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**HOLY WEEK
A TIME APART FOR
RENEWAL**

In the course of our busy week, we most likely have times set apart for certain things that are important to us—a workout, a few social phone calls, or maybe even a short catnap—so that we can renew ourselves, our energy, and our perspective. Holy Week is a time that is set apart in our church’s liturgical year for our spiritual renewal. In fact, the word *holy* refers to anything that is set apart for God’s purposes. Holy Week is *holy* precisely because it is time that is set apart for us to focus on how we are spiritually renewed through the suffering, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. The liturgies of Holy Week are filled with some of the richest and most ancient symbols of the Catholic faith. The waving of palms on Passion (Palm) Sunday reminds us that we are called to be followers of

Jesus, not just fans who cheer from a distance. The washing of feet on Holy Thursday speaks to us of the selfless love that we are called to practice in imitation of Jesus. The veneration of the cross on Good Friday reminds us that, as Christians, we believe that Jesus can overcome anything, even death. The lighting of the Easter fire in a darkened church and the celebration of baptisms on Holy Saturday speak to us of the new life that is ours because of Jesus’ triumph over the darkness of sin and death through his resurrection. This Holy Week allow yourself time apart, holy time, to spend with Jesus. May it be a time set apart to unclutter your mind, lay down your burdens, and renew your faith in Jesus.

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DIVINE MERCY

Good Friday March 30th

Begin Novena

Sunday April 8th

2:30pm– Veneration
3:00pm– Chaplet

The message of Divine Mercy is that God is merciful. Our Lord taught St. Faustina the fundamentals of trust, and of mercy to others. The Divine Mercy devotion includes a Novena that begins on Good Friday, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image. We will sing the Chaplet in the Chapel accompanied by parish musicians. A First Class Relic (bone fragment) of St. Faustina and the image will be displayed for Veneration. There is more information about the Divine Mercy devotions in the Lobby under the windows by the Holy Water.



SECOND COLLECTIONS

3/30- (Good Friday) Holy Land

VISITING PRIEST

Thank you to Fr. Richard Andre, C.S.P., Associate Pastor at St. Austin parish in Austin, who will be here Monday March 26th. He will hear Confessions at 11:30am, and celebrate Mass at 12:30pm.

JUST SO YOU KNOW

LADIES When we choose to wear lipstick we may not be aware of the results. Some consider leaving lipstick on holy objects to be offensive, disrespectful or irreverent. We could try to remember to wipe off our lipstick before receiving the Precious Blood at Mass. Nowadays lipstick is intended to stick, and it is really difficult for ministers to wipe it off the Chalice in preparation for the people behind us. Also, think of the volunteer who cleans the linens for us. Removing lipstick from the purificators is a serious challenge. These are also considerations when venerating, for instance, a Cross, statue or icon by kissing it.

“WISDOM WEEK”

Celebrating the Easter Octave and appreciating our Bobcat Catholic Community.

All are invited!

April 2nd-8th

- Mon:** The Fount 7pm
- Tue:** Game Night 7pm
- Wed:** Pray and Play 7pm
- Thu:** Bobcat Catholic Night 7pm
- Fri:** Day of Service 10am
- Sat:** Second Chance Prom 8pm
- Sun:** Divine Mercy Chaplet 3pm

WELCOME

Our new Development Director, Tom Deming and his family will join us April 2nd!

ASHES TO EASTER BOXES

Please continue to pray for the Missions, and remember to return your donation box.

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.”

-- Ephesians 2:8



HOLY WEEK 2018

March 25th-April 1st

Palm Sunday

MASS 10am, 5pm and 7:30pm

Holy Thursday

MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER 6:30pm

Good Friday

LIVING STATIONS THROUGH CAMPUS Noon

PASSION OF THE LORD 3:00pm

Holy Saturday

EASTER VIGIL MASS 8:30pm

Easter Sunday

EASTER SUNDAY MASS 10:00am, 5pm and 7:30pm

PALMS from previous years to be burned at the Easter Vigil Mass may be placed in the basket in the Lobby before Saturday, March 31st.