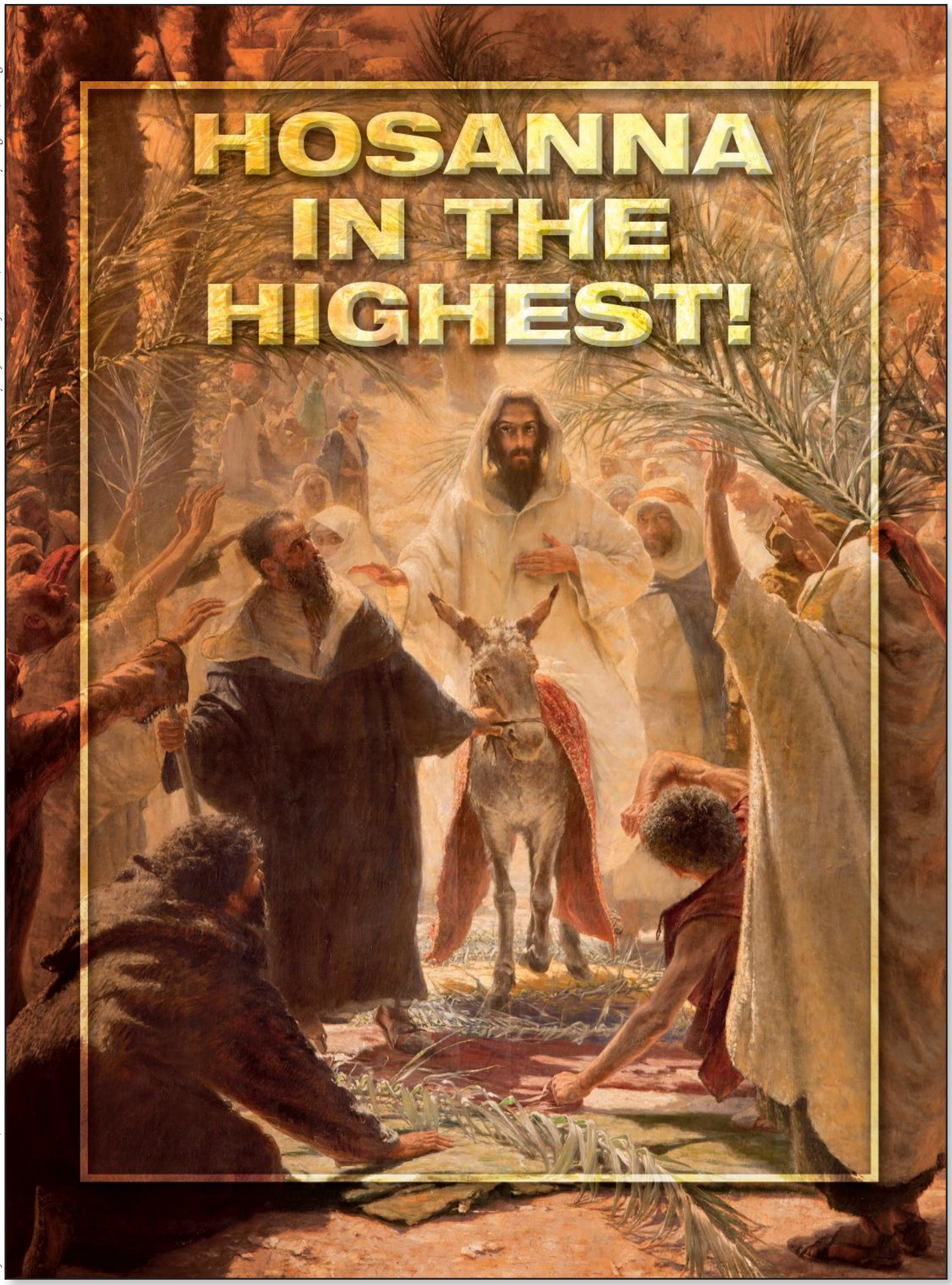

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THE SCALABRINIAN MISSIONARIES AT MOUNT CARMEL SINCE 1905

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Our Lady of Mt Carmel, is served
by the Congregation of the Missionaries of St.
Charles – Scalabrinians – .
We are an community of Catholic religious
serving migrants and refugees of different cultures,
religions and ethnicities in 32 countries.
The Congregation was founded in Italy
on November 28, 1887,
by Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini (1839-1905),
bishop of Piacenza (Italy).
Our missionary focus is to be migrants
with the migrants and to be in mission
with people on the move,
with a special priority for the poorest
And neediest migrants.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL —MISSION STATEMENT

We are a faith community bound by the Grace of God the Father
who adopted us all as beloved children through Baptism.
We journey as brothers and sisters
inspired in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, nourished with the Eucharist
and strengthened by the love of the Holy Spirit.
Encouraged in the practice of our Catholic Tradition,
we experience and honor the maternal protection of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
while joyfully celebrating the religious practices of our ancestors in Faith.
Heartened by the zealous ministry of the Missionaries of St. Charles (Scalabrinians),
we strive to create a welcoming space were justice for all and the wellbeing of God's people
become the inspiration in our efforts to build God's Kingdom.

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NUESTRA SENORA DEL MONTE CARMEL — VISIÓN

Somos una comunidad de fe vinculada por la Gracia de Dios Padre,
que nos ha adoptado como hijos amados por el Bautismo.
Caminamos como hermanos y hermanas
inspirados en el Evangelio de Jesucristo, nutridos con la Eucaristía
y fortalecidos por el amor del Espíritu Santo.
Alentados en la práctica de nuestra Tradición Católica,
experimentamos y honramos a la protección materna de Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo,
celebrando alegremente las prácticas religiosas de nuestros ancestros en la Fe.
Animados por el celo ministerial de los Misioneros de San Carlos (Scalabrinianos),
nos esforzamos por crear un espacio de bienvenida donde la justicia para todos
y el bienestar del pueblo de Dios nos inspiran en nuestros esfuerzos para construir el Reino de Dios.

Church Services

We encourage all to register at the Parish-Shrine.

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Les invitamos a registrarse en el Santuario Parroquial.

Support Staff

Business Manager
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Modesta Martinez 708.344.4140

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Miguel Aldana 708.345.3632

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Ann Marie Nabor 708.579.5373

Community Center Site Director
Pablo Cruz 708.345.3632

Sacramental Life

Confessions *Confesiones*
Saturdays—*Sábados*
4:00pm—5:30pm or by appointment/ *o con cita.*

Baptisms *Bautizos*
Come to the parish office. *Pase a la oficina parroquial.*

Weddings *Bodas*
Contact the priest at least six months in advance.
Contactar al sacerdote seis meses antes de la ceremonia

Quinceañera
Contactar a la secretaria cuatro meses antes de la ceremonia.

Presentaciones
Contactar la Secretaria al menos dos semanas antes

Religious Services

Recitation of the Holy Rosary
Mon—Sat at 7:00am

Adoration *Adoración al Stmo. Sacramento*
Wednesdays 6:00pm—8:00pm

Novena & Benediction
Wednesday/Miércoles 7:30pm

Grupo de Oración Carismática
Martes a las 7:00pm

Other Services

Gift Shop Hours *Venta de Artículos Religiosos*
During the regular office hours.
Durante las horas de oficina

Community Center *Centro Comunitario*
Social outreach *Servicios a la comunidad* (708) 345 - 3632

Food Pantry *Despensa de comida*
Wednesdays 4:00pm—6:00pm

Religious Education—*Catecismo*
Saturday - *Sábados* 3:30pm — 6:30pm
Sunday - *Domingos* 10:00am—1:00pm
- Mass Included—Incluye la Misa

For the Month of APRIL

April 9th Sunday - Palm Sunday/Domingo de Ramos

Regular Mass Schedule
Misas adicionales en el gimnasio 9:00am y 1:30pm

April 10th Monday - Lunes

7:30pm Servicio de Tinieblas

April 13th Thursday - Jueves

6:00pm Supper of the Lord
8:00pm Cena del Señor

April 14th Friday - Viernes

12:00pm English Service
2:00pm Servicio en Español
4:00pm Pasión del Señor
7:00pm Passione del Signore e processione

April 15th Saturday - Sabado

8:00pm Easter Vigil - Vigilia Pascual

April 16th Sunday - Domingo

Regular Sunday Schedule
Misas Simultaneas en el gimnasio 9:00am y 1:30pm

Monday/Lunes
5:30pm Clases de Guitarra

Tuesdays / Martes
6:30pm Ballet Folkorico
7:00pm Grupo de Oracion
7:00pm Eng. Choir Practice

Wednesday/ Miercoles
6:30pm Ballet Folkorico
7:00pm Men of Mt. Carmel
7:00pm OLMC Fitness Club

Thursday/Jueves
6:30pm Ballet Folkorico

Friday/Viernes
7:30pm Practica de Coros
7:00pm Matrimonios con Prop.
7:00pm Jornadas Matrimoniales
7:00pm Boys/Girls Scouts
7:00pm Jovenes para Cristo

Wedding Banns

♥ Jorge E. Dueñas & Guadalupe Navarro...2
♥ Eduardo Villalobos & Maria Angulo...1

From the Pastor's Desk

Hosanna to the Son of David… Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord! These were the words people used to acclaim Jesus as He entered Jerusalem. The joy of those who saw in Him the anointed of the Lord, contrasted in a very dramatic manner with the somber attitude of those who sought the chance to kill him. We know how the plot to bring Jesus to the Cross won over the festive attitude of those simple-hearted people who, today, welcomed Him into the Holy City. Jesus, out of love, humbled himself and gave himself up to the point of death, and death on a Cross!

Palm Sunday opens for us a special time of Grace. With the blessing of branches and the proclamation of the Passion, we enter the holiest of all weeks. On Thursday Evening, we are called to celebrate the memorial of the Lord's Supper with the moving gesture of the washing of the feet and the procession with the Blessed Sacrament at the end of the Service. I would like to encourage each one of you to partake of this beautiful service. Unfortunately, in previous years, this most important liturgy has been poorly attended. I hope this time we will be blessed with the presence of many. On Good Friday, at noon, we will be celebrating the Liturgical Service of the Passion of the Lord: Proclamation of the Passion, kissing of the Cross and Receiving Holy Communion. These three actions will provide us with the opportunity to closely embrace Jesus' sacrifice for us. On Holy Saturday Bishop Placido Rodriguez will be presiding for us the Easter Vigil. It would be wonderful if we all came to Church on that day and, together, celebrated the moment Jesus conquers death and victoriously rises from the tomb.

I look forward to seeing you all during these beautiful liturgies for the Easter Triduum. Forget not the importance of Easter Sunday Mass as the perfect way to conclude this Graceful experience. May the mysteries that granted us life continue to enchant the hearts of many as we journey with Jesus during the last hours of His earthly life.

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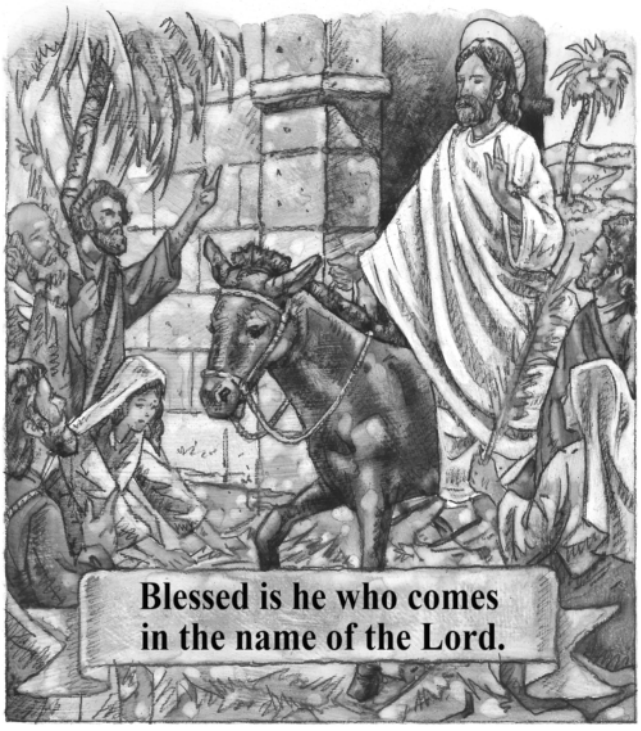

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Altar and Rosary Host

Evening of 7 Churches

Thursday, April 13th, 2017

- 6:00pm Holy Thursday mass
- 7:15pm Bus Loading
- 7:30pm Bus Departure

St. Monica Church, Chicago
St. Eugene Parish, Chicago
St. Rosalie Catholic Parish, Harwood Heights
St. Paul of the Cross, Park Ridge
Mary Seat of Wisdom, Park Ridge
Saint Beatrice Parish, Schiller Park
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Melrose Park

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HOLY WEEK

SEMANA SANTA

SETTIMANA SANTA

+ HOLY THURSDAY - JUEVES SANTO - GIOVEDI SANTO

(No Mass at 7:30am)

6:00 PM - Supper of the Lord - English

8:00 PM - Cena del Señor - Español

8:00 PM - Cena de Signore - Italiano (Casa Italia)

+ GOOD FRIDAY—VIERNES SANTO—VENERDI SANTO

(No Mass at 7:30am)

12:00 pm - Passion of the Lord - English

2:00 pm - Pasion del Señor - Español

4:00 pm - Viacrucis viviente por las calles

7:00 pm - Rosario, Passione del Signore e Processione

+ HOLY SATURDAY—SABADO SANTO—SABATO SANTO

(No Mass at 7:30am)

8:00 pm - Easter Vigil / Vigilia Pascual - Trilingual

8:00 pm - Veglia Pasquale (Casa Italia) - Italiano

+EASTER SUNDAY—DOMINGO DE PASCUA—DOMENICA DI PASQUA

ENGLISH—Regular Sunday Schedule

ESPAÑOL—Misas simultaneas Iglesia y gimnasio

9:00 am y 1:30 pm

Misa en la Iglesia - 5:00 pm

ITALIANO: Messa Festiva - 10:30 am

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Now we have come to the center of the Christian year, beginning with today, Passion Sunday, Holy Week, and culminating in the Pasch, the Sacred Triduum. Some have called the culminating event in this week's journey of faith "The Three Days of Easter." The origins of many of our observances, including today's blessing of palms and solemn entry into the church, hearken back to old Jerusalem.

In the late fourth century, a woman living a consecrated life in southern France made a four-year pilgrimage to Jerusalem. There, she encountered the rich liturgies of the city, bursting with Christians. She was a keen observer, and fortunately for us wrote vivid letters of her experience to a circle of women friends she calls her sisters. By the time of her journey, it is clear that even some catechumens were undertaking the dangerous journey so that they could be formed at the very site of the events of Christ's passion and rising. At the heart of the pilgrim experience were processions, such as today's joyous procession to the Mount of Olives, and brilliant catechesis from the bishop every day, as well as intense fasting and prayer. When you resolve to keep this week holy in your own life, and especially when you commit to participate in the full Triduum with worship in church and fasting at home, a very ancient tradition is within your grasp.

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Holy Thursday Collection

During our Holy Thursday celebrations, the collection will be to benefit our food pantry. Our Food pantry serves over 60 families from our community every week.
We thank you for your generosity.

SEEING CHRIST CLEARLY

We start today looking through the portals of Jerusalem, seeing crowds of people, cheering and waving palm branches in the air. The whole atmosphere is one of joy, triumph, and celebration. We can get distracted or enthralled by the scene, and not see clearly the features of Jesus as he enters. But our readings from Isaiah and Paul's letter to the Philippians clarify his features for us. He is the Suffering Servant, meek and mute before his captors and persecutors; he is the very image of the unseen God, yet will not clutch at equality with God before he endures his final confrontation in humility. Isaiah and Paul help us "behold the Lamb of God" before we hear the story of his final and greatest confrontation. It is important that we see Christ clearly before we hear the account of his passion, for we—his Body through baptism, the church—now bear his face. We must, with him, enter into this time of trial so we can, also with him, enter into his final triumph.

Mensaje del Párroco

¡Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor, Hosana en el cielo! Con estas palabras, la multitud aclamaba al Señor, que humilde y victorioso entraba en la Ciudad Santa. La alegría de aquellos que le recibían, contrastaba dramáticamente con la actitud sombría y desconcertante de aquellos que planeaban acabar con El. Al final sabemos que la sombras aparentan vencer a la luz, pero después de un momento de tinieblas, la Luz resplandeció. Eso es lo que estaremos celebrando durante el Triduo Pascual aquí en la Iglesia, y quiero invitarles a que nos acompañen a nuestras celebraciones. Este año, el Sr. Obispo Placido Rodríguez estará presidiendo nuestras Liturgias, así que, animados por la presencia de un gran pastor, hagamos planes para asistir a los servicios de Semana Santa.

Después de la Celebración de Palmas y la proclamación de la Pasión del Señor, el siguiente momento más importante es la noche del Jueves Santo cuando nos reuniremos para recordar la Institución de la Eucaristía; recordaremos el mandamiento del amor y la llamada el servicio que se expresa tan bien en el humilde gesto del lavado de los pies, al término de la celebración tendremos la procesión con el Santísimo hasta el lugar de la reserva donde permanecerá para la adoración hasta media noche. El Viernes Santo a las dos de la tarde tenemos el Servicio Litúrgico de la Pasión del Señor presidida por el Sr. Obispo Placido Rodríguez; les invitamos a participar de este momento donde el Beso de la Cruz y la Sagrada Comunión nos manifiestan tan elocuentemente la entrega del Salvador. Ese mismo día a las cuatro de la tarde el viacrucis viviente nos brinda la posibilidad de manifestar abiertamente nuestra fe, hagamos parte de este acto de piedad tan importante. Finalmente, el Sábado Santo por la noche La Vigilia Pascual nos ofrece la oportunidad de celebrar el triunfo de Cristo sobre la muerte y con Él nos injerta en la Vida nueva de la Resurrección; es importante que estemos presentes en esta liturgia tan bella y llena de simbolismo pues como lo decía San Agustín, es la Madre de todas las vigilias.

Espero verles a todos durante estos días tan importantes para nuestra Fe. No olvidemos que la participación a Misa el Domingo de Pascua cierra de una manera solemne estas Fiestas tan importantes en la vida del creyente. Rezo para que los misterios que nos dieron vida sean el medio por el cual todos entramos a la Fiesta de Dios dejándonos Salvar por la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de Jesucristo.

Adsum,

Peregrinacion a las 7 Iglesias

Jueves, 13 de abril
a las 7 de la tarde

St. Monica Church, Chicago
St. Eugene Parish, Chicago
St. Rosalie Catholic Parish,
Harwood Heights
St. Paul of the Cross, Park Ridge
Mary Seat of Wisdom, Park Ridge
Saint Beatrice Parish, Schiller Park
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church,
Melrose Park

El costo es de $15.00 por persona

Quien guste participar, tenemos boletos disponibles en la oficina.

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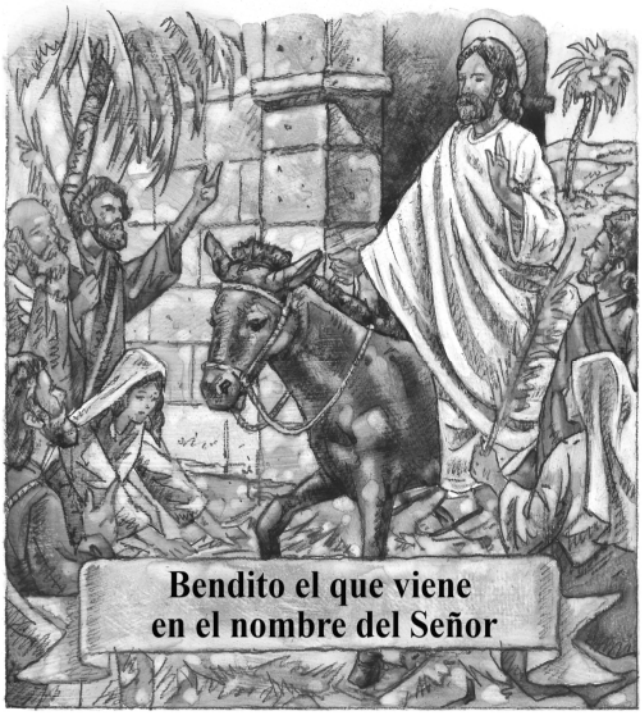

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

El Viernes Santo es el día más impresionante que se conmemora en el calendario cristiano. Es el día en que Jesús, muriendo en la cruz, se revela al mismo tiempo como Hijo del Hombre e Hijo de Dios. Los hispanos conmemoramos este día no sólo con la liturgia oficial de la Iglesia, sino también con nuestras devociones populares como el Vía crucis en vivo, el Pésame a la Virgen y el sermón de las Siete Palabras. Esta última devoción es también conocida como el Sermón de tres horas y es mayormente usada por las Iglesias protestantes, sin embargo, tiene su origen gracias al sacerdote Jesuita Francisco del Castillo, en Perú.

Como Jesús, este santo varón dedicó toda su vida a los pobres y marginados. El Viernes Santo de 1660, mientras predicaba en la iglesia de Nuestra de Señora de los Desamparados, ante la efigie del Señor en agonía, decidió hacer una comparación del sufrimiento de Cristo al sufrimiento de los desamparados, llamando a los cristianos al apostolado de caridad y justicia. Las siete últimas palabras de Jesucristo deben movernos al servicio de los desamparados.

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La Colecta del Jueves Santo

Durante nuestra celebración del Jueves Santo, la colecta será en beneficio a nuestro dispensario de comida. Nuestro dispensario de comida sirve a más de 60 familias de nuestra comunidad cada semana. Le damos las gracias por su generosidad.

PARA VER A CRISTO CLARAMENTE

Hoy comenzamos viendo a través de las puertas de Jerusalén, vemos a la multitud, aclamando y agitando ramos de olivo en el aire. Es una atmósfera de júbilo, triunfo y celebración. Podemos distraernos o embelesarnos con la escena y no ver claramente las características de Jesús cuando entra. Pero nuestras lecturas de Isaías y la carta de Pablo a los filipenses aclaran estas características. Él es el Siervo que Sufre, manso y callado ante sus captores y perseguidores; es la mismísima imagen del Dios invisible, sin embargo, no se aferrará a la igualdad con Dios antes de sufrir su enfrentamiento final en humildad. Isaías y Pablo nos ayudan a "ver al Cordero de Dios" antes de oír el relato de su mayor y último enfrentamiento. Es importante que veamos a Cristo claramente antes de oír el relato de su Pasión, porque nosotros –su Cuerpo por medio del Bautismo, la Iglesia– somos su rostro. Debemos, junto con él, pasar por este tiempo de sufrimiento para que podamos, también junto con él, pasar por su triunfo final.

Fr. Feccia's Reflection

Palm Sunday, "Anno A"— Insieme ai figli d'Israele, la chiesa partecipa oggi al trionfo profetico del Cristo, che entra nella città santa di Gerusalemme per passare da questo mondo al Padre.

I racconti della passione che si leggono in questa domenica costituiscono sicuramente il nucleo primitivo dei vangeli. Intorno ad una storia semplice, ma drammatica, si raccolgono preoccupazioni diverse, che influenzano il modo di riferire e di stendere per iscritto gli episodi della passione. Nell'intento di dimostrare che il cristianesimo non ha nulla di un movimento sedizioso o criminale, si mette in evidenza il complotto che conduce Gesù alla morte, così come l'innocenza del servo, crocifisso per i peccatori. Di fronte al popolo d'Israele, si sottolinea le conformità di questa morte con le Scritture che appaiono realizzate non solo nell'evento centrale della passione, ma anche nei particolari del suo svolgimento. Ci si preoccupa poi di inquadrare storicamente la crocifissione nella cornice della celebrazione pasquale: si tratta di un sacrificio, di un nuovo rito di alleanza che si sostituisce all'immolazione dell'agnello, e infine si cerca di mettere in luce il valore dell'umiltà, della preghiera, della perseveranza e delle sofferenze destinate a perfezionare l'umanità di Gesù, per offrire alla Chiesa un esempio e un insegnamento salutare.

Oltre a tutto questo, anche altri elementi della fede si chiariscono ai piedi della croce: il rapporto di Gesù con il giudaismo; l'origine e la missione della chiesa; il ruolo degli apostoli in generale, e in particolare di Pietro.

I racconti non si riducono quindi ad un susseguirsi di episodi. Segnati dalla personalità di ogni evangelista, presentano un'unica storia, la cui caratteristica dominante è la vittoria di Dio sugli assalti del male, che raggiungono il culmine nella passione di nostro Signore Gesù Cristo.

Processione delle palme — Non si tratta di una ricostruzione folkloristica dell'ingresso di Gesù a Gerusalemme, ma di una *azione liturgica* che apre la celebrazione annuale della pasqua. Professione di fede che si esprime attraverso il gesto prima ancora che attraverso la parola, questa processione afferma che, andando incontro alla morte, Gesù inaugura il suo ritorno nella gloria del Padre. Nella celebrazione delle diverse tappe, non dovremmo perdere di vista questa globalità dell'itinerario pasquale.

Cristo va incontro alla morte con libertà di figlio

Tutto l'impegno quaresimale di penitenza e di conversione in questa domenica viene focalizzato attorno al momento cruciale del mistero di Cristo e della vita cristiana: la croce come obbedienza al Padre e solidarietà con gli uomini, la sofferenza del Servo del Signore (cf prima lettura) inseparabilmente congiunta alla gloria (seconda lettura). La strada che Gesù intraprende per salvare (= per regnare) si pone in contrasto con ogni più ragionevole attesa perché egli sceglie non la forza e la ricchezza, ma la debolezza e la povertà. Il compendio della celebrazione odierna è offerto già nella monizione che introduce la processione delle Palme: «Questa assemblea liturgica è preludio alla Pasqua del Signore... Gesù entra in Gerusalemme per dare compimento al mistero della sua morte e risurrezione... Chiediamo la grazia di seguirlo fino alla croce per essere partecipi della sua risurrezione».

Il mistero della croce

Vertice della liturgia della Parola è la lettura della Passione: è a questo centro che occorre volgere l'attenzione, più che alla processione delle palme. I ramoscelli d'olivo non sono un talismano contro possibili disgrazie; al contrario, sono il segno di un popolo che acclama al suo Re e lo riconosce come Signore che salva e che libera. Ma la sua regalità si manifesterà in modo sconcertante sulla croce. Proprio in questo misterioso scandalo di umiliazione, di sofferenza, di abbandono totale si compie il disegno salvifico di Dio. Nell'impatto con la croce la fede vacilla: il peso di una forca schiaccia il Giusto per eccellenza e sembra dar ragione alla potenza dell'ingiustizia, della violenza e della malvagità. Sale inquietante la domanda del «perché» di questo cumulo insopportabile di sofferenza e di dolore che investe Gesù, il Crocifisso, e con lui tutti i crocifissi della storia. Sulla croce muoiono tutte le false immagini di Dio che la mente umana ha partorito e che noi, forse, continuiamo inconsciamente ad alimentare. Dov'è l'onnipotenza di Dio, la sua perfezione, la sua giustizia? Perché Dio non interviene in certe situazioni intollerabili?

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, APRIL 8 — **LENTEN WEEKDAY**
7:30 am † Marcellus Pacheco by Friends
5:30 pm †

SUNDAY, APRIL 9 — **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**
7:45 am † Dolores and Nick Natale by Son Vick Natale
9:00 am †
10:30 am †
12:00 pm † Josephine Ariola by Nieces Rose and Madeline
† Carm Ruffo by Toschi Family
1:30 pm †
5:00 pm †

MONDAY, APRIL 10 — **HOLY WEEK**
7:30 am †

TUESDAY, APRIL 11 — **HOLY WEEK**
7:30 am †
6:30 pm †

WEDNESDAY. APRIL 12 — **HOLY WEEK**
7:30 am †
7:30 pm NOVENA

THURSDAY, APRIL 13 — **HOLY THURSDAY**
6:00 am †
8:00 pm †

FRIDAY, APRIL 14 — **PASSION OF THE LORD**

SATURDAY, APRIL 15 — **HOLY SATURDAY**
8:00 pm †

SUNDAY, APRIL 16 — **EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**
7:45 am †
9:00 am †
10:30 am †
12:00 pm †
1:30 pm †
5:00 pm †

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO ARE ILL OR INFIRMED :

Linda Bandy
Mary Donato
Judith Escamilla
Jacob Duda
Kristie Goldi
Linna Goldi
Susan Humpf
Carol Maioni
Vandy Liala
Ethan Maidl
Joseph Pulido
Lauren Rendi
Bobby J. Villa
Luke Westrick
Ann Yench
Alexandra Vitali
Ken Douglas
Michael Turso
Anna Baffa
Jan Clark
Sara Zonca
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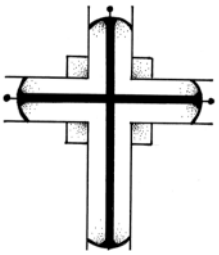

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† Jose Fulgencio

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-Jose Ramon Arenas

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- Nancy Diaz
- Daniel Michel

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Sunday
-8:00am—3:00pm

Tuesday- Friday
-8:30am—8:30pm

Saturday
-8:30am — 1:00pm
-2:00pm—5:30pm

Monday
- We're Closed

Sunday Mass Schedule

5:30pm - Sat. Vigil Mass
7:45am - English
9:00am - Español
10:30am - Italiano
12:00pm - English
1:30pm - Español
5:00pm - Español

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English
-Monday - Saturday at 7:30am
Español
-Martes y Jueves a las 6:30pm
Italiano
-Sotto richiesta

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