

# Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

## Pastor's Corner

Palm Sunday is a clarion call to follow the Lord. The liturgy begins with the story of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. This is followed by an invitation addressed to all of us:

"Let us go forth in peace, proclaiming Jesus our Messiah, as did the crowds who welcomed him to Jerusalem."

The invitation to follow extends to the whole of Holy Week.

As we move through Holy Week, the triumph of Palm Sunday is transformed into the tragedy of Jesus' arrest, trial and crucifixion. We gain perspective, though, on the deeper, salvific meaning of these events through the daily readings. The Old Testament selections from the prophet Isaiah's "servant songs" tell the story of God's upright and just servant who is persecuted and killed. This servant was the primary model by which Christians could make sense of Jesus' unexpected death. In the gospels, Jesus' last few days are marked by the growing hostility of the religious leaders and the startling realization that even his closest disciples will betray him and deny him. At the Last Supper Jesus called His disciples to "Do this in Memory of Me". . . . and so we have down through the centuries.

*Your Brother in Christ, Fr. Roy*

### Marriage Renewal Celebration

A sacramental marriage is much more than just a union of a man and woman. It symbolizes the Divine Union between Christ (the Bridegroom) and His Church (the Bride). As married Christians, open to the creation of new life and committed to salvation; couples participate not only in God's creative act, but in the redemptive act of Christ.

The effect of this sacrament is an increase in sanctifying grace for the spouses in addition to participation in the Divine Life of God Himself. This sanctifying grace helps each spouse to help the other advance in holiness and it helps them together to cooperate in God's plan of redemption by raising up children in the Faith.

The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, needs to be resuscitated from time to time. The essential properties of a marriage which are unity and indissolubility need to be reinvigorated. What better way to do this than by attending the Marriage Renewal Celebration taking place on Sat. April 19<sup>th</sup> at the Armour Heights Officers' Mess located at 215 Yonge Blvd., Toronto. For further details, please contact David & Fatima Borges at 647-227-0697.

**\*\* The Parish Office will be closed at 12noon on Thurs. March 20<sup>th</sup> and will reopen on Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am \*\***



## Liturgical

### The Chrism Mass

St. Michael's Cathedral

**Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am**

Parishioners are invited to attend this most solemn Mass to witness our priest's renewal of their priestly commitment.



### Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight.



### Good Friday

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

**Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 1pm & 3pm**

Stations of the Cross – 7pm  
Private Devotions until 9pm

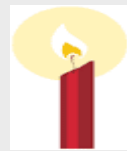


### Blessing of the Easter Baskets

#### Holy Saturday,

**Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 12 noon**

The blessing will be in Polish and English. Anyone wishing to have their Easter food blessed please feel free to join us in the church.



### Holy Saturday

#### Easter Vigil

**Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, at  
7:30pm**

Our community will welcome several candidates to the Catholic Faith.



### Easter Sunday

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

**Sunday March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Masses at 8am – 9:30am – 11am – 12:30pm

There will NOT be a 7pm Mass this weekend.

### Divine Mercy

**Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

Holy Hour from 3-4pm

Confessions following Holy hour

**There will NOT be Masses at:  
9:00am, Holy Thursday March 20<sup>th</sup>  
8:00am, Good Friday March 21<sup>st</sup>  
9:00am, Holy Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

# Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008



## Organizations & Ministries

### *Young People Needed to Volunteer for Good Friday Dramatization*

Students aged 12 to 18 are invited to become involved in our traditional Good Friday Tableaux to accompany the reading of Christ's Passion on Good Friday. No experience needed, but would welcome the return of young people previously involved. There are 2 practices at the Church, **Sun. Mar 16<sup>th</sup> from 2-3 and Wed. Mar. 19<sup>th</sup> from 7-9.** For details call Lena Sterling at 905 830-1440

### **Good Friday Special Collection March 21<sup>st</sup>**

There will be a special collection for the Holy Land in support of Future Priests, the works of the Holy Land and the upkeep of the Holy Sites.  
Let us give generously to respond to the needs of the Church in the land of Jesus.



## ShareLife

### **What are you doing for Lent?**

Do you feel like Lent is passing you by? Take the time to pause, reflect and give back in thanksgiving during the final days between Palm Sunday and Holy Thursday. Enter into the spirit of this sacrificial season by taking time to think about the Lord's presence in your life and how you can give back to Him.  
200,000 people in need are waiting for a light to shine in their lives. Will you share your gifts?  
Together, lets ShareLife!



### **EASTER PLANT DONATION**

Help create an Indoor Memory Garden for Easter! If you would like to donate a potted Easter flower/plant ie: Lilies, Hydrangea, Mums etc... in memory of a loved one for Easter, you can bring your potted/flower/plant to the parish with your loved ones name on a card from Thursday to Saturday noon during Holy Week.

### **SPECIAL THANK YOU TO CWG**

Thank you for your very generous contribution of \$2,000. To say that I was touched by your generosity does not sufficiently express my gratitude. You have provided the means to allow me to purchase a monitor to improve the sound system as well as a beautiful altar cloth for Easter and a matching tabernacle veil. We at St. Elizabeth Seton are fortunate to have people like you who dedicate their time, efforts and energy for the love of and in the service of the Church.



## Social & Other

### **St. Elizabeth Seton Parish Auction**

#### **"Comic Book Heroes"**

**On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008**

**Ticket Price: \$75.00**

*Included in the ticket price is a \$50.00 donation to the parish. A charitable tax receipt of \$50.00 will be issued!*

Proceeds of this Auction will go towards the ongoing maintenance of our Parish.

Your support is greatly appreciated!

### **"New Parish Youth Group" ages 13-19:**

We would like to welcome our new Youth Group Leaders, Mark Fitzgerald and Taunia Borsellino both from the 7pm choir! The youth group will meet after the 7p Mass starting Sun. March 30<sup>th</sup> in Seton Hall. For info contact Taunia at [tauniab@gmail.com](mailto:tauniab@gmail.com)

### **Mass Intentions**

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Mass for:</u>	<u>Mass Requested By:</u>
<b><u>Mon. Mar. 17</u></b> 8:00am	Tony Coleman. (I)	The Family
<b><u>Tues. Mar. 18</u></b> 9:00am	Nick, Rosaria and Tony Grande (D)	The Family
7:00pm	Marielle Carriere (D)	The Dal Bianco Family
<b><u>Wed. Mar. 19</u></b> 8:00am	Holly Gragtmans (I)	Oma & Opa
<b><u>Thur. Mar. 20</u></b> 7:00pm	NO INTENTIONS	
<b><u>Fri. Mar. 21</u></b> 1:00pm 3:00pm	NO INTENTIONS NO INTENTIONS	
<b><u>Sat. Mar. 22</u></b> 8:00pm	NO INTENTIONS	
<b><u>Sun. Mar. 23</u></b> 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am 7:00pm	NO INTENTIONS NO INTENTIONS NO INTENTIONS NO INTENTIONS	



***Please pray for those who are sick and those who love***

***and minister to them:***

Gail Burgess, Mike Welgan, Marta Lou, Tony Coleman, Fr. Elias Chichati, Frank Kelly, Sara Minatel, Giel Jonkhout, Debbie Howley, Ben Ternes, Donna Fantasia, Amalia Sirothc, Kevin Fitzpatrick, Alana Brown-Wallace, Teresa Sedore, Martin VanLierop, George Ferguson, Connor Thompson, Peter Chatterton, Lorna Hedley, Anne Allen, Gertrudis Henriquez, Fr. Joe Curcio, Anne Dorian, Jim Marrelli, Mary Sorrentino, Christopher Nabuurs, Vincent Masci, Joe Pilienci, Jim Tobin, Pam James, Liz Law, George Leo, Bronwyn, Patrick Ray, Carlos Fonseca, Patricia McNeill, Mike Casey, Maria Pawliszko, Karen Anning, Angi Sooley,

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