

St. Patrick & Immaculate Conception Parishes

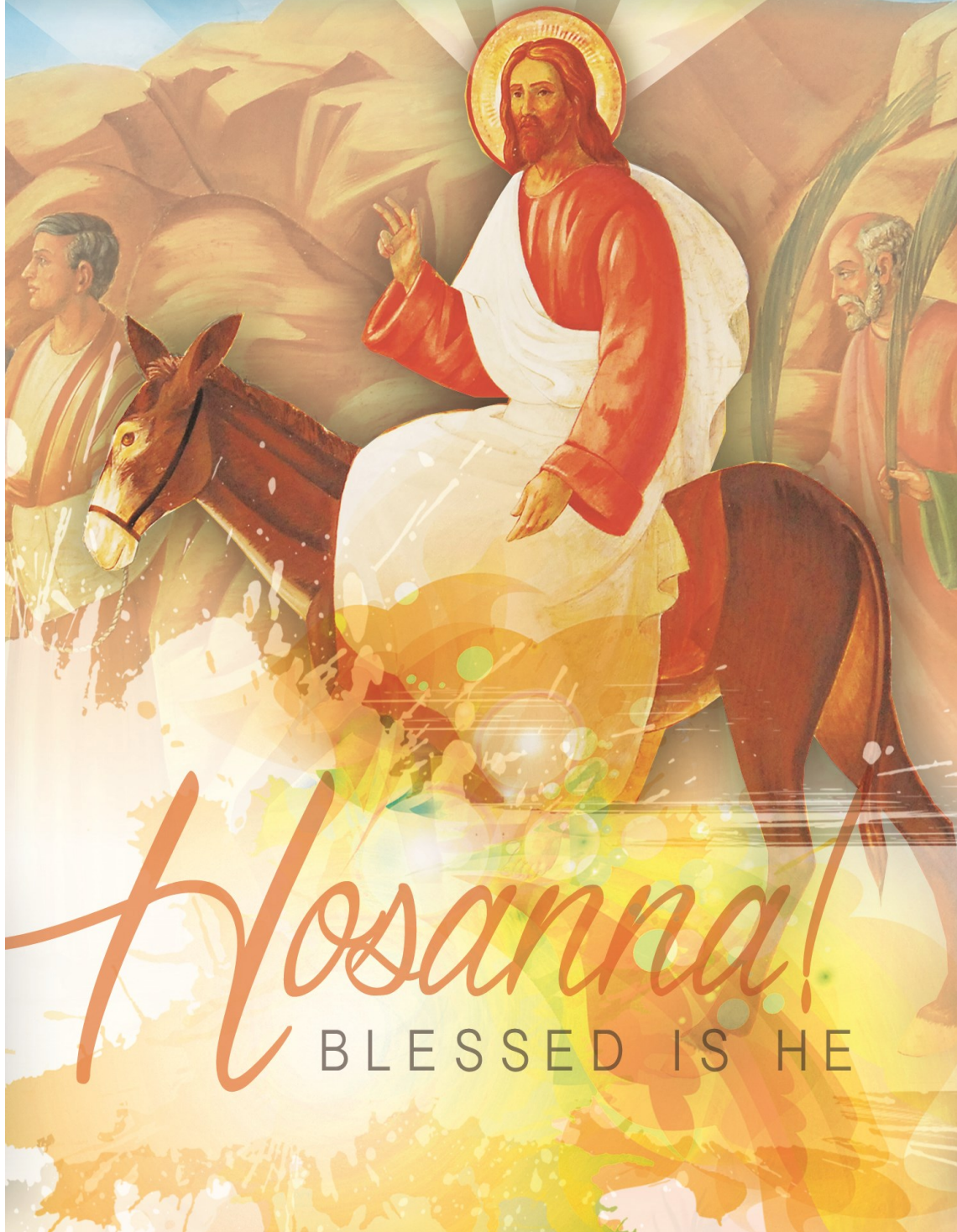
MARCH 20, 2016

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P A L M S U N D A Y



Masses

Saturday
4:30 p.m. St. Patrick

Sunday
9:00 a.m. I. C.
11:00 a.m. St. Patrick
7:00 p.m. I. C.

Weekday
7:00 a.m. St. Patrick (Tu-F)

Lauds (Morning Prayer)
following Mass (W,Th,F)
following Devotion (Tu)

Sacraments
For all Sacraments
please contact the
Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick
Communal Anointing following
7:00 am & 12:10 pm Mass on
1st Friday or please contact the
Parish Office

**Sacrament of
Reconciliation**
Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
St. Patrick
or by appointment
with the priest

**Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament**
St. Patrick Church
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
(Tu, W, Th, F)

**Our Mother of Perpetual
Help Devotion**
Tuesday after 7:00 a.m. Mass
St. Patrick

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<i>Mon Mar 21</i>	<i>St. Patrick,</i>	<i>7:00 am</i>	<i>Bill Hogart rb Junie Maloney</i>
<i>Tue Mar 22</i>	<i>St. Patrick,</i>	<i>7:00 am</i>	<i>Mel Mooney rb Junie Maloney</i>
<i>Wed Mar 23</i>	<i>St. Patrick,</i>	<i>7:00 am</i>	<i>Louise Zeller (7th Ann) rb Barb & Linda Zeller</i>
<i>Holy Thursday Mar 24</i>	<i>St. Patrick,</i>	<i>6:00 pm</i>	<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Parishes</i>
<i>Good Friday Mar 25</i>	<i>St. Patrick,</i>	<i>12:00 pm</i>	<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Parishes</i>
	<i>St. Patrick,</i>	<i>6:00 pm</i>	<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Parishes</i>
<i>Easter Vigil Mar 26</i>	<i>St. Patrick,</i>	<i>9:00 pm</i>	<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Parishes</i>
<i>Easter Sunday Mar 27</i>	<i>IC,</i>	<i>9:00 am</i>	<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Parishes</i>
	<i>St. Patrick,</i>	<i>11:00 am</i>	<i>Living & Deceased Members of the Parishes</i>



Easter Triduum



The History of the Triduum

By the second century, Christians celebrated the great Easter Vigil, an event which began the night of Holy Saturday, continuing until dawn on Easter morning. During this vigil, Christians commemorated salvation history, awaited the return of Jesus, and celebrated the resurrection of Jesus at dawn on Easter Sunday. At the Vigil, catechumens, after a three year period of catechesis, were baptized and received first communion. At the time, the Easter Vigil was the most important celebration of the liturgical year.

Eventually Christians expanded this celebration to a three-day commemoration of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection, with the Easter Vigil being the high point of the three day commemoration known as the *Triduum* (Latin for "three days"). Over time, as the liturgical year expanded, the Easter Vigil lost its preeminence, although the three days commemorating Jesus' passion still held an important place in the church year. However, since the reforms of the Second Vatican Council, the Easter Vigil, and the Triduum have regained their position of prominence in the Western Catholic liturgical calendar.

The Passover of Our Lord

The Paschal Triduum, or "three days," commemorates Jesus' passage from death to life. Unique in the public worship of the Church, these solemn days stand apart from Lent and from the Easter season. Following the tradition of the ancient world, each "day" begins at sundown and ends at sundown the following day.

DAY ONE: CHRIST IS THE SACRIFICE

The Mass of the Lord's supper begins the Sacred Triduum. In the Eucharist, Jesus gave himself to us, just as he would in the sacrifice of Calvary. The celebration of the Lord's Passion, including the Veneration of the Cross, usually takes place on the afternoon of Good Friday, still the first day of the Triduum. As scripture tells us, they wanted to remove the bodies of Jesus and the two crucified with him before sundown because then it would be the Sabbath.

DAY TWO: THE SILENCE OF THE TOMB

The celebration of the Lord's Passion ends in the silence of the tomb where Jesus was laid. We have the advantage of knowing he will rise the next day, but his disciples did not. In their grief and sorrow they were like all of us who experience the grief of loss, defeat and prayers that seem to go unanswered. With no liturgy on Holy Saturday, the Church pauses in unity with the grief of the ages. As we wait in hope, our love of God depends not on what God can do for us, but rather on who God is.

DAY THREE: THE VIGIL OF HOPE, DAY OF JOY

Early Christians believed Christ would return at night. We join with the hopes of all believers as we celebrate the Easter Vigil. In this liturgy, the entire Church Year culminates in worship and praise. From the Service of Light, to the scriptural account of salvation history to baptism to the renewal of our baptismal vows and finally to the Eucharist, this night celebrates Christ's triumph over sin and death. The Sacred Triduum concludes at sundown on Easter Sunday.



Parish Notices



Lenten Penance Service will be held Tuesday evening March 22nd at 6:30 pm at St. Patrick's Church.

Holy Triduum Schedule

Holy Thursday:

6:00 pm, St. Patrick

Good Friday:

12:00 pm & 6:00 pm, St. Patrick

Saturday Easter Vigil:

9:00 pm, St. Patrick

Easter Sunday:

9:00 am, Immaculate Conception

11:00 am, St. Patrick

SAVE THE DATE

Marriage Blessing

Ceremony

Saturday

June 18th at 1:30 pm

Immaculate Conception Church



**DUE TO EARLY PUBLICATION
THE COLLECTION AMOUNTS FOR THE WEEKS OF:**

March 12-13, 19-20, 26-27

will be published in the

April 2-3 Bulletin

Community Notices

EASTER FOOD BOXES

The Legion of Mary will sponsor collecting food for Easter food boxes for our needy families in Butte who could use a helping hand. If you can during the season of Lent, bring food to St. John's parish office. The Legion of Mary will provide the Hams for the food boxes. Plus, if you know a family that can use a food box, please call St. John's parish office during office hours, Monday through Thursday 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm (782-8349).

MOM'S GROUP

Do you have young children?
Would you like to meet other moms for play dates & Fellowship?
The Mom's group is your answer.
Please call Gina Gallagher at 794-4806.

The Member Nurture Committee

of the Aldersgate United Methodist Church would like to invite you to the annual **Women's Ecumenical Good Friday Prayer Breakfast.**

Date: March 25, 2016

Place: Aldersgate Fellowship Hall

Time: 7:00 am (doors will open at 6:30 am)

The Breakfast features egg casserole, continental breakfast items with coffee, tea and juice will be served.

The cost is \$8.00 per person.

The program includes music and a guest speaker and will conclude approximately 7:45 am.

Please make reservations by calling Arlene at 782-2425 or Pam 494-6656

by Tuesday, March 22nd, 2016.

We will look forward to seeing you on Good Friday.



DUGGAN DOLAN

Please see advertisement on the back of the bulletin!