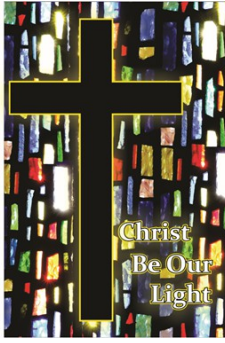


PALM SUNDAY



Christ Be Our Light: Week VII

Follow our Lenten theme and review past reflections on our website www.stphilip.org

Palm Sunday 2019

Holy Week: Christ, Be Our Light!

Our Holy Week is a journey from light to darkness to an everlasting light. During Lent we have examined and prayed with the shaded areas of our lives by inviting Christ to shine in the darkness in colorful and diverse ways. The following reflections, inspired by our Theme Hymn, are a helpful guide for each day of Holy Week culminating in the light of Easter.

Reflection Instructions:

1. Read or sing while praying with the hymn verse.
2. Discuss these questions and their answers with God in prayer.
 - a. What meaning do you wish these words to mean in my life?
 - b. What healing, strengthening or loving light do you wish to shine into my life?
 - c. How may I be your healing, strengthening or loving light today for others?
3. Conclude by reciting or singing the theme refrain as a prayer of praise.

Christ, Be Our Light!

(Bernadette Farrell adapted)

Refrain:

Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts. Shine in the darkness.

We shine your love,

Placing our hope and trust in you.

Palm Sunday:

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people,

Light for the world to see.

Holy Monday:

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.

Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has pow'r to save us.

Make us your living voice.

Holy Tuesday:

Longing for food, many are hungry.

Longing for water, many still thirst.

Make us your bread, broken for others,

Shared until all are fed.

Holy Wednesday:

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.

Longing for warmth, many are cold.

Make us your building, sheltering others,

Walls made of living stone.

Holy Thursday:

Many the gifts, many the people,

Many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants to one another,

Making your kingdom come.

Good Friday:

This is the day Christ our Redeemer,

Entered our suffering with a free heart.

All of our pain, taken upon Him,

Light in our darkness shines.

Holy Saturday:

Sing of the hope deeper than dying,

Sing of the power stronger than death.

Sing of the love endless as heaven,

Dawning throughout the earth.

Easter Sunday:

Into this world morning is breaking,

All of God's people lift up your voice.
Cry out with joy, tell out the story,
All of the earth rejoice!

LENTE PRAYERS AND PRACTICES

Renew your faith and your spiritual life for service and love for one another.

Lenten Practices

- Participating in weekly or even daily celebration of the **Eucharist** is the most perfect prayer and Lenten observance
- Days of **Fast and Abstinence**: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence when we refrain from eating meat and have one full meal and two lesser meals. All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.
- **Lenten penance** includes acts of self-denial as a tool for mindfulness of God's bountiful gifts and presence and/or an increase in charitable acts and works of kindness.
- Engage in the variety of opportunities for community and private prayer and reflection.

Prayer Opportunities

- **Last Bible Study**: Monday, April 15th at 11:00 AM Church
- Follow the bulletin and website for our parish theme **Christ Be Our Light**

CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass this year takes place on Monday of Holy Week, **April 15, 2019** at 7:00 PM at St. John the Baptist Cathedral in Paterson. *The procession starts promptly at 6:45 PM.*

HOLY WEEK - EASTER SCHEDULE

- **HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 18**
Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30 PM

Eucharistic Adoration: 9:00 PM – 11 PM
- **GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 19**
Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 3:00 PM
(Holy Communion/Veneration of the Cross)

- **HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20**
Blessing of the Easter Food: 1:00 PM
Easter Vigil: 8:00 PM
(Procession begins at 7:45 PM)

- **EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21**
Celebration of Eucharist
8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM

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THE BISHOP

Dear Friends in Christ,
As part of our Lenten call to almsgiving, I invite Catholics throughout our Diocese to support the collection for the Church in the Holy Land which takes place on Good Friday. Our scriptural home – the places where our Savior taught, died and rose again to new life, deserves our support.

The collection for the Church in the Holy Land supports the work of the Franciscans who are responsible for the care of the Holy Places as well as the Christians living in the area. Their work is vital in securing a Christian presence in the Holy Land. In addition to helping maintain sacred places, the Collection for the Church in the Holy Land also helps fund schools, provides housing for needy families and staffs parishes throughout the area.

Please join with your fellow Catholics during this Lenten season by supporting this special collection and the places that are so dear to our faith.

Faithfully yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D.,
S.S.L., D.D.
Bishop of Paterson

RCIA

Please pray for our RCIA Candidates as they prepare to receive their sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

BIBLE STUDY

The last Bible Study session during Lent is **Monday, April 15th at 11 PM** in Church. We are

studying St. Matthew's Gospel and the signs and miracles of Jesus. 30 people attend.

We will now study the parables or stories Jesus told before His rejection at Nazareth. All are welcome!

ST. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

As part of our Lenten journey, the students of the Prep participated in the sacrament of Reconciliation, collected money for Operation Rice Bowl, prayed the Stations of the Cross weekly and will be attending Living Stations of the Cross which will be presented by students in grades four through eight this coming Wednesday at school. The school will be closed for Easter break from Holy Thursday through the following week. After break the whole school will have the pleasure of seeing the performance of *Mary Poppins*, staged by the 8th grade class.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1, 3-6: **Sunday, April 14, May 5**

Grade 2: **Sunday, April 14**

Grades 7-10: **Sunday, May 5**

Pray for the Confirmation candidates as they prepare to receive the Sacrament in May.

MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

1st and 3rd Wednesday: The VFW Hall -Valley Rd; 8:00 PM.

St. PHILIP COLUMBIETTES

Columbiettes Flapjack Breakfast: **Sunday, April 28, 2019** from 8-10 AM at Applebee's, 375 Route East, Clifton, NJ. Meal includes: pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, and beverage. \$11 for adults/\$7 for children. For tickets and information, call Cathie (973-471-1265) or Sharon (973-464-6608). Tickets will be sold at the door.

PRAY FOR

NEWLY BAPTIZED:

Eva Micaela Gabriel, child of Irsa & Maureen
Eric Morrel Realubit, child of Ronald & Karen
Maxwell Anthony Salvatore, child of Michael &

Drew

THE SICK: Rose Lucignani, Antony Fernandes,

Victoria Spadofora, Monique Tommaro, Michael Alban, Sr.,
Vincent Ramundo, Gary J. Arvardy

PRIESTS' SCHEDULE: EASTER APRIL 20 & 21, 2019

Vigil-8:00 PM Fr. Joe 8:00 AM Fr.
Kevin
10:00 AM Fr. Joseph 12:00 N Fr.
Matt

PARISH GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION: APRIL 8, 2018

\$18,048.00

SUNDAY COLLECTION: APRIL 7, 2019

Envelopes

\$13,586.00

Cash \$

1,621.00

Online giving donation \$

5,808.00

Total

\$21,015.00

2nd Collection: Project Faith \$

2,705.00

PALM SUNDAY

Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11;
Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019

8:00 Emilia Canhoto
Henry A. Rafferty
10:00 Ann Albright - 8th Anniversary
Judy Serovich
Filippone & Ricci Families
Chester G. Rackiewicz - 20th Anniversary
12:00 All the People of the Parish

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019

7:00 Dailia Nardone
9:00 Salud & Policarpo Caparaz

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2019

7:00 Deceased Members-Grenda Family
9:00 Charles Elbert

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2019

7:00 Jennifer Lauritano
9:00 Judith Rodriguez & Alfredo Valle

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EASTER TRIDUUM

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2019 (HOLY THURSDAY)

7:30 PM MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
9PM-11:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2019 (GOOD FRIDAY)

3:00 Celebration of the Lord's Passion
(Holy Communion/Veneration of the Cross)

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2019 (HOLY SATURDAY)

1:00 Blessing of Easter Food
8:00 PM Easter Vigil – All the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2018 (EASTER SUNDAY)

8:00 Maria Delores Diaz
Ron Cheon
10:00 Don Muller
Kyle Terry
Kitty & Joe Colca
12:00 Joseph Scafidi

Sanctuary Candle: In Memory Of
Giovanni Mastromauro