

PALM SUNDAY



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Palm Sunday of The Lord's Passion

April 5, 2009

Once again we hear the story of Jesus' last days according to the Gospel of Mark. Jesus had choices. He could have fled the city, allowed his followers to fight for him or at the very least defended himself against the false accusations brought against him. He struggled to accept what he knew the Father wanted of him. We also face hard choices at times. The people around us offer advice and encourage us to do what they see as the best way to handle the situation. Ultimately, like Jesus, we need to go aside to pray and reflect and seek God's will for us. We may not like the answer. We may be afraid to do what we believe is right. But we are not alone. Jesus has shown us the way and the Spirit will help us if we surrender ourselves to God's will.

But you, O Lord, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me.

Psalm 22:19

MASSSES for the WEEK

Sat	4/4	5:00	†Jose Roel
Sun	4/5	9:00	John Hougham
		11:00	†Walt Herrlinger
		5:00	Lorraine Jacop
Mon	4/6	9:00	Tory Lupinetti
Tue	4/7	9:00	†Anna & †Anthony Grubensky
Wed	4/8	9:00	Our Parish Family
Thur	4/9	7:00	
Fri	4/10		
Sat	4/11	8:00	†Marylouise Boehner
Sun	4/12	7:30	Our Parish Family
		9:00	John Hougham
		11:00	†Jessie Rossi

Remember In Your Prayers

Gus Aiello, Dick Bruhn, Mary Carnazzo, Janet Cohen, Al DeCarli, John Douglas, Amber DuBois, Cliff Escobar, Jasper Foletta, John Foster, Adam Garcia, Joey Gardner, Christopher Gomez, John Hougham, Tom, Lynn Huff, Sr. Marie, Maggie Horowitz, Lorraine Jacop, Sylvia Jaksha, Lou Kelner, Joe Leavitt, Bill Lee, Bea Lynch, Petra Macfarlane, Dan Menke, Bill Moreno, Ramon Nierva, Sr. Ryan Perry, Ed Roberti, Paddy Roche, Keri Rothouse, Joann Ryan, Vicky Scaqua-LaForge, Rodney Scandrett, Tamara Shipley, Catherine Shive, Carson & Pam Souza, Brittany, Suzanne Stewart, Bonnie Stoeberl, Sara Thomas, Jim Thornberry, Gene Tissot, Garrett Weeks, Bob Whitaker, Penny Austin-Wilson, Sandy Wilt and Vicky Woods.

If you or someone you know would like the faith community of St. Joseph's Parish to join you in prayer for special needs, contact the parish office, 455-2249. We do remove names after one month, so if we have taken a name from the list of a person still in need of prayers, please give us a call and we will happily put him or her back on the list.

For Your Information

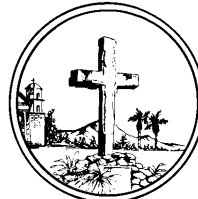
Sunday Plate

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Liturgical colors: Wear white for Holy Thursday and red on Good Friday.

Meetings This Week

Easter Vigil Practice	Mon, 7:00, church
RCIA	Tues, 7:00, hall
Scripture Study	Weds, 9:30, 7:00, hall
Environment Committee	Weds, 5:30, church
Stations Practice	Thurs, 2:30, church
Environment Committee	Thurs, 8:00, church
Stations of The Cross	Fri, 12:00, church
Environment Committee	Fri, 3:30, church



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Bishop's Annual Ministries Appeal

Thank you to the families who have already pledged to support the mission of the church through their financial contribution to the 2009 AMA. If you have not yet made your pledge, won't you please consider doing it today? There are envelopes in the back of church. *Thank you & God bless.*

Religious Education Notes

There will be no religious education classes from Sunday, 4/5/09, – Tuesday, 4/15/09.

Have a Blessed Easter!

RE Staff and Catechists

Holy Thursday's collection will go to Dorothy's Kitchen.

Students from Palma High School will be selling Easter Lilies after the masses this Sunday for \$10.00.



The parish office will be closed Good Friday through Easter Monday.

15th Annual Bishop's Golf Tournament, May 8, 2009

Bishop Richard Garcia invites you and your friends to join him on Friday, May 8 for a fun day of golf at Rancho Cañada Golf Club, followed by a delicious dinner and silent and live auctions. The proceeds from this event provide tuition assistance for Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Monterey and the Direct Aid Program of Catholic Charities. Last year's tournament provided significant help to these valuable programs. If you have not participated before, you are encouraged to join us and help make this event successful. Wonderful challenges and prizes await you. For more information call 831-373-1834 or visit www.dioceseofmontereyonline.org/golftournament.htm.



Coming This Summer...

Vacation Bible School

June 22 – 26, 9am to 12noon
Watch for information and set aside this week for fun!

For children grades K-5. Interested in helping? Teens can earn some easy and fun community service hours. Call the RE Office at 455-8720 for more information.

Lend a Foot!

Every year at the Mass of Lord's Supper, we remember that command and renew our efforts to follow it. On this night, we ritualize the action Jesus showed us in the hope that we will carry the message of that action into our daily lives. So this year, during the Mass of the Lord's Supper, when you are invited to come forward to have your feet washed, don't be shy. Come forward and allow your feet — or a foot — to be washed.

Stay with me...

After communion at The Mass of the Lord's Supper, the blessed Sacrament is taken in procession to the Chapel of Repose. At St. Joseph's that chapel is set up in the hall. The Blessed Sacrament may remain there until midnight, as long as someone is present to watch and pray. In fact, all the faithful are encouraged to remain in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament on this night when we commemorate the institution of the Eucharist. All are welcome to stay as brief or as long a time as possible.

Please pray for... Philip Zarate, Brian Flannery, Jeff Huff, Nathan Cuellar, William H. Buckley, Tim Bianchini, Brian Foote, and all the other brave men and women serving our country overseas.

If you have a loved one serving in a foreign country, give us a call so we can put them on our special prayer list.

Stations of



the Cross

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As has been our tradition for many years here in our parish, the "Living" Stations of the Cross, dramatized by the youth of St. Joseph's Parish, will be held on Good Friday, April 10 beginning at noon in the church.

A brief period of refreshment immediately follows. The Good Friday Liturgy begins at approximately 1:30 PM in the church.

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Monday, April 6, 11:00 AM, at Madonna del Sasso Church, 320 E. Laurel Drive, Salinas. All are invited and encouraged to attend this liturgy where the Oils will be blessed and the Chrism that is used within our parish this year will be consecrated. We have asked members of our parish community to go in the name of our parish to receive the Oils for all of us. Darin Goetz will receive the Oil of Catechumens for all who will be baptized this year. Lynne Riechers-Knott will receive the Oil of the Sick for all those who will receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick this year. And Sean Jones will receive the Chrism for all of those who will be baptized and confirmed this year. Let us hold all of these people in our prayers today and throughout this week.



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Holy Thursday

April 9, 7:00 pm

Good Friday

April 10, 12:00 to 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil

April 11, 8:00 pm

There are no morning Masses on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday

Easter Sunday Masses

7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

There will be no 5:00 pm Mass