



Sacred Heart Parish Bulletin

Mass: 9:30 am – Sunday
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April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Don't forget the Fish
Cake and Bean
Supper on Good
Friday April 7th.

So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young ass and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on an ass's colt (Jn 12:13-15)!"

Today is **Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion** during which we commemorate Christ's entry into Jerusalem for the completion of the Paschal Mystery. In Liturgical Calendar preceding Vatican II, the Church celebrated Passion Sunday two Sundays before Easter, and then Palm Sunday was the beginning of Holy Week. The Church has combined the two to reinforce the solemnity of Holy Week.

The Palm Sunday procession is formed of Christians who, in the "fullness of faith," make their own the gesture of the Jews and endow it with its full significance. Following the Jews' example we proclaim Christ as a Victor... Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. But by our faith we know, as they did not, all that His triumph stands for. He is the Messiah, the Son of David and the Son of God. He is the sign of contradiction, acclaimed by some and reviled by others. Sent into this world to wrest us from sin and the power of Satan, He underwent His Passion, the punishment for our sins, but issues forth triumphant from the tomb, the victor over death, making our peace with God and taking us with Him into the kingdom of His Father in heaven.

The Liturgy for Palm Sunday

The priests and deacons wear red vestments for Mass. There is a special entrance at the beginning of each Mass, either simple or solemn. This includes a blessing of the palms and the gospel reading of the entrance into Jerusalem (Matt 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-10; John 12:12-16; Luke 19:28-40). The introduction by the priest explains the solemnity of Holy Week, and invites the faithful to take full part in the celebration:

Dear friends in Christ, for five weeks of Lent we have been preparing, by works of charity and self-sacrifice, for the celebration of our Lord's paschal mystery. Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the whole Church throughout the world. Christ entered in triumph into his own city, to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us remember with devotion this entry which began his saving work and follow him with a lively faith. United with him in his suffering on the cross, may we share his resurrection and new life.

The palms are blessed with the following prayer:

Almighty God, we pray you bless these branches and make them holy. Today we joyfully acclaim Jesus our Messiah and King. May we reach one day the happiness of the new and everlasting Jerusalem by faithfully following him who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

As the faithful, we remember and dramatize Christ's triumphal entrance into Jerusalem on a donkey. In Jesus' time, a huge crowd assembled, put their cloaks or branches on the ground, and waved palm branches, acclaiming Christ as the King of Israel, the Son of David. We now wave our palm branches and sing as the priest enters the church:

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

These words of praise are echoed every day at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Sanctus (Holy, Holy).

Our joy is quickly subdued. We are jolted to reality and see the purpose of Christ coming to Jerusalem by the reading of the Passion at the Gospel. (Written by Jennifer Gregory Miller)

Collection

March 26, 2023

Envelopes	\$260.00
Donation	\$200.00
	\$460.00

NOTICES:

1: Fish Cake Supper - Friday April 7th, 3:30 pm Eat In or Take Out - Fish Cakes, Homemade Beans, Chow, Biscuits, Cost \$12.00, Johnstown Parish Hall. If you would like to donate a package of salted cod bits, or would like to order a meal please contact the following:

Louise: 902-535-3107

Barbara: 902-828-2079

Rita: 902-631-0209

Eddie: 902-322-6543

or email louise.campbell@stpeterscable.com

2: Help needed: We will be at the hall at 11:00 am on Friday April 7th, to make the fish cakes. If you are available please come and join in peeling potatoes and making the fish cakes.

3: Johnstown Landing Outdoor Farmer's Market: We are pleased to announce the second season of the Johnstown Landing Outdoor Farmer's Market. This year the Market will operate 10 am to 1 pm every **SUNDAY** from June 25 to September 24. Interested vendors should contact johnstownlanding@gmail.com or Rita Campbell 902-631-0209. **Note:** vendors do not need to commit to attending every week. Johnstown Landing is located across from the Johnstown Parish Hall.

4: Richmond Recreation:

Registering &

Payment Options

→ Register online by visiting

<http://www.richmondcounty.ca>

→ Register by phoning 902.226.0663

→ Pay online via credit card or hybrid card

→ Pay by cash/cheque/debit at the municipal administration office

→ Pay via credit card over the phone

Gentle Yoga Red Islands Fire Hall, Johnstown

Wednesdays, for 6 weeks, beginning April 5

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm, Fee: \$25

Instructor: Lynne Doucette

Beginner/Intermediate Line Dancing (Ages 18+) Get physically and mentally fit as you dance to music. No partner needed. Dancing is one of the best activities for total body wellness and one of the only physical activities to offer protection against dementia. Beginners are always welcome.

United Church Hall, St. Peter's

Tuesdays, for 8 weeks, beginning April 4

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, Fee: \$40 or \$5 drop-in

Instructor: Belinda LaRochelle

5: A Heavy Garbage Collection Program will be carried out in Richmond County from May 1 to May 28, 2023. Waste should be placed curbside by 8:00 am on Monday of the scheduled collection week for the area; items placed at the curb after collection has started in the area may not be collected. Please visit <http://www.richmondcounty.ca/> to see the list of acceptable and unacceptable items.

Week 3 (May 15 - 21) Arichat, Cap Auget, West Arichat, Janvrin's Island, Dundee, St. George's Channel, Samsonville, Black River, Oban, Seaview, **Johnstown**, Loch Lomond to St.Peter's

6: Holy Week Celebrations

Chrism Mass

Monday, April 3, 2023, at 3:00 pm Celebrated at St. Ninian Cathedral and hosted by Holy Guardian Angels Parish that is celebrating their 200th Anniversary.

Note: Parishioners of all parishes are welcome to join all Holy Week celebrations.

Thursday of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday)

Thursday, April 6, 2023

SH 5:00 pm

SJB 7:00 pm

There will be no foot-washing.

The Resurrection of the Lord

At the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Saturday, April 8, 2023

SP 8:00 pm

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

Friday, April 7, 2023

SP 3:00 pm

SH 3:00 pm

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 9, 2023

SH 9:30 am

HGA 11:00 am

(TBA: Officiants for HGA, SJB, and SH. For Good Friday)

Note: Holy Mass is not permitted on Good Friday or Holy Saturday. The Good Friday service consists of three parts: The Liturgy of the Word with Intercessions, the Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion. There should be no physical contact with the Cross, but veneration may be expressed by a reverent bow or a genuflection.