

# My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

April 9, 2017

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



**Saturday, April 8**

5:30 pm For Raymond J. Snyder by Fleidner-Book Family

**Sunday, April 9**

8:00 am For Josefa Silfa by Her Sisters

9:30 am For Peace

11:00 am For Alfred Conca by Eufrasia Conca

**Monday, April 10**

8:45 am For Forgiveness of Sins

**Tuesday, April 11**

8:45 am For Regina & Nicholas Armando by Draghi Family

**Wednesday, April 12**

8:45 am For Peace of Heart

**Holy Thursday, April 13**

7:30 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

**Good Friday, April 14**

7:30 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

**Holy Saturday, April 15**

8:00 pm Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday, April 16**

8:00 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's

9:30 am For Joan Bannon by Nyman Family

11:00 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**April 15, 16, 2017**

**Holy Saturday, 8:00 pm**

**Celebrant:** Rev. Daniel Chajkowski, Deacon Bob Head

**Lector:** Help Needed

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Help Needed

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

**Easter Sunday, 8:00 am**

**Celebrant:** Rev. Slawomir Tomaszewski

**Lector:** Jim Scott

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Help Needed

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

**Easter Sunday, 9:30 am**

**Celebrant:** Rev., Daniel Chajkowski, Deacon Nick Ardito

**Lector:** Kevin O'Shea

**Eucharistic Minister:** Help Needed

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

**Easter Sunday, 11:00 am**

**Celebrant:** Msgr. Joseph Goode

**Lector:** Emily & Gabriella Nowak

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Help Needed

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

**FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL**

**Altar Breads & Wine** – In loving memory of Patsy & Philip Marchese by Marchese family.

**Sanctuary Lamp** – In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone by Corry and Benardone families

**Mass Candles:** For Harmony in the World by Skoczylas Family

**OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH**

**Holy Saturday, April 15**

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Nick Ardito

Rev. Slawomir Tomaszewski, Deacon Tom Gibbon

**Easter Sunday, April 16**

7:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

9:15 am Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Tom Gibbon

10:45 am Celebrant: Rev. Slawomir Tomaszewski, Deacon Jim Jones

12:15 pm Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski, Deacon Bob Head

**ST. MARK'S NEEDS \$5,280 PER WEEK TO MEET OUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION**

Current Year	Last Year 2016
April 2, 2017: \$2,794 Envelopes used: 54  Parish Debt Collection: \$650 Envelopes used: 27	Figures not available.
Supermarket Gift Cards Sales: \$4,280 Profit: \$214 YTD Profit: \$1,829 Food Pantry Donations: \$235 # of families: 20	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

**FAITH DIRECT...**

The Lord is risen! As Christ's disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish's many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting St. Mark The Evangelist with electronic donations through Faith Direct. You can sign up online by visiting [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: **NJ484**.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You, Fr. Joe





### **HOLY WEEK...**

Today we enter Holy Week as we bless palm branches and remember the entrance of Jesus in the City of Jerusalem. We are called this week to walk with the Lord through the scriptures and to reflect upon the different events. You are invited to join us for Holy Thursday Evening Mass – the mass of the Lord's Supper when we will wash the feet of disciples of the Lord. Good Friday offers us an opportunity to join with other churches of the community for the Long Valley Ecumenical Cross walk. Later we have the solemn celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death and Stations of the Cross. At the Easter Vigil on Saturday night we will reflect upon God's love for us throughout our religious history and receive new members in our Catholic Church community through their professions of faith, confirmation and first Eucharist.

By joining in the events and liturgical celebrations we more fully enter into this Holy Week and come to the Easter celebration renewed and transformed by the power of God's love and mercy. Make this week a Holy Week in all that you do...Fr. Joe

**REMINDER: There is no 5:30 Mass next Saturday --- only the Easter Vigil mass at 8 p.m.**

### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...**

"If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask him simply to fill you with charity, the greatest of all virtues; with it you can accomplish what you desire." — St. Vincent Ferrer

### **THIS WEEK FOR LENT...**

I will refrain from anger and seek to be kind to all as I remember the sufferings of Jesus.

### **OPERATION RICE BOWL...**

Please return your rice bowls to help feed the hungry of the world. Any time before Easter.

### **ADORATION ANNOUNCEMENT...**

There will be no adoration at OLM church on Monday April 10 ... it is the beginning of Holy Week and the Chrism mass will be celebrated by Bishop Serratelli in St. Philip's church Valley Road Clifton, NJ at 7 p.m. During the mass bishop blesses the 3 holy oils that will be distributed to parishes throughout the diocese to be used in the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick.

### **WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC...**

We are Catholic because we believe: Christ's Resurrection was not a return to earthly life, as was the case with the raisings from the dead that he had performed before Easter: Jairus' daughter, the young man of Naim, Lazarus. These actions were miraculous events, but the persons miraculously raised returned by Jesus' power to ordinary earthly life. At some particular moment they would die again. Christ's Resurrection is essentially different. In his risen body he passes from the state of death to another life beyond time and space. At Jesus' Resurrection his body is filled with the power of the Holy Spirit: he shares the divine life in his glorious state, so that St. Paul can say that Christ is "the man of heaven". The Catechism of the Catholic Church 646

### **LETTER FROM BISHOP ARTHUR J. SERRATELLI...**

Dear friends in Christ,

During this Lenten season, as we reflect on the life, death and resurrection of our Lord, it is fitting that a collection is taken on Good Friday to assist Christians in the Holy Land. The places where Jesus lived, died and rose again hold a special meaning to us as Catholics and deserve our support.

The Holy Land collection is allocated for educational and ecclesial projects, programs and ministries in the Middle East. Last year, the collection supported 29 parishes, four homes for orphans and three academic institutions. In addition, it provided financial assistance to schools, helped educate men for the priesthood, rehabilitated 80 homes for Christian families and provided senior care facilities in Bethlehem and Nazareth. Dozens of shrines connected to the life of Jesus, and so important to our faith, were preserved thanks to the Holy Land collection. This important work is made possible with your help.

As part of our Lenten call to almsgiving, I ask you to please join me in making a financial offering to this special collection when it is taken up on Good Friday.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D.

Bishop of Paterson

### **PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA AND SOUTHERN SPAIN...**

Bishop Serratelli will be the Spiritual Director of a trip this summer to *Fatima and Southern Spain*. The Pilgrimage will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions in Fatima and then continue on to Spain. The Pilgrimage will be from July 16 to 24.

For more information or to make reservations, please contact Great Experiences at 201-825-3725 or email them at [greatexinc@verizon.net](mailto:greatexinc@verizon.net).

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

St. Luke's will be conducting its annual Good Friday Blood drive this year on April 14 -American Red Cross. If you have any questions please contact me directly at [Billcallahan82@gmail.com](mailto:Billcallahan82@gmail.com)

### **WINE TASTING/DINNER...**

Join us to taste a variety of wines from around the globe. These wines of exceptional value will be paired with a hot and cold buffet worthy of the finest Kings and Queens of Europe! Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> 7:00 to 10:00 pm at St. Marks. Sign up in the gathering space. Cost \$30/person (must be 21 & over). Place checks payable to St. Marks in the box in the gathering space. Pay by April 16 to receive a \$5 discount/per person. Seating is limited – Register **NOW!**

### **DAY OF RECOLLECTION...ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY –**

The Rosary Altar Society is having a Day of Recollection on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 am – 3:00 pm in the parish center of OLM. Our guest speaker is Fr. John Andrew. Bagels and coffee will be provided. Please bring a bagged lunch and desserts will be served. The cost is \$10.00. Please contact Helene Dellasandro at 908-850-5462 to sign up. All ladies of OLM & St. Marks are invited.

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

### First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

In a tone of quiet sadness, Isaiah describes the buffets and insults given to the Suffering Servant. The passage ends on a note of hope.

### Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

In exultant tones, Paul tells the Philippians to rejoice because Christ became man, died on the cross, rose from the dead, and sits triumphantly at the right hand of the Father.

### Gospel: Matthew 26:14—27:66

This is the solemn narrative of the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Matthew recounts the treachery and betrayal of Judas and then describes the events of the Last Supper, culminating in the institution of the Eucharist. Jesus endures the Agony in the Garden; he is then brought before Caiaphas and Pilate and condemned to death. After His resurrection, the centurions shouted, "Clearly this was the Son of God!"



*All- powerful and ever-living God the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health, that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church.*

Randi Alloway, Richard Alvarez, Tony Atkins, Charlie, Natalie Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Annette Boenzi, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Bernie Cho, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danileczuk, Krish Dharia, Catherine DiPasquale, Connie Elliott, Rick & Nicholas Fania, Larry Fine, Tracey F, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Barbara Gotterdam, Louie Gutierrez, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimsly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Claudia Kallmeyer, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris., Margaret Leon, Maryann Litori, Ann Loughney, Wayne Marks, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Irene Madelyn S. Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr., Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Kathy Minichini, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Marilyn O'Connor, Jim Owens, Dennis Paradise, Arlene Parikh, Rev., Raymond Pavlick, Nicky Pili, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Jeff Schpiner, Margi Schuelke, Rhonda Soto, Special Intention, Judy Stone, William Thompson, Elizabeth Tomaszewski, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Anne Walsh, Robert Ron Werner, Marie Zimbile

Every now and then we try to update our prayer list of names of the sick and special intentions. We have alphabetized the names in the hopes of making them easier to read. There are some names that we in the parish office cannot associate with a person who made the request to pray for them. Please look over the list and if you requested prayers for a person please either call the office or e mail Fr. Joe to let us know if you wish to continue to be on this prayer list.

## Community News

### A TASTE OF THE TOWNS: A FOOD TASTING FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT RAYMOND A. MCCARTHY, JR.

Nearly two years ago, suddenly and without warning, "Little" Ray McCarthy, a spunky and adventurous six year old Star Wars enthusiast, found himself battling an alien creature called Glioma. Glioma isn't an imaginary character in a fictional galaxy on a movie screen. Unfortunately, it is a very real and very devastating brain stem tumor, medically known as Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG). Now eight years old, "Little" Ray continues to be in and out of hospitals. He and his family shouldn't have to fight this battle alone. That's why we are asking you to become a warrior for "Little" Ray by praying, sharing his story, and showing your support by attending this fundraiser.

St. Luke's Parish  
265 West Mill Road, Long Valley  
Tuesday, April 25, 2017  
6:30 pm-9:30 pm  
B.Y.O.B.

Tickets \$50.00 per person

Email [littleraytot@gmail.com](mailto:littleraytot@gmail.com) to purchase tickets.

(Your support of this event is considered a gift to Raymond A. McCarthy, Jr. to help defray the cost of his care. Please note that gifts to an individual do not qualify as a charitable deduction, and the IRS does not allow a deduction.) If you cannot join us, please consider a donation, no matter how big or small, to help defray the astronomical expenses related to his medical care. Become a part of the "Little" Ray Empire and strike back at Glioma Today...

Visit Little Ray's Battle Fund at [www.gofundme.com](http://www.gofundme.com) to donate to this cause.

### SUPPORT OUR LOCAL VETS TRICKY TRAY...

Friday, April 21 at Vasa Park Hall, 1 Vasa Drive, Hackettstown. Doors open at 5 pm. First ticket will be drawn at 7:30 pm. Door admission \$10 and one free sheet of yellow tickets. Teaser glimpse: Tory Burch bag, Nambe, water park tickets and much more! Refreshments will be available for purchase. Music provided by local firehouse DJ.

### LIFE LINE SCREENING...

Life Line Screening a leading provider of community based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at St. Marks on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems. Register for a wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screenings. Flyers with complete details are available in the gathering space. To register and to receive a \$10 discount, call 1-888-653-6441 or visit

[www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle)





**APRIL 10 – 16, 2017**

**Monday April 10** – Morning mass 8:45 a.m.

Bishop Serratelli invites the people of the diocese to join with him and our priests for the **Chrism mass** to be held at St. Phillip's Church, Valley Road, Clifton, NJ @ 7 p.m. at this mass the holy oils will be blessed that will be used in the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and anointing of the sick

**Tuesday April 11**– Morning mass 8:45 a.m.

**Wednesday April 12**– Morning mass 8:45 a.m. (no evening mass)

**Holy Thursday April 13** – only one mass this day –**Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Supper...** 7:30 p.m. during this mass the holy oils will be presented and feet will be washed as a sign of Jesus the Servant. After mass there will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to our daily mass chapel and you are welcome to spend some time in prayer. At 10 p.m. we will recite the church Night Prayer to end our evening at 10:15 p.m.

**Good Friday – April 14**

**CROSS WALK...**each church of the ecumenical clergy group will be participating. We encourage you to join with members of the different congregations at 11:45 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church on Bartley Road near Ort Farm. We will walk from there to the Zion Lutheran church at the bottom of Schooley's Mt. Road. Along the way we will stop for brief reflections given by a representative of each church. Members of the church will carry the cross for a distance between the two stops.

**3 p.m. Stations of the Cross**

**7:30 p.m. Solemn Celebration of the Lord's passion and death**

**Holy Saturday – April 15**

**10 a.m. Parish Easter egg hunt rain or shine**

**8 p.m. The Easter Vigil mass** (*no 5:30 mass*)

During this service of light, readings we reflect upon God's presence to his people of old. At mass we remember the promises of God to save his people and the resurrection of Jesus.

**Easter Sunday – April 16 - 6:30 a.m. daily mass chapel welcome Easter in song and reflection and prayer...**

**Regular mass schedule 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.** at each mass we will renew our baptismal vows as we profess our faith in the Lord's Resurrection - ALLELUIA!

**MAY THE LOVE OF GOD BLESS YOU AND MAY YOU SHARE IN THE GLORY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION EACH DAY!**