Jack O’Leary
5:30   MEM    Joyce Flammer

Saturday, April 15th
(Holy Saturday)
Genesis 1:1–2:2                Isaiah 55:1–11
Psalm 104                      Isaiah 12
Genesis 22:1–18               Ezekiel 36:16–17a, 18–28
Psalm 16                      Romans 6:3–11
Exodus 14:15–15:1             Matthew 28:1–10

Sunday, April 16th
(Easter Sunday)
Acts 10:3a, 37–43              Colossians 3:1–4
Psalm 118                      John 20:1–9

Moving? Please don’t forget to notify us.
This information helps us to keep our database current.
**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**PASSION SUNDAY, April 9th**

Regular Weekend Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 5:30 PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM
11:00 AM (Solemn)
11:00 AM (Wallace Hall Family Mass)
7:30 PM

**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

**Monday, April 10th**
ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF RECONCILIATION
The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 3:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

**Good Friday, April 14th**
3:00 PM – Immediately following the Three Hours Devotion. Church.

**Holy Saturday, April 15th**
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM in the Parish House Parlors.

**LITURGIES OF THE TRIDUUM**

**HOLY THURSDAY, April 13th**
Mass of the Lord’s Supper
7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM)
Rev. Thomas H. Feely, S.J., Presider

**GOOD FRIDAY, April 14th**
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
Liturgy at 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM)
Rev. Michael P. Hilbert, S.J., Presider

**HOLY SATURDAY, April 15th**
Easter Vigil
8:00 PM (doors open at 7:30 PM)
Rev. Dennis J. Yesalonia, S.J., Presider
For reasons of safety, once the Vigil begins, latecomers will not be admitted into the Church until the end of the “Exultet.” Please be on time.

**EASTER SUNDAY, April 16th**
7:30 AM – Organ/Cantor
9:00 AM – Organ/Cantor
10:30 AM – Organ/Cantor/Choirs/Brass
10:30 AM (Wallace Hall Family Mass) – Piano/Choirs
Noon (Solemn) – Organ/Cantor/Choirs/Brass
(There is no 7:30 PM Mass on Easter Sunday.)

**MUSIC**

**HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 13th**
MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER – 7:00 PM
Duruflé Ubi caritas
attrib. Farrant Lord, for thy tender mercy’s sake
Tallis O sacrum convivium
Berger The eyes of all wait upon thee
12th c. Lament of Rachel

**GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 14th**
THREE HOURS DEVOTION
Noon – 3:00 PM
with Omega Dance Company, Parish Community Choir, Training Choir II, and Middle School Choir
Corrêa O vos omnes
Goss O Savior of the world
Papoulis Be With Me
arr. Mugglin I Surrender All

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S PASSION**
7:00 PM
Chant The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to St. John
Casals O vos omnes
Sheppard In manus tuas

**SATURDAY, APRIL 15th**
SOLEMN VIGIL OF EASTER – 8:00 PM
Palestrina Sicut cervus
Victoria Vidi aquam
Near An Easter Carol
Handel Messiah: Worthy is the Lamb
Widor 5ème Symphonie pour Orgue, Op. 42: V. Toccata

**EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 16th**
10:30 AM MASS AND
12:00 PM NOON MASS (SOLEMN)
with Parish Community Choir (10:30 AM only)
Anon. 15th c./Fischer Two settings of Christ est Ressuscité
Held Prelude on the Easter chant Vicitimae paschali laudes
Near An Easter Carol
Handel Messiah: Worthy is the Lamb
Widor 5ème Symphonie pour Orgue, Op. 42: V. Toccata

10:30 AM WALLACE HALL FAMILY MASS
with Omega Dance Company and Wallace Hall Choir
Hampton Praise His Holy Name
Hawkins O Happy Day
Ray He Never Failed Me Yet
Travel: A Journey to Spain, Plus Lourdes. Sunday, October 1–Wednesday, October 11. 
Trip includes visits to Loyola, San Sebastian, Montserrat, and Barcelona. Trip leaders: Fr. George Witt, S.J., Provincial Assistant for Spiritual Ministries, Maryland & USA Northeast Provinces of the Society of Jesus, and Mr. Joe Naylor, Provincial Assistant for Advancement and Communications, Maryland & USA Northeast Provinces of the Society of Jesus. Prices start at $3,899 (if paid by check)/$4,098 (if paid by credit card). Accommodations, sightseeing, and meals are included. To download a brochure, visit GoCatholicTravel.com/NaylorWitt For more information, contact Joe Naylor at jnaylor@jesuits.org or call 212-774-5529.

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Weekly Masses: Monday – Friday 
8:30 AM, 12:10 PM, and 5:30 PM
No Weekday Masses Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday

For Triduum Schedule, see page 5.

Easter Sunday Masses: 
Please note change in Mass Times. There will be no 7:30 PM Mass on Easter Sunday.
Sunday: 7:30 AM Fr. Feely 
9:00 AM Fr. Bergen 
10:30 AM Fr. Judge 
Wallace Hall 10:30 AM Fr. Hilbert 
Solemn 12 Noon Fr. Yesalonia

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