

# SS John and James Parish

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## BAPTISM

Parents must be participating members of the parish for at least three months. Godparents must be participating members of their parish. **For more information and registration please contact our Baptismal Coordinator, Jeanne Gereau at 828-4711.**

## PENANCE

Confessions are on Saturdays from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm and by appointment.



## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

**Please notify the parish (821-7661)** when you are admitted to the hospital, suffering from a serious illness, home bound or know someone who is and would like to receive Communion on a regular basis.

## MARRIAGE

**Contact the priest at least one year in advance** to set a date and make arrangements for marriage preparation.

## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

### GOSPEL READING:

Luke 19:28-40

March 20, 2016

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Thursday: 7:30 am  
First Friday: 8:00 am  
Civil Holiday Mass: 9:00 am

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 7:30 am & 9:30 am  
Spanish Mass: 11:30 am

# Palm Sunday



*The Sanctuary Candle is burning for the parishioners  
& benefactors*

## SATURDAY, March 19, Vigil

5:00 PM †ZACHARY CONTOIS (birthday remembrance)  
by family

## SUNDAY, March 20, Palm Sunday/Passion of The Lord

7:30 AM †JOSEPH PETRARCA by the Champagne family  
9:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS  
11:30 AM SEE SPANISH BULLETIN

## MONDAY, March 21

7:30 AM IN HONOR OF ST. ANNE by a parishioner

## TUESDAY, March 22

7:30 AM †RONALD BOISVERT by family

## WEDNESDAY, March 23

7:30 AM †RITA LAVALLEE & CLAIRE LAVALLEE by  
Leonard Lavallee

## THURSDAY, March 24

7:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS



# Holy Week

## HOLY THURSDAY—THE LORD'S SUPPER, MARCH 24

6:00 PM THE LORD'S SUPPER (BILINGUAL)

FOLLOWED BY ADORATION TO ACCOMPANY OUR LORD IN  
HIS AGONY UNTIL 10:00 PM

## GOOD FRIDAY—THE PASSION OF OUR LORD, MARCH 25

3:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

5:30 PM PASSION OF THE LORD

7:00 PM PASSION OF THE LORD (SPANISH)

## EASTERTIDE

## VIGIL MASS EASTER, SATURDAY, MARCH 26 (BILINGUAL)

7:00 PM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

## EASTER SUNDAY MASS, MARCH 27

7:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS  
9:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS  
11:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

## PARISH SUPPORT/WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

### WEEKEND OF MARCH 12 & MARCH 13, 2016

(DUE TO EARLY TRANSMITTAL OF THIS  
BULLETIN THIS INFORMATION WAS NOT AVAILABLE.  
WILL APPEAR AT A LATER DATE)

### SECOND COLLECTIONS

Second Collection this week: Catholic Relief/Oper. Rice Bowl  
Second Collection next week: Easter Collection

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

# LITURGICAL ROLES

## Daily Mass—March 21 thru March 24

LECTOR— Francis Caplette

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER— Tim Coughlin

## Weekend of March 26 and March 27

LECTORS EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

|         |             |                      |
|---------|-------------|----------------------|
| 7:00 PM | M. Holmes   | M. & L. Osenkowski   |
| 7:30 AM | D. Larocque | D. & D. Champagne    |
| 9:30 AM | M. Holmes   | M. Holmes, J. Gereau |



## SPAGHETTI DINNER FOR SEMINARIANS

The SS John & James Knights of Columbus Council #7238 will hold a Spaghetti Dinner for Seminarians on Saturday, April 30 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Our fare will consist of spaghetti & meatballs, salad, bread and desserts. Coffee and tea are provided, in addition, soft drinks and water will be available separately. Donation is \$10 per person; children under the age of twelve are \$5 each. All proceeds go to support a young seminarian from our diocese on his path to priesthood. Come and enjoy good food and good company for a worthy cause. For tickets call Mike Colvin at 641-6881 or Dan Sylvester at 828-6790.

OUR GOAL: \$39,675.00

COLLECTED AS OF 3-4-2016: \$15,378.00

Thank you for your generosity!



March 20—10/10 club meeting in rectory at 10:30am (drawing meeting)

March 25—Good Friday [PARISH OFFICE CLOSED]

April 10—10/10 Club Dinner & Grand Prize Drawing at West Valley Inn at 12:30 pm

April 20—Confirmation at SS John and James 6:00pm

April 30—Spaghetti Dinner for seminarians 4-8pm

May 7—First Communion 10:00am

#### PALM SUNDAY AND SYMBOLISM

##### WHY ARE YOU CARRYING AROUND TREE BRANCHES?

Sometimes, one of the hardest things to explain as a Catholic is our attachment to symbolism. Palm Sunday is a great example of that. We come home from Mass holding palm branches, and we tuck them behind a crucifix or next to the picture of the Last Supper. To anyone who does not know our faith, it looks as though we stuck a few weeds on the wall... imagine their questions! The truth behind this tradition, however, goes to the story of Palm Sunday, when the people heard that Christ was coming and "they took out palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, [even] the king of Israel.'" (John 12:13) . It was a tradition to spread palms before a king as he processed into his city. It was a way to welcome him, to show him glory and homage. Thus, Christ, the true King, was welcomed into Jerusalem. This fulfilled the prophecy in the Old Testament, which declared, "Behold: your king is coming to you, a just savior is he, humble and riding on a donkey." (Zech. 9:9) It revealed that Christ was a great king, but also a humble king. The people greeted him with wild joy and cheers of Hosanna. But one short week later, they crucified him. *We celebrate this feast and carry palm branches home with us to commemorate the great humility of Our Lord, who loved us so much that he chose the cross for our salvation.*

The Rejoice In Hope Youth Center in Cranston is sponsoring a Search Retreat weekend on April 1-3<sup>rd</sup>. Any high school youth (grade 10+) or college age young adult is welcome to attend.

Please contact the Rejoice in Hope Youth Center at 401-942-6571 or go to [www.CatholicYouthRI.org](http://www.CatholicYouthRI.org) for any additional information or to register.



#### Wedding Banns

*First wedding bans for Amerra Goldson and  
Matthew Norton.*

#### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

It's a long Mass today. Palms and Passion all rolled into one. We rejoice and we become somber as we recall some of the most important events of our faith. Remember back in January when we read from the very beginning of Luke's Gospel. This is what he said: "Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you" (Lk 1:1-3).

Luke's orderly account has Jesus slowly making his journey to Jerusalem. Today's Mass brings that journey to an end, at least as far as our reading of Luke is concerned. To the acclaim of crowds, Jesus enters the city on a colt. But his journey eventually leads him to the Mount of Olives and then to Golgotha and finally to a rock-hewn tomb. We know that this is not the end of the story. There are still other events to be fulfilled. But we will have to wait until we get to Pentecost for that final chapter of Luke's narrative.

Like the Mass this weekend, our own journey through life can have its ups and downs. We can be filled with joy one moment and saddled with grief at another. Our Lord and Savior experienced the same. As a human person like us he had joyous times and sad ones as well. The same holds true for those eyewitnesses who Luke speaks of in the introduction to his Gospel. The ones who were with Jesus from the beginning also knew both sorrow and joy. They persisted in the faith, handing down the story of Christ to our day. And in our joys and in our sorrows we pass on the faith as well.

The R.I. State Council Knights of Columbus in conjunction with the Office of Catholic Youth Ministry of the Diocese of Providence is sponsoring an "ALL YOU CAN EAT DYNAMITE & BEER BLAST" hot dogs, chips and punch also available. (ticket price includes beer for patrons age 21+ with valid id) to benefit the dynamic youth programming at the Fr. Marot CYO Center and the Rejoice In Hope Youth Center on **Saturday, April 9, 2016 5:00-8:00pm** at St. Agatha Parish Hall, 34 Joffre Avenue, Woonsocket, R.I. Tickets for this all you can eat event are only \$10 and are available at the door!

For advance tickets please call: 401-762-3252 or  
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