

# Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

My God, my God,  
why have you  
abandoned me?

Psalm 22



# dear Padre

April 5, 2009

## What is prayer?

I see good people praying and I keep looking at them, fascinated. How do they do it? Why can't I do it? Is there a trick to it?

Paula

Dear Paula,

Let's start with the basics. There is no more basic definition than this ancient one: Prayer is the raising of the mind and the heart to God. In these few words you can find the answer to any question you have about prayer and how to do it. For instance, you may ask how you can know you are praying. Well, if you want to pray, you are praying. Just the desire to pray does it for you. It is the raising of your mind and heart to God. I often ask people, "Do you pray?" Sometimes they look puzzled. So I ask, "Do you talk to God?" Of course they do, some more than others, but they all talk to God. They pray. The mystery at the bottom of the whole thing is the Lord God's love for each of us. He is like a grandmother dying for a visit or call from a child or grandchild. So let your prayer be all about him. Ask for anything and everything. That pleases him, for it keeps your eyes and heart on him.

Do not worry about the words or way you pray. Just pray. Lose yourself in his presence. Relax. Pray in bed if you like. It is not about how you look or what you say. It is about your heart and mind in him.

*John Hamrogue, C.Ss.R.*

### Holy Week Schedule

- \*Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper  
7:00 PM
- \*Good Friday – Veneration of the Cross  
7:00 PM
- \*Saturday Vigil – 8:30 PM
- \*Easter Sunday – 8:30 (no incense) 11:00AM,  
1:00 PM Spanish Mass

*Please note: If you arrive for the Easter Vigil after the Liturgy has begun, you will not be able to enter the church until the readings are finished and the lights are turned back on.*

### MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS

#### Monday April 6th

**12:00 PM MASS** † **Deacon Herman Lawrence** by  
St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Readings: Is 42:1-7 Jn 12:1-11  
**ADORATION 12:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

#### Tuesday April 7th

**12:00 PM Communion Service**  
Readings: Is 49:1-6 Jn 13:21-33,36-38

#### Wednesday April 8th

**12:00 PM MASS** † **Madge Wade** by H. George Picek  
Family  
Readings: Is 50:4-9a Mt 26:14-25

#### Thursday April 9th/Holy Thursday

#### **MASS OF THE LORDS SUPPER 7:00 PM**

**Thanksgiving for many blessings** by Cecilia Kvasnica  
Readings: Ex 12:1-8,11-14 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15

#### Friday April 10th/Good Friday

#### **VENERATION OF THE CROSS 7:00 PM**

Readings: Is 52:13-53:12 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn  
18:1-19:42

#### Saturday April 11th

Readings: Gn 1:1,26-31a, Ex 14:15-15:1 Is 55:1-11  
Rom 6:3-11 Mk 16:1-7

#### **8:30 PM EASTER VIGIL MASS**

**Spec. Int. Richard Wilkerson** by Ron & Marie  
Scheirer

#### **8:30 AM Easter Sunday Mass**

#### **People of the Parish**

#### **11:00 AM Sunday Mass**

† **Regina Maia Glen** by Barbara Kraft

#### **1:00 PM Spanish Mass**



#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING AROUND THE WORLD**

Jeremy Goosey, Joshua Myrice, Mark Bilafer,  
Brian Ferguson, Frank Thibodeau, Todd King, Jonathan Brodeur,  
Christopher Kent, Thomas York, John B. Larkins III, Matthew  
Gowan, Aaron Schmidt, Anthony Daniel, Wes Carter, David Burks,  
Bryce Robinson, Michael Yeager, Vincent L. Moscatello, Jr., Rob  
Hart and Jason Frascht.

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN OUR PARISH**

Clara Schaefer, Dorine Cheramie, Adele Walker, Alice Conner,  
Marcos Melendez, Deacon Pete Dulcamara, Ed Crimmins,  
Brenden Scarfone, Geraldine Dawes, Stephanie Ortega, Don  
Trostle, Tony Niedermeier and Margaret Waskiewicz.

#### **ARCHDIOCESAN COLLECTIONS**

**Good Friday - Holy Land Collection**

**Easter Sunday - Catholic Relief Services**

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED HOLY THURSDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 9<sup>th</sup> and APRIL 10<sup>th</sup>.

**\*\*\*YOUTH NEWS\*\*\***

APRIL 24<sup>th</sup> - Movie Night at Carmike Theaters  
\$5.00 4:30 - 9:00 PM  
APRIL 17<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Music/Fun Night Gym w/pizza  
\$2.00 from 4:30 to 8 PM  
APRIL 26<sup>th</sup> Feed the Poor 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM



**FORGIVE ME FATHER...  
CONFESSIONS FOR HOLY WEEK**

Mon April 6<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM-11:30 AM  
Thur April 9<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM  
Friday April 10<sup>th</sup>, 10.00 AM-11:00 AM

**ALMS... RED CLOUD SCHOOL LENTEN PROJECT...**Please know that by your monetary gifts to the school, that you are a partner in rescuing a child who might otherwise lead a life of hopelessness, poor health and addictions. Because of you and others like you, the Jesuits are able to prepare the Lakota Sioux children for a future bright with possibilities. They have been doing just that for seven generations now. God's blessings to you who have answered His call of loving these children from afar.



**LADIES GUILD... will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM in the Parish Hall. ALL ladies of the parish are welcome to join us for wine and cheese and learn how to do Indian beadwork from our Guest Speaker. We guarantee lots of fun & good conversation. Free babysitting will be available.**

**EUCHARIST PRAYER**

To make room in our life for the Eucharistic Lord, so that He can change our Life into His - Is that asking too much?  
*Sister Edith Stein, Martyr at Auschwitz 1942*



**ST. MARY'S UPCOMING EVENTS**  
APRIL 7<sup>th</sup> - EASTER PAGEANT  
1:30 PM and 6:00 PM

APRIL 18<sup>th</sup> - Spaghetti Dinner - The Public is Invited to attend from 5:00 - 8:00 PM. Tickets may be purchased at the door...\$6.00 Adults and \$4.00 Children.  
April 25<sup>th</sup> Open House - Please direct any inquiries to the school office 355-5288. St. Mary's is now accepting enrollment for students in Grades Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> for the coming 2009-2010 school year.

**TODAY'S WORD: Doxology Dok-sol-ah-jee-** A hymn or formula of praise to God.

Used in a sentence: On Easter Sunday, we will honor God by singing "Glory to God in the Highest, which is a doxology.

If you have a word or a phrase you would like to submit, please email to [holyfambulletin@AOL.COM](mailto:holyfambulletin@AOL.COM) and we will try to answer as best we can.

Holy Family will sponsor its biannual Blood Drive on Sunday, April 26, 2009 in the Parish Hall from 9:30



until 1 PM. Donors who gave blood before March 1 will be eligible to donate again. In this Easter Season, practice a random act of kindness and donate to save somebody's life.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS...** Please welcome the following families into our church family. Ashley Andrews, Brian & Judy Buchanan, David & Melina DeFlores, Jane Engemann, Geraldine Gamero, Jose & Michaela Garcia, William & Maria Garrett, Scott Klein, Eric & Dorinda Nesmith, Miguel Pantoja, Michele Poitras and Lynette Renfro. God bless you!

**To Our Holy Family**

Deacon Peter Dulcamara is resting at home while he patiently waits for the Lord to bring him home. Please keep him, his wife Carol, and the entire Dulcamara family in your prayers. If you wish to visit or assist in some way, please call Paolo Dulcamara at 581-1479. Thank you...The Dulcamara Family.