

SAINT MONICA'S CHURCH

Sussex, New Jersey

SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2010

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

The commemoration of the Lord's entry into Jerusalem is celebrated at every Liturgy with a procession, blessing and distribution of palm, the reading of the Passion Narrative and the celebration of the Eucharist.

Sat., - March 27th – 5:00pm – (No Confessions at 4:30pm)

Sun., - March 28th – 8:00am

10:00am (CHOIR)

11:45am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Monday, March 29th - 7:30pm – Parish Penitential Service

NO CONFESSIONS AT ANY OTHER TIME

The Church looks upon the Sacrament of Penance as a preparation for the celebration of the Triduum. Receiving this Sacrament will enable you to participate in these holiest days of the year with a renewed heart.

THE TRIDUUM

This is the ancient Latin title for the three days in which our redemption was completed. They begin with sunset on Thursday and end with sunset on Sunday. We might call them "The Three Great Days", recognizing that they encompass one complex event rather than a number of separate ones, a fact which is structured into the services, in that from Holy Thursday evening no service has a Dismissal until Easter. Thus, what we are doing is celebrating an extended liturgy from Thursday evening until Sunday.

So, in the three Great Days we have one liturgical event celebrating and remembering the one event of the Lord's Passover which brought about our salvation. Each of the primary liturgies is one of the acts of the drama. The Liturgical Services of Holy Week are among the very best things we do in the Church. Don't miss these celebrations.

HOLY THURSDAY

April 1st – 7:30pm – MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- 1) Commemorating the Institution of the Eucharist and the Priesthood
- 2) Ceremony of the Washing of the Feet
- 3) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Repository Altar, up to 11:00pm. "Could you not watch with me one hour?" Plan to spend some time in prayer in the church.

COLLECTION – FOR THE POOR IN OUR AREA

(PLEASE do not park in the Presbyterian Church parking lot)

GOOD FRIDAY

April 2nd - (Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence)

3:00pm – SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S

PASSION AND DEATH

Proclamation of the Passion Narrative

Veneration of the Cross

Communion

7:30pm – STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Veneration of the Cross

COLLECTION – SUPPORT OF SHRINES AND CHRISTIANS LIVING
IN THE HOLY LAND

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HOLY SATURDAY

April 3rd

12:00 noon – BLESSING OF EASTER FOODS

EASTER VIGIL

8:00pm – SOLEMN VIGIL, AND FESTIVAL

MASS OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

St. Monica's Choir

EASTER SUNDAY

April 4th – 8:00am, 10:00am (CHOIR) and 11:45am

COLLECTION NOTE – YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF YOUR PARISH
FOR ITS MISSION AND MINISTRY IS MOST APPRECIATED.

A BLESSED AND JOYOUS EASTER TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

NOTE: Please do not park at the Presbyterian Church parking lot for the 8:00am or 10:00am Mass on this Sunday. Our neighbors will be most grateful to you.