



# THE MESSENGER

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ROBERTSON COUNTY

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PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 20, 2016

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES

### MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY – 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY **8:30 AM 3/23**

THURSDAY– **7:00 PM - Holy Thursday**

FRIDAY – **7:00 PM - Good Friday**

SATURDAY– **No 8:30 am Mass on 3/26**

VIGIL – **7:00 PM Easter Vigil 3/26**

SUNDAY - 10:30 AM

IN SPANISH - 1:00 PM

### CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY – **None on 3/26**

### ADORATION

WEDNESDAY - **None 3/23**

SATURDAY – **None 3/26**

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations on Good Friday will be at  
St. Michael - 3:00 pm

## ST. MICHAEL

### MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – 8:00 AM

### CONFESSIONS & ROSARY

BEFORE MASS – 7:30 AM

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Good Friday 3/25 3:00 pm

## MUSIC OF THE MASS

**PROCESSIONAL:** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" #412

**OFFERTORY:** "Crown Him with Many Crowns" #499

**COMMUNION:** *Instrumental*

## Pastor's Column

To the Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Michael:

A common refrain we may have heard in the past regarding Holy Week from parishes is to invite the people to "come walk with our Lord this week." That is certainly a fine expression of invitation, but I would like to propose that it is more than simply "walking" with our Lord. Walking is a relatively neutral term. We can let our minds wander and still follow the path. There is a place in our lives when we are to exercise, clear our minds of daily concerns, or shake off stress. But to truly follow our Lord this coming week we must allow our hearts and minds to be engaged. We will hear the Passion read twice, once on Palm Sunday and on Good Friday. Hopefully this Lent we have attended the Way of the Cross, and at each Station we get a small glimpse of what it must have been like for Jesus to endure what

most of us cannot truly imagine.

Since the earliest days of the Church, which was Catholic, she sought a means to engage the hearts and minds of the faithful. And that was through the liturgy of the *Triduum*, the three days at the end of Holy Week, culminating in Easter. There is a "duality" to Holy Week, meaning that it is part of our human nature and tendency to be both participants in the light of Jesus and participate in the darkness of sin, the sin of the Cross. Indeed, the first truth we need to confront is that we are both observer and participant. How could humanity do this, and at the same time we know we are part of humanity. The second truth we need to confront is that when we engage our hearts and minds on these earth shaking events we are

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(or should be) grief stricken. And at the same time we are indignant that such a thing could happen. The third truth is that as Dom Gueranger noted over a hundred years ago, “For if, by our sins, we have made ourselves guilty of the death of the Son of God, it is equally true that the blood which flowed from His sacred wounds has the power to cleanse us from the guilt of our crime.” We are observer and at the same time participant. We are filled with grief and at the same time indignant. We are guilty and yet at the same time we know that the sin of the Cross is somehow, in some way, our path of wholeness, of entering into heaven.

These are not easy truths to understand. That is why Mother Church calls them mysteries. But they are mysteries that do not always have to remain complete mysteries. Their meaning can be discerned. That is why we need Lent; that time to face head-on the truth of our human nature and our human tendencies. Deep down, we don't like our sinful tendencies; we don't like carrying the baggage of the past year in and year out; we don't like wallowing in pity and denial. The Cross, emblem of cruelty, suffering and death, is also the emblem of God's grace; of hope. Through her liturgy, the Church offers each of the faithful an opportunity to fully engage our hearts and minds to convert ourselves to the heart and mind of Christ. We don't simply invite you to come to the liturgies this week as it is vital for *your faith* to participate in heart and soul in the mysteries of Christ's Passion. And in that way we will find meaning to our life through His.

ad Jesum per Mariam  
(to Jesus through Mary)  
Fr. Dean



“On Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, several members of our St. Vincent de Paul Conference met with Bishop Choby at the Catholic Pastoral Center in Nashville. The Bishop graciously offered a blessing for our group and wished us success in service to the parish and community.”

“The March 31<sup>st</sup> meeting for St. Vincent de Paul Society has been cancelled and rescheduled for Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, in the rectory at Our Lady of Lourdes. Please join us...we welcome new members!”

## DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY

The Dead Theologians Society enjoyed a night out at a Nashville Predators Hockey game this past week. The class will be on Spring Break this next two weeks. Classes will resume on April 6. If you have already been confirmed and would like to join DTS please see David or Mandee Johnson.



## EASTER WEEK SCHEDULE

**Tuesday, March 22**

8:30 am Mass

**Wednesday, March 23**

8:30 am Mass

NO 6:30 pm Mass or Adoration

**Holy Thursday, March 24**

7:00 pm - Thursday of the Lord's Supper Mass followed by Adoration until Midnight

**Good Friday, March 25**

3:00 pm - Stations of the Cross at St. Michael

7:00 PM -Friday of the Passion of the Lord Service followed by Confessions

**Saturday, March 26**

NO 8:30 am Mass, Adoration or Confession

9:00 am - Decorating of the Church

No 5:00 pm Mass

7:00 pm - Easter Vigil Mass

**Easter Sunday, March 27**

8:00 am - Mass at St. Michael

9:00 am - Easter Egg hunt at St. Michael

No Religious Education Classes

10:30 am - Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes

11:30 am - Easter Egg hunt at Our Lady of Lourdes

1:00 pm - Spanish Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes

**Easter Monday, March 28**

Office Closed

Easter Flower Envelopes are located in the back of each church if you would like to have flowers in memory of a loved one please note on the outside of the envelope and turn in with the collection.

**Palm Sunday (3/20)**

**is the last day to**  
**turn in envelopes.**



## EASTER EGG HUNT

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt after the 8 am Mass at St. Michael & after the 10:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes, on Easter Sunday. Please contact Jeanie Gower, 615-476-2800 to help with St. Michael or Pam Burton, 615-643-0435 to help with Our Lady of Lourdes.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

There will be no classes on Sunday, March 27, Easter.

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## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**Good Friday**

**the Stations of the Cross will  
be at 3:00 pm at St. Michael**

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## FIRST COMMUNION

For those who attend Mrs. Grace's class First Communion will be Saturday, May 7 at 10:00 am. The second class will be the older group of students and adults, this First Communion will be Saturday, May 14 at 10:00 am.

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## CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 pm. This will take place at the new Catholic Pastoral Center, 2800 McGavock Pike, Nashville, TN 37214.

**NO ADORATION ON  
WEDNESDAY,  
MARCH 23 OR  
SATURDAY, MARCH 26**

## PRAYER LIST

### HEALING

\*Sandra Armour  
 \*June Bell  
 \*Dorothy Bradley  
 \*Robert Bradley  
 \*Richard Bogart  
 \*Cheryl Bush  
 \*Jerry Bush  
 \*Helen Byrne  
 \*Don Cole  
 \*Eva Davanport  
 \*Bea Heatherly  
 \*Thelma Lee  
 \*Ann Marie Legate  
 \*Rosa Priest  
 \*Nora Rabie  
 \*Mary Senecal  
 \*Robert Senecal  
 \*Gloria Snow  
 \*Mary Stout

### PETITIONS

\*For the respect and protection of human life.

### DEPARTED AND THOSE WHO MOURN

\* Please pray for the repose of the soul of Randy Traughber

### HOMEBOUND

#### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

\*Dorothy Crosslin  
 \*Claudia Traughber  
 \*Mary Ann Klimek  
 \*R.C. Boyle  
 \*Dorothy Johnson  
 \*Tom Crumpler  
 \*Dennis Zawierucha  
 \*Patty Zawierucha

#### ST. MICHAEL

\*John Baker  
 \*Elizabeth Jenkins  
 \*Robert & Regina Head

## ASSIGNMENTS

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES Holy Thursday –3/24/2016

*Lector:* Colleen Felts  
*Altar Server:* Taw Owens, Cuinn Owens, Jake Rucker, Carson Rucker, Chris Hardy & Jack Borrell

### Good Friday –3/25/2016

*Lector:* Colleen Felts  
*Altar Server:* Volunteers

### Easter Vigil –3/26/2016

*Lector:* Carol Hostettler, Colleen Felts & Roase Mary Reed  
*Extraordinary Ministers:* Pam Burton & Volunteer  
*Ushers:* Claude & Volunteer  
*Altar Server:* Carson & Jake Rucker

### SUNDAY – 3/27/2016

*Lector:* Lynn Wiemelt  
*Extraordinary Ministers:* Robyn & Gene Masoner  
*Ushers:* Don & Cuinn Owens  
*Altar Servers:* Holly & Brianna Wiemelt  
*Collection Counters:* Jessie & Taylor Johnson

### ST. MICHAEL

### SUNDAY – 3/27/2016

*Lector:* Billy Armour  
*Extraordinary Ministers:* Kaye Sharp & Mike Ellis  
*Usher/Greeter:* Kaye Sharp  
*Collection Counters:* Mary Jackson & Jim Schott

### GOSPEL: March 21-26

**MONDAY:** *John 12:1-11*  
**TUESDAY:** *John 13:21-33,36-38*  
**WEDNESDAY:** *Matthew 26:14-25*  
**THURSDAY:** *John 13:1-15*  
**FRIDAY:** *John 18:1-19:42*  
**SATURDAY:** *Luke 24:1-12*

## OFFERING

March 13  
**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**  
 \$3,776.45

**ST. MICHAEL**  
 \$1,939.00

## MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Patrick Kelly by Brenda & Terry Kelch
SUNDAY MASS	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Andrew & Joan Catignani by Tony & Cathy Cotter
SUNDAY MASS	10:30 AM	For the repose of the soul of Logan Stephenson by Brenda & Terry Kelch
TUESDAY MASS	8:30 AM	For the repose of the soul of Gladys Traughber & Wayne Traughber
WEDNESDAY MASS	8:30 AM	For the repose of the soul of Logan Stephenson by Brenda & Terry Kelch
THURSDAY MASS	7:00 PM	Holy Thursday
FRIDAY MASS	7:00 PM	Good Friday
SATURDAY MASS	No 8:30 am Mass	