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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

April 5, 2009

[Christ Jesus] humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. — *Philippians 2:8*



There is an old spiritual hymn "Were You There". It has only four verses but each verse asks a question. The first verse asks; 'were you there when they crucified my Lord? The last question that is asked; 'were you there when they rolled the stone away'? As we begin Holy Week we are asked to enter into the liturgical celebrations that define who we are. We are asked to enter into the death and resurrection of Christ.

Palm Sunday or Passion Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week, the most sacred time of the church year. Jesus enters in triumph into Jerusalem, but before the week is over he will be executed as a criminal. Judas will betray him, Peter will deny him and he will be abandoned by all. This week highlights the peak moments of Christ's love for us. It gives us the opportunity to look at our lives and accept responsibility for our sins.

Make a special effort to attend the church ceremonies that dramatizes the last agonizing moments of our Savior's life. Listen to the passion story in a spirit of prayer and embrace its message. There is no point in comforting ourselves with the thought that a group of Jews and Romans crucified Christ two thousand years ago. Were you there? If we are honest we can see shades of ourselves in all those who had a hand in the death of Jesus. Peter, Pilate, the soldiers and the jeering crowds should give us all pause to reflect. Lurking within each of us sleeps the same treachery.

"Were you there when they rolled the stone away"? St. Paul tells us "yes" through our baptism; "If we have died with him we will surely rise with him." This is Christ's victory, this is our victory, this is our week.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ST. DUNSTAN PARISH....

- Tuesday, April 7** **Novena** in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after the 8 am Mass
No CCD today
- Thursday, April 9** **Bible Study** at 10 am in the Convent
Prayer group meets at Mary mount Green Hills at 7:30 pm
Holy Thursday, See Holy Week Schedule
- Friday, April 10** **Good Friday, see Holy Week Schedule**
- Saturday, April 11** **See Holy Week Schedule**
Retrouaille meets in the convent
- Monday thru Saturday** Morning Prayer in the church at 7:15 am
- Monday thru Friday** Rosary recited in the church at 7:40 am

The Knights of Columbus, St. Dunstan Council, invite all members of the parish to a social gathering after the 10:00 AM mass on Sunday, April 5, in the convent. We will serve hot and cold beverages and some sweets. Bring the whole family and celebrate Palm Sunday.

There will be no 5:10 pm Mass on Tuesday, April 7th. All priests of the parish will be attending the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral that evening.

Parishioners Save the Date!

St. Dunstan Catholic School will be hosting its 7th Annual International Food Festival on Saturday, April 25th from 5 pm to 9 pm at the Parish Center.. Adults: \$35, seniors: \$20, children \$15, children 4 and under FREE. Enjoy foods from all over the world while enjoying entertainment and music and lots of activities for the children. A raffle will be held. The First Prize is \$1,500. Raffle tickets can be purchased after Mass outside the church. All proceeds will benefit St. Dunstan School.

For more information and reservations call 650/697-8119.



ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION COMMUNION BRUNCH

ICF Branch 403, St. Dunstan Church, will join ICF Branch 173, Our Lady of Angels, for a joint Communion Brunch on Sunday, April 26, 2009. Mass will be at 10:00 AM at St. Dunstan Church, 1133 Broadway, Millbrae, CA 94030. Brunch will follow at the Terrace Café at the El Rancho Inn, 1100 El Camino Real, Millbrae, CA. The cost for members is \$15, guests, \$20. The cost for children under 10 is \$8, and age 5 and under is free. The brunch includes, juice, fresh fruit, eggs Florentine and scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes, sweet rolls and coffee. For reservations, please call Kay Lucio at 650/697-7460 Reservation deadline is April 20. Please no checks at the door.

ST. DUNSTAN HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2009

PALM SUNDAY

5:00 pm Saturday

Palm Sunday Masses: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 5:00 p.m.

Blessing of Palms at all Masses



HOLY THURSDAY

8:00 am Morning Prayer

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper with washing of the feet

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY

8:00 am Morning Prayer

12:30 pm Stations of the Cross

1:00 pm Seven Last Words

2:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy and Holy Communion with the dramatization of the Passion by our 8th grader students

4:00 -5:00 p.m. Confessions

CONCLUSION OF ALL COMMUNAL LITURGIES

HOLY SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

11:00 - Noon Confessions

3:30 -5:00 p.m. Confessions

EASTER VIGIL 8:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

NO 5:00 pm Mass

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Everyone 14 years of age and older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

Everyone 18 years of age and older but under the age of 60 is also bound to fast Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days, the law of fast allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food during the day, so long as this does not constitute another full meal. Drinking liquids during the day is permitted.

When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. In doubt concerning fast or abstinence, a priest assigned to pastoral ministry or confessor should be consulted. In the spirit of penance, the faithful should not lightly excuse themselves from this obligation.

Parishioners are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent, and to attend Morning Prayer at 7:15 am, and one of the three daily Masses at 6:30 am, 8:00 am and 5:10 pm.

Stations of the Cross are held Fridays at 2:15 pm & 7 pm.



Last weekend's
Regular Collection: \$9,736.00

Thank you for all your support!

The members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society wish to thank all of you who contributed to last weekend's 5th Sunday Collection. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
- Monday: Monday of Holy Week
- Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week;
World Health Day
- Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week;
Passover begins at sunset
- Thursday: Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins; Paschal full moon
- Friday: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion;
Fast and Abstinence
- Saturday: Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

Many thanks to those who served as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers this weekend:

Sat. April 4

5:00 PM Lector: *L. Clothakis*

Eucharistic Ministers: J Clothakis, B&G Borba, J Ryan, C Orfino, F Axiaq

Altar Servers: Jose, Peralta, Peralta, Panopio

Sun. April 5

7:00 AM Lector: *R. Flahavan*

Eucharistic Ministers: B Albright, B Rogers, M Hutchings

Altar Servers: Puzon, Pidlaoan, Pramono, Pucci

8:30 AM Lector: *E. Linak*

Eucharistic Ministers: J Lilles, M Leland, D Lawson, D Magsaysay, M Anderegg, R Pezo

Altar Servers: Rossi, Salameh, Salem, Salinda

10:00 AM Lector: *P. Maloney*

Eucharistic Ministers R&C Fry, J&F Sigona, A&D Vogl, G Maldonado

Altar Servers: Yip, Uchi-Tabaloc, Sheker, Sheker

11:30 AM Lector: *P. Hain*

Eucharistic Ministers: C Cannizzaro, M Rogers, T Dizon, B Tiamson, B santos, C Caimotto

Altar Servers: Ronquillo, Reyes, Hain, Hain

5:00 PM Lector: *S Santana*

Eucharistic Ministers: K Babasa, P Borromeo, H Santana, K Phelps, B Cappel, F Gutierrez

Altar Servers: Totah, Totah, Wilkom, Yee

Special thanks to all of our ushers for their dedicated service at our weekend Masses.

Mass Intentions for the Week
April 5– April 11, 2009

<u>Sunday</u>	7:00 am	For Parish
<u>Monday</u>	6:30 am	Fred Dehlinger
	8:00 am	Paul Priolo
	5:10 pm	Joseph & Albina Caimotto
<u>Tuesday</u>	6:30 am	Santa Morllo & Maria Caruso
	8:00 am	Jeanne Dan
	5:10 pm	No 5:10 pm Mass today
<u>Wednesday</u>	6:30 am	Stephen Warner
	8:00 am	Joseph P. Monte
	5:10 pm	Dylan Cappel
<u>Holy Thursday</u>		
<u>Good Friday</u>		
<u>Holy Saturday</u>		

We pray for the sick members of our parish family and for those who care for them: Madison Kitz, William Dill, Ted & Eileen Damian, Pat Saracini, Bill Barca, Helen & Vicky Noceti, Irene Thommen, Kyong Cruz, Ciera Whipple, Dorothy Rives, Elsie Noceti, Steve Bacho, Mary Farr, Barbara Modica, Karen Shirley, Jose Conrado Vasquez, Henry & Lucy Garcia, Frances Snyder, Jack & Rene Sagrafena, Mrs. Larry Duggins, Antoinette Ramos, Joe Hamilton, Pauline & Joseph Burgio, Noralee Gelhaar, Geraldine Feehan, Martin Hidalgo, Norman Roos, Lyle Dibbs, Gloria Giannini, Maxine Coutts, Anna Mae Stewart, Jonathan Cerezo, Nick Cannuli, Kathy Montiel, The Yakaitis Family, Susan Silvera-Dunn, George Rodriguez Jr, Nafal Jweinat, Michael Coffaro, Diedra Bradshaw, Irma Sweeny, Charlene Spediacci, Esther Litton, Jan Diamond, Viola Burdick, Ronald Reyes, Josephine Muscat, Patricia O'Neill, Virginia Ryan Rogers, Michael Wisherop, Helen Maternia, Elsie Clark, Bernice Malloy, Wayne Devora, Beverly Buhs, Rita Gilmore, Marisa Hosea, Judy Marks, Rita Bartolo, Gerda Altherr, Stephen Petinak, Richard Castro, Donald Clancy, Dan Bray, Rene Tiamson, Dondon Pasco, Dotty Mardiloff, Robert Weldon, Doug Baldwin, Joseph Conrad Rodriguez, Raymond Reudy, Mona Pasco, Rick Trecartin, Mike Casella, Fr Bruce Dreier, John Costa, Margaret Bellingham, Gene, Rita & Roberta Berry, Joe Ransom, Sr. Theresa Antoinette, Rachel Sanchez, Sue Furrer & Emily Marshall

We pray for the deceased members of our parish family: