Weekly Parish Bulletin

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Palm Sunday



"Hosanna in the highest. Blessed are You, Who have come to us so rich in love and mercy."

Sunday, March 24, 2024

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9 am Blessing & distribution of palms. Holy Mass.

Intention: In memory of Joyce Moskwa Kocsis, requested by Suzette Moskwa.

In memory of Mirosława Mędrek, requested by Elizabeth Kowalczyk.

INTRODUCTORY RITE (page 15)

ENTRANCE RITE (Psalm 24:9-10)

- V. 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.
- **V.** *Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered.*
- R. O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

Today's Reading Reading I (Isaiah 50:4-7)

L. 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.

- **L.** This is the word of the Lord.
- R. Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL (John 11:47-48)

- V. The chief priests and the Pharisees gathered with the council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs."
- R. If we let Him go on thus, everyone will believe in Him, and the Romans will come and destroy both our holy place and our nation."

Reading II (Philippians 2:6-11)

L. A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to Hebrews.

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, so 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.

- **L.** This is the word of the Lord.
- R. Thanks be to God.

TRACT (*Isaiah 62:10-11*)

- **V.** Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples.
- R. The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him."

Gospel (*Mark* 15:1-39)

V. The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

R. Glory be to You, Lord.

As soon as morning came, the chief priests with the elders and the scribes, that is, the whole Sanhedrin held a council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He said to him in reply, "You say so." The chief priests accused him of many things. Again Pilate questioned him, "Have you no answer? See how many things they accuse you of." 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 forward and began to ask him to do for them as he was accustomed. Pilate answered, "Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?" For he knew that it was out of envy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate again said to them in reply, "Then what do you want me to do with the man you call the king of the Jews?" They shouted again, "Crucify him." Pilate said to them, "Why? What evil has he done?" They only shouted the louder, "Crucify him." 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 revolutionaries, one on his right and one on his left. Those passing by reviled him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself by coming down from the cross." Likewise the chief priests, with the scribes, mocked him among themselves and said, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." 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 out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which is translated, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Some of the bystanders who heard it said, "Look, he is calling Elijah." One of them ran, soaked a sponge with wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink saying, "Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to take him down." Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

Here all kneel and pause for a short time.

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, "Truly this man was the Son of God!".

- **V.** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Today's Hymns

Entrance – All Glory Laud and Honor

Offertory Hymn – Hosana, Loud Hosanna

Communion Hymn – In Remembrance

Post-communion Hymn – Written In Red

Recessional Hymn – Lift High The Cross

Today:

The second collection at the door is for the Church utility.

PTO Bake and Butter Lamb Sale after 9 am Holy Mass.

Coffee fellowship after 9 am Holy Mass.

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, March 26 The Holy Mass of Chrism at 4 pm, followed by dinner.

This Week's Birthday:

James Krysztof



Easter Flowers

Donations are now being accepted for flowers to adorn the altars during the Easter season.

Please see Altar Sodality treasurer Jola Nowak to make your donation.

Checks should be made payable to: Holy Cross Church.

Thank You!

Scrip Card Order Change of Date!

The April date for taking Scrip Card orders is being changed from Sunday, April 7th to Sunday, March 31st due to vacation commitments.

Afterward, the dates will continue on the first Sunday of every month.

Cathy A. Bilinski

Mass & Devotions Schedule

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 Holy Tuesday

4 pm Holy Mass of Chrism.

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

7 pm The Bitter Lamentations (Part 3) (YouTube streaming)

Maundy Thursday, March 28, 2024

6:45 pm Adult General Confession.

7 pm Holy Mass and Holy Thursday Liturgy.

(YouTube streaming)

Good Friday, March 29, 2024

9 am The liturgy of Passion of our Lord.

(YouTube streaming)

Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024

9:30 am Holy Saturday Liturgy. (YouTube streaming)
Blessing of Food Baskets at 11:00

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024 Solemnity of the Resurrection of our Lord

8 am Procession and Holy Mass. (YouTube streaming) Intention: For all Parishioners.

