

## GREETINGS FROM FR. SCOTT

About Pope Francis I, Monsignor Joseph DeGrocco, pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Church, Lindenhurst, NY said, "The Sacred Triduum are such special times in the liturgical year that it's fitting that we've been given a new Holy Father to preside over those liturgies in Rome as the Universal Pastor, the Bishop of Rome."

The Christian life can be summarized in these words of St. John: "We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God. All that happens to Jesus this week, every pain and outrage he suffers, not least the dreadful loneliness he endures, is proof of his love for us. At each stage of the Passion he can say: 'My son, my daughter, I undergo this for you.' Thanks be to God, he can also add, 'I thank you for all that you try to do to help me in my loneliness. I love you.'" Pope Benedict XVI, *DEUS CARITAS EST*, Dec 25, 2005.

"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst...'Repent and believe' Jesus tells us. What are we to repent? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor -- He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you." - Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

"Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life..." - Pope Benedict XVI

"Christ, like a skillful physician, understands weakness. He loves to teach the ignorant and the erring. He is easily found by those who live by faith and to those of pure eye and holy heart, who desire to knock at the door, which he opens immediately." -St. Hippolytus

"The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist." -Pope St. Gregory the Great

"Almsgiving, according to the Gospel, is not mere philanthropy: rather it is a concrete expression of charity, a theological virtue that demands interior conversion to love of God and neighbor, in imitation of Jesus Christ, who, dying on the cross, gave His entire self for us." -Pope Benedict XVI

Remember everything we do this Holiest of weeks to make it a truly Holy Week, every prayer, every act of self-denial, every kindness to another person, and every acknowledgement of guilt, can become our way of offering some comfort and support to our lonely Lord.

### STEWARDSHIP

March 17 2013	\$6,758.40	Online \$445.00
Last Year	\$6,943.69	Online \$0.00
Landscape Fund	\$350.00	
Peter's Pence	\$1,658.00	

#### Daily Mass Readings

#### Monday March 25

Is 42:1-7 Ps 27:1-3,13-14 Jn 12:1-11

#### Tuesday March 26

Is 49:1-6 Ps 71:1-4a,5-ab Jn 13:21-33,36-38

#### Wednesday March 27

Is 50:4-9a Ps 69:8-10,21bcd-22 Mt 26:14-25

#### Thursday March 28

Is 61:1-3a,6a,8b-0 Ps 89:21-22,25,27 Rv 1:5-8

#### Friday March 29

Ex 12:1-8,11-14 Ps 116:12-13, Jn 13:1-15

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday

**March 23**

5:00pm

Intentions of Caroline Maurer

#### Sunday

**March 24**

9:00am

For the People of the Parish

11:30am

+Dorthea Adkins

#### Monday

**March 25**

9:00am

#### Tuesday

**March 26**

9:00am

+Jeff Kompelien

#### Wednesday

**March 27**

9:00am

#### Thursday

**March 28**

9:00am

Intention of Joan Amanda

#### Friday

**March 29**

9:00am



## FAITH FORMATION

Grades 1-8 meet from 10-11:15 am.  
Pre-school and K meet at 11:30am

## MIDDLE SCHOOL GOOGLE QUESTION

Branches of palm olive or sometimes even budding willow are ancient symbols of what?

## 1ST EUCHARIST CLASSES

Classes meet Saturday at 3pm. Students must attend these preparation classes. No class on March 30. 1st Eucharist will be April 28th at 11:30am.

## CONFIRMATION—1-2:30pm

Students meet in St. Christopher building and All Saints Activity Center. Confirmation will be April 20th at 5pm.

## DILLINGHAM YOUTH

### MISSION TRIP

Please sign up for this mission trip as soon as possible. This will be a wonderful, life changing experience. Teens entering 9th grade and older are invited.

### YOUTH MASS

Beginning on April 27th, the parish will sponsor a youth mass on Saturdays at 5pm once a month. Youth will be hospitality, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and music. All youth and their families and friends are encouraged to join this spirit filled mass.

## CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

This year Catholic Social Services is asking for your support of St. Francis House Food Pantry. This is a great opportunity to link prayer, sacrifice, and giving to those in greater need than ourselves.

## OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OLV's 6th Annual Gala Auction is **April 13, 2013** at the Sports Complex. Tickets are on sale now for \$50 per person 21 and older. Corporate tables are available: Gold—\$750 & Silver—\$600. Please call for details.

Donations are being accepted for the auction. Items may be dropped at the school office or arrangements can be made. We are seeking adults to assist with this event. Please call Karen (376-0883) if you can provide time and talent.



OLV Website

## COMING EVENTS

### MARCH

- 25 Social Hall Holy Week prep—no activities  
Contemplative Prayer 6:30pm
- 28 Holy Thurs: Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm
- 29 Good Friday: Stations Noon
- 29 Office Closed  
Passion of the Lord 7:00pm
- 30 Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil 8:00pm
- 31 Easter Sunday: 9:00am & 11:30am

### APRIL

- 1 Contemplative Prayer 6:30pm
- 2 No school OLV on Easter Monday

## PALM SUNDAY CROSS DISPLAY

Parishioners are invited to view the home crosses on display in the Social Hall. Families have filled out cards to identify the type of cross and add any interesting fact or history about their cross.

## SOUP SUPPER—CRS Rice Bowl

Thank you for your generous support of \$81.55 for Catholic Relief Services at the Soup Supper dinner on Friday. We invite parishioners to donate what they would have spent on dinner on Friday night to the CRS Rice Bowl project.

## ST. THERESA'S CAMP FUND RAISER

I am hosting a fund raiser to help raise money for the purchase of a camp (57 acres on Niklason Lake). At this time there is no Catholic camp in Alaska. The event will be Tuesday, April 9th at 7pm at 3240 Seagull Drive, Palmer. Refreshments will be served. Please call 841.3534 for directions and or questions. Hope to see you — Carol Akerson

## FOOD PANTRY

Items needed at the pantry:  
toilet paper, flour, sugar,  
cereal, oatmeal  
all kinds of baby food  
357-3769

\*\*The Pantry needs lots  
of grocery sacks.

## HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION

The Holy Thursday collection will support the Wasilla Food Pantry,.

## GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

The Good Friday collection will support the Church in the Holy Lands.

## EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWER ENVELOPES

Envelopes are available in the atrium.