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OPENING HYMN

The Holy City (choir)

ENTRANCE HYMN (Psalm 24:9-10; Traditional)

C. Open wide the door and gates. Lift high the ancient portals. The King of glory enters; Who is the King of glory? He is God, the mighty Lord.

R. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed are You Who has come to us so rich in love and mercy. Hosanna in the highest.

C. Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered.

R. O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

FIRST READING

IS 50:4-7

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me scoff at me; they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: "He relied on the Lord; let him deliver him, let him rescue him, if he loves him."

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Indeed, many dogs surround me, a pack of evildoers closes in upon me; they have pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots. But you, O Lord, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me.

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

I will proclaim your name to my brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you: "You who fear the Lord, praise him; all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; revere him, all you descendants of Israel!"

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

SECOND READING

PHIL 2:6-11

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians.

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of

a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

PHIL 2:8-9

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GOSPEL *(short version)*

MK 15:1-39

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

(J-Jesus, N-Narrator, P-Pilate or Individual Speaker, C-Crowd)

N. As soon as morning came, the chief priests with the elders and scribes, that is, the whole Sanhedrin, held a council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him,

P. Are you the king of the Jews?

N. He said to him in reply,

J. You say so.

N. The chief priests accused him of many things. Again Pilate questioned him,

P. Have you no answer? See how many things they accuse you of.

N. Jesus gave him no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed. Now on the occasion of the feast he used to release to them one prisoner whom they requested. A man called Barabbas was then in prison along with the rebels who had committed murder in a rebellion. The crowd came and began to ask him to do for them as he was accustomed. Pilate answered,

P. Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?

N. For he knew that it was out of envy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate again said to them in reply,

P. Then what do you want me to do with the man you call the king of the Jews?

N. They shouted again,

C. Crucify him!

N. Pilate said to them,

P. Why? What evil has he done?

N. They only shouted the louder,

C. Crucify him!

N. So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas to them and, after he had Jesus scourged, handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers led him away inside the palace, that is, the praetorium, and assembled the whole cohort. They clothed him in purple and, weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on him. They began to salute him with, “Hail king of the Jews!” and kept striking his head with a reed and spitting upon him. They knelt before him in homage. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him out to crucify him.

They pressed into service a passer-by, Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. They brought him to the place of Golgotha—which is translated Place of the Skull—they gave him wine drugged with myrrh, but he did not take it. Then they crucified him and divided his garments by casting lots for them to see what each should take. It was nine o’clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, “The King of the Jews.” With him they crucified two bandits, one at his right and one at his left. Those passing by reviled him, shaking their heads and saying,

C. Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days! Save yourself by coming down from the cross.

N. Likewise the chief priests, with the scribes, mocked him among themselves and said,

C. He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from that cross that we may see and believe.

N. Those who were crucified with him also kept abusing him. At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at three o’clock Jesus cried in a loud voice,

J. Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?

N. Which is translated,

J. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

N. Some of the bystanders who heard it said,

C. Look, he is calling Elijah.

N. One of them ran, soaked a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink saying,

P. Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to take him down.

N. Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

(All kneel and and pause for a short time.)

N. The veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last, he said,

P. Truly this man was the Son of God!

The Gospel of the Lord.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Hudson Tutko, Athena Becker, Stephen Pociask, Marian Sleczkowski, Al & Betty Ann Perhas, Ed Babish, Barbara Cook, Paul Koper, Ted Flora, Dave Guillot, Emily Guy, Marcy Raiford, Johanna Pardoe, Antoinette Drake, Marianna Pelka, Bronisław Korus, Ewa Nowak, Justin Riddle, Ford Bartle, Rosalie Clark, Joan Kotulsky, Karyn Muse, Jeff McBride, Carol Davelli, Helene Tylor, Peter Mantzaris, Richard Tomkovitz, Terry Kleckner, Meredith Straw, Kamil Dudała.

Please keep us informed that we might minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home. Father Mariusz will visit them with the Holy Communion.

CLOSING HYMN

All Glory, Laud and Honor (verses verses 1, 3, 5) – Ritual Song # 563

FAITH SHARING

This is the time of year we stop to remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. What we commemorate and relive during this week is not just Jesus' dying and rising, but our own dying and rising in Jesus, which will result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. Attentive participation in the Holy Week liturgy will deepen our relationship with God, increase our Faith, and strengthen our lives as disciples of Jesus.

Today's liturgy combines contrasting moments, one of glory, the other of suffering: the royal welcome of Jesus in Jerusalem, and the drama of the trial, culminating in crucifixion, death and burial for the Christ.

Today's first reading foreshadows Jesus' own life and mission.

The second reading, taken from Paul's letter to the Philippians, is an ancient Christian hymn representing a very early Christian understanding of who Jesus is, and of how his mission saves us from sin and death.

In today's Gospel, we listen to/participate in a reading of the Passion of Christ according to Mark. We are challenged to examine our own lives in the light of some of the characters in the Passion story – like Peter who denied Jesus, Judas who betrayed Jesus, Herod who ridiculed Jesus, Pilate who acted against his conscience as he condemned Jesus to death on the cross, and the leaders of the people who preserved their position by getting rid of Jesus.



SAMBS MEETINGS AND MISSION COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Apr 7, 2024; May 12, 2024

USHERS FOR SUNDAY COLLECTION AND HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, March 24

Don Newcamp, George Jobes

Sunday, March 31

Joe Parknavy, Ed Goralczyk

Sunday, April 7

Lenny Guy, Joe Lawrence

Sunday, April 14

Frank Pociask, Stan Tadjajski

Sunday, April 21

Bill Griffiths, Rich DeLong

Sunday, April 28

Don Newcamp, George Jobes



SPRING CRAFT SHOW

The Spring Craft Show will be on **Saturday, April 20, 2024 from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**. We will be preparing on Friday, April 19, 2024 from 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM. We will need help starting the week of Sunday, April 7, 2024 to start setting the tables, organizing the Chinese Auction Baskets. and pulling down all the supplies.

MASS OF CHRISM

Mass of Chrism and Spring Clergy Conference of the Buffalo-Pittsburgh Diocese will be hosted this year at Holy Trinity Parish (Woodlawn, NY) on March 26, 2024.



NATIONAL MISSION & EVANGELISM WORKSHOP

National Mission & Evangelism Workshop will be on **April 12-14th at St. Barbara Parish, Houtzdale, PA**. All pastors and the laity representatives from each parish are encouraged to attend.

PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST – TODAY, AFTER 9 AM MASS

Adults \$17, Children (4-11) \$9, (3 & under) Free, SOCL Free.

HOLY FAMILY CEMETERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Spring is here and the grass is growing at our parish cemetery. I ask that ALL ground level artificial decorations be removed by mid-April and taken home for storage or disposal as we no longer offer refuse removal. All decorations removed last year are behind the maintenance shed and are available for pickup. Any decorations remaining there will be discarded. Please do not use the dirt bin for disposal as it contaminates the topsoil. Artificial decorations that are placed on the monuments are encouraged as it really helps the grounds crew mission. Live planted flowers are fine and add to the beauty of our "church expectant". Flowers will be removed when overtaken by weeds. Again, we could use any assistance (even a few hours a season) as we are getting older and fewer in numbers. Please contact me at 412-610-1943 if there are any questions. Thank You and God Bless.

Tom Popovic, Cemetery Coordinator

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 24, 2024 – Palm Sunday

9:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Irene Jugan – requested by Nancy & Michael Zurovcik

Monday, March 25, 2024 – Holy Monday

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 – Holy Tuesday

Wednesday, March 27, 2024 – Holy Wednesday

Thursday, March 28, 2024 – Maundy Thursday

7:00 PM – Holy Mass

For Fr. Bruce, Fr. Mariusz and all clergy of our Church

Friday, March 29, 2024 – Good Friday

Saturday, March 30, 2024 – Holy Saturday

7:00 PM – Holy Mass

† Richard Contrella – requested by Rob & Debbie Hassinger

Sunday, March 31, 2024 – Solemnity - Resurrection of our Lord

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

For All Parishioners

4/7/24 Su 10:00 AM 2 Easter Sunday

† Marianne Keith – requested by Natalie & Dave Kraft

4/14/24 Su 10:00 AM 3 Easter Sunday

† Mildred Kotulsky – requested by Barbara Kostovny

4/21/24 Su 10:00 AM 4 Easter Sunday

† Raymond Kostovny – requested by Dolores Zoretich

4/28/24 Su 10:00 AM 5 Easter Sunday

† Bonnie Zaucha – requested by Adam Lesnický

4/30/24 Tu 10:00 AM Solemnity – St. Joseph the Worker

† Irene Jugan – requested by Walt Cook Family

5/3/24 Fr 10:00 AM Solemnity – Finding of the Holy Cross

† Bonnie ZAucha – requested by Jim & Barbara Rippon

5/5/24 Su 10:00 AM 6 Easter Sunday

† Laura Adamek – requested by Cathi Glanz

5/9/24 Th 10:00 AM Solemnity – Ascension of our Lord

† George & Irene Jugan – requested by Popovic Family

5/19/24 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity - Pentecost

RESERVED

5/26/24 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity – Holy Trinity

OPEN

5/30/24 Th 10:00 AM Solemnity – Corpus Christi

For God's blessing for Anna Dryfik (Birthday)

6/2/24 Su 10:00 AM Sunday within the Octave of Corpus Christi

OPEN

6/7/24 Fr 10:00 AM Solemnity – Sacred Heart of Jesus

OPEN

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024

9:00 AM Holy Mass with Palms blessing, Procession and The Lord's Passion (the old rite). Breakfast will follow the Mass.

Holy Tuesday, March 26, 2024

Mass of Chrism and Spring Clergy Conference at Holy Trinity Parish (Woodlawn, NY)

Holy Wednesday, March 27, 2024

6:00 PM Holy Hour, Quiet Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and opportunity to individual Confession.

Maundy Thursday, March 28, 2024

7:00 PM Commemoration of the Institution of the Eucharist, Reception of the newly blessed Holy Oils, Last Supper Mass with the feet washing ceremony (Mandatum), Procession to the Altar of Repose, Adoration (church open till 10:00PM)

Good Friday, March 29, 2024

3:00 PM Stations of the Cross (outdoor), Good Friday Liturgy (contemporary rite): The Lord's Passion, Adoration of the Holy Cross, Holy Communion, Procession and the Opening of the Symbolic Grave (church will stay open, come and pray any time).

7:00 PM Bitter Lamentations

Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024

12:00 PM Blessing of the Easter Baskets

7:00 PM Easter Vigil Liturgy, the Blessing of the New Fire, the Blessing of the Paschal Candle and Holy Water, Exultet, Vigil Mass (contemporary rite).

Blessing of the Easter Baskets will follow the Vigil Mass.

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

10:00 AM Resurrection Procession and the Resurrection Mass.

