Abbreviated Sunday Bulletin
April 5-12, 2020

(Please refer to the March 15th Parish Bulletin for the recurring information)

Sun., April 5  PALM SUNDAY (St. Vincent Ferrer, Confessor)
Convent  Palm Sunday ceremonies & Mass – Pro Populo
Rectory  R.I.P. Tom Drahman (D. & T. Lewis)

Mon., April 6  Monday in Holy Week (St. William, Abbot & Confessor) FAST
Convent  R.I.P. deceased of CMRI & Confraternity MIQ
Rectory  for Renee Ochoa (M. Migala)

Tue., April 7  Tuesday in Holy Week (St. Herman Joseph, Confessor) FAST
Convent  R.I.P. Sr. Mary Laboure Berube (S. Waco)
Novitiate  for the Shane Stack family (M. Pollard)

Wed., April 8  Spy Wednesday (St. Perpetuus, Bishop & Confessor) FAST
Convent  R.I.P. David & Julia Porter (Sr. Mary Agatha)
Rectory  for the end of abortion (Catholic Kids 4 Life)

Thu., April 9  HOLY THURSDAY  FAST
Convent  Holy Thursday ceremonies & Mass – for priests & for vocations to the priesthood (Alter Christus Confraternity)

Fri., April 10  GOOD FRIDAY  FAST & COMPLETE ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT
Convent  Good Friday Liturgy

Sat., April 11  HOLY SATURDAY  FAST & COMPLETE ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT
Convent  Holy Saturday Liturgy & Vigil Mass

Sun., April 16  EASTER SUNDAY
Convent  High Mass – Pro Populo
Rectory  Easter Lily Memorial Intentions

“We adore Thee, O Christ, and we praise Thee, because by Thy Holy Cross Thou hast redeemed the world.”

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<td>SCRP Sales in March: $13,305.00 [Profit $256.44]</td>
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Thank you for your support!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CORONA VIRUS SHUTDOWN – As you know, Governor Jay Inslee has extended until May 4 the prohibition of all gatherings, even those that are spiritual, and the mandate that everyone shelter at home. Sadly, for the first time in our history here at Mt. St. Michael, there will be no public Holy Week Masses and Liturgy. Such shutdowns, however, have happened before in the face of epidemics. For a bit of historical perspective, here is a brief statement from Archbishop of Philadelphia, written October 4, 1918 apparently to all his clergy during the height of the Spanish influenza: “Rev. Dear Sir: We hereby direct your attention to the order of the Board of Health, issued on October 3d, which prohibits the assemblage of all persons in the churches and schools of Philadelphia until further notice. Yours faithfully in Xto., D.J. Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia.”

The Mount will not be completely locked down during the day hours, but for the sake of the Sisters’ security, you will need to buzz at the double red doors (just inside the double glass doors) to enter the building. Once you identify yourself to the Sister, you will then be admitted.

According to the Governor’s mandate, people can still take walks in public, observing the necessary social distance of 6 feet, to mitigate the spread of the virus. Hence, there is still access to the chapel for prayer, if you happen to be here in the course of a walk or are performing an essential service that is not prohibited. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE TAKING THE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS TO ISOLATE AND NOT SPREAD THE VIRUS! I highly recommend that you read up on the pandemic of the Spanish Flu, which lasted two years in some countries. It will make our current restrictions more understandable and bearable. Keep praying and trusting in God! There are some real spiritual lessons being taught to all in this great difficulty.
We are most grateful that Mary Immaculate Queen Church in Rathdrum, Idaho, live-streams Masses, Liturgies, and Devotions. Go to this link so you can assist in a virtual manner http://www.miqparish.org/livestreaming-mass, according to the schedule below. In our current situation, it is a great source of inspiration and grace!

PRIEST TRAVELS – Fr. Augustine is in Phoenix, at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church, assisting Fr. Ephrem Cordova, CMRI, until after Easter. Fr. Ephrem, as you may have heard, was recovering from a series of seizures that had afflicted him. Fr. Joseph Pham (cell phone 470-686-2048) continues to reside here and assist. We are also pleased to say that Fr. James McGilloway, CMRI (cell phone 909-664-4304) has returned to the Mount to stay. Bro. Xavier, CMRI, from Omaha, accompanied him here, and Brother will be helping with necessary repairs on buildings, particularly the Rectory.

THANK YOU FROM THE DRAHMAN FAMILY - The Drahman Family wishes to thank all who have offered Masses, prayers and condolences at Tom’s passing to eternity. Thanks to all who formed the heart-felt procession of cars for Tom to the cemetery on the feast of the Annunciation. We are so gratefully indebted to you and thank you with all of our hearts. Mrs. Mary Ann Drahman and family.

LIVE-STREAMING FROM MARY IMMACULATE QUEEN CHURCH DURING HOLY WEEK:

**Sunday, April 5: Palm Sunday**
- 7:30 am MIQ - Holy Rosary
- 8:00 am MIQ - Blessing and Procession of Palms
- 8:30 am MIQ - Pro Populo
- 4:30 pm MIQ - Sunday Vespers and Rosary

**Monday, April 6: Monday in Holy Week**
- 7:00 am MIQ - For Nancy Gallagher (D. & M. Prado)

**Tuesday, April 7: Tuesday in Holy Week**
- 7:00 am MIQ - RIP deceased family members (D. & M. Prado)

**Wednesday, April 8: Wednesday in Holy Week**
- 7:00 am MIQ - For our families (F. & S. Sattia)
- 7:15 pm MIQ - Sorrowful Mother Chaplet and Litanies

**Thursday, April 9: Holy Thursday**
- 4:20 pm MIQ - Holy Rosary

**Friday, April 10: Good Friday**
- 1:45 pm MIQ - Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary
- 2:15 pm MIQ - Stations of the Cross
- 3:00 pm MIQ - Solemn afternoon Liturgy of Good Friday
- 5:00 pm MIQ - Meditations on the Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross

**Saturday, April 11: Holy Saturday**
- 10:30 pm MIQ - Easter Vigil ceremonies

**Sunday, April 12: Easter Sunday**
- 12:00 am MIQ - Pro Populo
- Private - In honor of Our Lady of Lourdes for the spiritual & physical welfare of Phil Dunphy (G. & J. Shepard)
- 10:00 am MIQ - For the intentions of those who have sponsored our Easter lilies

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**GREAT IDEAS TO HELP YOU OBSERVE THIS SACRED WEEK IN A PROPER MANNER**

**(some of these are impossible or impractical because of the Corona Virus shutdown)**

THINK PRAYER. If you have to work or go to school during Holy Week, think about how you can incorporate prayer breaks into each day. Take off work on Holy Thursday and Good Friday.

MAKE AN ADDITIONAL SACRIFICE, especially by extra fasting and abstaining from meat.

AVOID ELECTRONIC DEVICES from sundown on Holy Thursday until Easter morning. GO to confession.

SET ASIDE 10 minutes every day to read Passion accounts in the Gospels. Make it a point to FORGIVE someone on Good Friday.

PRAY the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary daily. The Chaplet of the Sorrowful Mother is also highly encouraged.

OFFER UP any pain or difficulties you experience during Holy Week and unite your sufferings with the pain of Christ.

PRAY the Stations of the Cross.

And consider this guide to Holy Week customs, some familiar and others less so:

**Palm crosses:** From medieval times, people have believed (in a devout, not superstitious way) that blessed palms formed into the shape of a cross would protect them from danger. The easiest way to make a cross from blessed palms is to cut two pieces of the palm, arrange in the shape of a cross, put a thumbtack in the middle, and attach the cross to a doorway or a bulletin board. Check the Internet for directions on how to braid or weave palms into more decorative crosses. The Palms blessed on Palm Sunday will be made available in the vestibule.

**Housecleaning:** In many cultures the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week are designated as days for vigorous housecleaning in preparation for Easter. This custom probably developed from the Jewish custom of ritual cleaning before Passover.

**Coloring eggs:** Decorating eggs was a pagan symbol of rebirth at springtime for the Romans, Greeks, Egyptians, Persians and even the Chinese. Christians adopted the colored egg as a symbol of new life which comes with the Resurrection. Also, because the use of animal products used to be banned during Lent, people were only too glad to eat eggs again!

**Easter lilies:** The tradition of buying Easter lilies during Holy Week for use as decorations in homes and churches came into practice in the 1800’s. The white flower is a symbol of purity and new life that heralds the Resurrection of Jesus.

**Sweet breads:** In many cultures, Holy Week was traditionally a time for baking sweet breads, cakes and pastries that would be served on Easter.

**Blessing of Easter baskets:** In many cultures, families bring food that will be eaten on Easter to church in a basket for a special blessing on Holy Saturday.

**New clothes:** From the time of the early Christians, the newly baptized wore white garments made from new linen. In medieval times, it became a tradition for people to wear new clothes on Easter, symbolizing the “new life” that comes with the Resurrection.

**Easter Holy Water:** This spiritually powerful Holy Water, blessed at the Easter Vigil, will be available in the Holy Water container in the vestibule.