

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & INTENTIONS

<b>Sunday, March 28</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
9:00 a.m.	+Ric Hoff by Budd & Jane Hoff (Fr. Mamachan)
10:30 a.m.	Debbie Patitucci by Frank Patitucci (Msgr. Fred)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Msgr. Fred)
12:45 p.m.	Distribution of Communion
<b>Monday, March 29</b>	
7:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving to St. Jude by Ronnie & Marie Bishop (Fr. Mamachan)
<b>Tuesday, March 30</b>	
12:00 p.m.	Prayer/Communion Service
<b>Wednesday, March 31</b>	
7:00 a.m.	Richard McMillen by Mavic Yoes (Msgr. Fred) +Maximo Calingo by Bill & Victoria Yoes (Fr. Mamachan)
<b>Thursday, April 1</b>	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>
7:00 p.m.	Intention of the Celebrant (Msgr. Fred) +Ric Hoff by Budd & Jane Hoff (Fr. Mamachan)
<b>Friday, April 2</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>
7:00 p.m.	Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday (Msgr. Fred & Fr. Mamachan)
<b>Saturday, April 3</b>	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>
8:30 p.m.	All the People of the Parish (Msgr. Fred) +Janet Minzenmayer by Cheryl Hoelscher (Fr. Mamachan)
<b>Sunday, April 4</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>
9:00 a.m.	+Carol Ann Bliznak by Johnny Bliznak (Msgr. Fred)
10:30 a.m.	Intention of the Celebrant (Msgr. Fred)
12:00 Noon	All the People of the Parish (Fr. Mamachan)
12:45 p.m.	Distribution of Communion



<b>Sunday March 28</b>	Remote Classes
<b>Monday, March 29</b>	6:45 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, March 30</b>	7:00-8:45 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, March 31</b>	Remote Classes 5:00-6:00 p.m.
	6:00-7:30 p.m.
	7:00-9:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday, April 1</b>	9:15-11:30 a.m.
<b>Friday, April 2</b>	12:00 Noon 7:00 p.m.
<b>Saturday, April 3</b>	8:30 p.m.
<b>Sunday, April 4</b>	Remote Classes

<b>Palm Sunday</b>	1-6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
	Celebration Choir Practice
	RCIA – Parish Center
	7-12 Religious Education
	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> – Rm 101 (Fr. Mamachan)
	Adult Scripture Study – Parish Center
	Parish Choir Practice
	<b>Holy Thursday</b>
	No Women’s Scripture Study – Parish Center
	<b>Good Friday</b>
	Stations of the Cross
	Liturgy of Good Friday
	<b>Holy Saturday</b>
	<b>No Confessions</b>
	<b>Easter Vigil</b>
	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
	1-6 <sup>th</sup> Grade – No class

**CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 12:00 – 5:00 P.M. ON GOOD FRIDAY**

**PERSONS IN VEHICLES AND RECEPTION OF COMMUNION:** If you choose to wait in your vehicle during Mass and receive Communion outside of the church building, please come to the entrance of the church at Communion time and wait for the Communion Minister. The diocesan protocols specify that ministers should not give Communion to persons while they are inside their vehicle. Thank you for your cooperation and patience during the current unusual circumstances.

**CHILDREN’S CHOIR:** All children in grades 1-6 and older are invited to join the Children’s Choir at Holy Family Church for the upcoming Easter Noon Mass. Practices will continue each Sunday from 5:00-6:00 p.m. through March 28. Please contact Melissa Benoit at 370-7937 for further information.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL,** a Lenten program sponsored by Catholic Relief Services, began Ash Wednesday and will end Easter Sunday. Please place your envelope in the offering plate before Easter Sunday. Your offering will help lift families and communities out of poverty. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more about the services provided through this program.

**PRO-LIFE ROSARY** sponsored by the Abilene Deanery Pro-Life Committee will be held on March 29, at Noon, in Sacred Heart – Adoration Chapel.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Veronica Bartosh, Joyce Bayer, Harold Bush, Vance Cooksey, Mike Couch, Sonia Gallagher, Orlando Garcia, Manuel Hernandez, John Higuera, Joe Hudson, George & Dorothy Lee, Jim Lessin, Jim Luyet, Mickey Mathis, Roy, Milne, Robert Nelson, Terry Novak, Claudette Perry, Pamela Poole, Joey Schaefer, Gary Thompson, Adrianna & Gabriella Tonche, Sylvester & Thalia Tonche, Octaviano Villanueva, Randy & Rosie Watson, Maureen White. *Names are removed from the prayer list after four weeks unless the office is notified.*

**THE 5:30 P.M. SATURDAY MASS IS RECORDED** and posted to our website and Facebook page. For those who are in attendance during the recording of Mass, please be aware that by attending this liturgy you acknowledge and consent that you may be recorded during this event.

**RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION WHEN WEARING FACE MASKS.** When you approach the minister to receive Holy Communion, please remove your face mask and consume the consecrated host immediately before returning to your pew. Please do not carry the host back with you to your seat.

## Palm Sunday

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

#### **HOLY THURSDAY – APRIL 1 – 7:00 P.M.**

Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Presentation of Holy Oils  
Solemn Procession  
Eucharistic Adoration until Midnight

#### **GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 2**

Stations of the Cross – **Noon**  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion – **7:00 P.M.**  
Liturgy of the Word  
Veneration of the Cross  
Holy Communion

#### **HOLY SATURDAY – APRIL 3 – 8:30 P.M.**

The Easter Vigil  
Service of Light  
Liturgy of the Word  
Liturgy of Baptism  
Liturgy of the Eucharist

#### **EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 4 – RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

9:00 A.M. – Celebration Choir  
10:30 A.M. – Parish Choir  
12:00 Noon – Children's Choir

**Marriage Jubilee 2021** - All couples who are celebrating their church wedding anniversaries of 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and above in the **calendar year of 2021** are invited to the Diocesan Marriage Jubilee bilingual celebration on **Sunday, April 18, 2021, at 2:30 p.m.** in the Sacred Heart Cathedral in San Angelo. Renewal of their commitment will take place within the Mass. In light of the current coronavirus pandemic, social distancing will be practiced, and a couple need not be present to receive a certificate. Those who attend the Mass can pick up their certificates at the Cathedral that day. The certificates of those who do not attend will be sent to the corresponding parish office for distribution. Space is limited. Reserved seating will be available to the jubilarian couples; then, if space is available, family and friends may reserve seats on a first-come, first-serve basis. Livestreaming will be available for those unable to attend in person. For registration information, please contact your pastor. The deadline to register for this celebration is **Monday, April 5, 2021.**

#### **PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND**

will be taken up at the 7:00 p.m. service on Good Friday. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, offer religious education, and preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday](http://www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday).

## Dear Padre

*I recently converted to Catholicism. Can you tell me more about the significance of the palm branches on Palm Sunday?*

Welcome to our faith! And we are delighted to answer your questions. We can consider the meaning of the palm branches on two levels. On the first level, we commemorate a historical event—Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

In biblical times, people saw the palm as a kingly tree because of its height and majestic appearance. During festivals, the Jews carried palm branches in processions. Roman soldiers carried palm branches in their victory parades. In public games, the winners of contests and sports received palm branches as signs of victory. Thus, when people greeted Jesus with palm branches, they were greeting him in the spirit of joy and triumph usually reserved for victorious kings, armies, and athletes. It was the biblical equivalent of a ticker-tape parade!

That brings us to the second meaning for the palm branches. They do signify a joyful victory, but not in the worldly and military sense of the word. It is a victory that we can understand and celebrate only in the light of the other events of Holy Week and Easter Sunday.

The ultimate victory of Jesus was his Easter triumph over death and sin. But it was a victory won through suffering and dying. This is the victory we recall on Palm Sunday. Even though we must relive the sad events of Holy Thursday and Good Friday, we know the triumphant outcome of the story. Knowing that outcome enables us to make Palm Sunday the beginning of our victory celebration.

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**VOCATION CROSS FOR THE HOME:** Please volunteer to take home the Vocation Cross that is located on the table in the church foyer. The parish is invited to join your family in praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

March 21 – Open

March 28 - Open

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING:** March 20-21, 2021 with 1285 families:

Envelopes and Checks .....	25,550.00
Loose Plate .....	1,282.00
Other Receipts/Contributions .....	600.75
Building Fund.....	462.00
Total Income.....	27,894.75