



The Mission Bell



April 2015

Holy Week & Easter Service Schedule

MAUNDY THURSDAY – April 2nd



6:00 p.m. The Last Supper remembered. Our Agape Meal in commemoration of the Last Supper will be a light supper in the Parish Hall.

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated after this meal. Stripping of the Altar will follow.

GOOD FRIDAY – April 3rd

12:00 noon Noonday Prayers.

3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross.

7:00 p.m. Proper Liturgy for Good Friday.



HOLY SATURDAY – April 4th



9:00 a.m. Rite for Holy Saturday. A quiet, solemn and prayerful service.

EASTER SUNDAY – April 5th



7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

Join us for a Continental Breakfast sponsored by COG after the 7:30 service.

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Palm Sunday. Maundy Thursday. Good Friday. Holy Saturday. Easter. It is possible, as Deacon Scott reminded us in a Sunday sermon several weeks ago, to go to seven services in less than 60 hours this week.

Without necessarily recommending that (even Deacon Scott and I will switch off), I want to urge you to make space this week for at least some of the ways the church remembers this last and most holy week of Jesus' life.

No one wants to deliberately make themselves feel sad. It's no wonder we prefer to avoid the reality of Jesus' last days and just look forward to celebrating Easter. But Easter loses much of its meaning if we don't remind ourselves of the journey Jesus took to get there. If we don't make time to absorb the details of his last hours on Thursday and Friday and the astonishing reversal of Sunday morning.

Walk with Jesus this week. Pray with the church. And celebrate with us on Sunday.

Blessed Holy Week to all,

Vicki +

Prayer List For April

Alisha Knox
Jeff, Karen, Amanda & Alyssa Lanphear
Elizabeth & Ashley Lemieux

Cynthia & Richard Lewis
Larry & Anne Ouillette
Beverly Palazzo

Melinda & Walter Parcinski
Leslie Paterno
Michael Peterson

Karen Phaiah
Ken & Patricia {Phaiah and Andrew Cruz
Ken & Sarah Phaiah

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, IN YOUR TENDOR LOVE FOR THE HUMAN RACE YOU SENT YOUR SON OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST TO TAKE UPON HIM OUR NATURE, AND TO SUFFER DEATH UPON THE CROSS, GIVING US THE EXAMPLE OF HIS GREAT HUMILITY: MERCIFULLY GRANT THAT WE MAY WALK IN THE WAY OF HIS SUFFERING, AND ALSO SHARE IN HIS RESURRECTION; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, WHO LIVES AND REIGNS WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD, FOR EVER AND EVER. AMEN+

Toiletries Drive



Food Pantries and Soup Kitchens are always in need of food items. But there are some items that are in high demand at the food bank and you may not realize it.

Because they aren't essentials, the staff doesn't publicly ask for them.

Many clients have a need for basic toiletry items. Non-food items cannot be purchased with food stamps, so toiletries and household cleaning supplies are items they often cannot afford to buy.

As part of our Lenten devotion, we collected **toiletry supplies** to donate to Project P.I.N.

and other local food pantries and shelters. Items that were donated included toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, wipes, chapstick, skin lotion, nail clippers, brushes, combs, nail file, bandaids, Q tips, sewing kits, Kleenex, toilet paper, feminine products, disposable razors, shaving cream. Travel sizes and small packages are preferred however all donations are welcome. Our collection ended **Palm Sunday, March 29th**. Thanks to all who during Lent collected toiletry supplies. Because of your support the drive has been very successful! Again thanks, thanks, thanks.



Some of the donated Toiletries



A bin full of toiletries

Palm Sunday, 2015

Palm Sunday, March 29th, greeted us with sunny skies, colder-than-normal temperatures after receiving about an inch of snow the night before. So due to this, at the 9:30 a.m. worship service we stayed indoors for the first time in many years and started our Palm Sunday service in the Narthex of the church. Mother Vicki blessed the palms and after prayers and

the reading of a Psalm, we made our way into church with the Guitar Choir leading us in singing "The King of Glory" to continue our worship service to celebrate Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem.



Our Altar area for the celebration of Palm Sunday

At the end of our worship service, The Passion Gospel was read dramatically with parts of the Passion Gospel being read from the midst of the congregation. Following the Passion Gospel, the ministers and congregation departed in silence.



Palm Sunday Concert of Sacred Music

On Sunday, March 29th, St. Paul's Guitar Choir joined with other local church choirs to celebrate Palm Sunday at the 86th annual Palm Sunday Concert of Sacred Music at the Putnam Congregational Church.

Each individual choir presented one or two songs and then all members joined together for two songs. The combined choirs, conducted by Music Director Marilee Morse for the host church, met weekly in March to practice their combined efforts.



The combine St. Paul's/St. Phillip's Choirs perform

The participating members from St. Paul's choir, led by Director Larry Ouillette, were Glenn Bouthillier, Cliff Chapin, Barbara Gagnon, and Anne Ouillette. They were joined by several members of St. Phillips Episcopal Church of Putnam and sang several songs



Members of the all the choirs perform during the 86th Annual Palm Sunday Concert of Sacred Music

St. Paul's Blessing of the Motorcycles & Craft Fair

Planning is under way for this years **Blessing of the Motorcycles and Craft Fair**. If you would like to be part of the planning committee, please speak to Alisha Knox and Joyce & Stephen Walason. More details for both events to follow.



Last year vendors lined Babcock Avenue on the church lawn



Mother Vicki blesses a bike

Sermons on the Web

Starting the first Sunday in Advent, Sunday November 30th, we have added audio versions of recent sermons to our website. Our webmaster Deacon Scott and Mother Vicki have worked hard to get all the "bugs" worked out but it appears it is now working fine.

Go to our website, <http://stpaulplainfield.org>, click on "Worship & Prayer" tab on the left side menu then the "Recent Sermons" tab. The recent sermons will be listed.

Spring Clean Up

Spring Clean Up at St. Paul's this year has been scheduled for **Saturday, April 25th** with a **Rain Date** of **Saturday, May 2nd**.



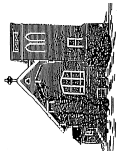
Yes, we are getting the word out early because there is so much to do. We have leftover leaves from last fall that need to be raked, bushes that need to be trimmed, garden's to clean and sticks to pick up so bring rakes, pruning shears & hedge trimmers. We plan to start at **9:00 a.m.** so come early & be done early. Please mark this date on your calendars and we hope to see you there.





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St. Paul's Episcopal Church



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APRIL 2015 SCHEDULES

SUBDEACON:

4/05 WAYNE LANGLOIS
4/12 GREG BERNDT
4/19 KATHY DUBOIS
4/26 DAVID HOFFMAN

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APRIL LECTOR AT 9:30 A.M. SERVICE: MARILYN CROCKER

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