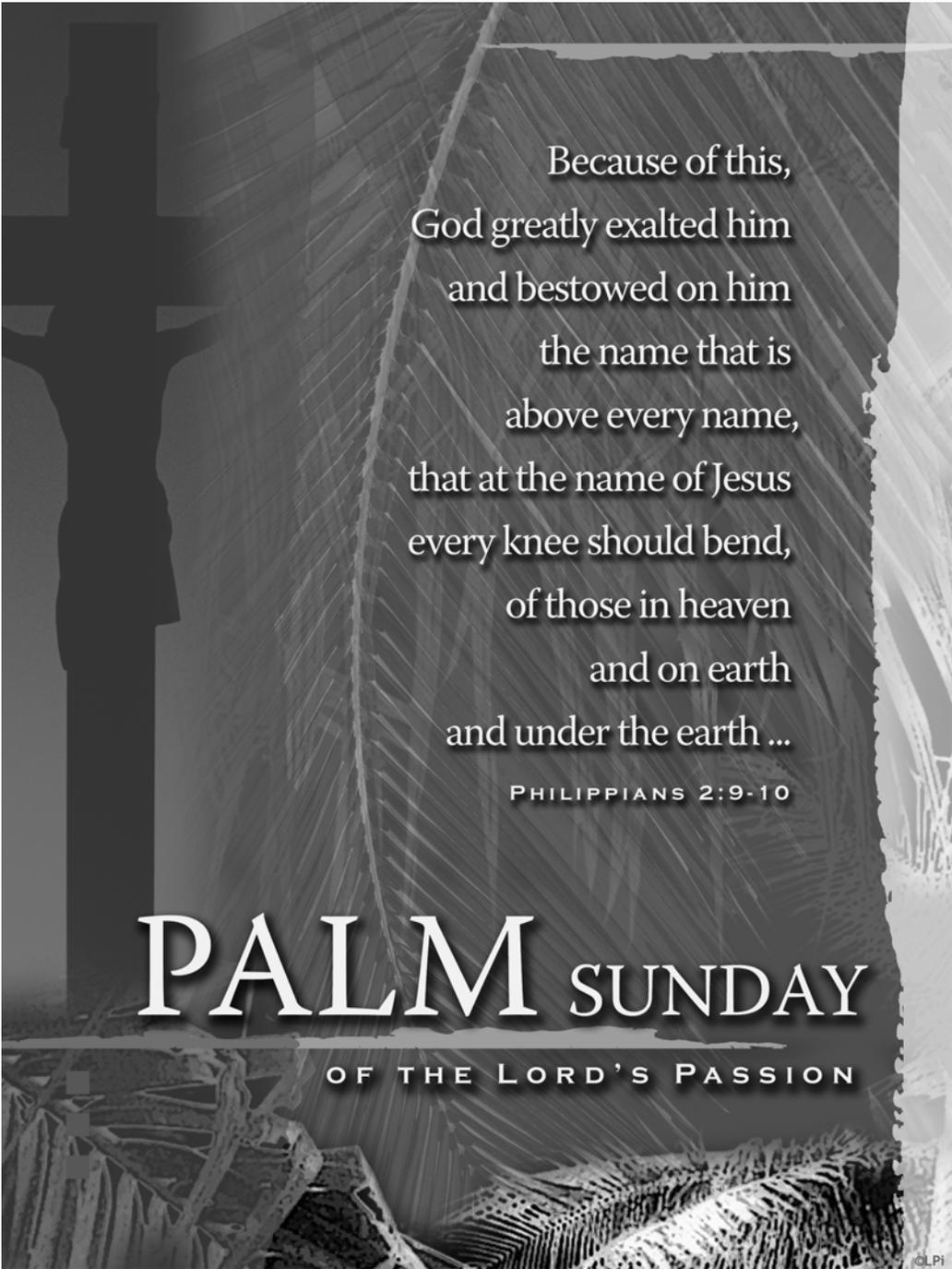


The Community of St. Matthew

*... exists
in the world
as a visible
expression of
God's love.*



Because of this,
God greatly exalted him
and bestowed on him
the name that is
above every name,
that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
of those in heaven
and on earth
and under the earth ...

PHILIPPIANS 2:9-10

PALM SUNDAY

OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Holy Week and Easter

Church of Saint Matthew
490 Hall Avenue
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Palm Sunday, April 1, 2007

Mass and Blessing of Palms
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 and 10:30 am

Communal Penance Service
2:00 and 4:00 pm

Monday of Holy Week, April 2

Mass: 6:45 am
Reconciliation: 4:00 pm
Stations of the Cross: 7:00 pm

Tuesday of Holy Week, April 3

Mass: 6:45 am and 12:10 pm
Reconciliation: 7:15 am, 6:00 pm

Wednesday of Holy Week, April 4

Mass 6:45 am and 12:10 pm
Reconciliation: 4:00 and 6:00 pm

Holy Thursday, April 5

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am
Solemn Celebration of the
Supper of the Lord: 6:00 pm
Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament 7:00-10:00 pm

Good Friday, April 6

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am
Stations of the Cross: 3:00 pm
Good Friday Liturgy: 6:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 7

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am
Easter Vigil: 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 8

Mass: 8:00 and 10:30 am

PARISH EVENTS

HOLY THURSDAY LITURGY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Holy Thursday is still in need of willing "feet" for our Foot Washing ritual & we still need people to pray in the chapel from 7:00-10:00 PM. Please check out our sign-up sheets.

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION FOR THE POOR

A REMINDER regarding our collection for the poor. This year includes food items as well as "alms". You will be bringing your gift up to the sanctuary (the ushers will not be passing a basket). There are sheets explaining this more on the table under the Community Slat Board. This may be "new" to us -- but it is in keeping with how the Church originally celebrated Holy Thursday.

TRIDUUM MORNING PRAYER

Celebrate the sanctity of our Holy 3 Days by gathering at 9:00 AM in the church for the Liturgy of the Hours on Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, April 5-7. Stay after prayer, if you wish, and help us prepare our worship space for the evening liturgies. There is plenty that needs doing and your help would be very welcome

COFFEE HOUR THIS SUNDAY

Coffee hour today after both Sunday masses is served by Steve and Josie Mike - Thanks. Everyone is invited to come on down to the social hall for a hot cup of coffee, good things to eat and fellowship. Volunteers are need to staff future coffee hours. Call John at 651-221-0871. There will be no coffee hour on Easter Sunday.

THANK YOU ROSARY SOCIETY AND MEN'S CLUB

Thanks to both the Rosary Society and Men's Club for purchasing new coffee carafes. Most of you had the opportunity to see them in use during the Lenten Fish Frys.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Good Friday, April 6.

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



ST. MATTHEW'S SCHOOL OFFICE

CLOSED THIS WEEK

The school office will be closed this week and Monday, April 9 for Spring Break. If you need to get in touch with someone please call the parish center at 651-224-9793

RED AND WHITE DINNER TICKETS

This year's Red and White Endowment Dinner is the kick off to the school's celebration of its 120th Anniversary. The dinner and silent auction will take place on Saturday, April 14. Tickets are available after all masses. Tickets may also be purchased at the parish office during regular office hours. If you received an invitation through the mail detach the response card and return to the parish or school office.

VOICES OF HOPE PRESENTATION

Saturday, April 21, 10:00-12:30, Lumen Christi Parish, St Paul. The second parish presentation of "Voices of Hope: Educating About Nuns who Sexually Abuse Within the Catholic Community". Keynote speaker Dr. Noel Larson, Ph.D., an expert in the treatment of sexual abuse and author of the NIC manual used as a treatment plan for female perpetrators in prisons. Additional presentations by survivors of abuse by nuns and Sr. Catherine Bertrand, SSND Provincial Leader. Sponsored by Twin Cities Voice of the Faithful and Solidarity. Q&A period will follow presentations. Free and open to the public. For more information call 612-384-9501

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of April 1, 2007

Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49
 Monday: Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11
 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
 Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25
 Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21
 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/
 1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
 Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
 Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9-13,
 15-18/Ex 14:15-31;15:20,1/Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15,
 32—4.4/ Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12
 Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9
 or Lk 24:1-12

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday 2:00 PM & 4:00 PM, MC	April 1 Communal Reconciliation Service
Monday 3:00 PM, SH 6:45 PM, XC 7:00 PM, MC	April 2 Loaves and Fishes Boy Scout Meeting Stations of the Cross
Tuesday 3:00 PM, SH	April 3 Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday 12:00-7:00 PM, PC 3:00 PM, SH	April 4 St. Mary's Clinic Loaves and Fishes
Thursday 9:00 AM, MC 3:00 PM, SH 6:00 PM, MC 7:00-10:00 PM CH	April 5 Morning Prayer Loaves and Fishes Solemn Celebration of the Supper of the Lord Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament
Friday 9:00 AM, MC 3:00 PM, MC 6:00 PM, MC	April 6 Parish Office Closed Morning Prayer Stations of the Cross Good Friday Liturgy
Saturday 9:00 AM, MC 8:00 PM, MC	April 7 Morning Prayer Easter Vigil
Sunday 8:00 AM, MC 10:30 AM, MC	April 8 Easter Sunday Mass Easter Sunday Mass

Abbreviations:

MC – Main Church
 CH – Chapel
 PC – Parish Center
 SH – Social Hall
 SC – School
 CC – Child Care
 XC – Extended Day

STEWARDSHIP

“The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue that I may know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them,” says Isaiah in today’s first reading. The gifts God has given us are likewise given for the good of others. How am I using all my gifts?

Thank you for the following examples and encouragement witnessed on the stewardship envelopes:

Prayer: Began reading “Conversation with Christ,” prayer with the “Alpha” group; prayed with a prayer group; spent 14 hours in prayer during past week; attended Scripture Study; prayed for the sick,

Service: Did 3 hours of volunteering; volunteered at a nursing home; gave clothes to the Lupus Foundation; drove a parishioner to Mass; did liturgical ministries: lector, Eucharistic minister, server; volunteered my home for a Bible study.

Sharing Total: “Sunday” giving [envelope, plate, and electronic]: \$9,823. Thank you. As well, there was \$15 in a school envelope. The average per Sunday through the entire year is now about \$9,427. The amount being used for budgeting purposes for this coming year will be \$9,500 [different from the \$11,100 used for budgeting purposes for the current year].

Young people’s stewardship: \$5.10. A few of them wrote about the time they spent in prayer. Examples of time spent in service this week were helping at daycare, doing chores and helping my brother read.

Electronic giving: It’s simple and easy. If you’d like a form, or if you have questions, someone will be available after Mass near the \$crip table. Please stop by.

Windows: You can tell from the windowometer that we continue to make progress. When we began, we had enough money ear-marked for windows to do the West side of the building [about \$13,000]; the parish anniversary dinner gave us enough to do the East side [about \$9,500]. Thanks to all, in the past month we have received about \$39,000. So...we have secured 2/3 of the amount needed for the entire project. There’s still an opportunity to “get on board.” The book containing the names of donors, of those memorialized, and of those honored, is in the parish center chapel.

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Schedule of Services

Weekend Liturgies Saturday: 5:00 PM
 Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM
 Weekday Liturgies Monday-Friday: 6:45 AM
 1st Friday: 6:45 AM & 5:15 PM

Reconciliation

Tuesday.....7:15 AM
 Saturday..... 4:00 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents who are parishioners make arrangements with the Pastor or the Deacon one month prior to baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples make arrangements with the Pastor or the Deacon six months prior to wedding. Must be a member of the parish.

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