April 9, 2017

ST. JOSEPH

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Church Dedicated in 1919



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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Mon.-Fri. 6:00 am & 12:15 pm **Saturday**: 7:00 am **Legal Holidays**: 7:00 am

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:45 am & 6:00pm

CONFESSION

Saturday:

10:00 am-11:00 am* St. Joseph Church or by appointment

*Please note: confession schedule does not apply during some liturgical seasons.

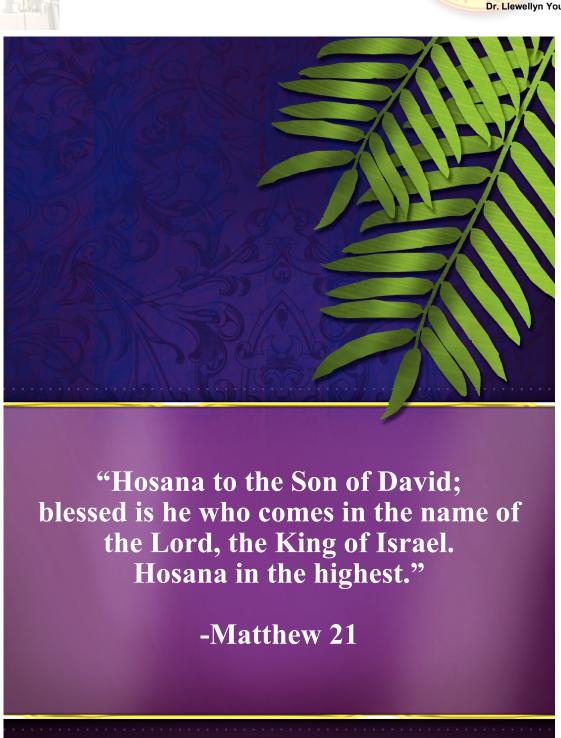
PRAYER TIMES

Adoration

M-F 4-5:00 pm Sat 3-3:30 pm Sun 4-4:30 pm

Evening Prayer & Benediction

M-F 5:00 pm Sat 3:30 pm Sun 4:30 pm



Palm Sunday – April 9, 2017

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

While we are more familiar of calling this Sunday as Palm Sunday, it is more right to refer to it as Passion Sunday, because this is the Sunday when we read and reflect on the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are called to reflect on the suffering that our Lord has to endure on the cross because of his love for His Father and for us. The cross of Jesus symbolizes a way of loving, a way of loving, a way of losing oneself for another But less we forget the story of the cross of Jesus is also about the journey of God who suffered for us and with us.

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" His suffering was not imaginary, it was not make believe, it was real. The cross tells us that. But it also true that it is only in the cross that we have a glimpse of the actual face of God. We look into the cross and the cross becomes a window through which we see the face of a loving God. "There is no greater love than a person is willing to die for another," and the cross states all this.

As John Austin Baker says, "The crucified Jesus is the only accurate picture of God the world has ever seen." The sight of Jesus on the cross disclosed God as one who suffers with humanity. If we take the Trinity and Incarnation seriously and recognize that this human Jesus is the second divine person, there is no suffering closer to God than the suffering of the human Jesus. Thus, the human suffering of Jesus is really God's own suffering: God suffered as we do." And we know that the suffering of God did not begin on the cross. When one of God's children is hurt on this earth, God himself is hurt.

So today on Passion Sunday we shall again hear the story of the passion of Jesus. I hope we begin to realize that ours is the only religion in the world whose God steps forward and dies in behalf of his friends, so that they wouldn't have to. That is Passion – a passionate way of loving and caring. Are we not blessed by such Passion of God and of Christ?

Let us then journey with Jesus this Holy Week and live with Passion for God and His people.

There can be no other way for us to live. This is our way to Holiness.

Holy Triduum Schedule

- Holy Thursday, 7:00 pm:
 - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
 - Adoration at the Repository until midnight
- Good Friday of the Lord's Passion 3:00 pm:
 - Liturgy of the Word;
 - Adoration of the Holy Cross;

- ♦ Holy Communion
- Easter Vigil, Saturday, 7:00 pm
 - Sacraments for all RCIA students
- Easter Sunday masses: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:45 am, 6:00 pm

Mark Your Calendars & Invite Someone New to Our Parish



ST. JOSEPH PRAY FOR US!

Parish Mission Statement

Centered on the Word of God and the Eucharist we gather as a Parish and School community. Together as disciples of Jesus Christ we seek fullness of life. Blessed with diversity of cultures and gifted with the spirit of Aloha, we pledge to become stewards of our time, talent and treasure by sharing our heritage and our faith and commit ourselves to the full development of all people. With Saint Joseph as our patron we offer our gift of self for the greater glory of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Calendar

Monday, April 10

5:30 pm Prayer Pillar Activity/Library

6:00 pm Adult Faith Formation (RCIA) Rehearsal/

Church

6:30 pm Knight's of Columbus Meeting/Mtg.

Room

Tuesday, April 11

6:00 pm Lector Rehearsal for Easter/Church

6:30 pm Novena Rosary/Mtg. Room

7:00 pm Mother of Perpetual Help Novena/Mtg.

Room

Wednesday, April 12

9:00 am Viewing (+Anna Napihaa)/Church

10:00 am Funeral Mass (+Anna Napihaa)/Church

6:30 pm Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church 6:30 pm St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Library

Thursday, April 13 "Holy Thursday"

6:00 am Lauds/Church

7:00 pm Mass of the Last Supper/Church

Friday, April 14 "Good Friday"--Holiday— Rectory Office Closed

7:00 am Lauds, Office of Reading/Church

3:00 pm Good Friday Service/Church

Saturday, April 15 "Holy Saturday"

7:00 am Lauds, Office of Reading/Church

8:00 am "NAMI" Family-to-Family Classes/Mtg.

Room

8:15 am Church Cleaners #7 (M. Aizawa)/Church

9:30 am Bible Sharing/Library

5:00 pm NO High School Youth Ministry (Easter)

Sunday, April 16 "Easter Sunday"

10:15 am **NO** Sunday R E Classes (Easter)

	Week (3/29-4/3)	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Collections	8,004.25	383,748.57	416,566.63
All Other Income	10,923.86	272,652.97	256,316.53
Deposited to Bank	18,928.11	656,401.54	672,883.16
Parish Hall	214.25	Parish Savings	
		Loan to school	100,000.00
		Designated Funds	424,119.66
		Restricted Funds	412,016.32
			936,135.98

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



APRIL 23, 2017 1:30pm: Adoration 2pm: Rosary

2:45pm: Divine Mercy Service: Prayers of Mercy Divine Mercy Chaplet

"Say unceasingly the chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death."

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a 9-day Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday.

He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena, at the beginning of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Booklets with these prayers will be available in the resource rack in the back of the church. Please take one to pray the novena at home.

URGENT!

"Help needed on Holy Thursday at 7pm mass for 12 parishioners to carry out and retrieve a folding chair during the washing of the feet ritual. If available, please call the church office 935-1465 and leave a message for Mary Correa or a Vickie Kai by Tues, April 11."

Thursday of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday) at the Evening Mass

At the Last supper, on the night when he was betrayed, our Savior instituted the Eucharistic Sacrifice of his body and blood. The tabernacle should be entirely empty; a sufficient amount of bread should be consecrated at this mass for the communion of clergy and laity for Good Friday. Following the Prayer after communion, all kneel as the Priest incenses the Blessed Sacrament on the altar. The Blessed Sacrament is then carried through the church to the place of reposition. The hosts will be distributed to the people on Good Friday.

- 1. Liturgy of the Word
- 2. Washing of the Feet
- 3. Liturgy of the Eucharist
- 4. Transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament
- 5. Adoration until midnight

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

Good Friday is the most somber day of the Church Year. Good Friday service begins in silence. The presider prostrates on the floor and everyone else kneels. The altar is bare, the church is sparse. The celebration is divided into three parts:

- 1. The Liturgy of the Word which we hear the Passion of Jesus from the account written by St. John
- 2. The Adoration of the Cross. The presider carries the Cross in procession to the sanctuary. All are then invited to come forward to venerate the cross.
- 3. Holy Communion is brought to the altar from the Table of Repose. Because this is not a mass, wine is not consecrated or given as communion.

All donations collected for this day will be for the support of the Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night (Holy Saturday)

The entire celebration of the Easter Vigil must take place at night, so that it begins after nightfall and ends before day break on Sunday.

This vigil is arranged in four parts:

- 1. After a service of light and Easter Proclamation; a large fire is prepared in a suitable place where the priest blesses the new fire & prepares the Paschal Candle
- 2. The Church meditates on all the wonderful things God has done for his people from the beginning; this is the Liturgy of the Word
- 3. As the day of resurrection, new members of the church are reborn in Baptism and sacraments of initiation is given to those seeking membership of the church
- 4. The whole Church is called to the table the Lord prepared for his people through his Death and Resurrection; this is the Liturgy of the Eucharist

Sunday, (6) Bar 3:9-15, April 9 32—4:4 Mt 21:1-11 Ps 19:8-11 Is 50:4-7 (7) Ez 36:16-17a, Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19 18-28 -20, 23-24 (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14—27:66 (8) Rom 6:3-11 Monday, Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, April 10 22-23 Is 42:1-7 (9) Mt 28:1-10 Ps 27:1-3, 13-14 Sunday, Jn 12:1-11 April 16 Tuesday, **EASTER** April 11 Morning: Is 49:1-6 Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 15, 17 22-23 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 Col 3:1-4 Wednesday, Jn 20:1-9 April 12 **Evening:** Is 50:4-9a Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 31, 33-34 22-23 Mt 26:14-25 Col 3:1-4 Thursday, Lk 24:13-35 April 13 Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15 Friday, April 14 Is 52:13—53:12

Saturday,

15-17, 25

Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13,

Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1—19:42

April 15
(1) Gn 1:1—2:2
Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35
(2) Gn 22:1-18
Ps 16:5, 8-11
(3) Ex 14:15—15:1
(Ps) Ex 15:1-6, 17-18
(4) Is 54:5-14
Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12, 13b
(5) Is 55:1-11
(Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4-6

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. +Anna Napihaa +Donald Burciaga +Eugenia Esteban +Russell Araujo, Sr.

All Through the Town

As Jesus rode the donkey through Jerusalem, people shouted, "Hosanna."

Help Jesus finish His ride through the city.





The Church is the Body of Christ. All members of the Church are linked to one another. We all have a responsibility to ensure the safety of children in our parishes, schools, families, and local communities.

Here are five ways you can help keep children safe:

- 1 DEVELOP APPROPRIATE AND LOVING RELATION-SHIPS WITH YOUR CHILDREN.
- 2 TEACH YOUR CHILDREN SAFETY AND HEALTHY BOUNDARIES.
- 3 KNOW WHO HAS ACCESS TO YOUR CHILDREN.
- 4 LEARN THE WARNING SIGNS OF ABUSE.
- 5 REPORT ABUSE TO APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES.

A PRAYER FOR HEALING VICTIMS OF ABUSE

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness. Grant us the courage and wisdom, humility and grace, to act with justice. Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors. Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

"Families need to know that the Church is making every effort to protect their children. They should also know that they have every right to turn to the Church with full confidence, for it is a safe and secure home.

Consequently, priority must not be given to any other kind of concern, whatever its nature, such as the desire to avoid scandal, since there is absolutely no place in ministry for those who abuse minors."

—Pope Francis, Letter, Feb. 2, 2015

Sunday RE Classes will hold safe environment lessons for students and families on April 23 at 10:15-11:15 am.

Parents are able preview
the lessons on
Sunday April 9, 10:15-11:15 am.
Contact Chrislyn Villena at
cvillena@stjoehilo.com
for more information.

encounter ourselves. Encounter our neighbors. Encounter our God.



ENCOUNTER OUR NEIGHBORS

We encounter Jesus this week in Jerusalem, a community he knew well. We prayerfully enter into our own communities too, encountering those who are hungry and thirsty, and others who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we meet in our daily lives?

Visit crsricebowl.org for more.



Global Solidarity

Catholic social teaching inspires and guides how we are to live and work in the world. In this principle, Global Solidarity, Jesus tells us to love our neighbors, even though they may be different than us. That means the neighbors who live next door and also those who live on the other side of the planet.

Jesus reminds us that we are all part of God's great family.



Rice Bowls will be collected on April 9-23 at every weekend mass.

Bring them with you to mass & hand them to any of the hospitality members
Or drop them off at the rectory office!



YOUR SUPPORT WILL CHANGE LIVES

St. Joseph School now has a very easy, and safe way to donate online!

<u>Visit</u> our school website, **sjshilo.com**, to easily support our school and get an early start on your tax-deductible donations.

Whatever designation you choose, your support will contribute to the overall growth and viability of the school. St. Joseph School remains an important and necessary institution to developing outstanding citizens in our community!

FYI:
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Cut-Off is
December 31at SJS.
(Public School is July 31)

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CATHOLIC VALUES

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ACADEMIC PROFILE

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