LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 14, 2019 - Palm Sunday

- 9:30 AM Holy Mass † Mabel Poposki (25th Anniversary of Death)
- 11:00 AM Palm Sunday Parish Breakfast Monday, April 15, 2019 – Holy Monday Tuesday, April 16, 2019 – Holy Tuesday Wednesday, April 17, 2019 – Holy Wednesday Thursday, April 18, 2019 – Holy Thursday
- 7:00 PM The Lord's Supper Mass Friday, April 19, 2019 – Good Friday
- 3:00 PM Stations of the Cross
- 7:00 PM Liturgy of our Lord's Passion Saturday, April 20, 2019 Holy Saturday
- 12:00 PM Blessing of Easter Baskets
- 2:00 PM Blessing of Easter Baskets
- 7:00 PM Easter Vigil Liturgy
- Sunday, April 21, 2019 Easter Sunday
- 9:30 AM Resurrection Mass For All Our Beloved Dead

SUNDAY MASS INTENSIONS:

- 4/28/2019 † Verna Lopatkiewicz Memorial Mass
- 5/05/2019 † Alfreda Day requestetd by Joyce Paluszkiewicz
- 5/12/2019 Mother's Day For All Our Beloved Mothers (Living and Dead)
- 5/19/2019 † Verna Lopatkiewicz requested by Cliff & Julie Brown
- 5/26/2019 † Very Rev. Joseph Kleppner, Ph.D.
- 6/02/2019 † Irina Kurbat requested by daughters & family

FAITH SHARING



The first part of today's Gospel describes the royal reception which Jesus received from his admirers. They paraded with him for a distance of two miles: from the Mount of Olives to the city of Jerusalem. Two-and-a-

half million people were normally present to celebrate the Jewish feast of the Passover.

In the second part of today's Gospel, we listen to the Passion of Christ according to Luke We are challenged to examine our own lives in the light of some of the characters in the story like Peter who denied Jesus, Judas who betrayed Jesus, Pilate who acted against his conscience and condemned Jesus, Herod who ridiculed Jesus, and the leaders of the people who preserved their position by getting rid of Jesus.

TREE CUTTING

Patrik and his Slovak friends - Tom, Albert, Vlad and Matuš worked very hard yesterday at our park. They made that place safer cutting off many dried branches and trees. Bill and Fr. Mariusz were helping them too. Cliff worked in the garage repairing our tractor. Maria and Izabela cooked delicious food for us. Joyce brought us some supplies. We all got tired and exhausted, but that was another good day for St. Valentine's cemetery. Thank you all! Good job!



NEWLY ELECTED ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH COMMITTEE



CEMETERY GROUND LEVELED

If you visit our cemetery please don't be surprised that first five aisles are covered with fresh soil. We had to level those many places, where graves collapsed. It's spring, so the grass seeds will sprout very quickly and pretty soon there will be one smooth lawn over there.

We would like to inform all those who set on the graves some little "gardens" surrounded by small fences made by brick or hard edging boards that they are forbidden and will be removed by cemetery caretaker.

PALM SUNDAY PARISH BREAKFAST



You are all invited to our traditional Palm Sunday Breakfast. Delicious pancakes and sausage, Żurek with fresh kielbasa – the traditional Polish Easter soup will be served. Please come and support our Parish. \$15.00 plate donation.

CHURCH CEILING FIXED AND PAINTED

Last Wednesday Bill Quilty and Fr. Mariusz painted the ceiling over the organ, cleaned the choir loft area, removed the molded wallpaper and painted the wall. in the whole staircase. It was a pleasure to fix our Lord's house.

CLERGY CONFERENCE

On Holy Tuesday, April 16, 2019 there will be a Clergy Conference in Scranton followed by the Holy Mass of Chrism with the Consecration of the Holy Oils. If someone would like to go with me and participate in this Mass at St. Stanislaus Cathedral Church please let me know.

EASTER DONATIONS

There is still a little bit of time to send your Easter Donations for St. Valentine's Parish, however, due date for the Mass intentions on Easter is Friday, April 19.

† EDWHYNA YERKA

Our parishioner **Edwhyna Yerka** passed away on March 25, 2019. The Holy Mass for †Edwhyna will be on June 30, 2019 at 9:30AM. Please keep †Edwhyna and her family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Wieczny odpoczynek racz jej dać, Panie, a światłość wiekuista niechaj jej świeci. Niech odpoczywa w pokoju wiecznym. Amen.

MEMORIAL MASS VS. REGULAR MASS

When some member or former member of our Church dies, sometimes, for many reasons, the family prefers a short funeral ceremony at the Funeral Home instead a full Catholic funeral with the Holy Mass in the church included. Or it can be also a last will of that person. As we know, every baptized person who passed away (even if it was a suicide) deserved a Holy Mass in his or her intention. Regular Catholic funeral contains three parts:

1. Viewing with prayers at the Funeral Home (always there, never in the church).

- 2. Holy Mass with the body in the casket or the ashes in the urn after cremation.
- 3. Committal Service at the cemetery.

Memorial Mass is an optional part of the funeral service. It can be before burial or after, however more popular is after. Memorial Mass is said for the one particular deceased person and for this reason cannot be "merged" with some other Mass intention. Strictly speaking, it is a funeral Mass, but let's say, postponed.

I encourage you to write in your Last Will just few words about your own funeral ceremony. Demand the Holy Mass. Don't let your family do some shortcuts making your funeral short and cheap. If you come to participate in Mass today, make sure that your body in the casket for the last time will be brought here as well for your own funeral Mass in your own church. Anyway, it is your birth to eternal life and as every Birthday, make it pretty as much as you can.

ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH

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Palm Sunday

Niedziela Palmowa

April 14, 2019