



St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church Wyalusing

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Extends a Warm Welcome to All



Mission Statement: We bring together a parish family to worship God, to evangelize the community, to encourage participation of youth and young adults in parish life, to pass on our faith to the next generation, to respect life and be good stewards of God's gifts.

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Introduction to the Blessing of Branches

We begin the celebration of Holy Week by calling down God's blessing upon the symbol that today's feast is named for: the palm branches that were used to welcome our Lord to Jerusalem. "Hosanna!" the crowds accompanying him cried out, praising the Son of man as he rode into the holy city "Hosanna!" the residents called out, eager to witness firsthand what this miracle worker would do. We sing hosannas today, as we enter the holiest week of the year, the week when we recall Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD March 24, 2024

Mass Schedule at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Wyalusing

Saturday Vigil – 6:00 PM Sunday – 11:00 AM

Wednesday & Friday – 12:00 Noon

Holy Days: 12 Noon

Confessions: 5:30 PM Sat. & 10:30 AM Sun.

***OR AS SCHEDULED INSIDE BULLETIN

Mass Schedule at SS Peter & Paul Church, Towanda

Saturday Vigil – 4:00 PM Sunday – 9:00 AM

Monday- No Mass

Tuesday – 6:00 PM

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday – 8:30 AM

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READINGS

MARCH 25TH
MONDAY OF HOLY WK
ISAIAH 42:1-7
GOSPEL: JOHN 12:1-11

MARCH 26TH
TUESDAY OF HOLY WK
ISAIAH 49:1-6
GOSPEL: JOHN 13:21-33,
36-38

MARCH 27TH
WED. OF HOLY WK
ISAIAH 50:4-9A
GOSPEL: MATTHEW
26:14-25

MARCH 28TH
THURSDAY
THE CHRISM MASS
ISAIAH 61:1-3A, 6A,
8B-9
REVELATION A:5-8
GOSPEL: LUKE 4:16-21

MARCH 29TH
GOOD FRIDAY
PASSION OF THE LORD
ISAIAH 52:13-53:12
HEBREWS 4:14-16; 5:7-9
JOHN 18:1-19:42

MARCH 30TH
SATURDAY
EASTER VIGIL
GENESIS 1:1-2:2
GENESIS 22:1-18
GOSPEL: MARK 16:1-7

MARCH 31ST
EASTER SUNDAY
ACTS OF THE APOSTLES
10:34A, 37-43
COLOSSIANS 3:1-4
GOSPEL: JOHN 20:1-9

PARISH BULLETIN CALENDAR

COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, GATHERINGS, ETC.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY: ROSARY AT 11:00 AM, ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT 11:30, MASS TO END ABORTION AT 12:00 NOON

FIRST FRIDAY & FIRST SATURDAY: MASS AT SS PETER & PAUL AT 8:30 AM

FEBRUARY 13TH THRU MARCH 26TH - FATHER JOSE – RECTORY, SET COOK – DONATIONS APPRECIATED!

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH –PALM SUNDAY – 11:00 AM PROCESSION WITH PALMS FROM THE HALL WITH THE CCD STUDENTS TO CHURCH. CONFESSIONS HEARD AFTER MASS.

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH- PENANCE SERVICE AT 2:00 PM AT ST. BASIL'S DUSHORE AND 4:30 PM AT CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, SAYRE

MONDAY, MARCH 25TH – FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION AT 12:00 NOON - NO MASS ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27TH

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH – MASS AT 6:00 PM OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AFTER MASS - ALTER OF REPOSE IN OFFICE AREA

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH- MASS AT 3:00 PM PASSION OF THE LORD

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH – BLESSING OF THE BASKETS AT 10:00 AM AT SS PETER & PAUL GROTTO HALL

EASTER VIGIL – MARCH 30TH – MASS AT 8:30 PM

EASTER SUNDAY – MARCH 31ST – MASS AT 11:00 AM RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

TUESDAY, APRIL 9TH- PICNIC MEETING IN HALL AT 5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH – MASS AT 5:30 & FINANCE MEETING AT 6:00 PM

SUNDAY, MAY 5TH – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AT 11:00 AM MASS

ST. MARY'S CHURCH is open from 8 AM to 2 PM weekdays. Please stop in and enjoy the real presence of Jesus in the tabernacle, especially during this Lenten season.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF MARCH 25TH – MARCH 31ST 2024

	INTENTION	OFFERED BY
Feast of the Annunciation Monday, March 25th 12:00 Noon	Repose of the Souls of Jim Harris And Rita Pepe	Gloria Harris
Holy Thursday, March 28 th 6:00 PM	Our Parishioners	Father Shinu
Good Friday, March 29 th 3:00 PM	Our Parishioners	Father Shinu
Easter Vigil 8:30 PM	Repose of the Soul of Lillian Salsman	Kusmierz Family
Easter Sunday, March 31 st 11:00 AM	Our Parishioners	Father Jose

MINISTRY

Lector Schedule
Holy Thursday
 March 28th
 Berger's
Good Friday
 March 29th
 Lou Ann Kilmer
Easter Vigil
 Bill Prichard
 Scott Latoski
 Eva Weaver
Easter Sunday
 Bergers

SERVERS

Holy Thursday - Shaffers
 Good Friday - Trowbridges
 Easter Vigil - Shaffers
 Easter Sunday - Trowbridge

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP WK OF 3/17/24

Loose	173.00
Offertory Env	2,050.00
Dues	21.00
Easter Flowers	75.00
Initial Offering	8.00
Good Friday	2.00
Total Offering to Parish General Fund	
\$2,329.00	
National Collections	
Care & Edu.	6.00
Catholic Relief	1.00
Rice Bowl	2.00
Total	\$9.00
Cemetery	6.00
Building	115.00
Total	\$121.00
TOTAL DEPOSITS	
\$2,459.00	

OUR WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Monthly Financial Obligations - \$4,000.00

General Collection Mar. 16th & 17th 2024 = \$2,329.00

Thank you for your continued generosity to our Parish!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED – Beatrice Chamberlin

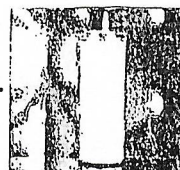
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE ENTRUSTED IN OUR PRAYERS FOR HEALING: Tolise Otis, Bob Franko, Ivette Gonzalez, Richard Bennett, Ginny Amoroso, William Walter, Jr., Chuck Bullock, Joan Abrey, John Armitage, Donna Elchin, Suky Burgess, Kelly Kulsicavage, Joe Friery, Joyce Hussong, Irene McMahon, Grace George, Marian Miller, Fred Storey, Stephanie McDevitt, Barbara Bodine, Cathy Stienbaugh, Sue Mullen, Mary Salay, Robert Gaumer, Silver Dempsey, Jean Caine, James Perella, Tammy Trauger, Paul & Sandra McIntyre, Keensley Middlecamp, Carmel Buneo, and Tina Clapper.

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the Sick, we ask that You restore Your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge Your holy will and know that whatever You do, You do for the love of us. Amen.

Sick, Hospitalized and Homebound, Please call the office or notify Father Jose.

SANCTUARY CANDLE will burn in loving memory throughout the entire month of March 2024 for Rose Belcher by the Kusmierz Family. Please remember Rose in your prayers.



*The Sanctuary Lamp
 The light that
 symbolizes the
 Eternal Sacrifice*

DEANERY PENANCE SERVICE – SUNDAY MARCH 24TH

2:00 PM, St. Basil's Church, Dushore

4:30 PM, Church of Epiphany, Sayre

ANNUAL CHRISM MASS

All the faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are invited to the annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, 315 Wyoming Ave., Scranton on Tuesday, March 26th at 4 PM. At this Mass, priests from throughout the Diocese will renew their priestly promises before the Bishop; and the oils to be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders will be blessed. Participation in the Chrism Mass is a beautiful way to pray for and support our priests and to express our unity as the Diocese of Scranton. For reserved seating, please contact the Office of Parish Life at 570-207-2213 or email at: oplgeneral@dioceseofscranton.org.

INQUIRING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Do you have questions about God or the Catholic faith or do you know someone who does? If you are interested in entering the Catholic Church or receiving Confirmation, or you're just curious about Catholicism, please contact Mike Kilmer at 570-721-0872 or mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com to get started.

RECTORY, SET, COOK CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS TO FATHER JOSE AND TEAM BRADFORD FOR PLACING 5TH AND RAISING \$9,568. IN THE COOK-OFF. (Fr. Jose, Fr. Shinu, Fr. Tony Mathew, Fr. Toomey, and Fr. Binesh) Donations are accepted through March 26th.

You can still help Father Jose and Team Bradford by donating on-line to Diocese of Scranton and select your "favorite Chef" and complete the donation information. You can also vote by writing a check to Father Jose Kuriappilly and on the memo line write TEAM BRADFORD. You may put your check in the offertory basket or drop off at the Office. Donations will benefit Catholic Social Services', Food Kitchens and Pantries, and Men's and Women's Shelters. All donations are tax deductible. Please support Father Jose and Team Bradford!

The Sixth Week of Lent: Palm Sunday

REPENT

Meditations for the
Season of Lent

AND BELIEVE

The King of the Jews

Mark 14:1–15:47

The final week of Jesus' life was filled with activity, from his triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Sunday until his death on Friday. We remember his actions, his prayers, his trial, his sufferings, and finally his death. As Lent draws to a close, we have the opportunity to join our sorrows more deeply with him so that we, too, can rise again with him on Easter.



POINTS TO PONDER

- What part of the Passion narrative touches you the most deeply?
- Can I set aside time this week to simply be in the presence of the Lord?
- As I prepare for Easter, am I spending as much time on spiritual preparations as I am on Easter baskets and a special meal?

Today we are given the entire story of the Passion that will play out this week. One way to enter more fully into these events is to imagine that you are present at Christ's passion. Take in the details and think about what you would have been thinking or feeling if you were present when Jesus entered into Jerusalem to be greeted by palms and "Hosannas." How would you have reacted when the woman poured precious oil on his feet? What would have been going through your mind at the Last Supper, the Garden of Gethsemane, or the way of the Cross? By allowing yourself to enter more fully into the experience of the Passion, Easter Sunday will become even more meaningful.

“And though every day a man lives may rightly be a day of repentance, yet is it in these days more becoming, more appropriate, to confess our sins, to fast, and to give alms to the poor; since in these days you may wash clean the sins of the whole year.”

— St. John Chrysostom



CATHOLIC INSIGHTS

Suffering Servant

The Old Testament, especially the Book of Isaiah, foretold that the Messiah would have to suffer and die. During this Holy Week, look up the following Scripture passages and see how they can be applied to Jesus, the Suffering Servant of God.

Isaiah 49

The words of God's servant about himself.

Isaiah 50

How salvation will come through the suffering of God's servant.

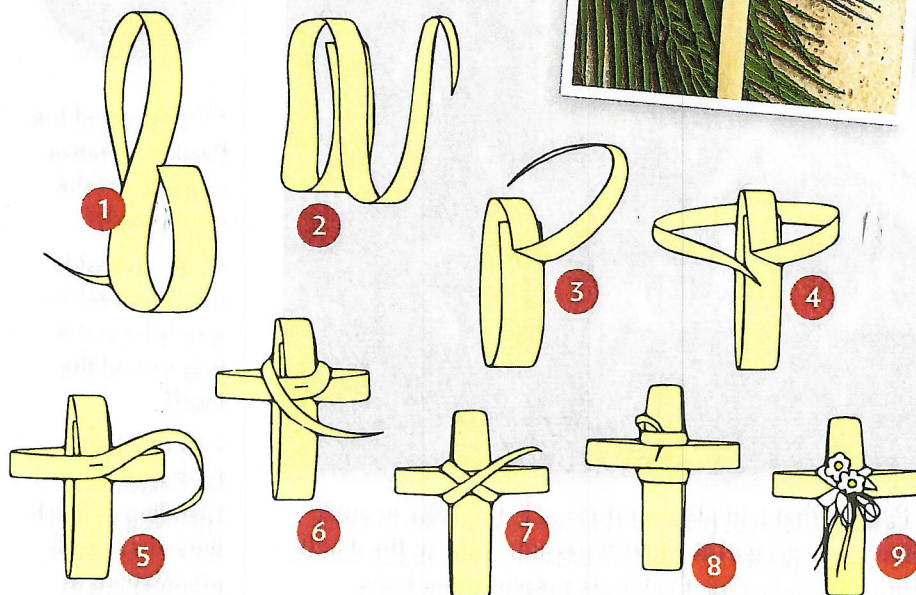
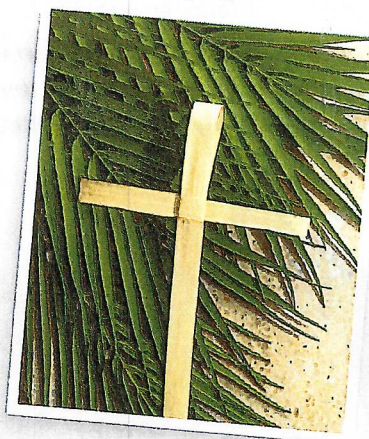
Isaiah 52

The suffering of God's servant will be the salvation of many nations and peoples.

FamilyActivity

Palm Crosses

A traditional way of preserving palms from one year to the next is to make palm crosses.



CatechismCONNECTION

"Jesus' entry into Jerusalem manifested the coming of the kingdom that the King-Messiah was going to accomplish by the Passover of his Death and Resurrection. It is with the celebration of that entry on Palm Sunday that the Church's liturgy solemnly opens Holy Week."

— Catechism of the Catholic Church, 560

Karen Callaway

LENT PRAYER

Unto to you, I cry, my God!

"My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?" — Psalm 22:2

Out of the depths of my sorrow, I call to you. Do not let me be forgotten, Lord, but hear and answer me.

SIGNS

OF THE SEASON

Holy Week

HOLY THURSDAY liturgy recalls the Last Supper and the First Eucharist, where Jesus models for us how to serve when he washes the disciples' feet. It also commemorates the establishment of the priesthood.

GOOD FRIDAY is the only day of the year on which Mass is not celebrated. The Good Friday liturgy, in its solemnity, invites us to enter deeply into the passion of Our Lord. This is a day of fasting and abstinence.

HOLY SATURDAY is the final day of preparation for Easter. During the Easter Vigil, new members are brought into the Church, and we celebrate the great mystery of our redemption. The Pascal candle that is lit at the Vigil remains throughout the year.

