Parish of St. Margaret Mary

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Masses in the Ordinary Form

Monday – Saturday: 8am Saturday Vigil: 5pm Sunday: 8:30am & 10:30am

Masses in the Extraordinary Form

Monday - Wednesday & Friday: 6pm Thursday: Noon Saturday: 10am Sunday: 7am & 12:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

One half hour before all Masses except Wednesday mornings; Confessions heard also on Saturdays from 4pm to 4:45pm

Liturgy of the Hours - Lauds

Weekdays: 7:40am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every First Friday of the Month, after the 8am and 6pm Masses

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions

Every Tuesday after the 8am Mass

Fatima Devotions

13th of the month from May – October: On weekdays the devotions follow the 6pm Mass; on Saturdays the devotion follows the 8:30am Mass; on Sundays, the devotion follows the 10:30am Mass

For **Anointing of the Sick** call (510) 482- 0596 (Extension 250).

Carlos Gutierrez, Chair, Parish Council Bill Sawyer, Chair, Finance Council

Bill Duffy, St. Vincent de Paul Society (call Parish Office, ext. 201)

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Please contact the Parish Office with questions on: Weddings, Funerals, and Baptism and sacramental certificates

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS OF THE PARISH

If you would like to register, please complete the form, send it back to us, or drop it in the collection basket.				
Name:	Address: _	.ddress:		
City, State, ZIP:	Phone:	Email:		
New Parishioner	New Address/Phone Moving (remove from list)	Send offering envelopes Interested in volunteering		

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Saturday/Sunday, March 23-24, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 23

5pm: Pro populo & †Roger Haigh, Sr.

Sunday, March 24

7am: Fr. David Link 8:30am: †Ronald Strong 10:30am: Kramer Family 12:30pm: †Albert Bocek

Monday, March 25

8am: Marigrace Galang 6pm: Fr. David Link

Tuesday, March 26

8am: †Alex Porcuna 6pm: Vanider-Hill Family

Wednesday, March 27

8am: Mr. Rydell 6pm: Cecilia Castillo

Thursday, March 28

4pm: Sergio & Julia Yoc 7:30pm: Sr. Mary Felicitas, O.P.

Friday, March 29

3:15pm: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord 5:30pm: Good Friday Service (EF)

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Saturday, March 30

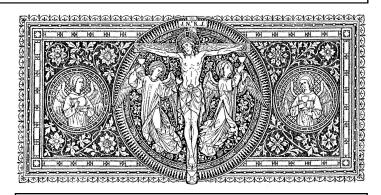
2pm: Fawn Hoffman 8pm: †Alex Porcuna

Sunday, March 31

7am:Doug Zeitz8:30am:Pro populo10:30am:Lourdes Ocampo12:30pm:Cn. Michael Wiener

To offer a Mass Intention please complete the Mass Intention envelope found in the vestibule, enclose your offering (\$10) payable to "St. Margaret Mary Church," and drop it in the mailbox in front of the Parish Office or mail it to the Office.





Anthem To Our Lady

Ave Regina caelorum,
Ave Domina Angelorum,
Salve radix, salve porta,
Ex qua mundo lux est orta.
Gaude, Virgo gloriosa,
Super omnes speciosa,
Vale, O valde decora!
Et pro nobis Christum exora.

Hail, Queen of Heaven. Hail, Lady of Angels. Hail, thou root, hail, thou gate. From whom into the world, a light has arisen: Rejoice, glorious Virgin, Lovely above all others, Farewell, most beautiful maiden, And pray for us to Christ.

Please keep in your prayers... Fr. Paul Schmidt, Catherine Willis, Dove Pierce, Joshua Nascimento, Mildred Correia, Allen Kuhl, The McBride Family, Xavier Figueroa, Daniel Guerrero, Miguel Guerrero, Bonita Evart, Perpetuo Tito Tayco, Nate Larrabee, Sergio Bianchi, Gloria Torres, Takisha Upshaw, Nick Glumac, Lois Belmessieri, Lillian Jimenez.

In memoriam: †Alex Porcuna, †Fr. Stan Zak, †Fr. Alexander Snyder, †Canon Henrique Fragelli, †Rose Stone, †Mary Murphy, †Julian Martinez, †Holly Raineri, †Diane Kasdan, †Louise Grayson, †Benjamin Ocampo, †Scholastica Keimon, †Gabriel Angel Barrera Yoc, †Betty & Harry Garland, †Ramon Lanzar, †Andree Crawford, †Patricia Ann Butler, †Jesus & Rita Cristobal, †Jeffrey Glass, †Theresa Hamilton, †Barbara Powell, †Mike Martinez, †Maya Martinez, †Ba Van Dinh, †Walter Wagoner, †Rod Phillips, May they rest in the peace of Christ.

Text "stmm" to (510) 573-STMM

STMM is 100-years strong. Thank you for your support.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Schedule of services for Holy Week is as follows:

Holy Thursday: March 28

4:30pm: Mass in the Extraordinary Form

7:30pm: Mass in the Ordinary Form

Good Friday: March 29

1:45pm: Rosay & Lenten Lamentations 3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by the Celebration of the Passion of the Lord (OF)

5:30pm: Good Friday Service (EF)

Holy Saturday: March 30

2pm: Mass in the Extraordinary Form 8pm: Mass in the Ordinary Form

On the Second Sunday of Easter, April 7, at 3pm, we will offer the **Divine Mercy Chaplet**.

In her Diary, St. Faustina records a special promise given to her by Our Lord. He told her to communicate it to the whole world:

"My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of Mv mercv."

In three places in her Diary, St. Faustina records our Lord's promises of specific, extraordinary graces:

"I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy."

"Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."

"The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."

In addition, our Lord says through St. Faustina that we are to perform acts of mercy:

"Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be acts of mercy. "

Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for

Men: The men of Knights of Columbus Council No. 04840 are excited to share the implementation of *Cor*, a new formation and fraternal opportunity for the men of St. Margaret Mary's parish. *Cor* exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a

deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity.

The next **Cor** will be held on Thursday, April 4, beginning at 6pm in the Church Come join your brother parishioners in prayer, formation and fraternity. If you have additional questions, please reach out to Carlos Gutierrez at Carlos.Gutierrez@kofc.org.

Many thanks to those who have so kindly lent their time and talent to providing lunch for our priests so far this year: I-Wen Connick, Taledech Walde, Lily Mullen and Eddie Martinez.

We have all our chefs lined up; however, we could still use volunteers to assist the chefs to serve the food and clean up. The luncheons are held on the third Friday of each month from December through May. Please prayerfully consider helping out. Contact Alma Hill at stmmpriestlunch@gmail.com. Or leave her a message at the Parish Office.

Parish Library will be open today (2nd Sunday) after all Holy Masses. If you have items checked out, please return them so they are available to other parishioners. Thank you. Have books to donate OR want to volunteer in the library once a month on the 2nd Sunday after 1 Mass? Contact stmmaryhands@gmail.com or call the Parish Office, ext. 201 and leave a message for Lily. More info can also be found at http:// stmargaretmaryoak.org/parish-library/

Would you like to serve our parish by helping to clean our beautiful church? The schedule is flexible. More hands make less work for everyone. Please consider joining our **SMM cleaning** team by emailing or calling the Parish Office with your name and telephone number and Diane Steinhilber will contact you with details. Your assistance will be much appreciated by our Parish community.

Sign up for **Flocknotes** to receive information on what's happening at church. Log on to: Stmargaretmary13.flocknote.com

If you would like to have an announcement printed in the Parish Bulletin, please contact the Parish Office, specifically Anne Richnavsky, at extension 202. You may also contact her at parishoffice@stmargaret.org.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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Reminder: As you park your car, leave no valuables inside. We have been receiving reports of car break-ins in the neighborhood. Please exercise caution.

Have you offered a Mass Intention lately? The Mass is offered not only for the general intention for the Church, for the ministers and assembly present, but also for a specific intention. Historically, Mass Intentions have been offered for the response of the soul of our beloved dead. If you would like to offer a Mass Intention, drop the Mass Intention envelope in the Parish mailbox; or send us an email; or leave a message in the Parish voicemail.

Intentions are assigned to Masses on a "first come, first served" basis. We can only assign Masses to dates four months ahead and not beyond. Because we have many requests for Intentions at the 12:30pm Mass on Sundays, the Office will limit the Intentions assigned to this Mass to two Intentions per individual/family per year.

The second collection this week is for the Bishop's Appeal which funds the education of seminarians, CYO, parochial schools, retired priests, etc. Last year, the Parish exceeded the goal set for us. Many thanks for your support for Bishop's Appeal.

Weekly update	March 2	Year-to-Date
Donations	\$3,695	\$35,913
WeShare -Regular	\$1,200	\$18,192
Total 1st Collection	\$4,895	\$54,105
Goal	\$6,000	\$54,000
Variance	(-\$1,105)	\$105



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Schedule of Second Collections

March 23-24: Bishop's Appeal March 30-31: St. Vincent DePaul April 13-14: Institute of Christ the King April 20-21: Building Fund

From a sermon by Saint Andrew of Crete, bishop

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Blessed is the King of Israel.

Let us go together to meet Christ on the Mount of Olives. Today he returns from Bethany and proceeds of his own free will toward his holy and blessed passion, to consummate the mystery of our salvation. He who came down from heaven to raise us from the depths of sin, to raise us with himself, we are told in Scripture, above every sovereignty, authority and power, and every other name that can be named, now comes of his own free will to make his journey to Jerusalem. He comes without pomp or ostentation. As the psalmist says: He will not dispute or raise his voice to make it heard in the streets. He will be meek and humble, and he will make his entry in simplicity.

Let us run to accompany him as he hastens toward his passion, and imitate those who met him then, not by covering his path with garments, olive branches or palms, but by doing all we can to prostrate ourselves before him by being humble and by trying to live as he would wish. Then we shall be able to receive the Word at his coming, and God, whom no limits can contain, will be within us.

In his humility Christ entered the dark regions of our fallen world and he is glad that he became so humble for our sake, glad that he came and lived among us and shared in our nature in order to raise us up again to himself. And even though we are told that he has now ascended above the highest heavens - the proof, surely, of his power and godhead - his love for man will never rest until he has raised our earthbound nature from glory to glory, and made it one with his own in heaven.

So let us spread before his feet, not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither, but ourselves, clothed in his grace, or rather, clothed completely in him. We who have been baptized into Christ must ourselves be the garments that we spread before him. Now that the crimson stains of our sins have been washed away in the saving waters of baptism and we have become white as pure wool, let us present the conqueror of death, not with mere branches of palms but with the real rewards of his victory. Let our souls take the place of the welcoming branches as we join today in the children's holy song: *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the king of Israel*.



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

DIOCESAN APPROVED TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS APOSTOLATE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MOTU PROPRIO, SUMMORUM PONTIFICUM IN THE DIOCESE OF OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

PALM SUNDAY SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

Please find the texts for the Palm Sunday liturgy in your hand missals. We invite you to read the excerpted commentary on Palm Sunday by Dom Prosper Gueranger, in <u>The Liturgical Year</u>, published in the 1860s. Dom Gueranger's description of the Palm Sunday liturgy is largely applicable today as it was in his day.

From Dom Gueranger's The Liturgical Year

Early in the morning of this day, Jesus sets out for Jerusalem, leaving Mary His Mother, and the two sisters Martha and Mary Magdalene, and Lazarus, at Bethania. The Mother of sorrows trembles at seeing her Son thus expose Himself to danger, for His enemies are bent upon His destruction; but it is not death, it is triumph, that Jesus is to receive today in Jerusalem. The Messias, before being nailed to the cross, is to be proclaimed King by the people of the great city; the little children are to make her streets echo with their Hosanna to the Son of David; and this in presence of the soldiers of Rome's emperor, and of the high priests and pharisees: the first standing under the banner of their eagles; the second, dumb with rage.

The prophet Zachary had foretold this triumph which the Son of Man was to receive a few days before His Passion, and which had been prepared for Him from all eternity.' ... Jesus, knowing that the hour has come for the fulfilment of this prophecy, singles out two from the rest of His disciples, and bids them lead to Him an ass and her colt, which they would find not far off. The two disciples lose no time in executing the order given them by their divine Master; and the ass and the colt are soon brought to the place where He stands.

The disciples spread their garments upon the colt; and our Saviour, that the prophetic figure might be fulfilled, sits upon him, and advances towards Jerusalem. As soon as it is known that Jesus is near the city, the Holy Spirit works in the hearts of those Jews, who have come from all parts to celebrate the feast of the Passover. They go out to meet our Lord, holding palm branches in their hands, and loudly proclaiming Him to be King. They that have accompanied Jesus from Bethania, join the enthusiastic crowd. Whilst some spread their garments on the way, others cut down boughs from the palm-trees, and strew them along the road. Hosanna is the triumphant cry, proclaiming to the whole city that Jesus, the Son of David, has made His entrance as her King.

Thus did God, in His power over men's hearts, procure a triumph for His Son, and in the very city which, a few days later, was to clamor for His Blood. This day was one of glory to our Jesus, and the holy Church would have us renew, each year, the memory of this triumph of the Man-God. Shortly after the birth of our Emmanuel, we saw the Magi coming from the extreme east, and looking in Jerusalem for the King of the Jews, to whom they intended offering their gifts and their adorations: but it is Jerusalem herself that now goes forth to meet this King.

Each of these events is an acknowledgment of the kingship of Jesus; the first, from the Gentiles; the second, from the Jews.

Both were to pay Him this regal homage, before He suffered His Passion. The inscription to be put upon the cross, by Pilate's order, will express the kingly character of the Crucified: Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews. Pilate, the Roman governor, the pagan, the base coward, has been unwittingly the fulfiller of a prophecy; and when the enemies of Jesus insist on the inscription being altered, Pilate will not deign to give them any answer but this: 'What I have written, I have written.' To-day, it is the Jews themselves that proclaim Jesus to be their King: they will soon be dispersed, in punishment for their revolt against the Son of David; but Jesus is King, and will be so for ever. Thus were literally verified the words spoken by the Archangel to Mary, when he announced to her the glories of the Child that was to be born of her: ' The Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of David, His father; and He shall reign in the house of Jacob for ever.' Jesus begins His reign upon the earth this very day; and though the first Israel is soon to disclaim His rule, a new Israel, formed from the faithful few of the old, shall rise up in every nation of the earth, and become the kingdom of Christ, a kingdom such as no mere earthly monarch ever coveted in his wildest fancies of ambition.

This is the glorious mystery which ushers in the great week, the week of dolours. Holy Church would have us give this momentary consolation to our heart, and hail our Jesus as our King. She has so arranged the service of today, that it should express both joy and sorrow; joy, by uniting herself with the loyal hosannas of the city of David; and sorrow, by compassionating the Passion of her divine Spouse. The whole function is divided into three parts, which we will now proceed to explain.

The first is the blessing of the palms; and we may have an idea of its importance from the solemnity used by the Church in this sacred rite. One would suppose that the holy Sacrifice has begun, and is going to be offered up in honour of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Introit, Collect, Epistle, Gradual, Gospel, even a Preface, are said, as though we were, as usual, preparing for the immolation of the spotless Lamb; but, after the triple Sanctus! Sanctus! Sanctus! the Church suspends these sacrificial formulas, and turns to the blessing of the palms. The prayers she uses for this blessing are eloquent and full of instruction; and, together with the sprinkling with holy water and the incensation, impart a virtue to these branches, which elevates them to the supernatural order, and makes them means for the sanctification of our soul and the protection of our persons and dwellings. The faithful should hold these palms in their hands during the procession, and during the reading of the Passion at Mass, and keep them in their homes as an outward expression of their faith, and as a pledge of God's watchful love.

INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

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From Dom Gueranger The Liturgical Year - continued

The second of to-day's ceremonies is the procession, which comes immediately after the blessing of the palms. It represents our Savior's journey to Jerusalem, and His entry into the city. To make it the more expressive, the branches that have just been blessed are held in the hand during it. ... In to-day's procession, the Church wishes us to honor Jesus Christ as though He were really among us, and were receiving the humble tribute of our loyalty. Let us lovingly go forth to meet this our King, our Saviour, who comes to visit the daughter of Sion, as the prophet has just told us. He is in our midst; it is to Him that we pay honour with our palms: let us give Him our hearts too. He comes that He may be our King; let us welcome Him as such, and fervently cry out to Him: 'Hosanna to the Son of David!'

At the close of the procession a ceremony takes place, which is full of the sublimest symbolism. On returning to the church, the doors are found to be shut. The triumphant procession is stopped; but the songs of joy are continued. A hymn in honour of Christ our King is sung with its joyous chorus; and at length the subdeacon strikes the door with the staff of the cross; the door opens, and the people, preceded by the clergy, enter the church, proclaiming the praise of Him, who is our resurrection and our life.

This ceremony is intended to represent the entry of Jesus into that Jerusalem of which the earthly one was but the figure—the Jerusalem of heaven, which has been opened for us by our Saviour. The sin of our first parents had shut it against us; but Jesus, the King of glory, opened its gates by His cross, to which every resistance yields. Let us, then, continue to follow in the foot

steps of the Son of David, for He is also the Son of God, and He invites us to share His kingdom with Him. Thus, by the procession, which is commemorative of what happened on this day, the Church raises up our thoughts to the glorious mystery of the Ascension, whereby heaven was made the close of Jesus' mission on earth. Alas I the interval between these two triumphs of our Redeemer are not all days of joy; and no sooner is our procession over, than the Church, who had laid aside for a moment the weight of her grief, falls back into sorrow and mourning.

The third part of today's service is the offering of the holy Sacrifice. The portions that are sung by the choir are expressive of the deepest desolation; and the history of our Lord's Passion, which is now to be read by anticipation, gives to the rest of the day that character of sacred gloom, which we all know so well. For the last five or six centuries, the Church has adopted a special chant for this narrative of the holy Gospel. The historian, or the evangelist, relates the events in a tone that is at once grave and pathetic; the words of our Saviour are sung to a solemn yet sweet melody, which strikingly contrasts with the high dominant of the several other interlocutors and the Jewish populace. During the singing of the Passion, the faithful should hold their palms in their hands, and, by this emblem of triumph, protest against the insults offered to Jesus by His enemies. As we listen to each humiliation and suffering, all of which were endured out of love for us, let us offer Him our palm as to our dearest Lord and King. When should we be more adoring, than when He is most suffering?

EXTRAORDINARY FORM MASSES AND DEVOTIONS:

MASSES:

Sunday, at 7:00 am and 12:30 am

Monday - Wednesday and Friday, at 6:00 pm

Thursday, at 12:00 noon

Saturday, at 10:00 am

ADORATION:

Wednesdays of Lent, after the 6pm Mass

CONFESSIONS:

30 min. before each Mass During Adoration on Wednesdays

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Fridays of Lent, after the 6pm Mass, Good Friday excepted

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Palm Sunday, March 24:

7:00 am: Low Mass 12:30 pm: Blessing of Palms, Procession and High Mass

Holy Thursday, March 28:

4:30 pm: High Mass, followed by Procession to the Altar of Repose

Good Friday, March 29:

5:30 pm: Mass of the Presanctified Gifts

Holy Saturday, March 30:

2:00 pm: Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, March 31:

7:00 am: Low Mass