

# St. Patrick in the City

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## **HOLY WEEK**

### **MARCH 21 MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

Mass at 12:10 p.m.

Confessions from 11:30 a.m. – 12 noon

### **MARCH 22 TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

Mass at 12:10 p.m.

Confessions from 11:30 a.m. – 12 noon

### **MARCH 23 WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

Mass at 12:10 p.m.

Confessions from 11:30 a.m. – 12 noon  
and 5:00 – 6:30p.m.

### **MARCH 24 HOLY THURSDAY**

Mass at 12:10 p.m.

Confessions from 11:30 a.m. – 12 noon

**Mass of the Lord's Supper** 5:30 p.m. (choir)

Washing of feet and procession of the  
Blessed Sacrament

Church open until 9:00 p.m.

### **MARCH 25 GOOD FRIDAY**

No Mass today

Solemn Liturgy at 11:45 a.m. (choir)

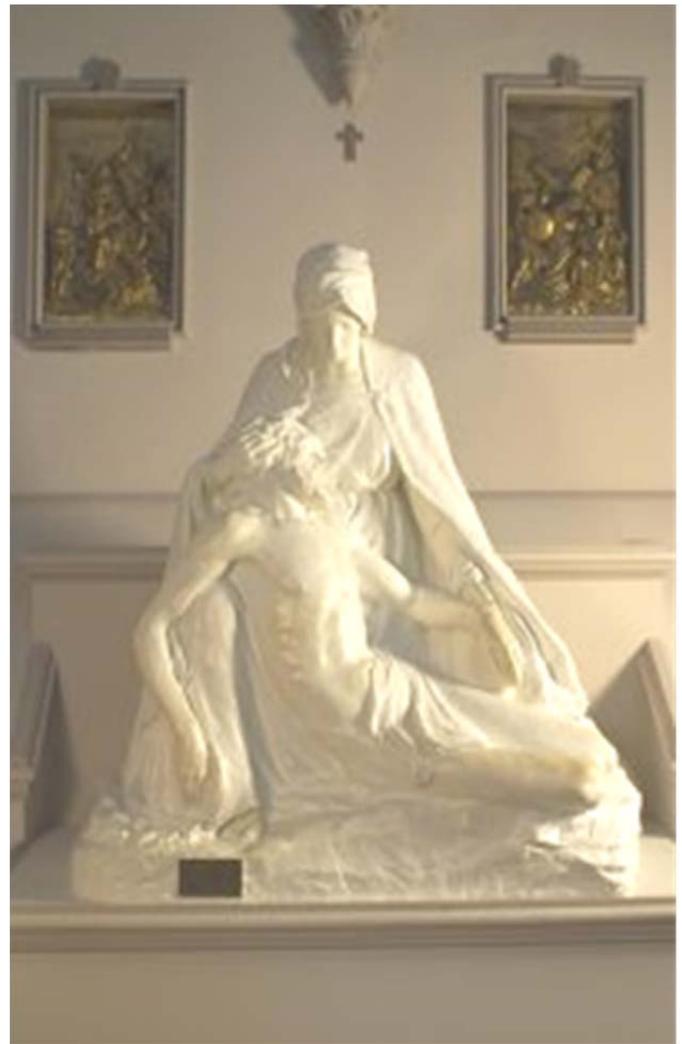
Stations of the Cross 3:00 p.m.

Confessions from 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.  
and following the Stations of the Cross  
until 4:30 p.m.

### **MARCH 26 HOLY SATURDAY**

No Masses

Confessions from 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.



**Pastor and  
Chaplain, D.C. First Responders**

Rev. Msgr. Salvatore A. Criscuolo

**Residents**

Rev. Frederick H. MacIntyre

Rev. Roderick McKee

**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

**“Go into the village straight ahead of you. Upon entering it you will find an ass tied there which no one has yet ridden. Untie it and lead it back. If anyone should ask you, ‘why are you untying the beast’ say, ‘the Master has need of it.’ They departed on their errand and found things just as he had said.”**

Saint Luke sets the scene for us to join Jesus and His followers in their entry to the holy city. Triumph will soon turn to tragedy. The crowd of greeters will quickly depart, and others will take their place. Holy Week is upon us.

We can begin these solemn days, remembering what transpired in Jerusalem. We can approach the Passover meal, observe the washing of the disciples’ feet, and the giving of the gift of the Eucharist. We join the disciples in the garden of olives, see the betrayal, hear the denial and the unjust arrest. We will walk the dusty streets to the hill of Calvary, listen to His final words, and quietly leave the guarded tomb.

The events of Holy Week really ask much more of us. We read and listen, we are moved to compassion. But as we walk this week, discover others who are suffering in a similar way. Consider refugees and displaced persons, hear their cry. Consider families of those incarcerated and support their pain. The streets of Jerusalem are the halls of a hospital for the terminally ill, where the Christ continues to suffer today. The passion of Christ crosses the centuries and is revealed for our consideration today.

### **The Light Is ON for You**

There are Confessions on *Wednesday evening during Holy week* from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

### **Stations of the Cross**

3:00 p.m. on Good Friday

### **Good Friday’s Abstinence and Fasting**

Catholics age 14 and over abstain from meat. Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are to observe a modified fast (one full meal a day).

This weekend’s **Second Collection** is the **Holy**

**Land Collection** at the Good Friday Liturgy. Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week, and

Easter. Our hearts, minds and prayers are especially aware of the Holy Land. Parishes in the archdiocese are asked to take up a special collection *on Good Friday (March 25)* to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians there depend on the collection for their lives. Franciscans and others in the Holy Land are feeding the poor, providing religious formation and education, maintaining shrines and parishes, and conducting pastoral ministry. **The Good Friday collection** is requested by the Holy Father. Please be as generous as your abundance allows.



Fast. Pray. Give up your Envelopes! We invite you to help your parish save money by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with **Faith Direct** will provide St. Patrick in the City with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes.

Join us in giving up envelopes **this Lenten season!** You can sign up online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: **DC90**, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available in the back of the church or the parish office.

*God Bless, Msgr. Sal*

### **Celebrants for**

**Saturday, March 26 & Sunday, March 27**

8:00 p.m. Vigil	: Msgr. Criscuolo
8:00 a.m.	: Father McKee
10:00 a.m.	: Msgr. Criscuolo
Noon	: Father MacIntyre

### **New Members of the Holy Catholic Church**

At the 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 26, the following will be received in full communion in the Catholic Church: Chris Kleinman, Morgane Renoir, Joni Mayfield, Marie Viola, Daniel Douglas, Stephen Mairella, Elsa Abraham, Tyler Jones and Sean Killeen.

**Thank you** for your help and attendance at our patronal feast day celebration of St. Patrick on *Thursday, March 17.* *God bless, Msgr. Sal*

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for March

*General Intention:* That families in need may receive the necessary support and that children may grow up in healthy and peaceful environments.  
*Missionary Intention:* That those Christians who, on account of their faith, are discriminated against or are being persecuted, may remain strong and faithful to the Gospel, thanks to the incessant prayer of the Church.

### March Poor Box:

#### Downtown Cluster's Geriatric Day Care Center, Inc.

The Center's work provides a safety net of comprehensive services to help seniors and their families cope with and learn strategies in dealing with the challenges of aging. *Thank you.*

### Infertility and Miscarriage: A Day for Hope and Healing:

Couples who are dealing with infertility or have suffered a miscarriage are not alone. You are invited to attend a Day for Hope and Healing *on Saturday, April 23* at the Saint John Paul II Shrine (3900 Harewood Rd., NE). The day begins with the celebration of Mass, with prayers for healing at 10am followed by lunch and a personal testimony, and concluding with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and veneration of relics of St. John Paul II at 1pm. The event is free of charge, but advanced registration is encouraged for planning purposes; walk-ins are welcome. For more information or to register, please contact Fr. Rick Kramer at [flm@adw.org](mailto:flm@adw.org).

### 2016 Annual Jubilarian Mass

Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years *on Sunday, June 19 at 2pm* at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office or use the sign-up forms in the back of church to register. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Monday, April 11.

### Live Differently! Love Boldly! Serve Others!

Each month, **Hope Corps members** lead volunteers in short projects that make a big difference in a few hours: cleaning-up a shelter, packing breakfast bags for people who stay in shelters, helping load food packages, and more. Do one, do them all. Most are appropriate for families and high school students. Visit [www.CatholicCharitiesDC.org/volunteer](http://www.CatholicCharitiesDC.org/volunteer) for information and sign-up.

## Mass Intentions & Readings March 19– March 26, 2016

### Saturday Vigil, March 19

5:30 p.m. Buddy Owens

### Sunday, PALM SUNDAY

Lk 19:28-40 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Lk 22:14—23:56

8 a.m. Parishioners and Benefactors

10 a.m. Louis Drackert †

12 noon Marjorie Robbins †

### Monday of Holy Week

Is 42:1-7 / Jn 12:1-11

12:10 p.m. Niajah Robertson

### Tuesday of Holy Week

Is 49:1-6 / Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

12:10 p.m. Rev. Msgr. Roger Roensch †

### Wednesday of Holy Week

Is 50:4-9a / Mt 26:14-25

12:10 p.m. Robert McKnight †

### Holy Thursday

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 / 1 Cor 11:23-26 / Jn 13:1-15

12:10 p.m. Stephen Poor †

### Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

5:30 p.m. Mary MacDonald †

### Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Is 52:13—53:12 / Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9 / Jn 18:1—19:42

11:45 a.m. Solemn Liturgy

3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

### Holy Saturday

No 12:10 and 5:30 Masses

### March 26 Easter Vigil Saturday

**8:00 p.m.**

During this liturgy, our catechumens will be baptized and our candidates will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church.

### March 27 Easter Sunday

**8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (choir) and  
12 noon (choir)**

**Complimentary parking** is available in the parking garage located on 10<sup>th</sup> Street next to St. Patrick's Church for those people attending Mass. The hours of operation are as follows: for the *Saturday Vigil*, the lot closes at 11:00 p.m. and on *Easter Sunday* the lot closes at 1:30 p.m. Your ticket must be validated in the sacristy.