**HOLY WEEK - PALM SUNDAY**

**Mass Schedule and Intentions**

**Saturday, April 9, 5:15 Mass – For World Peace, the Poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's**

**Sunday, April 10, 9:30 a.m. Mass + For the Soul of Jack Smith by Paula Smith and Family**

**10:45 a.m. Mass + For the Soul of Linda Jones by Jane Jones**

**Holy Monday, April 11, No Mass**

**Holy Tuesday, April 12, No Mass**

**Holy Wednesday, April 13, 8:00 a.m. Mass**

**Holy Thursday, April 14, 7:30 p.m. – Mass of the Lord’s Supper**

**Good Friday, April 15, 3:00 a.m. The Passion of the Lord**

**Stations of the Cross, 7:00 p.m.**

**Holy Saturday, April 16, 8:00 p.m. Mass Easter Vigil – The Resurrection of the Lord**

**Easter Sunday, April 17, – The Resurrection of the Lord**

**9:30 a.m. Mass + For the Souls of Gary Moulton and Jimmy Masibag by Roseline and Joseph Moulton**

**11:00 a.m. Mass + For the Soul of Anita Boudreau by Jane Jones**

**Prayers and Birthday Blessings for Xia Katte by Rachel**

**PALM SUNDAY REFLECTION: The gospel reading this weekend of Palm Sunday, which includes the words of Jesus on the cross and the account of his death, is only part of Luke’s story of the passion. Even amid suffering Jesus shows great compassion to others. He prays for forgiveness for his executioners, who ‘do not know what they are doing’. He promises paradise to the criminal who seeks forgiveness. Jesus’ final words in Luke are taken from Psalm 31, ‘Into your hands I commit my spirit.’ The evangelist tells us of the trust of Jesus at the moment of death. Jesus knows that the Father will not abandon him, but raise him up on the third day. As the story of Jesus’ death concludes, the hope of resurrection remains. What are the striking features of the story of the passion as told by Luke? Take time this week to read the complete story of the passion and death of Christ. We here at St. Peter’s pray for the willingness to die with Christ in order to rise with him to new life. Let us join with the Church throughout the world to live Holy Week to the full.**

### **Ministry Help Wanted: CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED: Now that the Covid restrictions have been lifted we are starting up our choir again and are in need of members. Anyone interested in getting involved can contact the parish office. Anyone ages 12 and up and no musical experience necessary but a love to sing. LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ALSO NEEDED: We are now ready to welcome back our lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. Please contact the Parish Office or by e-mail.**

**Stations of the Cross:** A weekly **Stations of the Cross**, based on the text of St. Alphonsus Liguori, will be held Good **Friday evening** at 7**:00 pm.**

**HANDEL’S MESSIAH: THE EASTER STORY:**  **On Sunday, April 10, at 3pm, the Ottawa Regional Youth Choir will perform the second and third parts of Handel’s Messiah with a chamber orchestra at St. Joseph’s Church, 174 Wilbrod Ave. The second part tells the story of Christ’s passion and resurrection, ending with the famous Hallelujah chorus. The third part tells of Paul spreading the word of the resurrection of the dead, and the glorification of Christ in heaven. Tickets are by donation!**

**FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP:** **When the Covid pandemic began more than two years ago, all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall were freed from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days. Through the magic of technology we were able to “participate” in Mass on our screens and devices. Technology kept us connected even if in a very limited way. However, livestreamed masses were a temporary alternative. With social distancing requirements and mask mandates lifted, the dispensation from attending Sunday Mass will be lifted as of April 9th, the Palm Sunday Vigil Mass. Those who cannot attend Mass because of age, sickness, disability or other grave reasons would still be excused, as always. The Mass is the source and summit of our Catholic faith. It is where we gather as a community to hear God’s words and where we truly meet Jesus in the Eucharist. Come back to Mass He is waiting for you and so are we**

**WAY OF THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY: Through the streets of downtown Ottawa. Led by Archbishop Marcel Damphousse, Archbishop of OttawaCornwall. Fri., Apr. 15. Departure at 9:30 a.m. from St Patrick’s Basilica, 220 Kent St., arrival around noon at Notre Dame Cathedral. Hosted by Communion & Liberation, Ottawa. Info: clonottawa@gmail.com.**

**DEVELOPMENT & PEACE 2022: People and Planet First To all of you who gave a donation to Development and Peace this Lent, thank you from the bottom of our hearts! If you would still like to contribute to the important social justice work of D & P, please place a Share Lent envelope with your donation in the collection basket, or go to** [**www.devp.org/give**](http://www.devp.org/give)**.**

**CHRISM MASS AT NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL: The Chrism Mass will be held at Notre Dame Cathedral on Tuesday, April 12 at 10:30am. All are welcome.**

**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**: **On behalf of Archbishop Marcel, we are pleased to invite you to the 2022 Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 1, 2:30 pm at Notre-Dame Cathedral. We will be honouring couples celebrating milestone anniversaries of 20, 25, 30, 40, 50 and 60+ years of marriage with a special blessing. Info and link to the online registration form: https://en.archoc.ca/anniversary-mass. Please register before April 18.**

**HI-YO SILVER!!!: During the Good Friday service a young boy attending for the first listened intently to the gruesome details of the Lord’s death. As the Passion ended he leapt up and shouted indignantly, “If the Lone Ranger had been there, they never would have got away with that!” We can learn a lot from this young fellow. We need to be as passionate about the Passion as he was. We need to listen to that story like we are hearing it for the first time. We need to feel incensed that nobody did anything about this. We need to long for God’s mercy (sending in the Lone Ranger) and realize it is beyond anything we can control! The problem is that we know the rest of the story and have heard it so frequently that we become complacent. We need to become more aware that Jesus’ passion and death is connected with suffering in the world today, not just a story that happened a long time ago. We need to learn about how our own personal suffering is entwined with Jesus’. When we see that, we will meet and be able to embrace the mercy of God**