

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

MARCH 25, 2018

*Christ Jesus humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.*

— *Philippians 2:8*

### PASSION

The contrast between the processional reading in today's liturgy and the proclamation of the Passion is striking. We are given a glimpse of how profoundly the word of God is fulfilled in Jesus.

First he must be hailed as the Messiah, the One who is to come. He must be acknowledged by all, though they do not know what they are saying. They think he is the promised king, a worldly king of the Jews who will free them from the Roman occupation. They do not yet understand, even the disciples, exactly where this triumphal procession is leading. In our lives, we too do not know where we are going. It is in faith that we can follow Christ wherever he may lead us, trusting that death is not the end, nor evil the victor.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**Gospel at the Procession with Palms** — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

**First Reading** — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

**Psalm** — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

**Gospel** — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]).

### OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
<b>Last Week's Collection</b>	\$2,646.00	\$1,648.00
Number of Families contributing	111	87
Total Pledge for 2018	\$166,199.00	\$167,136.00
Pledged to Date (11 Weeks)	\$34,833.00	\$33,987.00
Received to Date	\$30,126.00	\$24,206.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$4,4707.00	\$9,781.00

### LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2018
\$220.00	\$2,213.00

Thirty ladies made a contribution last week.

### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL WEEKLY REPORT

2018 Parish Goal	\$25,705.00
Amount Received to Date	\$2,495.00
Amount Outstanding	\$23,210.00

Seven people made a B.A.A. contribution last week.

### HALL RENOVATION FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2018
\$0.00	\$1,385.00

No one made a Hall Fund contribution last week.

**POOR BOX** totaled \$20.00.

**PARKING LOT** totaled \$4.00.

22 **CHILDREN** contributed \$73.00.

The **ATTENDANCE** for last Saturday 4:00 P.M. Mass was 110, 7:00 P.M. Mass was 190 and Sunday 10:00 A.M. Mass was 150.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A college girl asked her mother, "How can you be sure Jesus' teachings are true?" Her mother's response surprised her: "You can be convinced in only one way," her mother said, "by living them. If you live Jesus' teachings, they will speak to your heart and tell your heart that they are true."

Her mother went on to explain: "For example, if you forgive enemies, you will eventually discover that this is the true thing to do. And if you don't judge others rashly, you will eventually discover that this is the true thing to do." The mother's remarkable response is precisely the point that Jesus makes in His words.

*Jesus said, "if you obey my teaching...you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."* —**JOHN 8:31-32**

Can I recall experiencing the truth of Jesus' teachings? When? How?

*To be convinced of the eternal truths, do not argument your arguments, but weed out your passions.* —**Blaise Pascal**

### FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. Carrera, Amanda and Sissy in loving memory of Ned Anthony Carroll on his 41<sup>st</sup> Birthday;
2. the Family of High's Rosie in loving memory of her on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of her death;
3. the Wife and Family of Barney Sarge Riley in loving memory of him on the 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death;
4. the Wife and Family of Patsy Butts Sherlock in loving memory of him on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of his death;
5. and a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

**SPECIAL THANKS** to Pat Riley and Teri for their donation to the Church in thanks for Savvy on her 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday.

**THE BANNES OF MARRIAGE** are announced for the first time for Pete Joshua Sherlock and Kara Carroll.

**PARISH MISSION** The Parish Mission this year will be held in the Holy Week, Mon. Mar. 26<sup>th</sup> thru Wed. Mar. 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. with Mass. Parish Mission is a time for spiritual revival. Make yourself available to attend the whole Mission. Fr. Jim Blunt will be preaching at the Mission. Fr. Cherian requests no parties or celebrations be scheduled during Holy Week. There will not be morning Mass during the Parish Mission.

**THANK YOU** to a member for a donation in honor of the Infant of Prague, St. Joseph, the Blessed Mother and St. Gerard; a member or a donation in honor of St. Jude; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Joseph for the needy; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite and St. Joseph; and also to five members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite.

**CHRISM MASS** St. Edward's is invited to participate with Bishop Robert Guglielmone and the priests of this Diocese in the Chrism Mass this Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Charleston. The blessing of Holy oils for the entire Diocese takes place at this Mass.

**RECONCILIATION SERVICE** will be held this Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M. for all children making their First Holy Communion and their parents. Please be at the church 5 minutes before.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

Holy Week, the greatest week for Christians begins with Palm Sunday and ends with Easter. During this week the Church commemorates the Passion of Christ, and all ceremonies reflect the attitude of sorrow yet joined with gratitude for God's mercy in becoming man in order to suffer and die for the sins of mankind.

**Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>** 6:00 P.M. Parish Confessions

**Holy Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**  
5:00 P.M. Lord's Supper Mass  
Washing of the Feet  
Adoration: Until Midnight  
**Community Adoration:**  
11 P.M. – 12 A.M.

**Good Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**  
3:00 P.M. Liturgy of the Passion  
Stations of the Cross  
**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion lead the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday**

**Holy Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**  
8:30 P.M. Easter Vigil Services

**Easter Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**  
10:00 A.M. Mass

**SPECIAL COLLECTION** The collection on Good Friday will be for the Holy Land. Please be generous.

**MASTER'S TABLE** Ann T's Legion Group, Our Lady of Presentation, is scheduled to prepare and serve a hot meal to the clients of the Master's Table in Augusta on Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to participate in this very rewarding opportunity, please contact Ann T.

**ST. EDWARD EASTER EGG HUNT** organized by the Youth Group will be held Easter Sunday at 5:00 P.M.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK**

I went to the doctor and said: "Doctor, every morning when I get up and I look in the mirror, I feel like throwing up. What wrong with me?"

The doctor said: "I don't know, but your eyesight's perfect."

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
**Monday:** Monday of Holy Week  
**Tuesday:** Tuesday of Holy Week  
**Wednesday:** Wednesday of Holy Week  
**Thursday:** Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum  
**Friday:** Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); **Fast and Abstinence;** Passover begins  
**Saturday:** The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night; Holy Saturday

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday:** For the repose of the souls of Eric Riley on the 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death.  
**Tuesday:** For Mary Cat on her 65<sup>th</sup> Birthday.  
**Wednesday:** In honor of the Holy Souls and St. Joseph.  
**Thursday:** For the repose of the soul of Kaiser's Lillie on her Birthday and 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of her death.  
**Friday:** For the repose of the soul of Barney Turner Riley on the Anniversary of his death and for the repose of the soul of Jackie Riley.

**READERS**

<b>Sat. Mar. 24<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.</b>		<b>Sat. Mar. 24<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M.</b>	
<i>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</i>	Ciara	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</i>	Miranda
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</i>	Karen	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</i>	Carolyn
<i>Narrator</i>	Mary Rita	<i>Narrator</i>	Jay
<i>Speaker</i>	Ann T.	<i>Speaker</i>	Carolyn

<b>Sun. Mar. 25<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.</b>			
<i>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</i>	Theresa Maria Cat	<i>Narrator</i>	Jimmy Joseph
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</i>	Jimmy Joseph	<i>Speaker</i>	Mary Cat

<b>Sat. Mar. 31<sup>st</sup>, 8:00 P.M.</b>		<b>Sun. April 1<sup>st</sup>, 10:00 A.M.</b>	
<i>Proclamation</i>	Rose Marie	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</i>	Jay
<i>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</i>	Josie	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</i>	Jimmy Joseph
<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Reading</i>	Rita Riley	<i>Sequence</i>	Jay
<i>5<sup>th</sup> Reading</i>	Cathy Lisa		
<i>7<sup>th</sup> Reading</i>	Dominique		
<i>Epistle</i>	Cheryl		

**READERS – WEEKDAYS**

<b>Monday</b>	Paige
<b>Tuesday</b>	Joy
<b>Wednesday</b>	Cheryl
<b>Holy Thursday</b>	Skylar & Kara
<b>Good Friday</b>	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</i> Grace
	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading</i> Karen.
	<i>Narrator</i> Rose Marie
	<i>Speaker</i> Mary Cat

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND**

<b>Saturday 4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>March 24<sup>th</sup></b>
Front	Bridget Ann
Left Cup	Winnie Ann

<b>Saturday 7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>March 24<sup>th</sup></b>
Front	Jay
Cup	Johnny Jay's Ann

**Sunday 10:00 A.M.**

<b>March 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b>
Pete Man's Nora	Pete Man's Nora
Rose Marie	Rose Marie

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY**

<b>Monday</b>	Mary Cat
<b>Tuesday</b>	Pete Man's Nora
<b>Wednesday</b>	Ann T.
<b>Thursday</b>	Bibbie's Catherine Ann
<b>Friday</b>	Bridget Ann

**BEAUTY**

***Beauty is never lost...  
As we get older...  
It just moves from face to heart.***

~~~~~**PRAYER CORNER**~~~~~

**PRAYER TO CRUCIFIED JESUS**

***Lord Jesus Christ, by Your death on the cross you have won pardon for us and freedom of Your victory over sin and death. Amen.***