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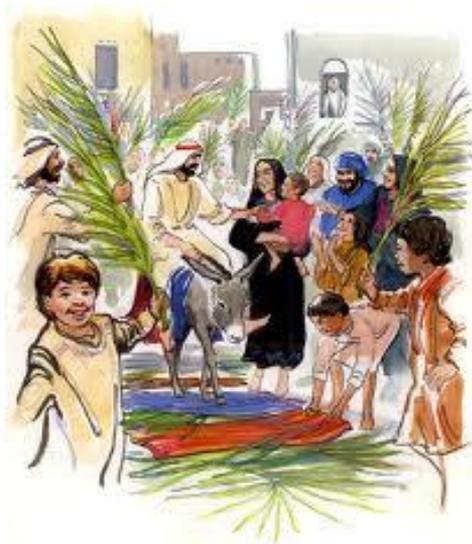
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"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest."



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The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 22: 14-23:56.

+When the hour arrived, Jesus took his place at table, and the apostles with him. He said to them: "I have greatly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. I tell you, I will not eat it again until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." Then taking a cup he offered a blessing in thanks and said: "Take this and divide it among you; I tell you, from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the coming of the reign of God." Then taking bread and giving thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying: "This is my body to be given for you. Do this as a remembrance of me." He did the same with the cup after eating, saying as he did so: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which will be shed for you! And yet the hand of my betrayer is with me at this table. The Son of Man is following out his appointed course, but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed." Then they began to dispute among themselves as to which of them would do such a deed. A dispute arose among them about who should be regarded as the greatest. He said: "Earthly kings lord it over their people. Those who exercise authority over them are called their benefactors. Yet it cannot be that way with you. Let the greater among you be as the junior, the leader as the servant. Who, in fact, is the greater—he who reclines at table or he who serves the meal? Is it not the one who reclines at table? Yet I am in your midst as the one who serves you. You are the ones who have stood loyally by me in my temptations. I for my part assign to you the dominion my Father has assigned to me. In my kingdom, you will eat and drink at my table, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. "Simon, Simon! Remember that Satan has asked for you, to sift you all like wheat. But I have prayed for you that your faith may never fail. You in turn must strengthen your brothers." Peter said to him, "*Lord, at your side I am prepared to face imprisonment and death itself*" Jesus replied, "I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow today until you have three times denied that you know me." He asked them, "When I sent you on mission without purse or traveling bag or sandals, were you in need of anything? They replied, **(all together):** "*Not a thing.*" He said to them: "Now, however, the man who has a purse must carry the same with the traveling bag. And the man without a sword must sell his coat and buy one. It is written in Scripture, 'He was counted among the wicked, and this, I tell you, must come to be fulfilled in me. All that has to do with me approaches its climax." They said, **(all together):** "*Lord, here are two swords!*" He answered, "Enough." Then he went out and made his way, as was his custom, to the Olives; his disciples accompanied him.

On reaching the place he said to them, "Pray that you may not be put to the test." He withdrew from them about a stone's throw, then went down on his knees and prayed in these "Father, if it is your will, take this cup from me; yet not my will but yours be done." An angel then appeared to him from heaven to strengthen him. In his anguish he prayed with all the greater intensity, and his sweat became like drops of blood falling to the ground. Then he rose from prayer and came to his disciples, only to find them asleep, exhausted with grief. He said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Wake up and pray that you may not be subjected to the trial." While he was still speaking a crowd came, led by the man named Judas, one of the Twelve. He approached Jesus to embrace him. Jesus said to him, "Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?" When the companions of Jesus saw what was going to happen, they said, **(all together):** "Lord, shall we use the sword?" One of them went so far as to strike the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. Jesus said in answer to their question, "Enough!" Then he touched the ear and healed the man. But to those who had come out against him—the chief priests, the chiefs of the temple guard, and the ancients—Jesus said, "Am I a criminal that you come out after me armed with swords and clubs? When I was with you day after day in the temple you never raised a hand against me. But this is your hour—the triumph of darkness!" They led him away under arrest and brought him to the house of the high priest, while Peter followed at a distance. Later they lighted a fire in the middle of the courtyard and were sitting beside it, and Peter sat among them. A servant girl saw him sitting in the light of the fire. She gazed at him intently, then said, "*This man was with him.*" He denied it, saying, "*Woman, I do not know him*" A little while later someone else saw him and said, "*You are one of them too.*" But Peter said, "*No, sir, not !!*" About an hour after that another spoke more insistently: "*This man was certainly with him, for he is a Galilean.*" Peter responded, "*My friend, I do not know what you are talking about*" At the very moment he was saying this, a cock crowed. The Lord turned around and looked at Peter, and Peter remembered the word that the Lord had spoken to him, "Before the cock crows today you will deny me three times." He went out and wept bitterly. Meanwhile the men guarding Jesus amused themselves at his expense. They blindfolded him first, slapped him, and then taunted him. SS. "*Play the prophet; which one struck you?*" And they directed many other insulting words at him. At daybreak, the elders of the people, the chief priests, and the scribes assembled again.

Once they had brought him before their council, they said, **(all together):** "Tell us, are you the Messiah?" Jesus replied, "If I tell you, you will not believe me, and if I question you, you will not answer. This much only will I say: 'From now on, the Son of Man will have his seat at the right hand of the Power of God.'" They asked in chorus; **(all together):** "So you are the Son of God?" He answered, "It is you who say I am." They said, **(all together):** "What need have we of witnesses? We have heard it from his own mouth." Then the entire assembly rose up and led him before Pilate. They started his prosecution by saying, **(all together):** "We found this man subverting our nation, opposing the payment of taxes to Caesar, and calling himself the Messiah, a king." Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He answered, "That is your term." Pilate reported to the chief priests and the crowds, "I do not find a case against this man" But they insisted, **(all together):** "He stirs up the people by his teaching through the whole of Judea, from Galilee, where he began, to this very place" On hearing this, Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean; and when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction he sent him to Herod, who also happened to be in Jerusalem at the time. Herod was extremely pleased to see Jesus. From the reports about him he had wanted for a long time to see him, and he was hoping to see him work some miracle. He questioned Jesus at considerable length, but Jesus made no answer. The chief priests and scribes were at hand to accuse him vehemently. Herod and his guards then treated him with contempt and insult, after which they put a magnificent robe on him and sent him back to Pilate. Herod and Pilate, who had previously been set against each other, became friends from that day. Pilate then called together the chief priests, the ruling class, and the people, and said to them: "You have brought this man before me as one who subverts the people. I have examined him in your presence and have no charge against him arising from your allegations. Neither has Herod, who therefore has sent him back to us; obviously this man has done nothing that calls for death. Therefore I mean to release him, once I have taught him a lesson." The whole crowd cried out, **(all together):** "Away with this man; release Barabbas for us!" This Barabbas had been thrown in prison for causing an uprising in the city and for murder. Pilate addressed them again, for he wanted Jesus to be the one he released. But they shouted back, **(all together):** "Crucify him, crucify him!" He said to them for the third time, "What wrong is this man guilty of? I have not discovered anything about him that calls for the death penalty. I will therefore chastise him and release him." But they demanded with loud cries that he be crucified,

and their shouts increased in violence. Pilate then decreed that what they demanded should be done. He released the one they asked for, who had been thrown in prison for insurrection and murder, and delivered Jesus up to their wishes. As they led him away, they laid hold of one Simon the Cyrenean, who was coming in from the fields. They put a crossbeam on Simon's shoulder for him to carry along behind Jesus. A great crowd of people followed him, including women who beat their breasts and lamented over him. Jesus turned to them and said: "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me. Weep for yourselves and for your children. The days are coming when they will say, 'Happy are the sterile, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed.'

Then they will begin saying to the mountains, 'Fall on us, and to the hills 'Cover us.' If they do these things in the green wood, what will happen in the dry?" Two others who were criminals were led along with him to be crucified. When they came to Skull Place, as it was called, they crucified him there and the criminals as well, one on his right and the other on his left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing." They divided his garments, rolling dice for them. The people stood there watching, and the leaders kept jeering at him saying, **(all together):** "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, the chosen one." The soldiers also made fun of him, coming forward to offer him their sour wine and saying, SS. *"If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself"*

There was an inscription over his head: **"THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS."** **One of the criminals** hanging in crucifixion blasphemed him, *"Aren't you the Messiah? Then save yourself and us."* But the other one rebuked him: *"Have you no fear of God, seeing you are under the same sentence? We deserve it, after all. We are only paying the price for what we've done, but this man has done nothing wrong."* Then he said, *"Jesus, remember me when you enter upon your reign."* And Jesus replied, "I assure you: this day you will be with me in paradise." It was now around midday, and darkness came over the whole land until mid-afternoon with an eclipse of the sun. The curtain in the sanctuary was torn in two. Jesus uttered a loud cry and said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit. After he said this, he expired.

(HERE KNEEL AND PAUSE MOMENTARILY)

The centurion, upon seeing what had happened, gave glory to God by saying, "*Surely this was an innocent man.*" When the crowd which had assembled for this spectacle witnessed what had happened, they went home beating their breasts. All his friends and the women who had accompanied him from Galilee were standing at a distance watching everything. There was a man named Joseph, an upright and holy member of the Sanhedrin, who had not been associated with their plan or their action. He was from Arimathea, a Jewish town, and he looked expectantly for the reign of God. This man approached Pilate with a request for Jesus' body. He took it down, wrapped it in fine linen, and laid it in a tomb, hewn out of the rock, in which no one had yet been buried. That was the Day of Preparation, and the Sabbath was about to begin. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed along behind. They saw the tomb and how his body was buried. Then they went back home to prepare spices and perfumes. They observed the Sabbath as a day of rest, in accordance with the law.



Parish News

- **Mass Intentions:** For Regina Kaczorowski-12 anniversary and Fr. Louis Kaczorowski. Req. by The Kaczorowski Family.
- **School of Christian Living Bake Sale is today** following Mass. Please support the youth of our parish.
- **Choir rehearsal for Easter** will be on Wednesday at 9am. Thank you.
- **The rehearsal for the Easter Mass will be Next Sunday at 7:45am.** Children, Ladies, Choir Members, Altar Servers, and Men in the procession need to be in the church 15 minutes before the service.
- **Next Sunday** after the Solemn Mass of the Resurrection at 8am everyone is invited to the rectory for Easter Polish breakfast.
- **The Ladies thank everyone who donated to the basket for the Providence Street Firemen!**
- **Bishop Paul visits our Parish.** All parishioners are invited to come to a meeting with Bishop Paul on Wednesday, March 30th, at 6pm. He will be visiting us to discuss our parish year 2015 and 2016. All are encouraged to attend. Coffee and pastry will be available.
- **Swieconka Easter Dinner will be held on Sunday, April 3rd, following mass.** This will be a potluck dinner, just like the Oplatek. Please bring your favorite dish. No desserts please. If you prefer giving a donation instead of bringing something, please give it to Sally. There are no tickets...just everyone bring a dish!
- **Pray for comfort, and healing for our sick Parishioners, Relatives and Friends:** Robert Jones, Barbara Rutka, Mitch Sherman, Mary Bibeault, Roy Watson, Fred Baker, Beatrice Bielat, Julia Hutnak, Phyllis Zielonka, Mary Stefanick, Evelyn Tenczar, Edna Nawrocki, Katherine Kirk, Fr. Jan Wilczek.

HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Next week on **Holy Thursday** we begin the *Paschal Triduum* also called the *Easter Triduum*. The *Paschal Triduum* consists of **Holy Thursday**, **Good Friday**, **Holy Saturday**, and **Easter Sunday**. The word Triduum means "three days." The *Triduum* celebrates the heart of our faith, salvation, and redemption: the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thus, the *Triduum* commemorates the Institution of the Eucharist (Holy Thursday); the Passion, Crucifixion, death of the Lord (Good Friday); the Liturgy of blessing of Fire, Water and Paschal Candle (Saturday morning); and finally His glorious Resurrection on Easter Sunday morning. As Christian we are invited to participate in these celebrations with the whole engagement.

May this time of the *Easter Triduum* will be for all of us the time of prayer and meditation about the immensity of God's love for mankind and may bring us peace and blessing.

For the Holy Week schedule see next page →

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Holy Tuesday: (March 22) 4:30 P.M. - *Chrism Mass at Holy Trinity Parish in Plantsville CT.*

Holy Thursday: (March 24), 6:00 pm, - Holy Mass of the Lord's Supper, Procession with the Holy Sacrament to the repository, followed by the *litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.*

Good Friday: (March 25), 6:00 pm, - Solemn Liturgy of our Lord's Passion. Veneration of the Cross, Procession to the altar of the tomb, followed by the *litany to the Most Precious Blood of Christ.*

Holy Saturday: (March 26), 10:00 am, - The Liturgy of blessing of Fire, Water and Paschal Candle, followed by the Blessing of Easter Food (*Święconka*).

Easter Sunday: (March 27), 8:00 am, - Resurrection of our Lord-Solemnity- Holy Mass with the Procession with the Holy Sacrament and Solemn Paschal Blessing.

Please find time and join us in these special days for prayer in our Church!

**Our Saviour's Parish Schedule:
SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING - Sunday-9:00 AM
HOLY MASS - Every Sunday-10:00 AM
COFFEE HOUR – Sunday-11:00 AM
SICK CALLS – Anytime-day or night
BAPTISMS -By Appointment
NEW PARISHIONERS- Call Rectory**