

The Cathedral of St. Joseph

Parish Mission Statement:

Saint Joseph Cathedral Parish is called to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ as a community. We are committed: to our urban neighborhoods, to being the Cathedral of the diocese, and to fellowship, formation, sacrament, and prayer.

Saint Joseph, pray for our parish.

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Schedule

Sunday Masses: 6:00 p.m. Saturday; 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

Weekday Mass: 12:05 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9:00 a.m. Saturday.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 11:15-11:50 a.m. Friday; 5-5:45 p.m. Saturday.

Sacrament of the Sick and Communion to Homebound: Call the parish office anytime to make arrangements.

Initiation/Baptism: Rites of Initiation for Adults can be arranged by contacting Debbie at the office. The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the second Sunday of each month during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Call Debbie to make arrangements.

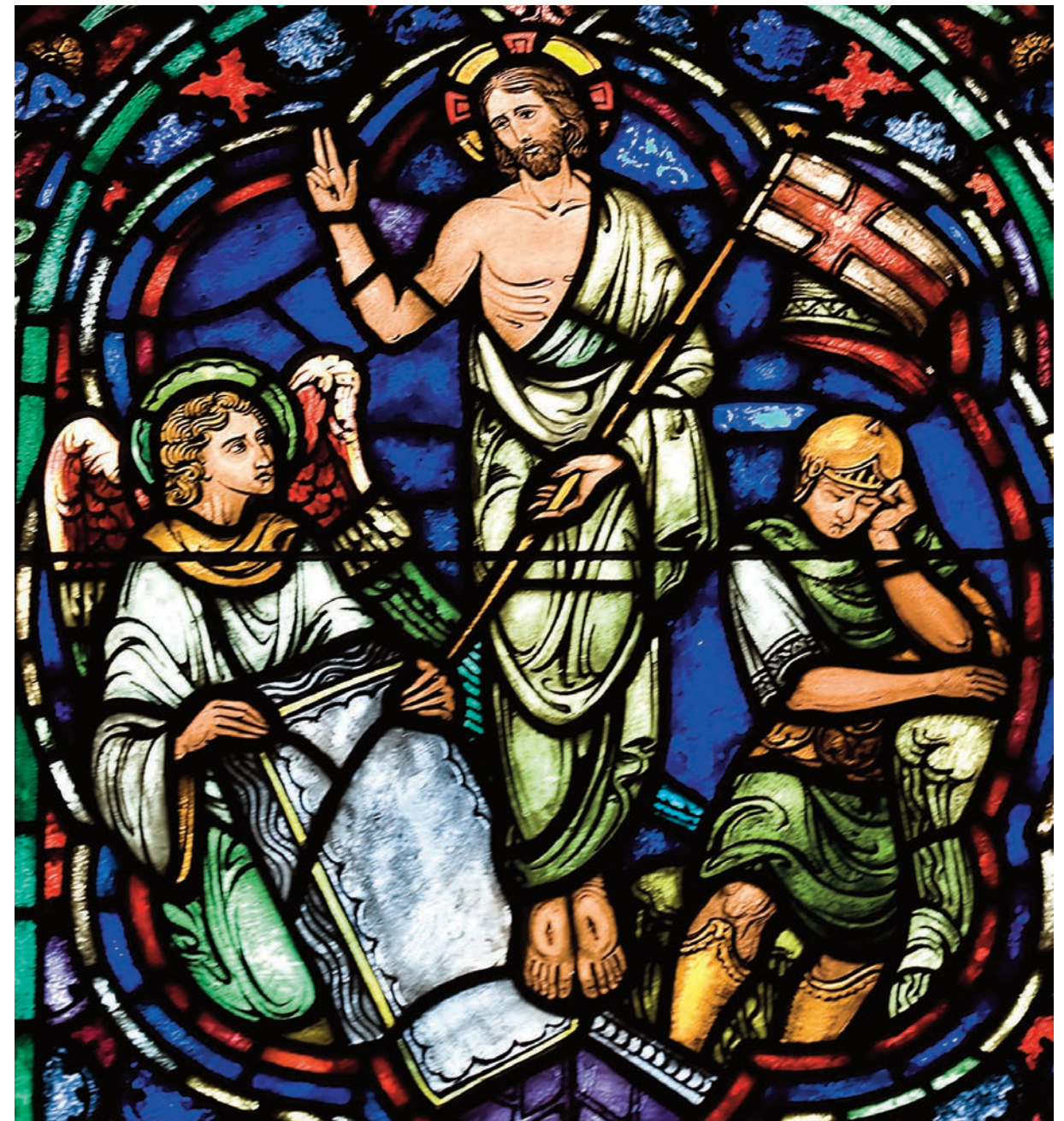
Marriage: Engaged couples should contact Debbie at the office at least six months in advance for pre-marriage preparations.

Anyone needing a ride to Mass or a parish event, please call Laurale Hetzel at (304) 232-2915 or Diane Fredericks at (304) 233-8574.

Il Corriere del Duomo

Weekly Journal for the Cathedral of St. Joseph

Christ is Risen



“Therefore Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the ‘Feast of feasts,’ the ‘Solemnity of solemnities,’ just as the Eucharist is the ‘Sacrament of sacraments.’ St. Athanasius calls Easter ‘the Great Sunday’ (43) and the Eastern Churches call Holy Week ‘the Great Week.’ The mystery of the Resurrection, in which Christ crushed death, permeates with its powerful energy our old time, until all is subjected to him.”
(*The Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1169)

Christian Awareness

By Alex Nagem

We are here today to celebrate the Risen Lord. The Son of God has overcome death as told to us in the Scriptures. The Resurrection of Jesus from a state of death represents the fulfillment of God's promise to us all for all who trust in God and believe and accept Jesus Christ as the Son God will be raised from their own state of death. Today we should rejoice and be glad.

Our journey here today is caused by a want of a relationship with God. We are here as a witness to the truth that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, our Savior who has redeemed the world from our sins committed...and yet to commit. We are here because we believe we are the children of God. We are here because we believe the body and blood of Jesus Christ is the host and wine we share. We are here because we believe in a relationship with Jesus Christ. "Since, therefore, we are now justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life." Romans 5:9-10

I wish I would have realized my journey with Jesus Christ, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to God was as strong in my younger years as it is now, or as I fondly remember

that time as the days when I had a full head of dark, wavy, curly hair. As my hair has thinned and receded, the relationship with Jesus has grown. Nice trade off. Maybe it is the realization that our bodies do reach an expiration date. Maybe it is the realization that our soul continues long after the body is laid to rest. Maybe it is the realization and belief that the sacrifice Jesus made for us is much more than his faith in us alone. It is the love that only He knew and could share. Jesus is the unblemished lamb who was sacrificed to take away our sins. Throughout the Bible the punishment for sin is death. This is first made known in Genesis when Adam and Eve are told not to eat the fruit from the tree of knowledge for in that day they would surely die, Genesis 2:17. In Hebrews 9:24 we are told that without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins. God commanded the nation of Israel to perform animal sacrifices according to certain procedures prescribed by God. Three key elements I found about these sacrifices in my readings are the animal had to be spotless. You had to identify with the animal. Lastly, you had to inflict death on the animal as your offering. I may not be an understanding Catholic in matters of animal sacrifices. I don't understand the reason for the letting of blood. Could it be that the innocent animal died

in our place so we may continue to live? Jesus did no wrong but willingly died for our sins (1Timothy 2:6). Did Jesus know there was more needed for our redemption than the faith we would sin no more after the Sermon on the Mount. But there is more to the story. Sorry not meaning to paraphrase a line made famous by Paul Harvey. The Resurrection of Jesus from the dead brought about a transformation that was not first seen by the apostles. Could the transformation undergone by Jesus between his death and resurrection have given him a spiritual quality that was not seen since the apostles and others were searching for a body and not the resurrected spirit? As written by Thomas Acklin, O.S.B. in his book, "The Passion of the Lamb," "Jesus was so transformed in his Resurrection that he was often not immediately recognizable. The accounts of his appearances are strikingly sober. Faith was needed to bridge the gap between his glorified appearance and his earthly body, though the glorified body still had an ordinary quality to it. As St. Paul says, the earthly body is sown in death, and the spiritual body rises in the resurrection (Corinthians 15:35-50)." I feel we still have much to learn and understand about our faith.

As a follower of Jesus, as one who wants a personal relationship with him, one most journey as a witness and disciple

through Scripture, through the teachings of our priests and Catholic Church, through our own prayers and discernment, and through our relationship with others. Doesn't seem like an easy journey does it? The relationship we have with our spouse, children and family is not an easy one either. We work at a relationship with our loved ones each day. We should also work as hard on our relationship with our Triune God each day. Today we celebrate the Risen Lord after 40 days of prayer, fasting and helping the poor. We died spiritually with Jesus on Good Friday. We should be transformed on the day of His Resurrection. Our thoughts of Jesus on the day of his Crucifixion should be as strong and heartfelt as the day of remembrance when we have lost a loved one. The day Resurrection should be one of excitement and rejoicing for on this day we were truly saved. The Light of the World shines for all to bring us closer to God the Father. These are the thoughts that circle the mind of this humble writer in the early morning hours and throughout the hours of day.

I have seen the resurrected spirit of Christ in the eyes of a mother who mourns for her son. As tears filled her dark eyes, she spoke of her love of Jesus and wanting guidance by the Holy Spirit. She believes in a waiting transformation for her

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Relationship with Jesus

Mass Intentions and Readings

Thursday—April 13th—HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORDS SUPPER

Station Church of Rome: Saint John Lateran

6:30p Mass of the Lord's Supper

RDGS: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14

Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 1Cor 11:23-26

Jn 13:1-15

Friday—April 14th—FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Station Church of Rome: Santa Croce in Gerusalemme

12:00p Stations of the Cross

3:00p Celebration of the Lord's Passion

RDGS: Is 52:13—53:12 Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25

Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday—April 15th—HOLY SATURDAY

Station Church of Rome: Saint John Lateran

9:00a Church Decorating

8:00p Easter Vigil

RDGS: (1) Gn 1:1—2:2 Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35

(2) Gn 22:1-18 Ps 16:5, 8-11

(3) Ex 14:15—15:1 (Ps) Ex 15:1-6, 17-28

(4) Is 54:5-14 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13

(5) Is 55:1-11 (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4-6

(6) Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4 Ps 19:8-11

(7) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28 Pss 42:3, 5; 43:3-4

(8) Rom 6:3-11 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

(9) Lk 24:1-12

Sunday—April 16th—EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Station Church of Rome: Saint Mary Major

8:00a Mass for the Parishioners

10:30a Mass for the Parishioners

RDGS: Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9

11:30a Easter Egg Hunt

Monday—April 17th—Easter Weekday

12:05p Mass for Bartholomew Purpura

RDGS: Acts 2:14, 22-23 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11

Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday—April 18th—Easter Weekday

12:05p Mass for Jerry Danehart

RDGS: Acts 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22

Jn 20:11-18

5:30p Parish Council

Wednesday—April 19th—Easter Weekday

12:05p Mass for Dr. Joseph J. Agresta

RDGS: Acts 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Lk 24:13-35

6:30p Choir Rehearsal

Thursday—April 20th—Easter Weekday

6:30p Mass of the Dr. Joseph J. Agresta

RDGS: Acts 3:11-26 Ps 8:2ab, 5-9 Lk 24:35-48

Friday—April 21st—Easter Weekday

Dedication of the Cathedral

12:05p Mass for Dedication of the Cathedral 1926

RDGS: Acts 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a Jn 21:1-14

Saturday—April 22nd—Easter Weekday

9:00a Mass for Frank Moran

5:00p Confessions

6:00p Mass for Jack Scott

RDGS: Acts 4:13-21 Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-21

Mk 16:9-15

Sunday—April 23rd—SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

8:00a Mass for Ann Schlatt

9:15a 1st Communion Class—Parish Office

10:30a Mass for the Parishioners

RDGS: Acts 2:42-47 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

1Pt 1:3-9 Jn 20:19-31

2:00p Confirmation

Volunteers Needed



We need help cleaning and decorating the Cathedral for Easter.

If you can make it, just show up
Saturday March 26, 9:00am

Weekly Collection

Envelopes: \$4,053 Loose: \$1,157.75

Online: \$278

The Easter Vigil

The celebration of the Easter Vigil is undoubtedly the summit of the Church's liturgical expression. The rich tradition of this liturgy with its processions, Scripture texts, symbols, music, proclamations and acclamations, comes alive in the full and active participation of the whole assembly. This truly is the night when Christians everywhere are restored to grace and grow together in holiness. Below is more information on the Easter Vigil and its rich tradition and symbolism.

The Easter Vigil takes place on Holy Saturday, the evening before Easter Sunday. This is the night that "shall be as bright as day" as proclaimed by an ancient church hymn as we joyfully anticipate

Christ's Resurrection. The Holy Saturday Liturgy begins with the Service of Light, which includes the blessing of the new fire and the Paschal candle which symbolizes Jesus, the light of the World. The second part consists of the Liturgy of the Word with a number of scripture readings. After the Liturgy of the Word, the catechumens and candidates are presented to the parish community, who pray for them and join in the Litany of the Saints. Next, the priest blesses the water, placing the Easter or Paschal candle into the baptismal water. Those seeking baptism then renounce sin and profess their faith after which they are immersed into the baptismal water three times

with the clergy pronouncing the words, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

After the baptism the newly baptized are dressed in white garments and presented with a candle lighted from the Paschal Candle. They are then confirmed by the priest or bishop who lays hands on their heads, and invokes the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. He then anoints them with the Sacred Chrism. The Mass continues with the newly baptized participating in the general intercessions and in bringing gifts to the altar. At Communion, the newly baptized receives the Eucharist, Christ's Body and Blood, for the first time.

Pope ...

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in 2019.

In his homily, the pope said that the day's celebration was "bittersweet." "It is joyful and sorrowful at the same time" because the Mass celebrates the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem as the people and disciples acclaim him as king, and yet, the Gospel gives the account of his passion and death on the cross.

Jesus accepts the hosannas coming from of

the crowd, but he "knows full well that they will soon be followed by the cry, 'Crucify him!'" the pope said.

Jesus "does not ask us to contemplate him only in pictures and photographs or in the videos that circulate on the internet," but to recognize that he is present in those who suffer today, including "women and men who are cheated, violated in their dignity, discarded."

"Jesus is in them, in each of them, and, with

marred features and broken voice, he asks to be looked in the eye, to be acknowledged, to be loved," the pope said.

We have no other Lord but him: Jesus, the humble King of justice, mercy and peace.

Jesus enters the city of Jerusalem as the true Messiah, who is a servant of God and humanity, the pope said. He is not a dreamer peddling illusions, a "new age" prophet or con man; he takes on the sins and sufferings of humanity with

his passion.

Jesus never promised honor and success would come to those who follow him, rather, the path to final victory requires picking up the cross and carrying it every day, Pope Francis said.

"Let us ask for the grace to follow Jesus faithfully, not in words but in deeds. Let us also ask for the patience to carry our own cross, not to refuse it or set it aside, but rather, in looking to him, to take it up and to carry it daily," he said.

The Triduum

"Since Christ accomplished his work of human redemption and of the perfect glorification of God principally through His Paschal Mystery, in which by dying he has destroyed our death, and by rising restored our life, the Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord shines forth as the high point of the entire liturgical year. Therefore the preeminence that Sunday has in the week, the Solemnity of Easter has in the liturgical year. The Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, has its center in the Easter Vigil, and closes with Vespers (Evening Prayer) on the Sunday of the Resurrection" (Universal Norms, 18-19).

The following is a selection from "The Three Days of Pasch," (Nathan Mitchell, in Assembly, Volume 18:1., for us to pray and reflect on.

What, really, do the liturgies of the triduum celebrate? Most all of us believe we know the answer. We assume that Thursday commemorates the day Jesus instituted the Eucharist; Friday commemorates the day he was executed on the cross; and the vigil commemorates

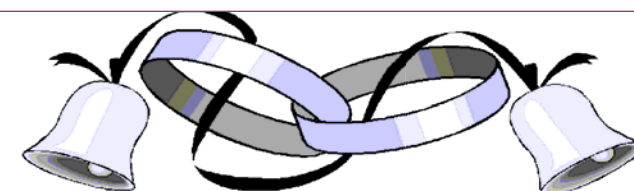
His emergence from the tomb. We assume, further, that the liturgies of these days are dramatic "reenactments" of events-by turns touching, tragic and triumphant-which happened during Jesus' last days and culminated in his victory over death. We assume, in other words, that the paschal triduum is simply spring-time's parallel to winter's Christmas. As it gathers on these days, the liturgical assembly is often thought to be engaged in acts of historical "reconstruction" that recreate scenes in the "upper room," on Calvary, and at the tomb. People are encouraged to imagine they are "actually present" at these events-comforting Jesus during his fearful watch in Gethsemane, walking with him along the via cruce, and witnessing his miraculous "return to life" on Easter morning. This view may frequently be reinforced by popular hymns that focus on the "historical facts" of the celebration.

But is "history" the central focus of celebration during the Triduum? Certainly, the early Christian creeds anchored belief in the historical, this-wordly circumstances that accompanied Je-

sus' suffering and crucifixion "under Pontius Pilate." Jesus' life, career, and death were, in other words, attached to a specific time, in a specific place. His proclamation of God's arrival in the present moment (God's "reign"), his bold challenge to understand God in and as one's neighbor, his rejection of "religion" as a means of social or political control-all this took place not in some cosmic cloud of unknowing but in a remote province of the later Roman Empire at a time of sociopolitical transition.

Precisely because the faith-anchoring events are historical, however, they cannot be repeated or "reenacted." That is why the church's long tradition insists that what happened once in history passes over into the mystery of the assembly's liturgical/sacra-

mental celebrations. What the paschal triduum actually celebrates is mystery, not history; anamnesis, not mimesis. The liturgies of these days do not "take us back" to the upper room or the path to Calvary. Their ultimate purpose is not to retrace or relive the last hours of Jesus' life-nor to catch sight of him emerging from the tomb at Easter's dawning. They celebrate not once happened to Jesus but what is now happening among us as a people called to conversion, gathered in faith, and gifted with the Spirit of holiness. They celebrate God's taking possession of our hearts at our deepest core, recreating us as a new human community broken like bread for the world's life-a community rich in compassion, steadfast in hope, and fearless in the search for justice and peace.



Banns of Marriage
Chad Bauer & Jessica Lane
April 29, 2017

If any of you know cause or just impediment why these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, you are to declare it.
Second Publication

Great Food for a Great Cause

The Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center will hold its 21st Annual Spaghetti Dinner on May 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m at 125 18th Street in Wheeling. Take-out will be available. Join us for good food and fellowship for a worthy cause. Donations are being accepted, and volunteer opportunities are available. For more information about how you can help, call (304) 232-7157 ext. 8.

Ministers Needed

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers for parishioners in North Wheeling (Providence Greene). Early afternoon visits preferred. If interested call Sister Mary Bowman (304-242-4048). Thank You.

Intercessions

Please keep in your prayers: David A. Kress, Jr., Edward Fanning, Helen Kouski, Rosalie Davis, Kathy Cooley, Barb Mazzocca, Rick South, Eva Wood, Mary Alice Florio, James Midcap, Lukie Brown, Hines Rotriga, Patricia Kalisch, Janie, Jim and Dee, Judy Pack, Milissa Rose, Michael DeBlasis, Liam Manning, Virginia Joseph, Dolores Joseph, Mary Ann Fowler, Henry Vogler, Dustin Ronevich, Bob Jones, Frank Davis, Jimmy Hocking, Susan Graff, Brogan Gallentine, Janet Cupp, Richard Simon, Mark Davis, James Benner, Susan Schulte, Margaret Stocke, Thomas Griffith, Julia Sheets, William Schultz, Jean and Chuck Schultz, R. J. Stocke, Jane Rudari, Marlene Martin, Milly Burke, Norma Bosold, Stephanie Bugaj, Arthur Danehart, Jon-Michael Lasher, Shawn Thomas, Thelma Pearson, Kermit Klosterman, Mary K. Schlosser, Jr., Anne Sobota, Susan Mize, Rick Burgy, Betty Teater, Sarah Sargent, Sr., Sally Jochum, Martha Yocum, Father Joseph Wilhelm, Mary Walicki, George Kirchner, Shirley DeCaria, Haley Carter, Caleb Hlebiczi, Bob Armstrong, Austin Cook, Ron Hickman, Stanley Kyrk, Annie Midcap, Charles Heizer, Gail Koch, Pete Mack, Nancy Witzberger, Fred Herink, the Children of the Youth Services System, Chuck Fair, Darleen Williams and Mona Wurtzbacher

Bishop Bransfield Celebrates Chrism Mass at Cathedral

Bishop Michael J. Bransfield celebrated the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph on Tuesday, April 11, at 4 p.m.

The Chrism Mass is one of the most solemn and significant liturgies of our Church. Since the bishop is the only minister in the diocese who may consecrate chrism, the Mass highlights his ministry and our union with him. He will not baptize and confirm everyone in the parishes of the diocese, but he will be symbolically present in the chrism used in the sacraments. The Mass also acknowledges the ministry of priests. During the Mass, the bishop invited them to renew their commitment of service and to receive the prayers and support of the people.

During the Mass, the bishop blessed the three oils used in the Church

Blessing of the Oil of the Sick

"The Oil of the Sick for the use which Saint James is the witness, provides the sick with a remedy for both spiritual and bodily illness, so that they may have strength to bear up under evil and obtain pardon for their sins."

(Rites of the Blessing of Oils)

Blessing of the Oil of Catechumens

"The Oil of the Catechumens extends the effects of the baptismal exorcisms: it strengthens the candidates with the power to renounce the devil and sin before they go to the font of life for rebirth." (Rites of the Blessing of



Bishop Michael J. Bransfield blesses the Holy Chrism during the Chrism Mass he celebrated April 11 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph.

Oils)

Consecration of the Chrism

"The Chrism is a sign that Christians, incorporated by Baptism into the Paschal Mystery of Christ, dying, buried, and rising with him, are sharers in his king-

ly and prophetic Priesthood and that by Confirmation, they receive the spiritual anointing of the Spirit who is given to them." (Rites of the Blessing of Oils)

Mass was followed by a reception for the priests and their guests in the Great Hall of Central Catholic High School.

Love Jesus in All who Suffer, Pope Says on Palm Sunday

By Carol Glatz
VATICAN CITY (CNS)—Jesus does not ask that people only contemplate his image, but that they also recognize and love him concretely in all people who suffer like he did, Pope Francis said.

Jesus is "present in our many brothers and sisters who today endure sufferings like his own — they suffer from slave labor, from family tragedies, from diseases. They suffer from wars and terrorism, from interests that are armed and ready to strike," the pope said April 9 as he celebrated the Palm Sunday Mass of the Lord's Passion.

In his noon Angelus address, the pope also decried recent terrorist attacks in Sweden and Egypt, calling on "those who sow terror, violence and death," including arms' manufacturers and

dealers, to change their ways.

In his prayers for those affected by the attacks, the pope also expressed his deepest condolences to "my dear brother, His Holiness Pope Tawadros, the Coptic church and the entire beloved Egyptian nation," which the pope was scheduled to visit April 28-29.

At least 15 people were killed and dozens more injured April 9 in an Orthodox church north of Cairo as Coptic Christians gathered for Palm Sunday Mass; the attack in Sweden occurred two days earlier when a truck ran through a crowd outside a busy department store in central Stockholm, killing four and injuring 15 others.

The pope also prayed for all people affected by war, which he called, a "disgrace of humanity."

Awareness ...

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son, as we must die before Christ can live in us. She knows God has a plan for her son. Though her mind is restless with thoughts of what is yet come, she has told me she has full trust in Jesus for the journey her son must make. Her faith in God is inspiring. "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me," Galatians 2:20.

"The Resurrection of Jesus changes the face of death for all His people. Death is no longer a prison, but a passage into God's presence. Easter says you can put truth in a grave, but it won't remain there." Clarence W. Hall

May your days be guided by the Holy Spirit toward your own resurrection in the Light of Jesus Christ. You are remembered in my prayers as I hope I am remembered in yours.

"Vocatus Atque non Vocatus, Deus Aderit"
Alex J. Nagem

Tens of thousands of people carrying palms and olive branches joined the pope during a solemn procession in St. Peter's Square under a bright, warm sun for the beginning of Holy Week.

The pope, cardinal and bishops were dressed in red vestments, the color of the Passion, and carried large "palmurelli,"

bleached and intricately woven and braided palm branches. Hundreds of young people led the procession into St. Peter's Square and later, youths from Poland handed the World Youth Day cross to young representatives from Panama, where the next international gathering will be held in January
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Thank You

Many thanks from the Office of Worship and Sacraments to the parishioners at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph who give of their time year after year to process holy oils during the Chrism Mass. Lucille Renowicz (who's been helping for years and years), Carolyn and Dave Wiethe, Sara Risovich, and newcomer Tammy Flippo. Once again a wonderful success!

Thanks, also, to those who served as greeters.

Special thanks to Debbie Fahey for recruiting and coordinating volunteers.

