

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

April 10, 2022

“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord”



Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your home and heart? Jesus went to Jerusalem knowing full well what awaited him - betrayal, rejection, and crucifixion. The people of Jerusalem, however, were ready to hail him as their Messianic King! Little did they know what it would cost this king to usher in his kingdom. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem astride a colt was a direct fulfillment of the Messianic prophecy of Zechariah (9:9):

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem. Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, and riding on a donkey and upon a colt the foal of a donkey. The colt was a sign of peace. Jesus enters Jerusalem in meekness and humility, as the Messianic King who offers victory and peace to his people. That victory and peace would be secured in the cross and resurrection which would soon take place at the time of Passover.

Augustine, the great 5th century church father, comments on the significance of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem: "The master of humility is Christ who humbled himself and became obedient even to death, even the death of the cross. Thus he does not lose his divinity when he teaches us humility... What great thing was it to the king of the ages to become the king of humanity? For Christ was not the king of Israel so that he might exact a tax or equip an army with weaponry and visibly vanquish an enemy. He was the king of Israel in that he rules minds, in that he gives counsel for eternity, in that he leads into the kingdom of heaven for those who believe, hope, and love. It is condescension, not an advancement for one who is the Son of God, equal to the Father, the Word through whom all things were made, to become king of Israel. It is an indication of pity, not an increase in power." (Tractates on John 51.3-4)

Psalm 24 is another prophetic passage which echoes this triumphal procession of the King of glory: Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in. Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept his kingship. Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your heart and home? Do your walls echo with the praise of his glory?

"Lord Jesus, be the King and Ruler of my heart, mind, life, and home. May my life reflect your meekness and humility that you may be honored as the King of glory!"



SUNDAY MASS ON YOUTUBE

Mass is being live streamed on our Parish YouTube Channel on Sunday morning beginning at 10:00 a.m. and every Wednesday at 7pm (preceded by the Rosary at 6:40pm).

The link to our parish YouTube channel is:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCokoBfidkSQAZ_Buk3g-bhw?

2022 STATIONS OF THE CROSS

April 15 (7pm) - Everyone's Way of the Cross (Clarence Enzler, Ave Maria Press: Notre Dame, Indiana, 2014).

THE ROSARY APOSTOLATE IS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS



The Rosary Apostolate has been faithfully visiting our classrooms once a month to pray the Rosary with our students for over 15 years. They are a great inspiration to our students! They are seeking people who have a great love for the Rosary and who are willing to visit our schools to pray the Rosary with the children once a month for a total of only 8 days a year. Training, screening, and materials will be provided. If you are interested please contact Betty at **647-239-0987**.

MONDAY, APRIL 11 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Bill Kovalchuk
+ Maximo Lagman
S.I. Marc Arsenault

TUESDAY, APRIL 12 – 8:30 A.M.

+ Jean Zielinski
+ Ann Janice D'Souza
S.I. Ligaya Cana

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 – 7:00 P.M.

+ For the deceased members of the Dante and Wolf Families.

S.I. In Thanksgiving
S.I. Danilo Mingi and Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 14 – NO MORNING MASS

7:30 – Mass of the Lord's Supper
9pm-12 Midnight – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15 – GOOD FRIDAY

Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, APRIL 16 – 7:30 P.M.

Easter Vigil

SUNDAY, APRIL 17 – EASTER SUNDAY

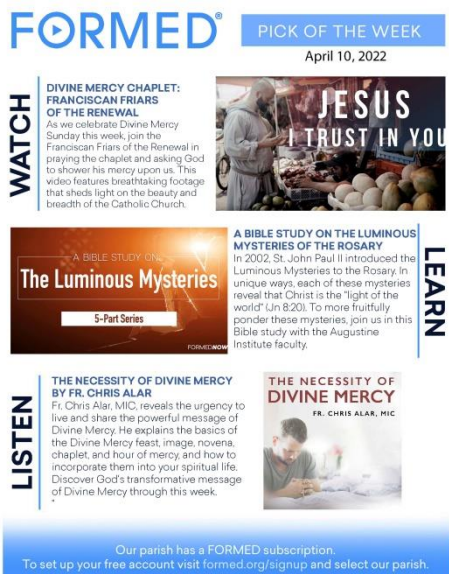
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FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK
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WATCH
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF THE RENEWAL
As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday this week, join the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal in praying the chaplet and asking God to shower his mercy upon us. This video features breathtaking footage that sheds light on the beauty and breadth of the Catholic Church.

LEARN
A BIBLE STUDY ON THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY
In 2002, St. John Paul II introduced the Luminous Mysteries to the Rosary. In unique ways, each of these mysteries reveal that Christ is the "light of the world" (Jn 8:20). To more fruitfully ponder these mysteries, join us in this Bible study with the Augustine Institute faculty.

LISTEN
THE NECESSITY OF DIVINE MERCY BY FR. CHRIS ALAR
Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, reveals the urgency to live and share the powerful message of Divine Mercy. He explains the basics of the Divine Mercy feast, image, novena, chaplet, and hour of mercy and how to incorporate them into your spiritual life. Discover God's transformative message of Divine Mercy through this week.

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SHARELIFE AGENCIES NEED OUR SUPPORT



The LA Centre for Active Living is a ShareLife-funded that agency that helps seniors. Here's how your support of ShareLife is enabling their lifesaving work:

"This pandemic has had a big impact on the world, revealing new needs in our communities, and it through ShareLife's support that we have been able to provide prepared meals and pantry goods every week to our members through our food delivery program. Your support is invaluable and we cannot thank you enough!"

HOLY WEEK & EASTER MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday April 14 - Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 p.m. followed by Adoration until midnight.

Good Friday April 15 - Passion of the Lord at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. with Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday April 16

Blessing of Easter Baskets at 10:00 a.m.

Easter Vigil - The Vigil Mass will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday April 17 - Resurrection of the Lord 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon

Divine Mercy Sunday- April 24 – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Sung Chaplet and Silent Adoration from 3:00-3:50 p.m., followed by Reposition, Closing Prayers and Benediction. From 4:00-5:00 p.m. there will be Veneration of the Sacred Image. Fr. Damian will be available for reconciliation (confession) from 4:00-5:00 p.m.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA & MERCY SUNDAY (SUNDAY AFTER EASTER SUNDAY)

Please join Fr. Damian live on the parish You Tube channel to pray the Divine Mercy Novena beginning on **Good Friday, April 15**. The novena will then continue until Saturday, April 23. **On Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24**, there will be special devotions including Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy from 3:00pm to 4:00pm. For the full schedule please go to our website stfrancisofassisi.archtoronto.org.

"Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven."

-St. Rose of Lima