

Palm Sunday
Sunday, March 29, 2015



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- 5:00 + Margaret and Patrick Molloy
8:30 Parishioners of St. John
10:00 (Sp) Intention of Jesus Flores
11:30 + Janny Chan
1:00 (Sp) + Previsterio Gomez

Monday, March 30, Monday of Holy Week

- 9:00 + John, Jean & Bobby Tramontozzi
12:15 + Thomas Grier

Tuesday, March 31, Tuesday of Holy Week

- 9:00 + Sister Mary L. Scanlon, RJM
12:15 + Mary Coughlan
7:00 (Sp.) Mass of Thanksgiving

Wednesday, April 1, Wednesday of Holy Week

- 9:00 + Joseph Zane
12:15 + Teresa Maher

Thursday, April 2, HOLY THURSDAY

- 9:30 Morning Prayer
8:00 P.M. Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper

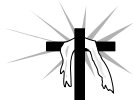
Adoration in the Lower Church after Mass until Midnight

Friday, April 3, GOOD FRIDAY

- 9:30 Morning Prayer
1:00 P.M. Outdoor Stations of the Cross
3:00 P.M. Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English)
7:00 P.M. Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Spanish)

Saturday, April 4, HOLY SATURDAY

- 9:30 Morning Prayer
8:00 P.M EASTER VIGIL



Sunday, April 5, EASTER SUNDAY

- 8:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m. (Spanish)
11:30 a.m.
1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS WEEK'S DONATIONS

The Wine and Hosts consecrated in the Upper Church for the week of March 29-April 4 in memory of:

BROTHER PETER STEWART, FSC

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower Church for the week of March 29-April 4 in memory of:

FR. MICHAEL J. KENNY, OAR

The Altar Candles burning in the Upper Church for the week of March 29-April 4 in memory of:

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.....

Fr. Peter J. McCrann, SMM, Lindsey Guzman, Alice Ann O'Donohue Mason, Noreen Liddane, Timothy Mahoney, Christiani Medenois.

We ask that you please notify the rectory when to remove a name from the list.



St. John Parish Goal: \$50,000

Amount Pledged: \$15,240

of Gifts: 44

Average Gift Amount: \$346.36

30% of Parish Goal

Please consider making your gift to support the various Archdiocesan pastoral, educational, and social services assisted by the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship.

Remember that you may make a pledge of an amount that you would like to give, make an initial payment, and then pay off the remaining amount over the coming months.

Many thanks to all who have already made their gift to the 2015 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal.

Reconciliation Monday

St. John's Parish will be joining other parishes throughout the Archdiocese of New York and the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Center in offering opportunities for individual confessions on Monday March 30th from 3:00 to 9:00 PM. The availability of the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the Monday of Holy Week is a spiritual way to experience God's love, mercy, and forgiveness in preparation for the celebration of the Paschal Triduum and the Easter season.

Our parish's celebration of Reconciliation Monday will begin with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the lower church at 3:00 pm, Eucharistic adoration throughout the afternoon and evening, and will conclude with Benediction prior to 9:00 pm.

Consider accepting the invitation of Lord to his disciples: "Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?" (Matthew 26:40) along with experiencing sacramental forgiveness "on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God" (2 Corinthians 5:20) on Reconciliation Monday.

Chrism Mass On Tuesday

On Tuesday March 31st, Cardinal Dolan will be celebrating the annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick at 4:00 pm. All clergy throughout the Archdiocese of New York are invited to attend this special Mass in which the renewal of priestly commitment is made along with the Cardinal blessing the holy oils (Sacred Chrism, Oil of Catechumens, Oil of the Sick) that are to be used in the parishes. All the faithful of the Archdiocese are invited to attend.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross in our Neighborhood

During the Fridays of Lent, our parish has been praying the Stations of the Cross/*Via Crucis* in the church. On Good Friday April 2nd, we will be praying the Way of the Cross in our Kingsbridge neighborhood streets. The procession will begin at 1:00 pm in front of St. John's Church, continues through the local streets with a police escort, and will conclude in the church prior to the 3:00 pm Good Friday Service. This is a fine way for our parish, especially young families to unite together to commemorate the journey of Jesus to Calvary. Please plan on joining us.

On Good Friday, April 3rd, *Communion and Liberation* will sponsor the Way of the Cross over the Brooklyn Bridge. Participants will congregate for the first station at St. James Cathedral, Brooklyn at 10:00 am. After a station on the Brooklyn Bridge, the procession will follow the cross to a third station at City Hall Park in Manhattan, and a fourth station near Ground Zero. The final station will be at St. Peter's Church on Barclay Street, concluding at 1:30 pm. At each station, there will be readings from the passion, a meditation, a reflection, and hymns. For more information, please call (212)337-3580 or visit www.wocbrooklynbridge.org

Via Crucis En El Puente De Brooklyn

El Viernes Santo, 3 de abril, *Comunión y Liberación* auspicia el Via Crucis sobre el Puente de Brooklyn. Los participantes se congregarán para la primera estación en la Catedral de St. James en Brooklyn a las 10:00 am. Después de la segunda estación sobre el Puente de Brooklyn, la procesión seguirá la cruz hacia la tercera estación en el parque de City Hall en Manhattan. La cuarta estación se realizará cerca a la Zona Cero. La estación final será en la Iglesia de St. Peter en la calle Barclay, concluyendo a las 1:30 pm. En cada estación, se realizará una lectura sobre la Pasión, una meditación, una reflexión e himnos. Para mayor información, por favor llamar (212)337-3580 o visitar www.wocbrooklynbridge.org

50th Wedding Anniversary Couples

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding anniversary anytime during 2015 are invited to attend the Annual Gold Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick on Saturday June 20th or Sunday June 21st at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the parish office to register. The closing date to register is Tuesday May 19th. This event is sponsored by the Family Life/Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

Cincuenta Aniversario de Bodas

Todas las parejas que celebran sus 50 años de casados en el año 2015 están invitadas a la Misa Anual de Cincuenta Aniversario de Bodas. La Santa Misa será celebrada por el Cardenal Dolan el sábado 20 y domingo 21 de junio a las 2:00 pm en la Catedral de San Patricio. Favor de escoger una de las dos fechas y contactar la oficina de St. John para inscribirse. El último día para inscribirse es el martes, 19 mayo. Esta celebración está patrocinada por la Oficina de Vida Familiar y Respeto a la Vida de la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York.

by Rev. William J. Reilly

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 29, 2015**

“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.’ ... ‘My God, my God, why have you abandoned me... But you O Lord, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me’ ... Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross...”

The events of this week are so well known. We enter the holy city with our palms. We sit at the table for the Passover meal. Puzzled as Jesus humbly washes feet, we receive our mandate to serve others.

We leave for the Garden of Olives and are asked to pray, if only for an hour. Jesus is taken, arrested like a common criminal, unjustly tried and condemned. Savagely led through the streets, He is hoisted upon a cross and left to die. With Mary and John we remain faithful at the foot of the cross. Good Friday sadness will lead to Easter joy.

The events of Holy Week continue today. Many are walking the Via Dolorosa as refugees, asylees, the terminally ill, homeless and unemployed. The passion continues to be played out where others, like Christ, seek our compassion and support.

The Lord does not abandon them, as the psalm states, when we respond to their need.

“Pero el Señor viene en mi ayuda: por eso, no quedé confundido; por eso, endurecí mi rostro como el pedernal, y sé muy bien que no seré defraudado.’ ... ‘Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has abandonado?’ ... ‘Pero tú, Señor, no te quedes lejos; tú que eres mi fuerza, ven pronto a socorrerme’ ... ‘se humilló hasta aceptar por obediencia la muerte y muerte de cruz.’”

Los eventos de esta semana son bien conocidos. Entramos a la ciudad santa con nuestros ramos. Nos sentamos a la mesa de la cena de Pascua. Sorprendidos de que Jesús humildemente lave los pies, recibimos nuestro mandato de servir a otros.

Salimos al Jardín de los Olivos y se nos pide orar, aunque sea una hora. Jesús es prendido, arrestado como a un criminal común, juzgado y condenado injustamente. Salvajemente se le llevó por las calles, se le cuelga de una cruz para que muera. Con María y Juan nos quedamos fielmente al pie de la cruz. La tristeza del Viernes Santo nos lleva a la alegría del Domingo de Pascua.

Los eventos de la Semana Santa continúan hoy. Muchos caminan la Vía Dolorosa como refugiados, asilados, o desahuciados, indigentes y desempleados. La pasión continúa desarrollándose en donde otros, como Cristo, buscan nuestra compasión y ayuda.

El Señor no los abandono, como lo indica el salmo, cuando respondemos a su necesidad.

Easter Flowers

Specially marked envelopes are available in the church for those who wish to donate with the decoration of both the upper and lower church for Easter with lilies and flowers. Families may use this opportunity to remember family members and loved ones at Easter. Memorial donations will be remembered during the Easter Season at the Sunday 8:30 am Mass. Your generosity is appreciated.

SU PALABRA HOY

por el Reverendo William J. Reilly

**Domingo de Ramos de la Pasión del Señor
29 de marzo de 2015**