

**MARCH 29, 2015  
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MEMORIALIZATIONS**

**Sunday (March 29) Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**  
 8:00 Luigi Giulia & Natalina Diulio  
*Requested By: Family*  
 10:00 Deceased members of the Schuka Family  
*Requested By: Family*  
 12:00 Alton Clemente  
*Requested By: Family*  
 3:00 Spanish Mass  
 7:00 Spanish Mass

**Monday (March 30) Monday of Holy Week**  
 7:00 Kevin Bristol  
*Requested By: Chuck & Melanie Cole*  
 9:00 Maria V. DeLuca  
*Requested By: Family*

**Tuesday (March 31) Tuesday of Holy Week**  
 7:00 Anna May M. Celli  
*Requested By: Angela Marano*  
 9:00 John R. Auer  
*Requested By: Renate Clavelin*

**Wednesday (April 1) Wednesday of Holy Week**  
 7:00 Living & Deceased Members of the Lemak & Gyetko Families  
*Requested By: Donald Lemak*  
 9:00 Leonardo Delacruz  
*Requested By: Salvacion Delacruz*

**Thursday (April 2) Holy Thursday**  
 9:00 Tenebrae  
 7:30 Bilingual Mass of the Lord's Supper  
 Pro-Populo

**Friday (April 3) Good Friday – Passion of the Lord**  
 9:00 Tenebrae  
 11:00 Stations of the Cross  
 12:00 Live Stations of the Cross - Depew Park  
 3:00 Stations of the Cross  
 7:00 Stations of the Cross - Spanish

**Saturday (April 4) Holy Saturday**  
 9:00 Tenebrae  
 8:00 Easter Vigil – Pro-Populo

**Sunday (April 5) Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**  
 8:00 Pro-Populo  
 10:00 Deceased Members of the Roman Family  
*Requested By: Daughter, Ana Martinez*  
 12:00 Stanley John, Edwin & Clothilda John  
*Requested By: Dunbar John*  
 2:30 Spanish Mass  
 7:00 Spanish Mass

**ALTAR CANDLES**  
 Marilyn Frugis  
*Requested By: Anita Salvate & Elsa Salvate*  
 Vincent Malaspina  
*Requested By: Wife, Antoinette*  
 Ann Lisa Chick  
*Requested By: Linda, Richie, & Tina Greene*

**SANCTUARY LAMPS**  
 Personal Intention  
*Requested By: A Parishioner*

**ALTAR BREAD & WINE**  
 Personal Intention  
*Requested By: A Parishioner*

**NOTES FROM THE LOFT**

Associated with the Stations of the Cross devotion, the STABAT MATER DOLOROSA has endured as a pious, poetic expression of the sorrows of Mary at the foot of the Cross. The title translates as "The sorrowful Mother stood..." Opinions vary regarding its authorship. Some attribute the composition to Pope Innocent III (1160?-1198). Others cite the Franciscan Jacopone da Todi (1230-1306).

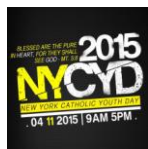
Liturgically, it is classified as a 'sequence'. Hundreds of sequences were composed to be sung during daily Mass in the monasteries. Sequences are not 'hymns' which is the name given to music composed for the monastic chanting of the Liturgy of the Hours (Morning, Evening, Night Prayer etc.). Sequences differ structurally and melodically from hymns. Hymns repeat the same tune from 'strophe' to 'strophe', that is, verse to verse. The sequence, on the other hand, pays more attention to the number of syllables in each line of each strophe, as can be demonstrated by examining the STABAT MATER DOLOROSA #121 in our missalette, "Breaking Bread". With the exception of the first three verses written below the musical notation, which have a pattern of 8-8-7 syllables, verses four through fifteen have a pattern of 7-7-7.

Unlike hymns the sequences were sung 'antiphonally', that is, by two choirs alternating verses. Moreover, different melodies were constructed for each strophe of the sequence! Those living the monastic life dedicated extensive time for the learning of interesting, challenging music for the most important work of their day: singing the praises of God! Parish liturgy, on the other hand, is appropriately suited to the demands of life in the world. The lives of the laity and secular clergy have a different –and less predictable– rhythm, affected by their involvement in the woes and sanctification of the world! Hence, hymns with their repetitive melodies, provide an easier, prayerful, sung catechesis as the Faithful gather with their priests to worship God. Choir music for this week will include the STABAT MATER DOLOROSA.

Many musical settings of this work are available on line. One of the most famous is by Giovanni Battista Draghi, later known as 'Pergolesi' because he lived in Pergola, Italy. The loss of his mother, stepmother, father and three young siblings preceded his own premature death at age 26. It is surely worth a listen!

*\*Please notify an usher if you would like to bring up the gifts during a Mass for your loved one.*

**YOUTH CONFERENCE**



The Archdiocese of New York and the Office of Youth Ministry with Father Joseph Espailat is sponsoring a Youth Conference: NYCYD2015 \* New York Catholic Youth Day 2015 at Saint Joseph Seminary in Yonkers, NY on April 11, 2015. Assumption Church will be sponsoring a bus for this exciting event that features Brian Greenfield (Hard as Nails Ministry) and music by the Ike NDolo Band. Cardinal Dolan will celebrate the Holy Mass. For more information please contact Assumption Rectory at 914-737-2071.

*"Truly this man was the Son of God!"*  
 Mark 15:39

**LENTEN RECONCILIATION MONDAY**

On **Monday, March 30**, the sacrament of confession will be available from **3:00pm to 9:00 pm** with visiting priests available throughout. It is a festival of mercy. This Sacrament is Christ's gift to us, the means by which we experience his loving mercy and forgiveness. May many take advantage of this opportunity!

**DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE**

March 29	No Holy Hour	Way of the Cross at Cemetery 2:30PM
April 5	No Holy Hour	-----
April 12	3PM	Assumption Church Special Divine Mercy Holy Hour

**TITHING REPORT**

5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent 2015.....	\$ 10,130.97*
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent 2014.....	\$ 9,722.25
*Includes Parish Pay.....	\$ 748.97



**PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Gladys Latimer, Catherine Chesser, Janet Fortier, Linda McGarr, Loretta Donohue, Andrew Muller, George Strumke, Daniel Cairl, George Smith, Fr. Steven Clark, Cecilia Murphy, Patricia Cothren, Guadalupe Arango, Mario Garziona, Catherine Gleba, and James Brian Dolman

**RESPECT LIFE**



**The People of Life, Born from the Cross** "When Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, 'It is finished'; and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit" (Jn 19:30). Afterwards, the Roman soldier "pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water" (Jn 19:34). Everything has now reached its complete fulfillment. The "giving up" of the spirit describes Jesus' death, a death like that of every other human being, but it also seems to allude to the "gift of the Spirit", by which Jesus ransoms us from death and opens before us a new life. It is the very life of God which is now shared with man. It is the life which through the Sacraments of the Church - symbolized by the blood and water flowing from Christ's side - is continually given to God's children, making them the people of the New Covenant. From the Cross, the source of life, the "people of life" is born and increases" (The Gospel of Life, n.51). **The next Respect Life Holy Hour will be on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 7:00 PM**

**CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2015**

As stewards and Disciples of Christ, we recognize that all the goods and riches in our life are gifts from God. Strengthened by the Eucharist, we respond to God's generosity in our lives with gratitude by using and sharing our gifts in service of others. Please share your blessings and make a gift to the *2015 Cardinal's Appeal*.

Summary to Date				
Goal	Pledge	Paid	Number of Gifts	Average Gift
\$72,000.00	\$21,251.00	\$13,581.00	65	\$326.94

**NEW ALTAR SERVERS VESTMENTS – FROM FR. VINCENT**

Our altar servers do such a wonderful job and give their time to our church! They are overdue for a replacement of their vestments. We would like to purchase and memorialize new cassocks and surplices for the Altar Boys. And, going forward, our Altar Girls will vest in white contemporary monastic hooded albs which will also be purchased and available for memorialization. We also wish to purchase some Roman styled surplices for the Team Captains and the Master of Ceremonies. We invite any parishioner who may be interested to help defray the cost by memorializing the new vestments in remembrance of a loved one. Each memorialized vestment will be labeled accordingly. The servers who use them will be instructed to pray for your loved one when they serve Mass wearing that vestment.

- Roman styled surplices can be memorialized for \$150
- Regular Cassocks (black) for \$100
- Monastic Albs for girls for \$100
- Regular Surplices for \$75

Please make a **check** out to "**Assumption Church**" and indicate in the **Memo line**, "**Altar Servers Vestments.**" Please include a note indicating the type of vestment(s) you want to memorialize, the name of the person, your name and phone number, so we can contact you about the details of the memorialization.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Stations of the Cross will be held in the Columbarium Garden at the top of the hill in the Assumption Cemetery, 1055 Oregon Rd., Cortlandt Manor at 2:30pm on Sunday, March 30, 2015. It's a beautiful way to reflect on the steps Our Lord Jesus took, with our loved ones around us.

**LIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

There are many different forms of prayer to God. This Lenten season Assumption Church is privileged to a very special form of prayer: enacting a Live Stations of the Cross in Spanish. While enacting the Stations of the Cross live is a unique way to bring the Passion before others, it is also an exceptional means of contemplating Jesus' love for humanity. The experience of meditating on the Passion and Death of Our Lord takes on a whole new perspective. The stations will take place on Good Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, at Depew Park beginning at 12:00 Noon. Please note that we will have a special Marian Way of the Cross at 11 AM in the Church on Good Friday.



**WHEN WILL OUR MASS BOOK OPEN?**

In the process of *Making All Things New*, the Archdiocese of NY has asked parishes to not accept Mass intentions for the second half of 2015. We are currently awaiting word from the Archdiocese as to when we will be able to open our Mass book for July - December 2015. We will allow plenty of time for notification so that families will be able to reserve their Masses.

*Holy Week Schedule 2015*

**HOLY THURSDAY (April 2<sup>nd</sup>)**

9:00AM TENEBRAE  
7:30PM Bilingual Mass - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (Bilingual — English & Spanish)

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** at the Altar of Repose will continue until MIDNIGHT. Father Wilson Hall will close at Midnight.

**GOOD FRIDAY (April 3<sup>rd</sup>)**

9:00AM TENEBRAE  
11 AM Stations of the Cross (In the Church)  
12:00 Noon Live Stations of the Cross (Spanish) In Depew Park  
3:00PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
7:00 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Spanish)

**HOLY SATURDAY (April 4<sup>th</sup>)**

9:00AM TENEBRAE  
8:00PM EASTER VIGIL MASS - Bilingual (MASS OF THE RESURRECTION) With the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation

**EASTER SUNDAY (April 5<sup>th</sup>)**

MASSES: 8AM, 10AM, 12NOON  
2:30PM (Spanish) 7PM (Spanish)

**CONFESSIONS**

Reconciliation Monday 3:00pm – 9:00pm  
Good Friday 4:30pm - 8:00pm  
Holy Saturday 3:00pm – 5:00pm

\*First Friday falls on Good Friday, therefore Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will not be held.\*