

St. Hugh of Lincoln Roman Catholic Church

"Never have so few done so much so well for so long!"

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March 26th Passion Sunday

† Announcements †

Our 54-day Rosary Novena continues for Shannon Schwab.

Next Saturday is First Saturday. There will be Benediction after the mass.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. The High Mass begins with the blessing and distribution of palms, which is followed by the procession with the palms and then Mass. Due to the length of the ceremonies, there will not be any Stations of the Cross next Sunday.

Due to the length of Palm Sunday ceremonies, we will not have the blessing of religious articles after the Masses.

■Set Your Missal:

Mass: Palm Sunday. Prayer against the Persecutors of the Church. Passion. Preface of the Holy Cross. At the Low Mass, Proper Last Gospel taken from the Blessing of Palms.

Collection Totals:

High Mass: 50 souls, \$1,248 Low Mass: 36 souls, \$556

<u>& The Sanctuary Lamp</u> will burn this week for the following Intention: **Bp. Daniel Dolan (Neil & Shannon Schwab)**

Server Schedule

Friday, March 31st: Sandbergs

Saturday, April 1st: Andrew Kimpel

Sunday, April 2nd:

High Mass: MC: Brian Kimpel **TH:** David Sandberg, **AC:** Timothy & Andrew Sandberg **Torches:** Dominic & Christopher Scheeler,

Cross: Aleks Tobias Usher: Bob Mueller

Low Mass: Andrew Kimpel & Seamus O'Conner Usher: Jeff Kimpel

Devotion to the Passion

Pain is a desperately difficult thing to bear; is bodily or mental pain worst?

But the soul made miraculously to feel the pain of sense, and this by God—this must be terrific. Will it ever happen to us? Yes, to most of us, probably to all, for a long time, and to such a degree that the very angels shudder at the vision of it. Let us think of this.

- I. Of course, the great thing is to be saved: yet purgatory presents most serious reflections.
 - 1. Any terrible punishment hanging over us is a fear.
 - 2. Its uncertain severity: yet all *divine* punishments are necessarily severe.
 - 3. Thus death is not a rest, but the beginning of a punishment.
 - 4. All little carelessnesses are laying up more fire for us.
 - 5. Our own experience of the little charity there is for the Holy Souls: it is astonishing how little.
- II. It seems from revelations as if the length of purgatories were increasing. Why?
 - 1. From want of bodily penances.
 - 2. From the increase of comforts and luxuries.
 - 3. From the worldliness of modern devout people.
 - 4. From the quickness, multitude, and variety of occupations.
 - 5. From a singular want of discernment of God and His claims, brought about by the atmosphere of heresy and unbelief.
- III. The Carmelite revelation about Purgatory and Devotion to the Passion.
 - 1. The passion obviously the standing, unintermitting devotion.
 - 2. Only from it can true contrition come, because only from it comes a real understanding of sin.
 - 3. From it also comes the spirit of mortification and robust piety.
 - 4. It supplies instincts and principles of a Christian sort more than any other devotion.

- 5. It is the best protection against the self-indulgent and self-dispensing spirit of worldliness.
- 6. How acceptable to our Lady: Because it is the tenderest worship of Jesus and so most like her own; Because it roots the love of Him most deeply in us—which is her grand joy, her double love, yet single love, of Him and of us; Because it is the continuation of her own Dolors, and of the worship they were to Jesus; Because it best enables us to understand her; Because her Maternity of us came out of it.

The heart can have tears even when the eyes have none. One tear of the heart over the Passion of our Blessed Lord! how much of the cruel fire beneath the earth has it the power to quench—and how piercingly we shall one day moan for ever so little a quenching! – Faber's Works, "Notes on Doctrinal Subjects"

St. Francis de Sales on Prayer

Whoever speaks of a life of prayer (whether it is spoken or mental) also speaks about times for prayer. Then an objection arises: we are overloaded with work, we have no or little time to pray. That is a hasty type of reasoning, a little like the hurried driver who, under the pretext of having a long way to go, wanted to avoid losing time and refused to stop for gas. A Christian should know to stop and pray. The time he could give to the Lord certainly depends upon his circumstances; above all on his greater or lesser faith and generosity. Let us respect our true priorities: "The time that we determine to give to God in prayer, let us give it to Him with our free and unencumbered thoughts, with the resolution of never taking it back, no matter what happens to us, and keep this time for things which no longer belong to us." (A letter from St. Francis de Sales to St. Jane Frances de Chantal.)

– Fifteen Days of Prayer with St. Francis de Sales

Sancti Venite

(From Ancient Irish Antiphon)

Draw nigh, ye holy ones, draw nigh, And take the Body of the Lord; And drink the Blood outpoured By which redeemed ye shall not die.

The Giver of Salvation, He, The Christ, the Son of God above, Restored unto His Father's love The world, by Blood and by the Tree.

From north to south, from west to east,
For all the sacrifice is given—
For all is slain the Lord of heaven,
Himself the Offering and the Priest.

Read well the story through and through Of victims bleeding at the shrine, Types of a Mystery more divine, And shadows of a Truth more true:

The source and stream—The first and last— Even Christ, the Lord who died for men, Now comes; but He will come again To judge the world when time hath passed.

Prayer to Our Lady of Sorrows for a Happy Death

Oh Mary, Refuge of Sinners, sweet Mother, I entreat thee by the Sorrows thou didst experience in beholding thy Diving Son dying on the Cross, help me by thy merciful intercession when my soul is about to leave this world; drive away all evil spirits, come to meet my soul, and present it to the Eternal Judge. O! Queen of Heaven, do not abandon thy child. Next to Jesus thou wilt be my comfort in that fearful hour. Ask of Him to grant me the grace to die kissing in spirit His holy feet, adoring His sacred wounds, and saying with my last breath, "Jesus and Mary, I give you my heart and my soul." Amen

Seven Hail Marys (Pius VII granted an Indulgence of 300 days)

Note from Father

Dear Faithful,

We have arrived today into the core of our Lenten season. The Church adds mortification to our sacrifices, as She shrouds our holy images, removes the Gloria Patri, and even Psalm 42 from the prayers of the foot of the altar. We now move with Our Lord towards the darkness of His Passion and death. We start to leave the distractions of the world around us behind, when we can, and we focus our attention on the Divine. Our Redemption is near at hand...The price of our sins is soon to be paid by Innocence Itself.

I make the quick jaunt this weekend down to Dallas, TX to say Mass at the St. Anthony Mission. I am quite excited, as it will be the first time I have been able to offer Mass in our new rental space. I have seen it a couple times while it was under construction and have been shown pictures of it completed, but this will be my first visit...very exciting!

This coming week has the feast of St. John Capistrano, which is the day the swallows are supposed to return to Capistrano, CA, marking the true start to spring. I don't know if the swallows are always punctual to their feast day, but I do know the beginning of spring has arrived in West Chester, OH. Why?? Because, just as sure as the swallows return to Capistrano in spring, the Turkey Vultures arrive back to West Chester...And their ghoulish frames have started casting shadows as they circle overhead.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and it marks the start of Holy Week. I will be with you for the weekend of Palm Sunday, as well as for all the Sacred Triduum and Easter.

In Christ,

Fr. Stephen McKenna

This Week's Schedule

(Rosary Novena Key- J=Joyful, S=Sorrowful, G=Glorious)

Mon	3/27/23	St. John Damascene (15-G)
Tue	3/28/23	St. John Capistrano (16-J)
Wed	3/29/23	Ferial Day (17-S)
Thu	3/30/23	Ferial Day (18-G))
	6:30 PM	Stations & Rosary
Fri	3/31/23	Seven Sorrows of the BVM (19-J)
	5:20 PM	Confession
	6:00 PM	Mass & Benediction Bp. Charles McGuire
		(Bob & Bridget Mueller)
Sat	4/1/23	Ferial Day (20-S)
		First Saturday
	7:30 AM	Confessions
	8:00 AM	Mass & Benediction Frs. Brueggemann,
		Ojeka, Okerulu, & Simpson (Bob & Bridget
		Mueller)
Sun	4/2/23	Palm Sunday (21-G)
	8:00 AM	Confessions & Rosary
	8:45 AM	Blessing of Palms & High Mass Brian J. Betts
		(Barbara Modrzyk)
	10:45 AM	Confessions, Rosary
	11:15 AM	Low Mass For People of St. Hugh
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General Information

Baptism: By appointment. At least one parent as well as the sponsors must be practicing Roman Catholics who attend the Traditional Latin Mass exclusively.

Confession: Before Mass on Sundays, and other times as indicated in the weekly bulletin.

Confirmation: Solemnly administered periodically in the year and may be administered privately by request. Catholics who received confirmation in the post Vatican II rite (1971) should arrange to receive confirmation conditionally in the traditional rite.

First Holy Communion: Administered each year on the Sunday after Corpus Christi. Adequate knowledge of the catechism is required.

Matrimony: If you are contemplating marriage, please make an appointment to speak with a priest before you set a date. At least one of the parties must be a practicing traditional Catholic and member of this parish. Weddings are forbidden during Advent and Lent.

Communion for the Sick: Please contact the pastor or coordinator when a church member is hospitalized or too ill to attend Mass.

Extreme Unction: Do not put off making arrangements until the last moment, but contact the pastor or coordinator promptly if a church member is gravely ill or in danger of death.

Decorum in Church: Respect for God in the Blessed Sacrament requires a reverent silence. Please turn off cell phones and keep children well behaved. Both young and old should wear dignified and modest clothes in church, and women should wear a dress or skirt, and a veil or hat. Veils are available in the vestibule. Men should wear shirt and tie as well as a jacket or sweater.

Holy Communion: Only baptized practicing Catholics in the state of grace may receive Holy Communion. You must be fasting:

- Three hours from solid foods and alcoholic beverages.
- One hour from other liquids.
- Water may be taken at any time.

The communicant kneels at the communion rail, and receives the Blessed Sacrament on the tongue. The communicant does not say "Amen" after the priest says "Corpus Domini nostri Jesu Christi custodiat animam tuam in vitam aeternam. Amen."

Singing: The faithful are invited to join in singing any hymns preceding or following the Mass, but only the choir sings during the course of the Mass.

DAILY MORNING PRAYER

Lord, I lay before Thee my weak heart, which Thou fillest with good desires. Thou knowest that I am unable to bring the same to good effect, unless Thou bless and prosper them, and therefore, O Loving Father, I entreat Thee to help me by the merits and Passion of Thy dear Son, to Whose honor I would devote this day and my whole life. – *St. Francis de Sales*

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MONDAY IN PASSION WEEK

The sweet Jesus was scourged, crowned, condemned, mocked, and rejected as man, devoted, destined, and dedicated to carry out and endure the opprobriums and ignominies due in punishment to all sins, and He served as a general sacrifice for sin, being made as it were an anathema, separated from and abandoned by His Eternal Father.

The divine Savior wished to die in the flames of love, because of the infinite charity He bore towards us, and by the force and power of love; that is to say, He would die in love, by love, for love, and of love. This is what He Himself says: No one takes away My life, but I lay it down of Myself, for I have power to lay it down and to take it up again.—He was offered, says Isaias, because He wished it.

- Consoling Thoughts of St. Francis de Sales

TUESDAY IN PASSION WEEK

He wished, even after His death, to have His side opened, that we might see the thoughts of His Heart, which were all thoughts of love, and that we might go to Him with confidence in order to hide ourselves in His side, and to receive from Him an abundance of graces and benedictions. In this manner, from the first moment of His life until the present hour, has the kind Jesus been continually drawing arrows, if we may so speak, from the quiver of His love, with which to wound the souls of His lovers, showing them clearly that they can never love Him near so much as He deserves. My God, could He show more love to sinners than to become a perfect holocaust for their sins? Ah! if we could see the Heart of Jesus such as it is, we should die of love for Him, since we are mortal, as He died of love of us, while He was mortal, and as He would die again, if He were not now immortal. Nothing has so much power to wound a loving heart as to see another heart wounded for love of it.

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WEDNESDAY IN PASSION WEEK

Since Our Lord has so much loved us, that He has equally redeemed all, bedewed us with His divine Blood, and called us to Himself, without excluding anyone; since He has become all ours, to make us all His, giving us His death and His life to deliver us from eternal death and to procure us the joys of eternal life, that we may belong to Him in this mortal

life and yet more perfectly in the next; what remains, what conclusion have we to draw, unless that living we should no longer live for ourselves, but for Jesus Christ Who died for us; that is, we should consecrate to Him every moment of our life, referring to His glory our works, our thoughts, and our affections?

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THURSDAY IN PASSION WEEK

My soul, live henceforward amid the scourges and the thorns of thy Savior, and there, as a nightingale in its bush, sing sweetly: Live Jesus, Who didst die that my soul might live! Ah, Eternal Father! What can the world return Thee for the present Thou hast made it of Thy only Son? Alas! to redeem a thing so vile as I, the Savior delivered Himself to death, and, unhappy me! I hesitate to surrender my nothingness to Him Who has given me everything.

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FRIDAY IN PASSION WEEK THE SEVEN SORROWS

St. Paul, the incomparable master, the great doctor of the infant Church, made Jesus Christ on the cross the delightful object of his love, the sweet subject of his discourses, the end of all his aspirations in this world, and the foundation of all his hopes in eternity. "I have judged myself," he says, "to know nothing but my Jesus

crucified; God forbid that I should ever glory in any other thing than in the cross of my Jesus, and think not that I have any other life than that of the cross; for I assure you that I so feel and behold everywhere the cross of my Savior, that by His grace I am altogether crucified to the world, and the world is entirely crucified to me." Blessed is the soul which thus everywhere finds Jesus Christ crucified!

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SATURDAY IN PASSION WEEK

It will be useful always to carry the crucifix about with us, to kiss it often with love, to look upon it with respect and tenderness, saying at times:

O Jesus, the beloved of my heart, permit me to press Thee to my breast as a bundle of myrrh; I promise that my mouth, which is so happy as to kiss Thy holy cross, shall abstain from deceits, from murmurs, from every word that might displease Thee; that my eyes, which behold Thy tears and Blood flowing for my sins, shall look no more upon the vanities of the world, or anything that might expose me to offend Thee; that my ears, which hear with so much consolation the seven words pronounced on the cross, shall take no more pleasure in empty praise, in useless conversation, in words that wound the neighbor; that my mind, after having studied with so much relish the mystery of the cross, shall be closed against all vain or

evil thoughts and imaginations; that my will, submissive to the laws of the cross and to the love of Jesus crucified, shall have only charity towards my brethren; that, in fine, nothing shall enter into or depart from my heart, without the permission of this holy cross, the sacred sign of which I trace upon myself at rising and at going to rest, and in all the sorrows of life.

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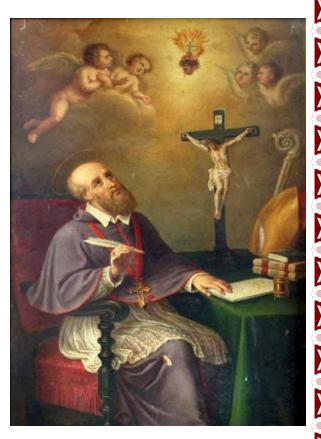
PALM SUNDAY

Do not look forward to the occurrences of this life with fear, but accept them with perfect confidence that, as they happen, God will protect and deliver you; He has guarded you until the present, hold fast by the hand of His Providence, and He will assist you on all occasions: and where you cannot walk, He will carry you. What should you fear, belonging to God, Who has so emphatically assured us, that *all things work together for good to those who love Him?*

The true servant of God is not solicitous about the morrow; he performs faithfully what God requires of him today, and will perform what God will require of him tomorrow, and the same the next day, and the next day, without a word. Thus he unites his will, not to the means of serving God, but to the service and good pleasure of God.

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Paily Thoughts and Prayers

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