## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

... You will find a colt tethered on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here

## **Mass Schedule and Intentions**

Saturday, March 23, 5:00 p.m. Mass - For world peace, the poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's Palm Sunday, March 24, 9:30 a.m. Mass – For the Souls of Titang Mangubot, Cirila Pendang, Oligario Pendang, Rosalina Cornel and Leoncio Cornel by the Family

11:00 a.m. Mass - For world peace, the poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's Monday of Holy Week, March 25, No Mass

Tuesday, March 26 - Archdiocese of Ottawa - Cornwall, Chrism Mass, 5:00 p.m. at Notre Dame Cathedral

Wednesday of Holy Week, March 27, 8:30 a.m. Mass

Thursday, March 28 - Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30 pm at St. Peter's Parish

- Washing of the feet representing the service and charity of our Lord
- Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration.

Bring your bells to ring during the singing of the Gloria!

Friday, March 29 - Good Friday, Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 3:00 pm at St. Peter's Parish

- Reading of the Passion
- Veneration of the Cross
- Collection for the Needs of the Church in the Holy Land
- Holy Communion

Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, March 30 - Easter Vigil - 8:00 pm at St. Peter's Parish

Bring your bells to ring during the singing of the Gloria!

Sunday, March 31 - Easter Sunday Mass - 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

~ God Bless and Have a Prayerful Holy Week ~

PALM SUNDAY REFLECTION: The part of the story of the Passion of Jesus according to Mark which immediately precedes his death is given above. These verses are punctuated by the evangelist's references to the time of day. Jesus is crucified 'at the third hour'. Roman reckoning of day-time hours began with 6 a.m. so this is 9 a.m. The darkness over the earth begins at noon. Jesus 'breathes his last' at 3 o'clock, the traditional time for recalling the death of Christ. Three groups mock Jesus. Anonymous passers-by taunt Jesus by referring to his words about the temple. The chief-priests and scribes mock Jesus, who 'saved others, but cannot save himself'. They also ridicule him with his supposed claims to be the Messiah. Finally, Mark tells us that 'even those who were crucified with him taunted him'. This evangelist appears to know nothing about the 'good thief'. Jesus' final words are words of abandonment. The Son of God, who comes to share our life and give his life for us, drinks the cup of suffering to the depth out of love for his brothers and sisters. And thus he dies. What are the memorable features of Mark's story of the death of Jesus? Take time this week to read the complete story of the death of Jesus as told by Mark. Let us enter fully into the events of Holy Week so that we may be renewed in Christ's resurrection. We pray that the self-giving love of Christ for all will change minds and hearts.

CHRISM MASS: ALL Parishioners are invited to attend the Archdiocese – Ottawa Cornwall Chrism Mass on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 5:00p.m., Notre Dame Basilica. Sussex Dr. The Chrism Mass is a special annual Mass, where our Archdiocese gathers together to receive the new holy oils for the year.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Good Friday Stations of the Cross will start at 7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSIONS FOR LENT: Fr. Jonathan will make himself available for the Sacrament of Confession, on March 29, Good Friday from 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

<u>Collection - March 16 – 17, 2024:</u> Envelopes: \$640.00, Loose: \$392.85, St. Vincent de Paul: \$220.00; Vigil Lights: \$53.20; Development and Peace: \$430.00; Grand Total: \$1,736.05. THANK YOU for your generosity and support.

2024 REGISTRATION PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION IS NOW OPEN. Parents who wish to have their child(ren) prepare for any of these Sacraments are asked to visit the parish office to pick up a registration form after Mass or call the parish. Classes will start soon.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: On Good Friday we will take up the annual collection to support both the Holy Land's Christian people and its shrines using the theme "He Came and Proclaimed Peace" (Eph 2:17). Peace is certainly needed there today. Please be generous.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass — Registration Form: For couples of the Archdiocese who are celebrating 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 60+ years of marriage in 2024. Mass will be celebrated at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica on Sunday, April 14, 2:30 pm. Info & link to the online registration form: https://en.archoc.ca/anniversary-mass. Please register before April on the diocese website.

AN EVENING WITH DEANTHA EDMUNDS: The Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall has extended the early bird price for the Deantha Edmunds concert taking place on April 19 at Notre-Dame Cathedral Basilica. This will be an evening of beautiful music that you don't want to miss. Until Monday, March 25th you can purchase the \$35 Premium General Admission ticket for just \$28, a 20% savings. Go to IRFconcert.eventbrite.ca for details and to buy your tickets or you can contact Ruth at 613-933 -1138, ext. 22 or ruth.tyolarose@ottawacornwall.ca. The proceeds of the concert are to benefit the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund.

BEHOLD YOUR KING: Palm Sunday summons us to behold our King: the Word of God made flesh. We are called to behold Him not simply as the One who came to us once riding on a colt, but as the One who is always present in His Church, coming ceaselessly to us in power and glory at every Eucharist, in every prayer and sacrament and in every act of love, kindness and mercy. He comes to free us from all our fears and insecurities, "to take solemn possession of our soul, and to be enthroned in our heart," as someone has said, He comes not only to deliver us from our deaths by His death and resurrection, but also to make us capable of attaining the most perfect fellowship or union with Him. He is the King, who liberates us from the darkness of sin and the bondage of death. Palm Sunday summons us to behold our King: the vanquisher of death and the giver of live.