



# ST. MARY OUR MOTHER CHURCH

## MISSION STATEMENT

St. Mary Our Mother is a Catholic community committed to the spiritual growth of all people as we share our faith and serve our community.



816 West Broad Street, Horseheads, New York  
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March 28, 2021

## HOLY WEEK/EASTER SCHEDULE

### DAILY MASSES:

Monday through **Friday**: 6:45 a.m.

### SACRED TRIDUUM

#### HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 1st

9:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer - Chapel

7:00 p.m. - Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's  
Last Supper

(Adoration in chapel until 9:45 p.m.)

#### GOOD FRIDAY, April 2nd

*Day of Fast and Abstinence*

9:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer - Chapel

3:00 p.m. - Solemn Liturgy of Good  
Friday

#### HOLY SATURDAY, April 3rd

9:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer - Chapel

9:30 a.m. - Easter Vigil RCIA Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil

#### EASTER SUNDAY, April 4th

8:30 a.m. - Easter Liturgy

10:30 a.m. - Easter Liturgy

## HOLY WEEK

Today is **Palm Sunday of Our Lord's Passion**, and we wave our palm branches in a spirit of joy and triumph. In Biblical times, the palm tree was considered a "kindly" tree because of its lofty height and majestic appearance. The palm tree became a symbol of royalty and victory. Today, we begin to recall Jesus' victory over sin and death. The victory was through Jesus' suffering and death.

### We call this week Holy Week ...

The name, bestowed by our ancestors, should cause us to enter this week with reverence, embrace its demands with delight and celebrate its rites with all the care, devotion, and energy it deserves. To celebrate Holy Week is, after all, to celebrate who we have become through Christ's paschal mystery.

On Holy Thursday evening, we experience the washing of feet in tender humility. Jesus tells that we must serve each other in such humble and intimate ways as foot washing. Through what works of charity and justice do we wash the feet of the poor? What humble and intimate service do we offer to each other?

From Good Friday sunset until Holy Saturday sunset is the Paschal Sabbath, the day of rest. In burial, Jesus rested and we rest in Him. We keep watch, learning the lessons of restfulness, silence, and darkness. In the quiet of our hearts this day, we need to reflect upon the Cross of Christ. We are invited to be reconciled beneath the Cross.

Holy Saturday evening, we come together to keep the Night Watch of the Resurrection of the Lord. On this night, we witness resurrection. Life puts death to death. On this night, we witness resurrection in our midst as we welcome the Elect into full Communion at the Table of the Lord.

We invite you to join us in worship at all our Holy Week liturgies.

## PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

The parish office will be closing beginning on **Holy Thursday, April 1st at 11:00 a.m.** and all day **Good Friday, April 2nd** in observance of the Sacred Triduum. The office will re-open on **Monday, April 5th at 9:00 a.m.**



**SCRIPTURE READINGS****SUNDAY - April 4, 2021****EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43  
 Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4  
 Gospel: John 20:1-9

**IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Sharyl Maphis

**MEMORIALS****Sanctuary Candle:***In memory of Barbara Cobb - Joyce & Dick Pirozzolo***Eucharistic Hosts & Sacramental Wine:***In loving memory of LCP Michael J. Sawester & June Sawester - Joan & Barry Sawester***IN OUR PARISH****Mass Intentions**

Any one of our regularly scheduled Masses may be offered for a specific intention - in memory of a deceased person, for a sick person's recovery, a special birthday, a special anniversary or other occasion.

Please call the parish office at 739-3817 to request your Mass.

**Altar Memorials**

When Masses are not available for a particular day, Altar Memorials are a special way you can remember those who have died and those intentions you may wish to remember for the living.

Our Altar Memorials are available each week during the year. Donation for the week is as follows:

Sanctuary candle	\$10.00
Icon candle	\$10.00
Sacramental wine	\$15.00
Eucharistic bread (hosts)	\$10.00

**WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES  
- DAILY MASS AND PRAYER****Readings for the week of March 28, 2021**

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: *Chrim 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  
 Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/  
 Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

**Observances for the week of March 28, 2021**

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord; Holy Week begins  
 Monday:  
 Tuesday:  
 Wednesday:  
 Thursday: Holy Thursday; April Fools' Day  
 Friday: Good Friday; Day of fasting and abstinence  
 Saturday: Holy Saturday  
 Next Sunday: Easter Sunday

## PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

For the first time in two years, we begin our public celebration of Holy Week with the liturgy of Palm Sunday of our Lord's Passion. There were no Holy Week public liturgies last year due to the pandemic. Today we commemorate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, with the carrying of palms and the singing of anthems. Today's gospel focuses on the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord, not only in history, but in our midst as well.

The liturgies of Holy Week are designed to invite us into the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, and will be much simpler in format than you will remember from previous years. But these liturgies should not be viewed as separate happenings, but a single continuous celebration of the sacred mysteries. **Holy Thursday**, we commemorate the institution of the sacraments of Holy Orders and Eucharist, with Jesus giving us the commandment that as He has done for us, we are to do for others. In loving service, we commit ourselves once again to the Eucharist that we receive and we are called to become. Though the washing of the feet is eliminated this year, that action and the institution of the Eucharist are inseparably linked, revealing the heart of God in our midst. The **Evening Mass of the Lord's Last Supper** will be celebrated **Holy Thursday at 7:00 p.m.**

On **Good Friday**, we gather at **3:00 p.m.** to celebrate the **Good Friday Liturgy of the Lord's Passion**. The red vestments worn this day serve as a reminder that deep love often requires the shedding of blood. This day's scriptures recall the role of the Suffering Servant of God, one who would suffer and offer His life for God's people. All sin and evil in the world are brought to the throne of the cross, as Jesus gives his life for the salvation of all people for all time. During Good Friday liturgy, all will be invited to venerate the cross, although due to safety protocols, we will not be inviting people to come forward as has been done in previous years. Through this veneration, we remember that it is through the sacrifice of Jesus on the wood of the cross that we have been made free. Today's liturgy concludes with the reception of the Eucharist. We depart in silence, symbolically remembering Jesus being placed in the tomb, as we wait for the Spirit to raise Jesus back to life.

**Holy Saturday** is spent in quiet preparation and anticipation as the Lord rests in the tomb, awaiting the resurrection. The **Easter Vigil Liturgy** begins at **7:00 p.m.** on Holy Saturday evening. This "mother of all vigils" witnesses the Lord's resurrection, with the blessing of the Easter fire and the lighting of the Easter candle, as well as inspiring readings from scripture, recalling God's activity and work throughout human history. During the Easter Vigil liturgy, we will welcome those who have been preparing for the Easter sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. We will also renew our own baptismal promises during the Vigil. On Easter Sunday, we continue

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, March 29 - Monday of Holy Week

6:45 AM Clarence Hoyt - Becky & Bob Corcoran

### Tuesday, March 30 - Tuesday of Holy Week

6:45 AM Mary Ellen Carl - Milt & Barbara Simpson

### Wednesday, March 31 - Wednesday of Holy Week

6:45 AM Joseph LeMark - Gramma

### Thursday, April 1 - Thursday of Holy Week

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Last Supper  
(adoration until 9:45 p.m.)

### Friday, April 2 - Friday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

3:00 PM Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday

### Saturday, April 3 - Holy Saturday

9:00 PM Morning Prayer

7:00 PM Easter Vigil - For the People of St. Mary Our Mother

### Sunday, April 4 - Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of the Lord

8:30 AM For the People of St. Mary Our Mother

10:30 AM For the People of St. Mary Our Mother

the same spirit of celebration and joy with our Lord's resurrection from the dead.

It was **St. Augustine** who defined us as an **East-er people**. But to fully experience the joys of Easter, one must walk through the sorrows and suffering of Holy Week. I invite you to join us as we journey in faith through these sacred days, so please make your reservation by Wednesday of this week to join us. It is these liturgies which we celebrate this week that renew us, that make us who and what we are, and help us to live lives full with the meaning and purpose that only Jesus can give.

Have a good Holy Week. Take care of yourself and each other.

Fr. L.

**IN OUR PARISH CONTINUED...**

**Catholic Ministries Appeal**

As of March 19th, we have received pledges of \$74,993.42 from 253 donors or 67.3% of our goal of \$112,209. We are most grateful to those who have made a generous sacrifice to the CMA to enable the mission of the Church to continue both locally and throughout the Diocese of Rochester.

To those who have not yet contributed to the CMA, we would be most grateful if you would consider doing so. Any amount helps us toward our financial and participation goals. We are moving slowly but we need to achieve our goals by May, 2021.

Thank you for our consideration of this annual appeal.

**REGIONAL EVENTS**

**American Red Cross**

The American Red Cross is urging donors who are healthy and feeling well to make an appointment to give blood to maintain the blood supply for patients who rely on lifesaving transfusions. Blood donors are needed now to ensure hospitals have the blood needed to save lives. The Red Cross is testing all blood donations for Covid-19 antibodies, providing donors insight into whether they have been exposed to this corona virus.

How can you help? Please call 1-800-RED CROSS or contact redcrossblood.org for information.

**Stand For Life**

Stand up for the unborn and their mothers! Put your faith in action! Come and “Stand for Life” in an hour of prayer and witness on **April 11th**, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m., in Corning at the intersection of Denison Parkway and Church Street. Bring pro-life signs and banners, or we will have ones you can use. Social distancing will be followed and all are asked to wear a mask when coming and going. Call Steve at 739-9282 for further information. Pro-life hats will be available for a donation, and donations will be accepted for next year’s bus trip to the March for Life 2022 in Washington, D.C.

**We Journey through Lent with CRS Rice Bowl**

As we enter Holy Week and celebrate Palm Sunday, let’s reflect on how our Lord suffered from our indifference: those who proclaimed Him King of Jerusalem were the same ones who called to crucify Him. We are all one human family. Is our indifference contributing to the suffering of our brothers and sisters? How does our faith inspire us to care for others and share the gifts God has bestowed on us? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

We ask that you turn in your Rice Bowl in the next two weeks. Your donation can be brought to the parish office or transferred to an envelope and put in the collection box in church. If it is in the form of a check, please make your check payable to the parish (indicating that it is for CRS Rice Bowl). Other options include mailing your check to the parish office or making your donation online at the parish website. Thank you for your participation in CRS Rice Bowl during this Lenten season.

**PRAYER FOR CATECHUMENS**

Good and gracious God,  
giver of all that is good,  
we bring before you today  
our brothers and sisters  
who are preparing to receive  
the Sacraments of Initiation.  
St. Paul says to the Romans,  
"The word is near you, in your mouth  
and in your heart..."

Keep safe these catechumens  
who long for your saving sacraments.  
Perfect them and make them worthy  
to be called your sons and daughters.

We pray also for ourselves  
and ask for the same gifts that  
you freely give to them.  
Make us all worthy to call you our Father.

We ask all this in Jesus' name,  
who is our savior and our brother.  
Amen.

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EVERY DAY STEWARDSHIP

Holy Week is a week for being mindful. We must set loose the baggage of Lent, and not be deterred by the dazzling sunrise of Easter morning beckoning in the distance.

It's okay for us to be excited for Easter. We've waited so long, after all. In my opinion it's one of the best feelings there is: the yearning we have in our hearts for the Resurrection as we embark on Palm Sunday. And in a purely logical sense, many of us have Easter celebrations for which we are preparing, and practical considerations to contend with. It's going to be a busy week, one likely full of happy distractions.

But my friends, we simply must keep our feet on the ground. Let's not "skip" Holy Week. Resist the urge to flip to the last page of the book, to fast-forward to the final scene of the movie. Don't rob yourself of the journey. This week is a blessed opportunity. It is this week that teaches us who we are. In the span of the Triduum, we have the birthday of the priesthood, the institution of the Eucharist, the sacrifice on Calvary and so many other vivid and meaningful scenes.

It may sound strange, to advise someone to savor the moments of Holy Week. There are so many violent and heartrending moments, after all. But this is the valley

of tears, remember — we are not in Heaven yet. And here, in our fallen, sin-filled world, it is the heartrending moments that seem to matter the most.

These are the moments that define us as Catholics. Live them. Cherish them. Be present for each one.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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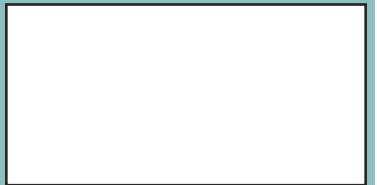


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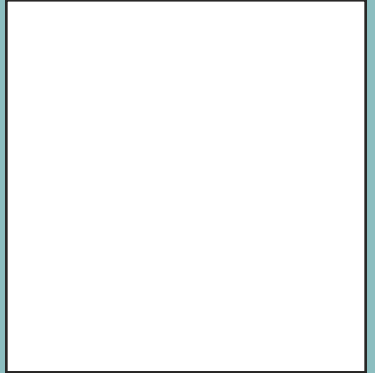
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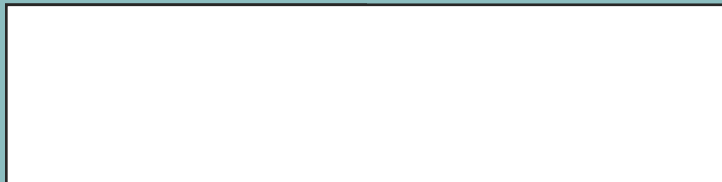
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