



Corpus Christi Newsletter



March 2008

Participate in the Liturgies of Holy Week and Easter

Participate in the Liturgies of Holy Week and Easter fully, consciously, actively and devoutly:

On Passion / Palm Sunday: through participation in today's liturgy we celebrate and participate in spirit in the triumphal entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem on the Sunday before his Passion, Death and Resurrection.

"The huge crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while some began to cut branches from the trees and lay them along his path. The groups preceding him as well as those following kept crying out: 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!' As he entered Jerusalem the whole city was stirred to its depths, demanding, 'Who is this?' And the crowd kept answering, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'" (Mt 21:8-11) At Mass we will hear St. Matthew's account of the Passion and Death of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On Holy Thursday: through participation in the Mass of the Lord's Supper we commemorate our Lord's Supper with his Apostles on the eve of his Passion, the institution of the Most Holy Eucharist as sacrifice and sacrament, and the institution of the Catholic Priesthood for the perpetuation of the Most Holy Eucharist. "During the meal Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 'Take this and eat it,' he said, 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, 'All of you must drink from it,' he said, 'for this is my blood, the blood of the covenant, to be poured out in behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins.'" (Mt 26:26-28) By participation in the Procession with the Most Holy Eucharist after the Mass we symbolically and spiritually accompany Jesus to the Garden of Gethsemane where he would suffer his Agony and be arrested. We are invited to stay with his apostles and "watch with" him for a while.

On Good Friday: no Mass is celebrated on Good Friday - the only day of the year that the world is without the celebration of Mass. However, Holy Communion will be distributed during the Good Friday Service. In this Liturgical Service we commemorate the Passion and Death of Jesus. We will hear the account of that Passion and

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Holy Week / Easter Schedule

Corpus Christi Church

Palm Sunday, March 16:

Palms will be blessed and distributed
Saturday Vigil 6:00 PM
Sunday Mass 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday:

Morning Mass 8:00 AM

Holy Thursday, March 20:

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 PM
Adoration until 10:00 PM

Good Friday, March 21:

Liturgy of The Word 3:00 PM
Veneration of the Cross
Holy Communion
Stations of the Cross (Ecumenical) 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday, March 22:

Easter Vigil 7:00 PM
Service of Light
Liturgy of The Word
Liturgy of the Eucharist

Easter Sunday, March 23:

Mass 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Queen of the Snows Church

Palm Sunday, March 16:

Palms will be blessed and distributed
Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM
Sunday Mass noon

Easter Sunday, March 23:

Mass noon

Parish Financial Status

Checking Account: \$61,408.60
Savings Account: \$74,890.21
Adams Endowment (for the benefit of
Queen of the Snows): Endowment Corpus: \$ 25,000.00
Undistributed Earnings: \$ 3,822.46

Parish Meetings

Parish Finance Council: - Monday, March 10, 6:30 p.m.,
Parish Center
Parish Pastoral Council: - Tuesday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.,
Parish Center

Devotions During Lent

("So you could not stay awake with me for even an hour?" - Mt. 26:40):

Mon-Fri (8:00 am): Daily Mass
1st Sat (8:00 am): First Saturday Mass & Rosary
Fri (7:00 pm): Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Mon (5:15-6:15 p.m.): Adoration of Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist, Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Thurs (4:00- 6:00 p.m.): Exposition and Adoration of the Lord Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist.

Accompanying Our Lord To and Through Holy Week

"Mother Church earnestly desires that all the faithful be led to that full, conscious, and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy. In the restoration and promotion of the sacred liturgy, this full and active participation by all the people is the aim to be considered before all else....." (*Vat. 11, Document on the Sacred Liturgy*)

At Caesarea Philippi, in response to Jesus' question to the Apostles, "And you, who do you say that I am?" Peter responded, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" To this Jesus responded, "Blest are you, Simon son of Jonah! No mere man has revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. I for my part declare to you, you are 'Rock', and on this rock I will build my church, and the jaws of death shall not prevail against it. I will entrust to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you declare bound on earth shall be bound in heaven; whatever you declare loosed on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (cf *Mt. 16:13 ff*)

"From then on," St. Matthew, in his Gospel, continues, "Jesus (the Messiah) started to indicate to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly at the hands of the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and to be put to death, and raised up on the third day." (cf *Mt 16:21*) Peter tried to dissuade him from going to Jerusalem and was sharply reprimanded. (cf *Mt 16:22, 23*).

"Jesus then said to his disciples: 'If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and begin to follow in my footsteps. Whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.' " (*Mt 16:24,25*)

Jesus, accompanied by his Apostles, then began his journey south to Jerusalem to accomplish all that we commemorate and participate in through the liturgies of Holy Week. Through our observance of Lent and especially through its Scripture readings we have been invited and enabled to accompany Jesus on that journey to Jerusalem; to walk in the company of the Apostles, to hear what Jesus said, to witness what he did.

Parish Religious Education Meetings

- 3/11 - Tues 6:30 pm Parent Night for parents of Sacraments Preparation Students
- Thurs, twice/month Confirmation Preparation Class (call Barbara Schlumpf for dates)
- Thurs, 3:15-4:30 pm Religious Education classes meet weekly for K-5th grade students

Pray for the Sick

Erik Arnold	Marge Faia	Barbara Johnson
Albert Juarez	Joey Kenney	Emily Killian
Don Mashbir	Helen Mathis	Jack Morris
Joseph Recchia	Fr. Richard Rolfs	

For Prayer Requests, please call the Parish Office at 583-4409

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Death from the Gospel of St. John. This will be prefaced by the reading of the Fourth Song of the Suffering Servant of God - a prophetic description of the Lord's Passion - and a passage from the Letter to the Hebrews that speaks of our "great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God."

On Holy Saturday Night we celebrate the Easter Vigil Service. This consists of: 1) *The Service of Light* which consists of (a) The Blessing of the Easter Fire and Candle; (b) The Procession into the darkened church and the lighting of our individual candles from the Easter (Christ) candle. This symbolizes our receiving the fruits of Christ's sacrifice on the Cross (grace) and the light of Faith from Christ, the Light of the World; (c) The Easter Proclamation (Exultet); 2) *The Liturgy of the Word* in which, through the Scripture Readings, the story of salvation is told from creation to Redemption in Christ; 3) *The Blessing of the Baptismal Water* and our recommitment to Christ in the Church through the Renewal of our Baptismal Promise; 4) *The Celebration of the Mass of our Lord's Resurrection* - the first Mass of Easter.

On Easter Sunday we celebrate the Mass of our Lord's Resurrection. At Mass, in the place of the usual Profession of Faith - the Nicene Creed - we renew our Baptismal Promises and are sprinkled with the newly blessed Baptismal Water. We thus recommit ourselves to Christ in his Church.

Catholic Breakfast Club—Reno

March 13, 2008—Silver Legacy, Reno

RONALD J. RYCHLAK, Speaker/Breakfast 7:00 am

RONALD J. RYCHLAK, author of 6 books including one on Pope Pius XII & the Nazis, was also featured on each of the 12 episodes in the EWTN Series Pope Pius XII.

Restoration, Repair, Painting Churches (2), Rectory, Hall

Queen of the Snows - work completed: Roof and Floor laminated beams repair (deteriorated portions of 14 roof & 7 floor beams were cut away and new sections spliced in to complete the repair); 14 Roof and Floor support piers repaired, 4 piers were added; Handicap access ramp constructed; Restroom made handicap accessible; Rock lined drainage surface waterway constructed to replace original underground pipe (now occluded); Leaking sewer-line repaired. Cost: \$411,898.⁰⁶

Corpus Christi Church, Rectory, Hall: Work completed: Needs Survey -Cost: \$1,240.00; Heating ducts insulation repaired or replaced - volunteer labor; Supplies: \$194.⁷⁵.; Foundation (north side) added to and reinforced. Deteriorated siding (north side) removed, replaced painted. Removal of under the church dirt where in contact with supporting beams and wood. Cost \$10,551.²¹. Church main entry. Cost: \$12,881.⁸⁰. South side foundation and siding. Cost: \$12,495.¹³

Work in progress - repairs to back of rectory, paid: \$10,000

Work in prospect - repairs as needed to Church, Rectory, Hall; painting of each building after repairs completed. Work to be done on a priority basis as parish finances permit.

Total Cost: unknown.

Expenditures to date: \$459,979.⁶⁵

Restoration & Repair Fund income to date: \$429,479.²⁷