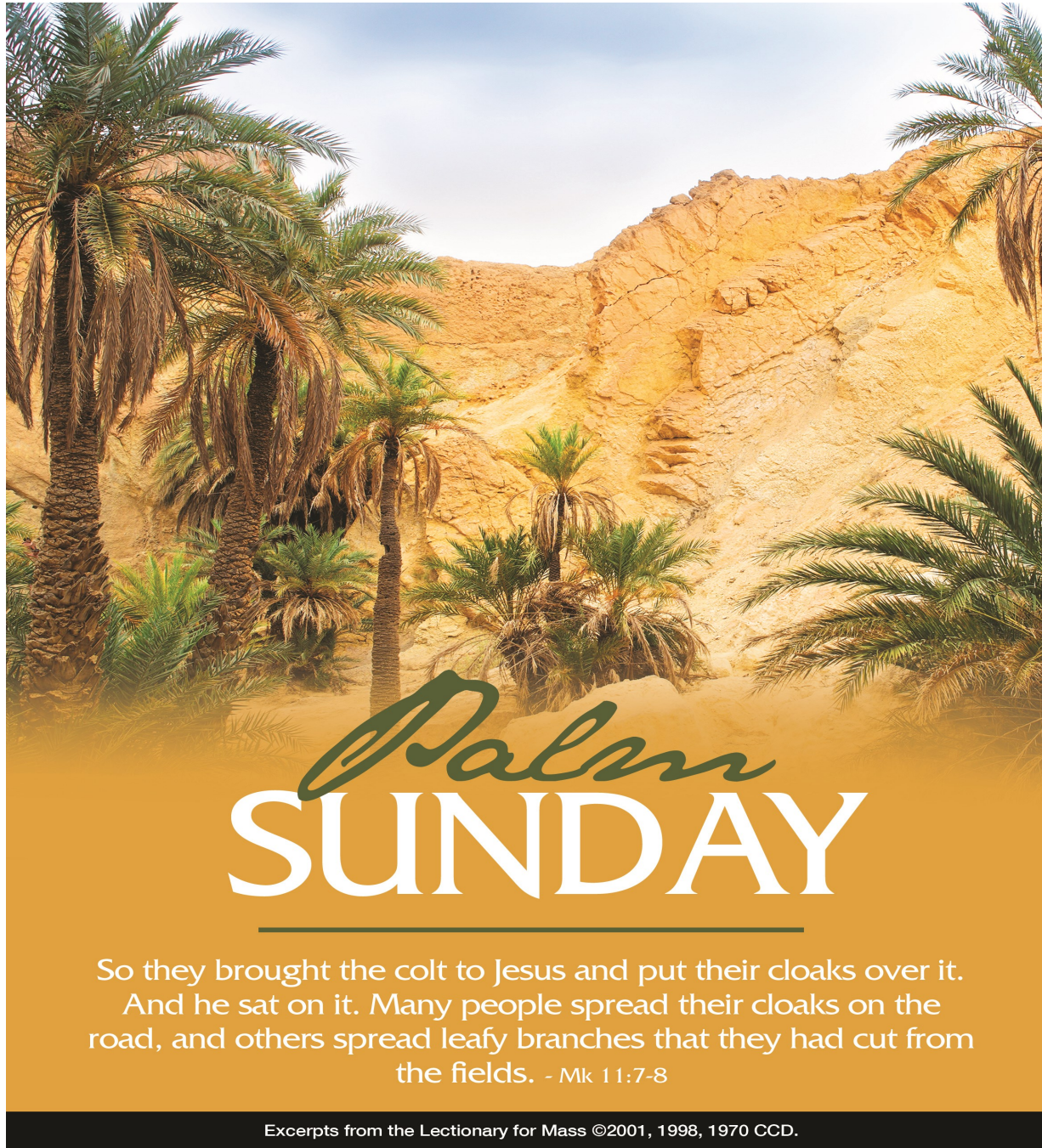


Saint John Catholic Church Iglesia Católica San Juan

March 25, 2018 – Palm Sunday Passion of the Lord
25 de marzo de 2018 — domingo de ramos de la pasión del señor



So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it.
And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the
road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from
the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday5:30 p.m.
Sunday..... 9:00 a.m.
Daily Masses: ..Thursday 8:30 a.m.
 ..Wednesday and Friday 12 noon
CONFESSIONS (Saturday)..... 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo.....12:15 p.m (Español)
Misa Diaria: ..Jueves 8:30 a.m (Ingles)
 ..Miércoles y Viernes 12:00 del medio día
CONFESIONES (Sábado)..... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio día

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON

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St John Parish Calendar

SATURDAY	MARCH 24, 2018
4:30 PM	Reconciliation
5:30 PM	Mass soul of Barbara Greene
SUNDAY	MARCH 25, 2018
9:00 AM	Mass for all emergency personnel
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa los Maria de Los Angeles Esquivel
WEDNESDAY	MARCH 28, 2018
12:00 Noon	NO MASS
12:00 Noon	Lenten Service at Broken Bread
THURSDAY	HOLY THURSDAY
8:30 AM	NO MASS
7:00 PM	Mass bi-linguel
FRIDAY	GOOD FRIDAY
12:00 Noon	NO MASS
12:00 Noon	Walking Stations
7:00 PM	Mass bi-linguel
SATURDAY	EASTER VIGIL
5:30 PM	No Mass
8:00 PM	Easter Vigil Mass for Lillian Malone
SUNDAY	EASTER SUNDAY
9:00 AM	Mass for parishioners St. John, St. Peter & St. Patrick
10:00 AM	Rosary
12:15 PM	Misa

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON



Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come! Hosanna in the highest!" - Mk 11:9-10

Readings for the Week of March 25, 2018

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1--15:47 or 15:1-39
 Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11
 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
 Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25
 Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [2a]/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21
 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
 Friday: Is 52:13--53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1--19:42
 Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1--2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15--15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 [42:2] or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mk 16:1-7

March 17 & 18, 2018

	Weekly	Year to Date
Actual	\$6,540	Actual \$178,293
Budget	<u>\$5,266</u>	Budget <u>\$200,108</u>
Difference	\$1,274	Difference (\$21,815)

Monthly Debt Collection for March \$2140

Remaining Debt Balance \$30,544

MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:15
91	142	240



**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/
RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:**
Pray for

Keith Pinney, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Red and Nancy Goodman, Pat & Jerry Nolte, Richard Painter, Deborah Shorter, Maxine Di-

Marino, Melanie Patterson, Lillian Arthur, Mary Helen Sohaski, Thomas Whitehead, Esperanza Godinez, Sherry Wright, David Stull, Otts Miskimon, Dan Mages, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina Gerhardt, Sulma Rojas, Elena Chavez, Doris Bartlett, Shirley Griffey, Fred Brown, Judy French, Lynn Miskimon, Susane DiMarino, and Donald Barock.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **March Canned Salmon & Brunswick Stew**

En el mes de **marzo** necesitamos **Salmon enlatado y Estofado de Carne**

Pastor Message

Today we celebrate Passion Sunday. Today we heard read the Passion of Christ, the immeasurable suffering He voluntarily submitted to out of His love for the world.

If you think about the whole of the Gospels, it is notable that there are large times of Jesus' life when we have very little details given us. Consider his childhood and young adult years; very little is said about Him and very little specificity is given. But consider how much detail we are given in each of the 4 Gospels regarding the events that took place as part of His passion and suffering. Years and years of His life are summarized by a sentence, while here in the Passion, just a few days of his life are described with pages and pages of details.

There is a good reason for this.

So much specificity about Jesus' suffering is given because God wants it to be very clear the extent to which He is willing to suffer to save humanity.

One of the unfortunate effects of human sin is that it causes people dislike God or even hate God, to hate even the idea of God. It is just the way it works. It is unfortunate. But it is the natural effect of sin.

God is very aware of this and took preemptive measures to try and combat this.

One of those preemptive measures is Him giving us the Bible. In particular, God gave us the Gospel accounts of Jesus' life. And even more specifically, God gave us the 4 Passion accounts, one of which we heard read today. They are in great detail so that, despite the effect of sin which causes humanity to have a distaste for God, they may be forced to reconsider their position by being moved by the extensive suffering that God endured when He became a man in order to offer His life as atonement for humanity's sin, which is what is described in the Passion accounts.

How could what we heard today be taken any other way? God proves the extent to which He was willing to suffer for humanity when, while we were still sinners, He died for us.

The words you heard today at Mass describe the greatest love story ever told. It is the greatest act of love ever. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for another.

Fr. Rossi

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

On this day the Church recalls the entrance of Christ the Lord in to Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery.

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery. The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season, and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil.

EASTER VIGIL

We invite all parishioners and those who were initiated in the past into the Catholic Church to come and join us as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord at the Easter Vigil on Saturday March 31st, at 8:00 pm together at the Easter Vigil is a great way to celebrate your anniversary date into the church and to renew your own call to baptism. Everyone is welcome to the reception following the Mass.

Rehearsal for Holy Thursday and Good Friday: There will be a walk through for all Eucharist Ministers, Altar Servers, and Lectors on Wednesday March 28 at 7:00pm. Thanks, Fr. Frank.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Monday March 26th, CHRISM MASS
Cathedral of The Sacred Heart at 6:00 PM

Holy Thursday March 29th
7:00 PM - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday March 30th
Ecumenical Community Stations of the Cross Walk 12 Noon
start at St John

7:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Easter Vigil Saturday March 31st
8:00 PM The Great Vigil of Easter

Sunday April 1st EASTER
Regular Schedule

RICE BOWL

Don't forget to bring your rice bowl Thursday March 29th.

INCENSE

Incense will be use Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil

St John Lenten Dinners

WOW!! We have reached our goal for our Wish List for donations to reduce our expenses for the Lenten Dinners because of the generosity of Julie & Lloyd Mercer, Michael & Sheila Morris, John & Sean Stewart, Theresa Civitelli, John & Anita French, James Geishermer, Juan, Plumey, Beverly Draper, Sharon Lucas, Lee & Beverly Williams, Bob & Carole Trent, Tom & Diane Yates, Nina Cox, Eduardo Macias, John & Zennie Kolakoski, Harry and Judie Balacke and as always Anonymous. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness.

Thank you so much to all that made our Lenten Suppers so special. A complete report will be made later.

SJP Winners for March are Shirley Griffey, John Loughran, David Firich, Willeen Kirby, Nathaniel Young, Tom & Diane Yates, Richy Martinez and Stephanie Forshey. The next drawing is April 19.

Are you getting a tax refund? Consider a year's membership in the SJP 500 Club. For \$5.00 a month you will be in a drawing for prizes of \$500, \$200 and six \$50. There are eight changes to win! Purchase eleven months at \$55.00 and receive the twelfth month free. Profits go to St. John's. Join now! Applications are near the front door on the wall shelf. Or call Diana Young (804) 647-5665.

The COUNCIL OF WOMEN YARD AND BAKE SALE will be here on May 12. Now is not too early to start your spring cleaning and donate your usable items. We are now accepting calls and making arrangements to get your donations to our storage shed. If you plan to move or downsize we love what you have! Just call Dianne Cassady 840-8642 or Pat Hinton 746-5842 and we will be glad to make arrangements to get it to our shed.

A big thank you to my parish community for your prayers, thoughts, cards etc during my recent "down" time. Your support of me and my family during this trying time truly was a blessing. Thank God that He was watching over me and that He put you my friends as my special prayer partners. Sincerely Fred Brown