APRIL 5, 2020 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Parish Web Site - <u>www.superiorcatholics.org</u> Superior Diocese Web Site - <u>www.catholicdos.org</u> In the event of an Emergency after Business Hours Call Fr. Andrew at 715-392-8511

ALL DAILY AND WEEKEND MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

MASS INTENTIONS

(FR. LEE WILL BE SAYING THESE MASSES IN PRIVATE AT HOME)

> TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2020 Ronald & Lydia Fagan-M Connie & Dennis Pratt



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2020 Joanne Kimmes-M Bill Kimmes



THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2020 HOLY THURSDAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2020 GOOD FRIDAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2020 HOLY SATURDAY

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2020 Deceased Depta Family-M Family



VOCATIONS... Blest are they who come in the name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? (Matthew 21:1-11)

CATHEDRAL CHURCH CALENDAR

ALL EVENTS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

MINISTRIES

PRAYER MINISTRY – There are people in the parish willing to share your needs and prayers. Please call 715-394-4927 if you or a loved one is in need.



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

"Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" shout the crowds in today's Gospel. May we be always ready to share our blessings when we are sent in His name!

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

	March 29	Last Year Coll.	
Env. Sent In:	41	186	
Collection:	\$2,953.00	\$7,112.00	
		\$ 626.00 (Loose Coll.)	
On-Line Giving (28)	\$1,985.00	\$ 936.00	

Thank you for your generosity!

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

Our parish websites have merged into one Superior Catholics website for our cluster. Go to <u>www.superiorcatholics.org</u> for bulletins, parish news, online giving, and so much more!

While we cannot have a public Mass, our parish family still needs your support. Please send your weekly offertory in the mail, put it through the mail slot in our front door, or choose to give online at <u>www.superiorcatholics.org</u> Thank you for your support!

The parish office will be closed to the public until further notice. In compliance with the directive given by Governor Evers, please conduct all parish business through mail, phone calls or email. Thank you!

WEEKLY MEDITATION

How many times throughout our lives have we made the sign of the Cross? Stop and think: at Mass; meal prayers; morning & evening prayers; special gatherings; and moments of blessing and grace. This simple action, which we teach to children at an early age, invokes a connection with the passion of Jesus.

We adorn our homes with the Cross. A crucifix is a common gift to a new home; crosses are placed in bedrooms and common areas as a reminder that Jesus is the source of our help and strength.

We adorn ourselves with the Cross as well: a crucifix on a chain; a cross in our pocket; earrings; rings; bracelets; and all the extra cards, bookmarks, figurines, and miscellaneous items that remind us that Jesus died on a Cross.

The passion we read every year on this day focuses our attention on the central mystery of our faith. **Out of love** for us God sent His Son, Jesus, who gave his life on the Cross that we might have eternal life. Through his suffering and death, we recognize that God has made a pathway possible that we might all journey through this life to the gates of Heaven.

The Cross teaches us many lessons:

- Life is difficult, and at times painful
- Weakness and sin are part of our experience
- God identifies with our pain
- God dies that we might have life

At the core of our teaching the Cross stands as the testament of God's love for us. Yet the Cross appears to be an embarrassment – after all, why would God (all powerful, all knowing, supreme) choose to be humiliated? Does that not mean that God is weak? Why could God not take away our sins in a way that showed majesty and splendor?

In reality, the weakness revealed in the Cross uncovers our frailty, not God's. Jesus endured the Cross because of our broken, wounded nature. He carried the Cross because we were unable to – as St. Paul writes "The wages of sin is death" in Romans 6:23 – and he bore the suffering, pain, and grief that are the natural result of our sinfulness. God is not weak, rather God takes on our weakness so that we can be made whole.

The Cross proclaims the truth that **God meets us where** we are in life. In our weakness, in our humiliation, in our low moments of doubt and sin God comes to us. Jesus, like us in every way but sin, understands our pain because through his Cross he shares in the suffering of the world. He knows us, loves us, and saves us through his Cross.

Every time we make the sign of the Cross may we recall what the Lord endured for us. Through the Cross we discover our strength as we trust in God's love and seek to follow that love as we journey through this life toward the world to come.

We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you. Because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world!





Question for Children: Share how you sometimes make sacrifices for the good of others.

Question for Youth: Today begins the holiest week of the year. It is a once-a-year opportunity to really reflect on Jesus life, death, and resurrection. How will you enter into this experience? How will you be open to how you might be changed?

Question for Adults: Name one specific way that you live your baptismal call to enter into the death of the Lord by forgiveness, generosity, hospitality, or other ways.

Readings for the week of April 5, 2020

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/ Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54		
Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11		
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/ Jn 13:21-33, 36-38		
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31 and 33-34[14c]/Mt 26:14-25 <i>Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:</i> Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-		
16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15		
Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/ Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42		
Saturday: <i>Vigil</i> : Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13- 14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15—15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 [42:2] or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/		
Mt 28:1-10		
Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/ Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10		
Merciful Lord, help families, neighbors, and communities draw together in strength during this difficult time. May all who have been affected by this disaster be wrapped in your eternal, healing embrace.		
Fill their hearts with calm and courage, Lord, and awaken the indomitable spirit within them so that they may recover and rebuild their lives. Guide them protect them, and uplift them with hope now and always. Amen		

Kathryn Oates

Adoration is possible wherever we are. He is near...

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Still Serving Others and Staying Safe!

The cornerstone of our Society is the home visit. With a moratorium on evictions and utility disconnects a significant number of the 140 households who contacted us for assistance in March have not needed these forms of assistance - instead calls have been coming from those who are homeless. Shelters have been running full with waiting lists. Even warming centers have had to turn away individuals for overnight stays. We have had 22 phone conference calls (the family and two of our members) in situations in which there has been a request for assistance as it is unsafe for face to face visits.

Currently, we are providing shelter in motels for 12 households, some for several days, others for weeks until they have an alternative. Some families have children, some women are pregnant, some are veterans and many have been recently hospitalized and are vulnerable to illness. Since we have been putting many families in motels we have been starting them off with a bag of food donations given to us directly or through the 40 Cans for Lent food collection. Fortunately there are other area food resources available and free DTA rides so we are able to direct people to other resources.

If you or someone you know has an immediate need please call 715-398-4039 and leave a message. We will return a call as soon as we are able. We are not accepting goods at this time due to the closure of the Catholic Charities Building to the public. Financial donations can be mailed to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 1416 Cumming Ave. Superior, WI 54880. We are grateful for your prayers!

OTHER INFORMATION

We urge you to use our parish cluster resources for your spiritual enrichment:

- Our website for weekly bulletins and undated information: <u>superiorcatholics.org</u>
- Use the myParish app (instructions to download below)
- Online at Formed.org (instructions to download below)
- Facebook pages: Cathedral of Christ the King, Cathedral School, St. Anthony-Superior, Holy Assumption, St. Anthony-Lake Nebagamon, St. William
- Fr. Andrew's daily homilies and presentations: studyprayserve.com
- And for those of you who do not use online resources: read your Bible, pray the Rosary, use the devotionals that were mailed to your home, or read any of the books handed out at Christmas and Easter
- During this time I will be offering Mass every day at 8:30am from the Cathedral that will be livestreamed on Facebook. It will be shared on all of our parish FB pages, and you will be able to view it any time after 9am.

- Directions for downloading myParish app on a phone or tablet:
- 1. Search myParish on the Google Play or the App Store
- 2. Download the app
- 3. Enter 54880 as the ZIP Code
- 4. Allow all notifications
- Directions for Formed.org
- 1. Go to <u>https://formed.org/</u>
- 2. Click Sign Up
- 3. Click I Belong to a Parish or Organization
- 4. Enter 54880
- 5. Click on Cathedral of Christ the King





Say to daughter Zion, "Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden."

