

Palm Sunday

OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Christ became obedient
to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Because of this,
God greatly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name
which is above every name.

Philippians 2:8-9



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MARCH
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Saint Teresa of Avila Parish

LOVE GOD. LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR. MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS.

PARISH CLERGY

Reverend J. Jerome Wild, Pastor
Deacon Francis C. Lally, Permanent Deacon
Deacon David J. Matour, Permanent Deacon
Reverend Richard M. Jacobs, Sunday Asst.
Reverend Kail C. Ellis, OSA, Sunday Asst.

LITURGY

Saturday Vigil: 4:15 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Daily Mass: 10AM Mon., 7AM Tues., Wed., Fri.

Confession: 3PM to 3:30PM
Saturday, in the Chapel

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is being celebrated in the Chapel, not in the Reconciliation Room. We are asking visitors to the Church to please wear a face mask and maintain social distancing in accord with the government directed protocols for entering public space.

Website: www.stteresaofavilaparish.com



PARISH STAFF

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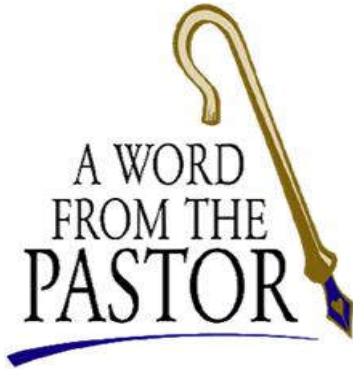
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Dear Parishioners,

I will make with them a covenant of peace; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them.... My dwelling shall be with them; I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
Ezekiel 37: 26-27

The passion and death of Jesus which is highlighted in the liturgy of Holy Week that begins today, makes visible to us the extent to which God is willing to go to be our God, to dwell *with* us.

Jesus' life and death shows how far God goes to establish a "covenant of peace" that would set us free to love God in return and to share in the divine life of holiness to which God is always inviting us.

God held nothing back in sending his Son to become one of us. The Son, in turn, poured out all his love for us by living and dying for us. After Jesus' resurrection, the Holy Spirit, in turn, began pouring out divine love on us, in fulfillment of the promise and guarantee that God's covenant is everlasting.

This covenant of divine love is everlasting only because of God's mercy and goodness toward us, not because we always do our part faithfully.

What depth of love is this! May we be mindful of and grateful for it every day of our lives. May we express it especially by joining with our Holy Father, *Pope Francis* and the universal Church throughout the world in prayer during the three days that stand out against all others for Christians: the day Jesus died, the day he lay in the tomb and the day he rose from the dead.

Something wonderful is about to happen as we celebrate with solemnity the saving action of God in the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. Create an environment to make it important and welcome it. Clear your calendar this week and join with the Church in solemn remembrance and prayer.

Blessings,

**(Please note: The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday is 3 p.m.
The time for the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday Evening is 7 p.m.)**



Due to our printer's holiday schedule, last weekend's collection totals were not available to publish in this weekend's bulletin. Those totals will be published in next weekend's bulletin

GIVING HOPE TO ALL

The Catholic Charities Appeal is a time for our Parish to come together to extend our love, generosity, and concern to those who need it most. Your support will provide education, food, shelter, and medical assistance.



WAYS TO GIVE

The Catholic Charities Appeal is recognized as a non-profit institution. As such, all gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. It has its own Employer Identification Number (EIN) and receives a separate financial audit. Besides gifts of cash, donors to the 2021 Catholic Charities Appeal may contribute in many other ways, each offering tax advantages according to their circumstances

- * Pledge Gift
- * Gifts of Cash
- * Matching Gifts
- * Electronic Fund
- * Transfer (EFT)
- * Gifts of Security
- * Planned Gifts

For more information about the ways you can support CCA, please call 215-587-5650 or email cca@thecfcp.org

STA BIG (Brothers In God) is looking for a few good men.

- Who yearn for Catholic Fellowship as Brothers
- Who yearn to Journey with God's Word
- Who yearn to Discern and to Listen and Learn

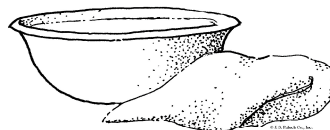
Come and See every Wednesday at 7pm. Either on Zoom or in the Parish Youth Group Room (COVID-19 Dependent).

For information, email Deacon Dave at

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**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 28, 2021**



[Christ Jesus] humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

March 28, 2021
Palm Sunday Of the Passion of the Lord

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47).



Mass Intentions, Saints and Special Observances

Sat. March 27	Vigil Mass
4:15 PM	Antonia Guagliariello
Sun. March 28	Palm Sunday
9:00 AM	Frank Fillippo
11:00 AM	Margaret Savage
Mon. March 29	Monday of Holy Week
10:00 AM	Fran Maguire
Tues. March 30	Tuesday of Holy Week
7:00 AM	Stephen Savo
Wed. March 31	Wednesday of Holy Week
7:00 AM	Robert Roy
Thurs. April 1	Holy Thursday
7:00 PM	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Fri. April 2	Good Friday
3:00 PM	Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord
Sat. April 3	Holy Saturday
7:00 PM	Easter Vigil
Sun. April 4	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses	



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Mass Intentions

Looking for a special way to honor someone special or remember a loved one no longer with us?

Remember Mass Intentions
The 2021 Mass Book is open.

Dates are available in 2021. The suggested offering is \$15 for each mass. Please visit the Parish Office M-F from 9-3 to secure a date for your special Intention.

from Scripture

Mark 14:1-15, 47, Make Jesus' Passion our own.

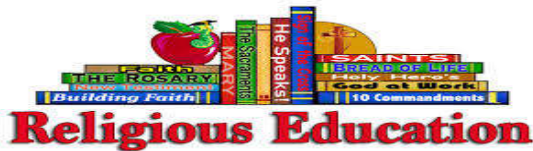
It's even more important to share in his suffering and great love during his Passion. St. Paul said, "We hold this treasure in earthen vessels ... always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our body" (2 Corinthians 4:7-10). He means that everything that happens in our lives – the good and the bad – can be part of our bond with Jesus. Every day our frustrations, our fears, our loneliness and temptations can become ways in which we share in the suffering and death of Christ. Likewise, our joys, our good health, our family and friends are all important ways to share in the joy of his Resurrection. The point is to offer everything to Christ. St. Alphonsus wrote, "We should consider not so much the sorrows Jesus suffered as the love with which he bore them." Disciples of Jesus can have the same attitude toward suffering as he did and can



For the Palm Sunday Gospel, we return to the Gospel according to Mark. The account of the Passion takes up nearly one-third of Mark's entire Gospel and, of all the evangelists, he is the one who presents the details most graphically. He depicts the humanity of Jesus most intensely, describing his sufferings thoroughly. Mark portrays Jesus as a complete fulfillment of the "Suffering Servant" of Isaiah, the obedient, humble slave dying on a cross of whom Paul speaks in Philippians. But it is important to remember that we call this "Holy Week" and not "sad week" or "suffering week," for each of the readings today, even the lamentations of the psalm, end in the promise of the strength and hope that is granted by God to those who faithfully give of themselves in love. As we enter into this week through these readings, we must reflect deeply on the sufferings of Jesus, but still be confident in the joy of risen, eternal life that awaits all of us who faithfully walk with him through these days.

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In the Spotlight *Catechist, Joanna Nice*



I teach Level 4 and have been a Catechist for 3 years. I enjoy teaching at St. Teresa of Avila PREP because I adore the kids.

My favorite place to eat: Forno Antico in Collegetville

My favorite color: Pink

My favorite sports team: Anything Penn State

What I like best about teaching our Catholic Faith: My biggest goal in teaching PREP is to let the kids know just how much Jesus loves them. I try to make PREP fun by infusing games and activities that will fill my students with a deeper love for Jesus and will make them happy and excited about coming to class and Church.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

March

29 Weekly Lesson



April

- 5 Weekly Lesson
- 12 Weekly Lesson, Final Assessments Sent (grades 4-6)
- 19 Weekly Lesson
- 25 **First Holy Communion, 11:00 AM Mass**
- 26 Weekly Lesson

If you have any questions, please contact Gina MacDermott, CRE, at 610-666-5820 or sta.busmgr@gmail.com.

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Information

A warm greeting is extended to all who have come to worship with our community of faith. We are grateful for our faithful parishioners who are here every week. We also welcome all our visitors and invite you to consider joining our parish. If you are not Catholic, we encourage you to contact our Parish Office for information about becoming a member of the Church.

PARISH REGISTRATION We always welcome new parishioners to St. Teresa of Avila Parish. Please call or visit the Parish Office on weekdays during business hours, to register.

BAPTISM is usually celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:00PM. Please call the Parish Office at 610-666-5820 for upcoming baptism dates. Parents must attend our Pre-Jordan Class prior to their child's baptism. Due to the COVID pandemic please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

MATRIMONY: Couples must make arrangements for matrimony in person with the parish clergy at least **six** months prior to date of their anticipated wedding ceremony. One of the parties must have family registered in the parish at the time the couple comes to make arrangements. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment with the parish clergy.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Parishioners who are seriously ill, weakened by advanced age, or entering the hospital for surgery are encouraged to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Homebound sick and elderly may receive Holy Communion in their homes on a regular basis. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for a home visit or to request an anointing.

MOVING? Please let us know by calling or emailing the Parish Office so we can update our records.

Watch Mass from STA.....

St. Teresa of Avila Parish continues to film Mass which is available by email and posted on our Parish website: www.stteresaofavilaparish.com.

Please contact the parish office, 610-666-5820 or starectory@verizon.net, to add/update your email address and stay connected with our parish.

**Archdiocesan Evening Rosary
Nightly at 8 PM
phillyevang.org/rosary.**



To sign up for the Online Giving Program through OSV, please go to this website and follow the posted instructions www.osvonlinegiving.com/4395

**The Rose of Life for this week
Is requested by Fillippo Family
In memory of Frank Fillippo**



Praying With Our Parish

Please pray for all our recently deceased.

Eternal rest grant unto them. O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for the healing of:

Esther Brassington, Joan McPhelim, Deborah Hall, Diane Benton, Helen Dorfman, Mary Ann Walsh, Kathy Auris, Cheryl Karvounis, Cheryl Cox, Jack London, Tina Migliarese, Maria Cucchara, Bill Miller, Karli Schilling, Dolores Greco, Teresa Garate, Jack Lunden, Andy Capone, Edward Hartman, Owen Connor, Nino Gulotta, Diane Bentola, Eugene Yanity, Sue Perrachia, Jimmy Siravo, Teresa Vesey, Mary Gruber, Elise Pancio, David Bydalek, Baby Lucas Coll, William Brown, David Titanich, David Dolga, Leo Corcoran, Anne Marie Garraty, Marcia Prester, Robert Perkins, Ed Wallace, Suzanne O'Brien, Cynthia Fish, Frances Rutlo, Julia Adams, Margaret Miller, A.J. Mc Gee, Nicholas Cruciani, Teresa Garate, Peter Mulligan, Beverly Zapata, David & Samantha Roberto, Alessio Gentile, Betty Lee Horst, Anndreana Picard, Viola Clark, Joan Moore, Jane Miecskowski, Raoul Garcia, Joe Lehman, Heather Bollinger, Eileen Swiech, Pat Leberman, Shannon Austin, Barrie Gehrlin, Max Maertzig, Eli & Ella Vivian, Eduardo Rojo, Michael Semach, Jean Brosso, Jeanette Collins, Tamara Proietto, Ron Roberts, Marilyn Keis, Jean Butera, Brooke Weidenfeld, Julie Noble, Lahra Birmingham, Ralph Pettine, Lauren Mendez, Anthony Jacquin Mendez, Mary Snyder, Barbara DeSantis, Diana Rava, Baby Alayna Lihn, Christine Tasker, Jonathan Auris, John Witlin, Baby Brock Immel, Barbara Tassoni, Melissa Williamson, Donna Hicks, Kristine Schafer, Chip Capinski, Janice Gilpin, Domenic DiPaolo, Alyssa Lackner, Gilbert Martinelli, Tina Moyer, Margaret Cesare, Lawrence Reynolds, Jim Uckele, Jennifer Owens, Jack Walsh, Peggy Walsh, Terry Strainick, Debbie Scott, Bill O'Neill, Butch Cunningham, Steven Kehoe, Rosemary Schlichtig, Diane Benton, Tony Polvin, Diane Haws, Margaret Bosler, Scott Little

Please pray for all those who serve our country:

Army Spec. Anthony Chiaravalloti, Vincent Bergandino, MGySgt Darin Chinavare; Cmdr. David L. Cute, Jr. USN; John Doran; Lance Hecker, Sp.Op; Cmdr. Matt Kosnar; Capt. Thomas Lerner; Captain Valerie Smith; Msgt. Timothy R. Whalon; Capt. Jaysen Satterwhite.

Due to the change in tax laws, donation summaries for 2020 will be sent out **by request only**. If you would like to receive your donation summary for 2020, please contact the parish office at 610-666-5820 or email to starectory@verizon.net

Around the Archdiocese & Local Area

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? The annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on **Saturday, May 1st** at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at the 5:15 pm Vigil Mass with Archbishop Nelson Pérez presiding. This mass will be commemorating all married couples who are newlyweds, or celebrating 5, 10, 25 or 50 year wedding anniversary milestones. *Friends and family are welcome and encouraged to attend.*



To register visit: phillycatholiclife.org... or call: 215-587-0500

Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School

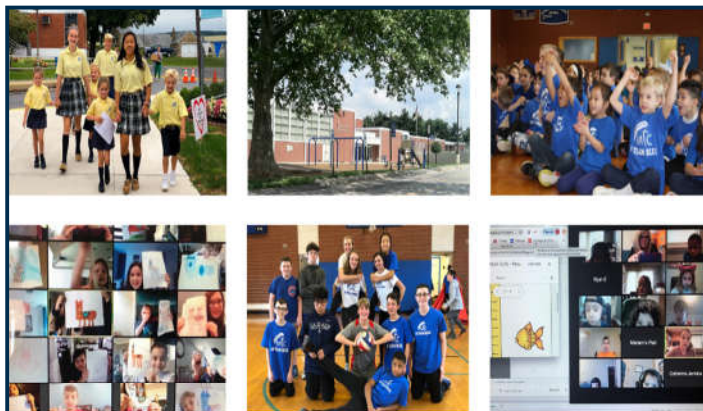
Practice Entrance/Scholarship Test: For 7th Graders on Sat. and Sunday – April 24th and 25th
Morning or Evening Tours—6th and 7th grade students with one parent; information: gmahs.org
Open House: Sunday, April 18th



More information and registration can be found at gmahs.org/visitgwynedd.

Mount Saint Joseph Academy

7th Grade Practice Test -Sat., March 27 and Sun March 28,
6th Grade Practice - Saturday, April 17 Registration is open at www.msjacad.org/practicetest. Personal tours are scheduled by appointment, to reserve your tour – call (215) 233-9133. For more information or to learn more about the event, email the Admissions Team at admiss@msjacad.org.



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