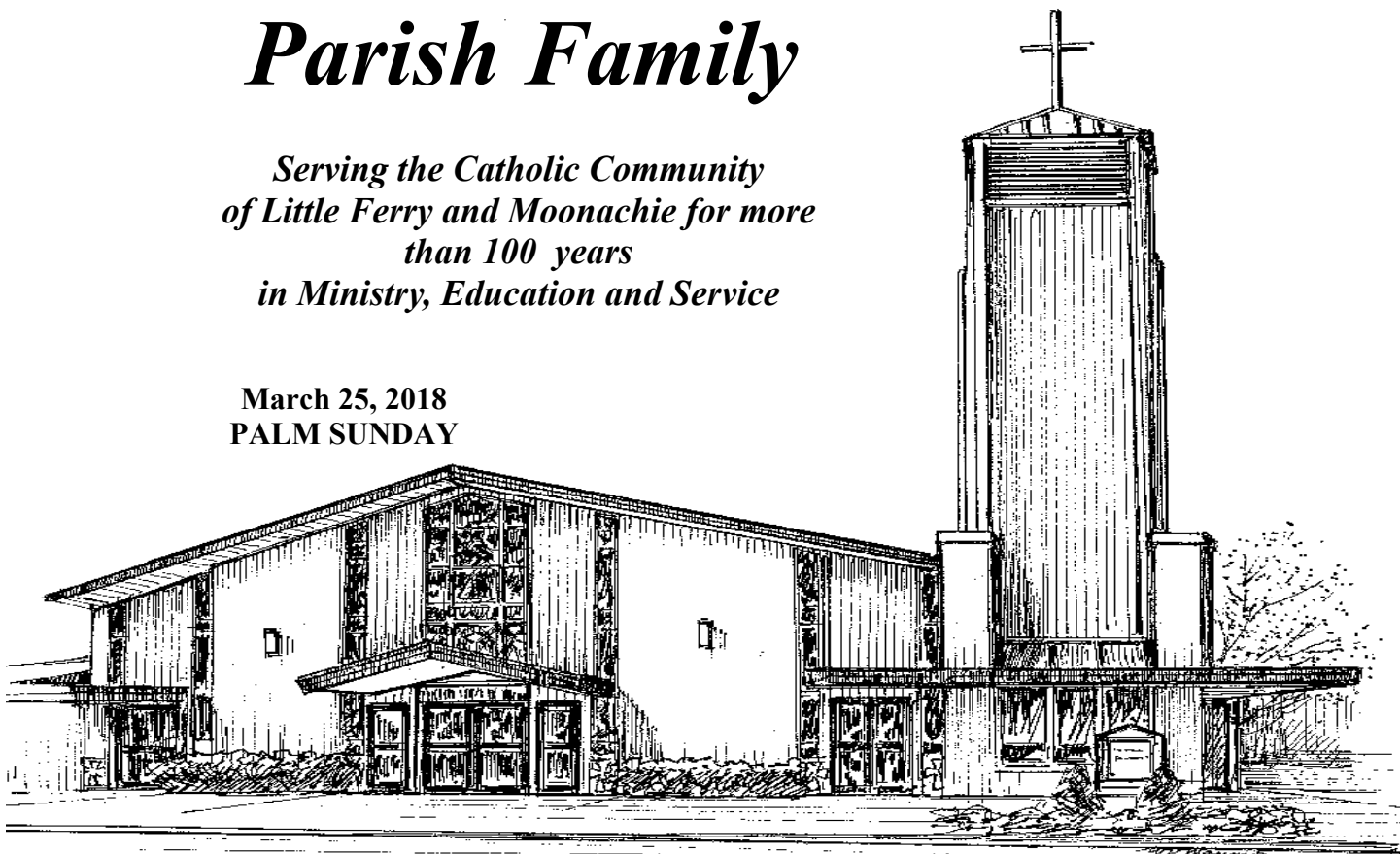


# *Saint Margaret of Cortona Parish Family*

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March 25, 2018  
PALM SUNDAY



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*Pastoral Associate*

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*Director of Music*

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*Parish Secretary*

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM**

**Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 Noon**

**Weekdays: Monday 7:00 PM**

**Tuesday to Friday 8:00 AM**

**Saturday 9:00 AM**

**CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 P.M.**

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## The Holy Eucharist for this Week



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**Memorials**  
**Bread & Wine**  
**Florence & Frank Pisano**  
**Sanctuary Candle**  
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**Decorative Palm for the**  
**Altar and Presider in memory**  
**of Joseph A. Toscano**  
**Donated by**  
**Josephine B. Toscano**

### **SATURDAY, March 24**

**5:30 PM Victoria Dupray [9A]**

### **SUNDAY, March 25, 2018**

#### **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

**8:00 AM Angelo Percontino**  
**10:00 AM Anthony Giovine [23A]**  
**12:00 PM Madelyn & Pepe Cinque**

### **MONDAY, March 26**

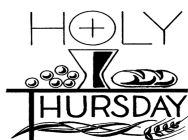
**7:00 PM Antonia Morin**

### **TUESDAY, March 27**

**8:00 AM Agnese & Pasquale Andreula**

### **WEDNESDAY, March 28**

**8:00 AM Jill Tarabocchia**



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### **THURSDAY, March 29**

#### **The Lord's Supper**

**7:00 PM People of our Parish Family**



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### **GOOD FRIDAY, March 30**

**12:10 PM Stations of the Cross**  
**7:00 PM People of Our Parish**



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### **SATURDAY, March 31**

**8:00 PM People of Our Parish Family**

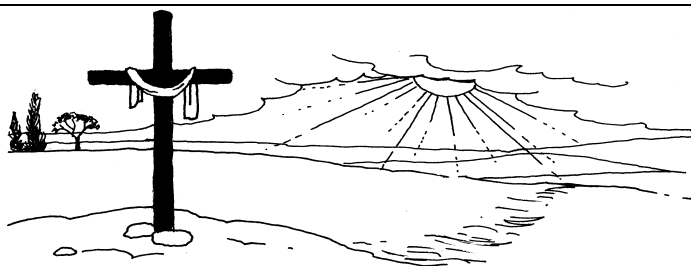
### **SUNDAY, April 1, 2018**

#### **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection** **of the Lord**

**8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM**  
**People of Our Parish Family**



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**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**  
**March 25, 2018**

[Christ Jesus] humbled himself,  
becoming obedient to the point of death,  
even death on a cross.

— *Philippians 2:8*

### **PASSION**

The contrast between the processional reading in today's liturgy and the proclamation of the Passion is striking. We are given a glimpse of how profoundly the word of God is fulfilled in Jesus.

First he must be hailed as the Messiah, the One who is to come. He must be acknowledged by all, though they do not know what they are saying. They think he is the promised king, a worldly king of the Jews who will free them from the Roman occupation. They do not yet understand, even the disciples, exactly where this triumphal procession is leading. In our lives, we too do not know where we are going. It is in faith that we can follow Christ wherever he may lead us, trusting that death is not the end, nor evil the victor.

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**Gospel at the Procession with Palms**  
— Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

**First Reading** — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

**Psalm** — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

**Gospel** — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]).

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### **SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

**Monday:** Monday of Holy Week

**Tuesday:** Tuesday of Holy Week

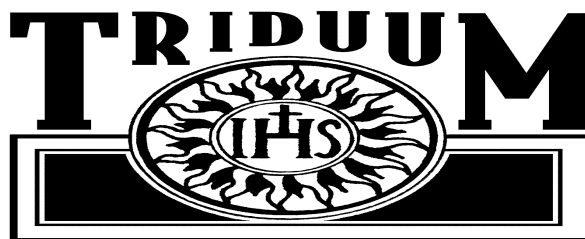
**Wednesday:** Wednesday of Holy Week

**Thursday:** Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum

**Friday:** Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday);

Fast and Abstinence; Passover begins

**Saturday:** The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night; Holy Saturday



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**We lift up to the Lord  
in our prayers and  
good works for: the  
sick, frail and the  
homebound.**

Shirley Pizza  
Catherine Mary Moncello  
Jackie Grabusnik  
Michele Porta  
Giovanna Careri  
Grace Ehler  
Julio Sanchez  
Anna Semioli  
Robert & Evelyn Zienkiewicz  
Kevin Michael Francis  
Regina Ballone  
Victor Traverso  
Florence Corbiserie  
Ruth Crocono  
Harriet Stika

John Mc Connell  
Camilla Leventhal  
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### **Madeline Ostadhashemi**

Victims of terrorism and war; genocide in Syria and the Holy Land, worldwide human trafficking, racism and hatred, domestic abuse and street violence, severe weather conditions especially for all those victims who suffered and lost so much, under the severity of hurricanes.



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## **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

For many centuries, Christian pilgrims have longed to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, and on Passion Sunday the eyes of the world are on the *Via Dolorosa*, the “Road of Sorrows,” in Jerusalem. As soon as it became safe for Christians to worship in public in the fourth century, a way was marked out. It was changed a few times over the years, and today’s usual route was sketched by the Franciscans six hundred years ago, although Anglicans and Byzantines have their own unique detours. Friday is the most favored day, although it is crowded then. Almost everyone begins at the Lion’s Gate in the Muslim Quarter, and ends at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. It’s less than a quarter mile, but it threads its way through crowded markets with souvenir shops and fast-food snacks. There are, just as in your parish church, fourteen stations along the way. The exact spots are not known, but what matters is the pilgrim’s unique ability to see even an ordinary road in a teeming city as something more than meets the eye.

## **2018 HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE**

### **Palm Sunday, March 25**

Masses at 5:30 PM (*Saturday, March 24*).

8: 00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM

### **Monday of Holy Week, March 26**

Chrism Mass at 7:30 PM at

Sacred Heart Cathedral in Newark

### **Holy Thursday, March 29**

Mass of The Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM

*Church will be open for prayer until Midnight or  
until last worshipper leaves*

### **Good Friday, March 30**

Stations of the Cross at 12:00 Noon

Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
in English at 7:00 PM

### **Holy Saturday, March 31**

Easter Vigil at 8:00 PM

### **Easter Sunday, April 1**

8:00 AM, 10:00AM, 12:00PM

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

*Individual Reconciliation at St. Margaret's*

Saturdays (except Holy Saturday)

From 1:00 PM—2:00 PM

Tuesday of Holy Week, March 27,

7:00—9:00 PM

Wednesday of Holy Week, March 28,

5:00—7:00 PM

Holy Thursday of Holy Week, March 29,

2:00 PM—5:00 PM

*Dear Parishioner,*

*On the first Easter Sunday  
morning the disciples of Jesus  
journeyed from grief, despair  
and confusion, to faith, hope  
and an inexpressible joy.*

*It is a journey we often make  
in our own lives.*

*We invite you to make this  
journey with us this Holy Week  
and Easter. May our participa-  
tion in Holy Week and Easter  
services enrich our understand-  
ing of the great truth of God's  
inexhaustible love for us  
and bring us profound  
peace and joy.*

*We hope that you can join us in  
our Holy Week Services and  
receive the Sacrament of God's  
mercy. Please try to be with  
us — and bring a friend.*

*All are welcome. We are blessed  
when you are with us.*

*To all our parishioners, friends  
and families, may you  
experience the joy and  
blessings of the Easter Season.*

*Devotedly yours  
in the Risen Lord,  
Father Kevin & Sister Dorothy*

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