



Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord-Year C

Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** "Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith" (Galatians 6.10b).

Parish Mission Statement: **Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples!** Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal parish through the liturgy, faith formation and sacramental life, provides opportunities for members to develop their faith and service to others.



Saturday, April 13

4:30 pm-For the repose of the soul of Andrew Barretto by the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario

Sunday, April 14-Palm Sunday

9:00 am-For the repose of the soul of Mary Payment by Len and Ann Rondeau

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Tuesday, April 16

9:00am

Wednesday, April 17

8:30 am-STA

9:30 am-OLMM

Thursday, April 18-Mass Of The Lords Supper

7:00pm-For God's protection over all priests especially Fr. Anthony, Fr. Hezuk, Fr. Dan, Fr. Robert by Nellie Nahri

Friday, April 19-Good Friday Passion Of The Lord

3:00 pm

Saturday, April 20-Holy Saturday

8:00 pm-For the repose of the souls of all those names listed on the Easter flower list

Sunday, April 21-The Resurrection Of The Lord

9:00 am- For the repose of the soul Mary Payment by Bernie & Janyce

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:
Pam Latour, Genny Detillieux, Natasha Baechler,
Beverley Plunkett, Marie Kirkham & Theresa Harps.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR:

April 7th-\$3,533.00

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INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR APRIL:

Universal – Workers in War Zones

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

Gospel Reading

Luke 22:14—23:56 (shorter form: *Luke 23:1-49*)

From the cross, Jesus speaks words of forgiveness and promises that the good thief will be with Him in paradise.

Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday, called Palm or Passion Sunday, is the first day of Holy Week. Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday are called the Triduum, three days that are the highlight of the Church year. There are two Gospels proclaimed at today's Mass. The first Gospel, proclaimed before the procession with palms, tells of Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. Riding on a borrowed colt, Jesus was hailed by the crowds as they shouted blessings and praise to God. This event is reported in each of the four Gospels.

Luke's Gospel is the only one to report the exchange between Jesus and the Pharisees as Jesus enters Jerusalem. Jesus' response shows that this event, and those yet to come, are part of a divine plan.

Throughout Luke's Gospel we see that Jesus' words and actions proclaim the Kingdom of God. This motif continues throughout Luke's passion narrative. Jesus appears to be in total command of events at the Passover meal as He hands over the Kingdom to His disciples. He welcomes them to the Passover meal announcing that this will be His last until the Kingdom of God is fulfilled.

As throughout Luke's Gospel, however, the disciples show little understanding of this Kingdom that Jesus often announces.

Jesus initiates a conversation with Simon and predicts his denial. Jesus then instructs His disciples to prepare themselves for the events that will follow. As the disciples and Jesus enter the Mount of Olives, Jesus indicates the importance of the disciples' time in prayer, telling them that through prayer they will be able to face the challenges ahead.

As He prays, Jesus is tested. In the garden, an angel is sent to strengthen Him and to prepare Him for the events ahead. After this moment, Jesus is again in charge of the events and circumstances. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus is portrayed as active and vocal throughout His passion. When one of the disciples strikes the high priest's servant, Jesus heals the man, an event reported only in the Gospel of Luke.

When Luke describes the Way of the Cross and Jesus' crucifixion, he calls to our attention many events that are not reported in the other Gospels. Throughout his Gospel, Luke has paid heed to the women who accompanied Jesus. Now, on the road to Calvary, Jesus speaks to the women who walk with Him. Only Luke reports Jesus' words of forgiveness spoken from the cross. And only Luke reports the dialogue between Jesus and the good thief. Finally, in contrast with the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, Luke reports no words of abandonment spoken by Jesus on the cross. Instead, Jesus, in full command until His death, commends His spirit to His Father and takes His final breath.

Throughout Holy Week, we will continue to reflect on the events of Jesus' passion and death. As we meditate on the cross, we ask again and anew what it means to make the statement of faith that Jesus, in His obedient suffering and dying, revealed Himself to us as God's Son and brought to fulfillment the Kingdom of God.

Blessings,

Have a great week!

April 14th, 2019

Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish?
WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration form found in the foyer or in the office.
You may bring the completed form to the office

What's Happening This Week

Mon. April 15-Bible Study-7:00pm-hall
Tues. April 16 - CGS-Level three-4:30-6:30pm-hall
Tues. April 16 -Adult choir-7:30-church

Wedding Anniversary Mass of Thanksgiving: For couples celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 + years of marriage in 2019. Information and online registration for the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on May 5 at Notre Dame Cathedral is available at: catholicottawa.ca/wedding-anniversary-mass. (registration forms are located on the bulletin board) Deadline to register: April 24

CWL Bursary Applications are available to any student of our parish currently in their graduating year or within one year of graduating from grade 12 for the annual CWL bursary award of \$400.00. For more information and/or to obtain an application form please refer to the parish web site: olmm.ca/groups/catholicwomensleague/bursary info, bursary application or contact June Pare, Bursary Committee Chairperson at 613-978-9571 or email: admin@olmm.ca

Have you been missing the fellowship from attending coffee Sundays? If so please feel free to sign up and host an up-coming coffee Sunday. Sign up sheets are posted just outside the kitchen. Thank you all in advance.

CARE FOR CREATION EARTH DAY - April 22: Pope Francis urges the world's 1.2 billion Catholics and all people of good will to take urgent action against the injustice of climate change and the ecological crisis, to protect the poor and future generations. Suggestion for Earth Day - sign up to become a member of the Global Catholic Climate Movement, learning about what we can do to show care for God's creation. Info & sign-up: catholicclimatemovement.global; jdorner@archottawa.ca; 613-738- 5025 x251.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2019: The Church will mark the 56th World Day of Prayer for Vocations on the Fourth Sunday of Easter, 12 May 2019. The Holy Father has released a Message entitled "The courage to take a risk for God's promise". Link to the Holy Fathers message; http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/vocations/documents/papa-francesco_20190131_56-messaggio-giornata-mondiale-vocazioni.html

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CARE FOR CREATION Ottawa Faith Communities Energy Gathering: The interfaith network Greening Sacred Spaces invites you to join with diverse Ottawa faith communities in discussing past and present energy projects so that we can share and learn from each other. Join us on Mon., April 29, 7 pm at Kitchissippi United Church, 630 Island Park Dr. Registration: www.faithcommongood.org/ottawa_energy. Info: Charlie Scromeda (greeningsacredspacesottawa@gmail.com; 1-866- 231-1877 x 107).

Chrism Mass Invitation to All: At Notre Dame Cathedral, Tues., April 16, 7:30 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend the Chrism Mass.

New Evangelization Summit: North America's premier conference on the New Evangelization. Webcast to host sites around the world. Featuring Catholic speakers: Michael Dopp, Fr. James Mallon, Cardinal Gerald Lacroix, Michelle Moran, and more. Register for free online to be Inspired, Formed, & Connected with like-minded Catholics. Infinity Convention Centre, Ottawa, May 4, 2019. Info: www.newevangelization.ca.

STA will be having a Holy Thursday prayer service on April 18 at 8:30am & 9:45am. All are welcome.

Dying Healed Workshop: Education on end-of-life issues and preliminary training for pastoral care volunteers. For those wishing to provide compassion and support to those in need, particularly at end of life. Registration required/limited. St. Augustine Parish, 1060 Baseline Rd., Fri., May 10, 6:30-8:30 pm & Sat., May 11, 9:30-3:30 pm. Cost: \$20 incl. Saturday lunch. Info: Anastasia Bowles: 613-722-1552 x2; info@lifecanada.org; <https://lifecollective.io/mtfl/events>.



Holy Thursday April 18th, ~7:00pm
Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday April 19th, ~Outdoor "Way of the Cross"
(meet at the arena at 10:00am)
Passion Service~3:00pm
Easter Vigil Saturday April 20th, ~8:00pm
Easter Sunday April 21st, ~9:00am, 10:45am
Easter Monday April 22nd, ~9:00am