

# Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish

2121 North 3rd Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110-1812  
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## THE EUCHARISTIC SACRIFICE

### HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE INSIDE

#### **Sunday, the Lord's Day:**

Saturday Evening: 5:00 (English), 7:00 (Vietnamese)

Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30 AM (English), 12:30 PM (Vietnamese)

#### **Weekdays:**

Monday through Friday: 12:00 - Noon (English)

Friday Evening: 6:30 (Vietnamese)

Saturday Morning: 8:00 (English)

#### **Weekday Holy Days of Obligation:**

Vigil: 5:30 PM (English), 7:00 PM (Vietnamese)

Day: Noon (English), 7:00 PM (Vietnamese)



#### **Parish Clergy:**

Rev. Mark T. Wilke

Rev. Thuong Paul Nguyen

Deacon James B. Doyle

#### **Parish Staff:**

Trish Wolf – Finance Secretary

Josiah Kadar-Kallen: Maintenance

Christine Purcell - Choir Director

#### **Parish Mission Contacts:**

*Evangelization:* Brenda Lee 232-9896, *Education:* Mary Jane Corl 236-5709, *Pastoral Ministry:* Toni Grogan 236-7126, *Liturgy:* Frank Horwath 576-8710 *Social Concerns & Outreach:* Elaine Davis 236-3717, *Ecumenism & Interfaith Concerns:* Pam Kotz 238-6173, *Prayer Line:* Madeline Crawford 652-8870, *Special Needs Advocate:* Daria Hall 599-5049

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

*Infants:* Call the office as soon as the baby is born to schedule.

*Children over the age of 7 and Adults:* Call the office

## THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

*Weekdays:* 11:30 AM; *Saturday:* 4:00 PM; or by appointment

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

Contact the rectory immediately in the case of emergency.

In cases of illness or in preparation of surgery call the rectory to schedule the celebration of the sacrament

## THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Diocesan policy requires between nine and twelve months notice for weddings and participation in marriage preparation.

[www.olbsharrisburg.org](http://www.olbsharrisburg.org)  
[www.facebook.com/OLBSparish](https://www.facebook.com/OLBSparish)  
[www.facebook.com/OLBSHbg](https://www.facebook.com/OLBSHbg)

#### **Catholic Education:**

*Bishop McDevitt High School*

*St. Margaret Mary School*

*Harrisburg Catholic Elementary School*

## April 9, 2017 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord

### MASS INTENTIONS

*Sat Vigil* - 5 pm - Frank Leonard

*Palm Sunday* - 8:30 am - Ginger B. Keffer

10:30 am - Cubranic & Lawler Families

Monday: A. Josephine Brenner

Tuesday: Joseph & Mary

Wednesday: Michael Kotz

Holy Thursday: 6 pm: Celebrant's Intention

Good Friday: **No Noon Mass** 6 pm: The Lord's Passion

Saturday: **No Morning Mass**

*Easter Vigil* - 8 pm - People of the Parish

*Easter Sunday* - 8:30 am - Celebrant's Intention

10:30 am - Celebrant's Intention

### IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK:

**4/9** Sunday: Palm Sunday

Monday:

Tuesday: Food pantry (Social Hall) 10 am - 1 pm Woodbine Entrance.

Wednesday:

Thursday: Parish office is closed.

Friday: Parish office is closed.

Saturday:

**4/16** Sunday: Happy Easter!

Monday: Parish office is closed.

\*\* Parish Office Hours are 10 am - 12 pm & 1 pm - 3 pm

*We, the family of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, united by the Heavenly Father and guided by Our Lady, vow to be a loving, caring, and welcoming people by living the Gospel in service to others.*

*The mission of the Church is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and administer the Sacraments of His New Covenant. Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish shares this mission through Liturgy and worship; Educating our parishioners in the Faith; Serving the poor and those in need; Being a friendly, loving, and caring community; and Strengthening spiritual and social connections within the Parish's community and neighborhood.*

*From the Pastor's Desk*

As we begin Holy Week we are acutely aware that these days prior to Easter are most sacred in the anticipation of the principal Christian Feast of the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus. Please note the liturgies scheduled for next weekend:

Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>: 8:00 pm (English) & 8:00 pm (Vietnamese; at Bishop McDevitt High School); and Mass on

Easter Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>: 8:30 am, 10:30 am (English), & 12:30 pm (Vietnamese).

Just as a reminder, Good Friday is a day of universal fast and abstinence from meat. This penitential practice applies to all Catholics between the ages of 18 to 59; it restricts eating to only one full, meatless meal. However, some food can be taken at the other regular meal times if necessary, but the combined amount of food taken at normal meal times should be less than a full meal. Liquids and medicines are always permitted during fasting. It is recommended, for those who are physically able, that the Good Friday fast and abstinence would continue through Holy Saturday concluding at the Easter Vigil. This is to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and heighten the celebrations of Easter Sunday. Those that are excused from fast and abstinence would be persons outside the age limits (those under the age of 18 or over the age of 59) and anyone with an illness, including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. In all cases, common sense should prevail, no one should jeopardize their health by fasting.

May these days of Holy Week be a time of grace for each of us,

Fr. Wilke

**IN SERVICE TO OUR NATION**

Becky Sawyer, Patrick Conrad, Noel Toro, Joel Gross, Kevin Burr, Colin Burr, Joseph Roe, David Kotz.  
Please pray for them and their families.

**Around the Diocese**

**Prison Ministry Conference** – A day for new and current prison ministry volunteers to focus on evangelization, existing programs and reentry services. Conference will be held at the Cardinal Keeler Center in Harrisburg on April 29, 2017. Registration fee is \$10, including lunch. The day includes: a keynote address by Fr. Marty McGeough, Coordinator of Prison Ministries for the Diocese of Trenton, break-out sessions and panel discussions. Fr. Paul Schenck will celebrate Mass. Register online at [www.hbgdiocese.org/evangelization](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/evangelization). For additional information please call (717) 657-4804 ext 313 or email [jcurran@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:jcurran@hbgdiocese.org)

**Cardinal William H. Keeler to be Remembered -**

Bishop Gainer invites the clergy and lay faithful of the Diocese of Harrisburg to remember prayerfully William Cardinal Keeler with the traditional Month's Mind Mass on Sunday, April 23 at Saint Patrick Cathedral. This custom remembers the faithful departed one month after their passing from this world.

Invoking the redeeming love and consolation of the Divine Mercy, the celebration will begin with Exposition of the Most Holy Sacrament following the 12:15 PM Mass. At 3:00 PM Bishop Gainer will lead those gathered in the solemn praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet concluding with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. At 4:00 PM a solemn Mass will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of William Cardinal Keeler.

**Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish family:**

Jim & Cecelia Baker, Jeanette Moe, Father Paul Nguyen's sister Theresa and his father, Joseph, Quintelle Sharpe & Joni Wade.



**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY, APRIL 13, FRIDAY APRIL 14 AND MONDAY APRIL 17.**

**NORMAL OFFICE HOURS: 10-12 & 1-3 WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY APRIL 18TH.**

**HAPPY EASTER!**

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# YOU ARE INVITED!

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## WHAT

A homecoming event for all former parishioners, OLBS students, and friends of the parish.

## WHERE

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish  
2121 Third St. Harrisburg, PA 17110

## WHEN

Sunday, May 7, 2017  
2-5PM



You are one of the many people who have had an integral part in the worship, history, and growth of Our Lady's. Please take this opportunity to revisit our beautiful sanctuary, enjoy live music, and renew friendships and faith as we welcome all who have had a spiritual home at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament.

The event includes guided tours, live musical performances, and a reception in the parish Social Hall following the concert. Doors open at 2:00PM, and tours will run 2:30-3:15PM.

Tickets must be purchased before April 28, and are \$15/person, \$12/seniors. There will not be any ticket sales at the door. Reserve your tickets by contacting Pam Kotz at 717-238-6173 or by emailing [OLBSHomecoming@gmail.com](mailto:OLBSHomecoming@gmail.com). You may also fill out the form below and include your cash or check in the collection baskets during any of our Masses with "OLBS Homecoming" indicated on the memo line.

*Detach*

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## Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Homecoming

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ I am a:  Former parishioner  Former student  
 Current parishioner  Friend of the parish

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## The Easter Triduum

### Holy Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass of the Lord's Supper:

6:00 pm (English)

8:00 pm (*Vietnamese*)

### Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

Office of Readings:

11:30 am (English)

Stations of the Cross:

12 Noon (English)

The Celebration of the Lord's Passion:

6:00 pm (English)

8:00 pm (*Vietnamese*)

### Holy Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>

Office of Readings with the Blessing of Easter Foods:

9:00 am (English)

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the Solemn Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection:

8:00 pm (English)

8:00 pm (*Vietnamese; at Bishop McDevitt High School*)

### Easter Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the Solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection:

8:30 am & 10:30 am (English)

12:30 pm (*Vietnamese*)



Please note, the Sacrament of Confession is not scheduled on Holy Saturday.

Local Penance Services during Holy Week are as follows:

- Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm, St. Theresa of the Infant Jesus Parish, New Cumberland
- Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm, Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Harrisburg
- Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm, Good Shepherd Parish, Camp Hill

**IN OUR PARISH**

**Donations needed for Parish Homecoming-**

Interested in helping with the upcoming Parish Homecoming? We're currently accepting both monetary and food item donations to help us warmly welcome friends and family back to the parish. Please put monetary donations in the collection basket during Mass or mail them directly to the parish office with the notation - **HOMECOMING**. If you wish to sponsor a food item, please contact Pam Kotz at [717-576-3212](tel:717-576-3212).

**Choir Rehearsals!**

Palm Sunday, 4/9– SING 10:30 Mass ( TBD rehearse afterwards),  
TBD—Mon or Tues 4/10 or 4/11 Rehearse 5:30-6:30 pm  
Holy Thursday—4/13– SING Mass—6-pm  
Good Friday—4/14– SING—6 pm  
Easter Vigil - 4/15– SING - Mass—8 pm.

Questions? Contact Chris Purcell, Music Director at [anevon@comcast.net](mailto:anevon@comcast.net)

**Hospital Admissions:** Should you be admitted to a hospital, due to privacy laws, it is now the patient (or family) that must tell the hospital that they are Catholic and would like to see a priest. The hospital priest chaplain will be able to visit you.

**WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH**

Daily Mass April 4, 2017.....\$43.  
Sunday Mass April 4, 2017.....\$5,226.  
Children April 4, 2017.....\$0.

“Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord!” Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If you think this may be so, call Father Brian Wayne at (717) 657- 4804 or write: [frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org) or speak with Fr. Wilke.

**2017 The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of**

**Catholic** Women cordially invites all women of the Diocese to attend the 92nd Annual Convention, Monday, May 1, 2017 from 9 A. M. – 4 P. M. at the Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg, PA. Vicar General, Very Reverend David Danneker, is the principle celebrant and homilist concelebrating with many Priests and Deacons of the Diocese. Maribeth Stewart, President Elect of the National Council of Catholic Women is the Keynote Speaker. Trade items for purchase. COST: \$25 includes continental breakfast and lunch. You may register with your Parish CCW or contact Linda at 717-939-3629/[linda.hartzell@comcast.net](mailto:linda.hartzell@comcast.net) to register BY MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017.

**Bishop McDevitt High School is hosting a Spring Open House!**

This is a new opportunity for 7th and 8th grade families to learn more about McDevitt.

- Tour campus
- Meet Faculty and Students
- Learn about academic programs and extra-curricular activities

• Wednesday, April 26th at 6pm  
Please register at [www.bishopmcdevitt.org](http://www.bishopmcdevitt.org)  
An opportunity for 8th graders who did not take the High School Placement Test back in January- new HSPT date is Saturday, April 29th at 8am.  
Please register by contacting:

Mrs. Cathy Pagliaro at:  
[cpagliaro@bishopmcdevitt.org](mailto:cpagliaro@bishopmcdevitt.org)

***EASTER SUNDAY 4/16/2017***

		N. Clancy	C. Spiroff	Choir
<i>Vigil 8PM</i>	To be announced	S. Clancy		
<i>8:30 AM</i>	To be announced	A. Rosito	F. Horwath	
		R. Fry	J. Baker	
			B. Coy	
<i>10:30 AM</i>	To be announced	A. Nguyen	Q. Sharpe	
		J. Nguyen	J. Burr	
			M. Neubaum	
<p><i>Hospitality</i> <i>Easter Sunday: Happy Easter!!! No Donuts Today!</i> <i>4/23-: Bob Hoffman</i></p>				

## The Easter Triduum: A Celebration of the Paschal Mystery

Some religions celebrate “high holy days.” The Jewish people observe Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Muslims mark Ramadan. Particular prayers and rituals identify these special days. Time is spent differently. The regular routine is changed. For the Christian, the Easter Triduum is truly the holiest time of the entire year. During these most sacred days, we observe in a solemn way the greatest mystery of our redemption: The Paschal Mystery – the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The word Triduum is Latin for “three days.” However, the marking of an extraordinary liturgical day is different from the way we mark an ordinary day. Instead of the normal sunrise to sunset, the days of the Easter Triduum are from sunset to sunset. The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper, continues to the evening of Good Friday, then to the Great Easter Vigil of Holy Saturday night through Easter morning, and then concludes with Evening Prayer (Vespers) on Easter Sunday. Hence, three days are observed.

Even though it takes place over three days, the Easter Triduum is really a single celebration of the Paschal Mystery presented over three days. On these three days, we gather a number of times. Together we hear some of the Church’s most beautiful prayers and music. At the Mass of the

Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday, the Church is drawn into the whole event of Christ’s Death and Resurrection. This Mass focuses on the institution of the Eucharist, the institution of the priesthood, and the call to charity. We do in memory of Jesus and we do as Jesus did. Feet are washed by the priest who is configured to Christ in a unique way. Bread and wine are changed into the real presence of our Lord. We stay with Christ after Mass in adoration, called to watch in prayer like the disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane.

The Good Friday celebration of the Lord’s Passion is austere but without a sense of defeat. The Church fasts because her spouse has been taken away. We proclaim the account of his Passion and Death. With detailed intercessions we pray for the whole world because Christ died for all. We venerate the cross as sign of love for the instrument of death through which Christ manifested his love for us. Finally, we are nourished with the Eucharist consecrated the evening before. We leave without song or words, reflecting the solemn quiet and starkness this day demands.

On Holy Saturday, the Church waits in silence for the celebration of Christ’s Resurrection. The Easter Vigil begins by creating a blazing fire from which the Paschal candle is lit. This light illumines the night,

reminding us that there is no darkness, no sin, no death that Christ cannot conquer. We listen to the words of the Easter Proclamation (the Exsultet) reminding us how special and powerful this night is. Readings from the Sacred Scripture retrace salvation history and culminate with the account of the Resurrection. The Holy Spirit is called down upon the water of the font and new members of the Church are baptized and confirmed. Then the Sacrifice of the Cross is offered again. Christ's Body and Blood are given to us again and we are fed.

On Easter Sunday, the church bells ring and we sing, for the entire world to hear, "Alleluia!" Water from the font is sprinkled and we renew the promises of our baptism. Again we are fed with Christ's Body and Blood, the pledge of Eternal life won for us by his Death and Resurrection. The Easter Sunday Mass is celebrated with great joy and solemnity, for Christ has conquered sin and death. He is risen and he reigns.

The Easter Triduum is more than retracing our Lord's steps during his last days in Jerusalem. It is not a Passion Play in three or four acts. Rather, it is an encounter with Christ. During the Easter Triduum, we not only celebrate the Paschal Mystery, but we enter into this mystery through the Church's liturgy, sacraments, and sacramentals so that we express our being united to Christ in his dying and rising. Christ's mystery has become our mystery. The dying and rising of our lives, no matter how big or small, only make sense in his dying and rising. We truly must enter into and be caught up in this sacred mystery.

How will we spend the Easter Triduum this year? Let

us set these three days aside. Let us mark them by prayer and devotion. May the ordinary give way to the extraordinary. Let us gather together in our churches to honor, to commemorate, and to encounter. Let us enter into the mystery.

By Father Neil Sullivan

(From the Diocese of Harrisburg:

<https://www.hbgdiocese.org/the-easter-triduum/>)

