

Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion

Mass Intentions  for the week		
Saturday Apr 13	5 pm	† Gorette Fernandes (Maria Gouveia) † Giuseppe Tobino (The Family) † Fred & Evelyn Haslan (Joanne & Denise) † Carmine Micco (Donna Micco & Family)
Sunday Apr 14	8:30 am	† Maria Concetta, Donato & Giuseppe Zita (Lucy Zita) † Pellegrino & Carmela Nifo (Vittorio Nifo & Famiglia)
	10 am	† Etelvina Da Costa (Joao Costa) † Mary Bolen (Jerry Boutet)
	11.30 am	PRO POPULO
Monday Apr 15	8 am	"Priest's Intentions"
Tuesday Apr 16	8 am	
Wednesday Apr 17	7 pm	† Andrzej Klejka (Family & Friends)
Thursday Apr 18	7:30 pm	"Holy Thursday" "Mass of the Lord's Supper"
Friday Apr 19	3:00 pm	"Friday of the Passion of the Lord" "Good Friday"
	7:00 pm	"Stations of the Cross"
Saturday Apr 20	8:00 pm	"Holy Saturday" "Easter Vigil"
Easter Sunday Apr 21	8:30 am	† Biagio Forte (Civita Forte & Famiglia) † Maria Rita & Domenico Del Buono (Lucy Zita)
	10 am	† Silvio Ciccocelli (Lina Ciccocelli & Family) † Aldo Gemma (Lucy Gemma & Family) † All Members of the Manlagit & Ruiz Families (Aida Manlangit) † Lyndon Ferareza (Gloria Felaire)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

Good Friday - day of Fast and Abstinence

The Code of Canon Law states that all Christ's faithful are obliged by the Lord's command, each in his/her own way to undertake that conversion of mind and heart called penance. Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence. The faithful devote themselves to prayer, engage in works of piety and charity, and deny themselves by fulfilling their obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the fast and abstinence the Church prescribes: Abstinence means not eating meat, and binds Catholics 14 years of age and older. Fast means limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals each day, and binds Catholics from their 18th birthday to their 59th birthday - one is not bound to fast if health or the ability to work is affected.



Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday April 18

7:30 pm "Mass of the Lord's Supper"
 "Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament"
 Until 12:00 Midnight"

Good Friday April 19

3:00 pm Holy Friday Liturgy
 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday April 20

12:00 noon
 "SWIEÇONKA"
 (Blessing of Easter Foods)

8:00 pm Easter Vigil

No 8:00 am mass Thursday & Friday

And no 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday

Easter Sunday April 21

Regular Sunday Schedule

Confession Time:

Saturday April 13

3:45 - 4:45 pm

No Confessions during Holy Week

Parish office closed

Friday April 19 and Monday April 22

Annual Good Friday Collection to support Christians in the Holy Land

Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. At this time each year Catholics are called on to support the Christians communities in the Holy Land. The annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places.

The Way of the Cross

Everyone is invited to attend and pray the Stations of the Cross on Holy Friday @ 7:00 pm. Please join us as we recall the path Jesus walked on his ascent to Mount Calvary.



"Passione Domini"

Palm Sunday and the Passion of the Lord begin the Holy week and it's the culmination of the Lenten journey. Today's celebration is one of the most popular of the year. On this Sunday, a prelude to the Passover of the Lord, the liturgy invites us to open our eyes to contemplate with eyes illumined by faith the great mystery of love that is taking place.

Holy Week Ceremonies

There are beautiful ceremonies this week that help us relive the events that saved us and bring us eternal life. This Sunday we



read the story of the Last Supper and Good Friday. We will also hear these stories on Thursday and Friday. Palm Sunday is all about: Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Christ entered Jerusalem not as a conquering king on a charger but "riding on an ass" to show that he was the humble servant of all men, he clearly foresaw the sufferings and torments that would be his in that city, before the week was out.

Memorial Mass

Monday April 15TH @ 7:00 pm a memorial mass will be celebrated in suffrage of the soul of Carmine Iermieri recently deceased. The family is inviting the parish community to attend and pray for the soul Carmine. *Eternal rest, grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.*

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On Saturday, April 27th, the Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Grace Council 3401 will be hosting a Dinner-Dance to celebrate their 68th Anniversary. The event will be held at St. Ambrose Parish Hall on Brown's Line. The doors open at 6:30 pm. There will be a DJ and Cash Bar. Tickets are \$45.00 per person. For tickets contact Mike Cerullo at 416-454-3922. All are welcome to attend.

Serra Vocation

Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Learn more about what the Catholic Church teaches about marriage, separation/divorce and annulments.



Catholic
Family Services
of Toronto

Guest Speaker: Fr. Alex Laschuk JCD, Ph.D.St.

Leo's Parish Church Hall - Wednesday April 17th 2019 @ 7:00 pm. Light refreshments will be served following the seminar.

Why Palm Branches?

In the ancient Middle East kings could enter a city in two ways. Horses were used for war, so if the king rode on a horse, it usually meant trouble. If they came in peace, they would ride a donkey, a humble act. Jesus was sending two clear messages to the people; the first that he was king and the second that his intentions were peaceful.



Jesus had come down the Mount of Olives into the Kidron valley, it is a very steep descent, the road is a dirt path and the spring rains made the passage slippery. People hailing Jesus placed branches and clothing on the road so that the footing was safe. John is the only gospel that mentions that the branches were from palm trees. Matthew and Mark only refer to "branches". Luke leaves out the branches entirely and simply says that the people put their clothes on the road.

(Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

Eternal rest grant unto Her, O Lord

On Friday April 12th St. Leo's Parish bid farewell to long time parishioner Rita Crowe. Rita resided in a small bungalow across the church for many years and was a faithful and devoted parishioner. The funeral Mass was attended by a large number of parishioners. We are grateful to God for her tremendous service to the parish community over the years. She was truly a "good and faithful servant". We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family in their time of grief. May she rest in peace. Amen!

Totus Tuus Summer Camp coming to St. Ambrose!

Youth of the parish are invited to join us for Totus Tuus this summer from August 6 to August 9, 2019. Totus Tuus (Latin for Totally Yours) is an Archdiocesan camp program whereby seminarians and college students travel to different parishes, spreading the Good News of our Lord through catechetical instruction, Mass, confession, songs and games! The day camp, for children entering grades 1-6, runs Tuesday-Friday from 9:00am-2:30pm. The evening program for Grades 7-12 runs Tuesday-Friday from 7:00p.m.-9:00pm. The cost is only \$50.00 per person for the week. To register or for more information, please contact MaryAnne Nigli, email: maryanne.n23@gmail.com Phone: 416-618-0486.

Be careful of what you say

The power of words... it is sometimes hard to understand that an encouraging word can go such a long way. Anyone can speak words that tend to rob another of the spirit to continue in difficult times. Special is the individual who will take the time to encourage another.

Author Unknown

Would you like to be a gift bearer at weekend masses? If so, please inform an usher when you arrive for Mass.