

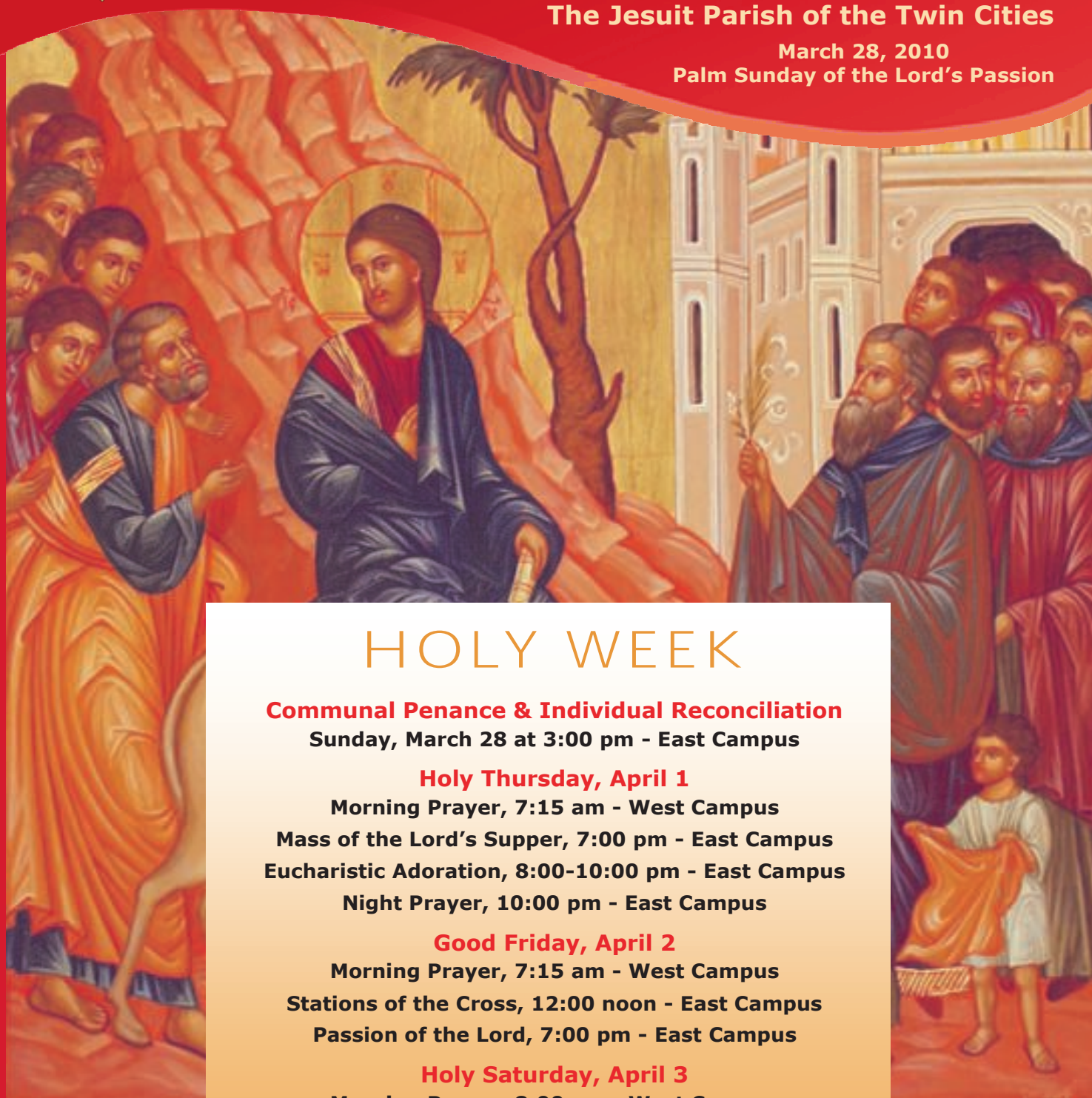


SAINT THOMAS MORE Catholic Community

The Jesuit Parish of the Twin Cities

March 28, 2010

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



HOLY WEEK

Communal Penance & Individual Reconciliation

Sunday, March 28 at 3:00 pm - East Campus

Holy Thursday, April 1

Morning Prayer, 7:15 am - West Campus

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 pm - East Campus

Eucharistic Adoration, 8:00-10:00 pm - East Campus

Night Prayer, 10:00 pm - East Campus

Good Friday, April 2

Morning Prayer, 7:15 am - West Campus

Stations of the Cross, 12:00 noon - East Campus

Passion of the Lord, 7:00 pm - East Campus

Holy Saturday, April 3

Morning Prayer, 8:00 am - West Campus

Easter Vigil Mass, 8:00 pm - East Campus

Easter Sunday, April 4

Mass, 8:00 am - East Campus

Mass, 10:30 am - East Campus

Liturgy & Worship

Liturgical Ministry

Attention Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Sign-up sheets for our Triduum Liturgies (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday) are posted in the Sacristies of both campus churches. If you are interested in ministering at any of these special liturgies please stop by the Sacristy and sign up this weekend; or contact Dana: dmccarthy@morecommunity.org or 651.227.7669 x306.

Greeters Wanted for Triduum



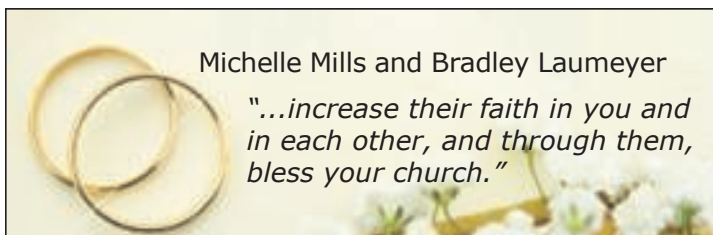
Can you be a Greeter for any of our Triduum Liturgies? There are sign-up sheets for this ministry in the main entrance of the West Campus Church and in the gathering space

and ramp entrance of the East Campus Church. Please give us your contact information and indicate at which liturgies you wish to welcome those joining us for worship. We need Greeters for Holy Thursday at 7:00 pm, Good Friday at 7:00 pm, Holy Saturday at 8:00 pm and Easter Sunday at 8:00 and 10:30 am. Members of our Worship Commission will contact you with details. You may also volunteer by contacting Dana, 651.227.7669 x302.

Still Time to Join Festival Choir for Easter!

We have one more rehearsal left before the Triduum. Come and sing familiar Easter Hymns at the 10:30 am Easter Sunday Mass with our wonderful adult choir. Practice Wednesday, March 31, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the East Campus Church. Festival Choir is for singers in grades 8 and beyond. Let Dana know if you plan to attend so she can have music ready for you: 651.227.799 x306 or dmccarthy@morecommunity.org.

Wedding Banns



Michelle Mills and Bradley Laumeyer
"...increase their faith in you and in each other, and through them, bless your church."

Worship

Stations of the Cross, Good Friday at Noon, East Campus Church

Join us at 12:00 Noon for Stations of the Cross. In this year of Cycle C, we make our Lenten journey with Jesus in the Way of the Cross, turning to the Gospel of Luke. Listen to the stories of the faithful who accompanied Jesus on his journey from Cradle to Cross.

Morning Prayer during Triduum

Morning Prayer is part of the "Liturgy of the Hours" that is an ancient tradition marking each moment of the day as holy through the praying of psalms and the reading of sacred scripture. Start each sacred morning of this year's Easter Triduum with 30 holy minutes of communal prayer: Holy Thursday and Good Friday (April 1 & 2 at 7:15 am), and Holy Saturday (April 3 at 8am) at the West Campus Church.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word will NOT be offered on Palm Sunday, March 28; Easter Sunday, April 4; and First Communion Sunday, April 11. This special liturgy will resume at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, April 18. If you'd like information or to volunteer your services as a leader of prayer for our children during these liturgies, contact Dana: 651.227.7669 x306 or dmccarthy@morecommunity.org.

Help our Easter Garden Bloom



Remember a deceased loved one, honor a special family member or friend, or simply "give thanks" this year by donating money toward flowering plants and festive fabrics for our East and West

Campus Easter Environments.

Special envelopes are available at the entrances of both churches; or, if you regularly receive donation envelopes, you may use the designated envelope in your packet. Put your donation in the regular Sunday collection or mail/bring it to the Pastoral Center. The names of donors and their loved ones and honorees will be published in the Bulletin during the Easter season.

Justice & Service

More Justice

Last Week for MN FoodShare's March Campaign - You can still be a "Super Hero"

Thanks to those "Super Heroes" who have already contributed 345 pounds of food and monetary donations to this most important campaign. There is still time to bring in your donations to help feed the growing number of hungry children, families and seniors in Minnesota. Remember, 100% of all money raised in March is used for food. Every donation counts and helps Sharing Korner and Keystone Services obtain free money!!! Be a "Super Hero" and make a difference to help feed the ONE MILLION Minnesotans who struggle to put food on the table.

Come "Prepared" for our Holy Week Collections!



On Holy Thursday: Bring your gifts of food, "rice bowls" & cash donations to the Altar. The Preparation of Gifts on Holy Thursday is more than setting the table and taking up the usual collection. At this first liturgy of the Triduum, the Church calls for "a procession of the faithful with gifts for the poor." So, please bring food and other items for our local food shelves, the money your family has collected for Operation Rice Bowl, as well as cash donations for Catholic Relief Services.

Keep these items with you in the pews & then carry them forward to the Altar during the Preparation of the Gifts. Ushers will let you know when to come forward. Community members will be stationed at the communion rail to take your donations to the appropriate place in the sanctuary. If you need assistance in bringing your items forward, it will be provided.

On Good Friday: Our parish will take up the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places. Please be generous.

On Holy Saturday & Easter Sunday: Our collections will be the traditional collection for the poor and the Church.

More Service

Overwhelming Response for Saint Thomas More's Nicaraguan Mission Trip!



Our Saint Thomas More Community is blessed to have an ongoing relationship with the children of Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (our little brothers and sisters) in Nicaragua. The last two years, this organization of orphaned children showed travelers from our parish how Christ is truly present in the lives of all of us and the joy obtained by participating in fellowship.

All 25 spots for our group have been filled! We will be traveling to Nicaragua the first week of August to continue helping them prepare to move off a volcano-threatened island to the more secure mainland. If you would like to be put on a wait list, or help organize here in MN please contact Joel Hanson: 651.796.8138 or joelhanson2001@yahoo.com. You can also sponsor a Godchild or make an

online donation by visiting our STM Mission Trip link: <http://www.friendsoftheorphans.org/2010stm>.

Update: The volcano is currently active so the need is urgent. To learn more about NPH and Friends of the orphans go to www.friendsoftheorphans.org or www.oph.org.

Our Parish School

Annual School Auction Collecting Donations



The Auction Committee is currently collecting donations for our annual fundraiser. We need the support of the entire community in order for this event to be successful. Can you donate something? Do you have a cabin or vacation condo in Florida? How about a theme basket or tickets to games and events? Need ideas? We've got them. Contact Tiernee Murphy: ryanmurphy2@comcast.net.

Donations are needed by Easter in order to publish it in the catalogue. You can drop them off in the school office during school hours. Thank you so much! We appreciate your generosity and support!

Hello Saint Thomas More Families!

It is time to THINK SPRING! The sun is shining, birds are singing and your garden is just waiting for color.

The Spring Plant Sale for this year's 7th Graders to raise money for their 8th Grade Washington D.C. trip has begun. The sale runs until **Monday, April 12**. Our supplier is once again Gertens Greenhouse.

All of the profits raised from the Spring Plant Fundraiser are used to finance this fantastic 8th Grade Washington D.C. trip.

The Spring Plant Sale ORDER FORMS are available at the main entrances of both campus churches and in the school office. Payment is required at the time of ordering so please attach a check made out to Saint Thomas More School. You may turn your orders into the school office or to the Pastoral Center between now and the due date of April 12. Plants will be delivered on Thursday, May 20.

Please contact me (Michelle Daniels, mother of 7th Grader, Ian) with questions: 651.222.4014. Thank you for supporting Saint Thomas More School's 8th Grade Class of 2011!

Our Wider Community

Praying into the Risen Christ

Saint John's Abbey in Collegeville will be hosting a Day of Prayer on the theme: Praying into the Risen Christ on **Friday, April 9**. The day-long retreat will start at 7:00 am with Morning Prayer and end at 3:30 pm. Cost is \$50, which includes breakfast and lunch. Questions? Contact the Spiritual Life Office: 320.363.3929. Register online: <http://www.saintjohnsabbey.org/retreats/register.html>

Consider Catholic Youth Camp

Resident camp programming for youth in grades 1-12 is offered by Catholic Youth Camp, on Big Sandy Lake in McGregor MN. It is currently taking online registrations at www.cycamp.org or you may call 651.636.1645 for more information.

Confused, Inactive or Alienated Catholic?

If you've been away from the Church or are drifting away from it; if you've been hurt or are confused and angry because of your Catholic experience, then consider this invitation from The Basilica of Saint Mary to come and talk with them. The series called Catholics Coming Home is being offered on six Wednesday evenings from April 7 - May 12. The gatherings are 6:30-8:30 pm and are held in the Rectory Dining Room at the Basilica, located at Sixteenth and Hennepin in Minneapolis. For further information, please call 612.317.3414.

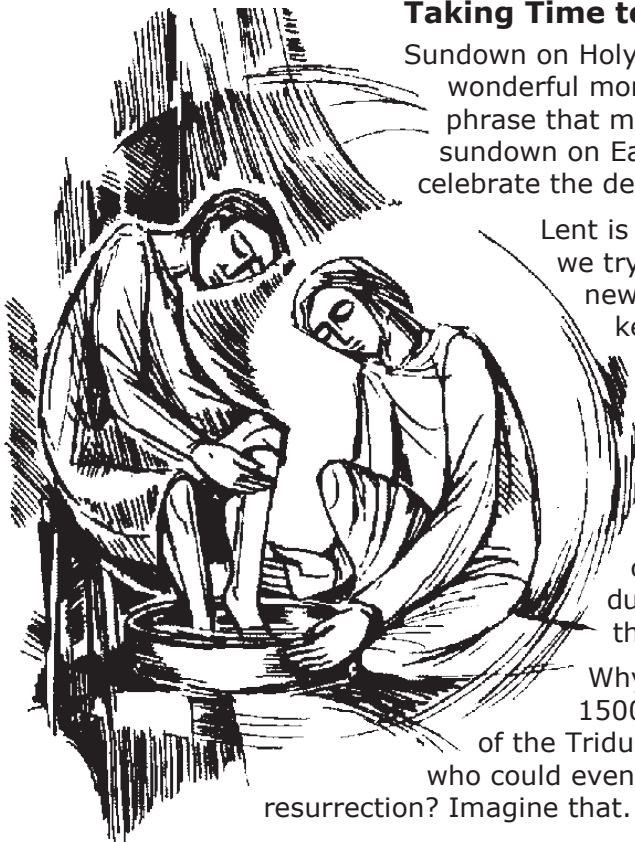
Archdiocesan Marriage Day Celebration



All couples celebrating silver and golden anniversaries in the 2010 calendar year are invited to join Most Reverend John C. Nienstedt of St. Paul and Minneapolis on **Saturday, June 26** at the Cathedral of Saint Paul at 10:00 am for Mass, renewal of vows and a short reception. Couples married over 50 years will also be honored and are invited to attend. Families and friends of honored couples are welcome! For more information, please call 651.291.4488 or visit www.archspm.org.

More at Home

Church Notes for Children



Taking Time to be Christ's Body

Sundown on Holy Thursday marks the end of the season of Lent. At that wonderful moment, we begin the Pascal Triduum, a tongue-twister of a phrase that means "the three days of Passover." The Triduum lasts until sundown on Easter Sunday. During these holiest days of the year, we celebrate the death, burial and resurrection of Christ.

Lent is a time to get ready for the Triduum. Before Holy Thursday, we try to get the house and yard clean, the Easter food and any new clothes bought, and the decorations up so that we can keep the Triduum free from distractions. If we have school, a game or a meeting scheduled for Good Friday, Holy Saturday or Easter Sunday, we do everything in our power to reschedule it. We don't want anything to get in the way of our time together.

Of course, there are some tasks that need doing even on holidays - such as caring for the very young and the very old. But no one needs to shop or entertain themselves during the Triduum. On Good Friday and Holy Saturday, leave the television and radio turned off.

Why do these days need our wholehearted attention? Over 1500 years ago, a man named Leo puzzled over the importance of the Triduum. Leo said that the body of Christ is our own body. And who could even think of being absent from their own death, burial and resurrection? Imagine that. Without each and every one of us, Easter cannot happen!

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Bringing Home the Word

When Life Comes at Us too Fast

When a family sits at table, they nourish both bodies and souls. Memories are made at the kitchen table. Stories of the family are told over pots of soup. The dining room table is the place of high feasts: Thanksgivings, birthdays, anniversaries. The nicked-up old coffee table is the shrine of pizza parties, football championships, jigsaw puzzles and even a resting place for tired feet.

When we look at the Gospels, we discover that Jesus spoke some of his most profound words while gathered around a table for a meal. "Did not we recognize him in the breaking of the bread?" queries the Emmaus couple.

Jesus is still breaking bread with us: The table of the Eucharist is the holy way. Yet he is present, too, when we gather at our family tables - if we invite him. There is no more natural place to pray as a family than at table.

As we come into this most Holy Week, resolve to meet the Christ at your family table by beginning your time there with prayer. We teach profound lessons about what happened at the Last Supper by living our faith and acknowledging the presence of the Christ in ordinary ways.

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Bread of Heaven,
fill my soul with
your very essence.
May I become
what I have eaten.
May I see with
the eyes of Christ.
May I listen with his heart.
May I speak as his servant.
Amen.

More Worship

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Isaiah 50:4-7

A prophet speaks of his devotion to the word of God. He knows his message will give life to the people.

Philippians 2:6-11

Paul proclaims that the Son of God did not cling to the trappings of divine glory, but emptied himself.

Luke 22:14-23:56

Jesus completes his journey to Jerusalem by undergoing his passion and death as the innocent Son of God.

Reflection Questions

1. What does the Eucharist mean to you?
2. Jesus came to serve. When have you picked up the basin and the towel?
3. How has the meaning of the last supper changed your life?
4. How is God calling you to drink the cup of suffering?

Liturgy Schedule:

Please see the front page of this bulletin for our Holy Week Schedule.

Tuesday and Wednesday weekday Masses are at 7:15 am at our West Campus Church.

Morning Prayer will be offered in place of Mass on Thursday and Friday of this Holy Week.

Mass Intentions

Mar. 27, Saturday

4:30pm STM Community

Mar. 28, Sunday

8:00am † George Wilke
10:30am † Blanche Wilke

Mar. 30, Tuesday

7:15am † Dolly & Bert Williams

Mar. 31, Wednesday

7:15am † Kenneth Bodlovick
8:30am STM School

Apr. 1, Thursday

7:00pm STM Community

Apr. 3, Saturday

8:00pm STM Community

Apr. 4, Sunday

8:00am STM Community
10:30am † Dorothy O'Neill

Pray For Us

Wanda Blaha	Ann Gilsdorf
Jim Brandl	Doug Hess
Dick Darling	Julie Horvath
Ken Day	Ted Kay
Chuck Fried	Maryah Tift
Vicki Gabler	Tim Towle
Kathleen Gay	Margaret Weiss

Week of March 28

Sun. Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14--23:56 or 23:1-49

Mon. Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11

Tue. Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wed. Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25

Thu. Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Fri. Is 52:13---53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1---19:42

Sat. Gn 1:1---2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ex 14:15---15:1/Is 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32---4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/

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West Campus Church

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Web: www.MoreCommunity.org



East Church: please use the east parking lot ramp entrance. West Church is ground level; use the doors under the awning. STM School: use the elevator at the main north parking lot entrance. The Pastoral Center is not handicapped accessible.