

HOLY WEEK AT THE PARISH OF THE MOST HOLY REDEEMER - 2018

PALM SUNDAY - Masses at the usual times

Saturday 24 March at 6pm

Sunday 25 March at 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm

The Solemn Procession will take place before the 9am Mass.

Please assemble at the rear of the Parish Centre.

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Monday 26 March to Friday 30 March at 8am

CONFESSIONS

Monday 26 March to Wednesday 28 March after 8.30am Mass

HOLY THURSDAY - 29 MARCH 2018

Chrism Mass at **Corpus Christi, Wittebome** at 10am

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm

Watching at the Altar of Repose in the Church till 10pm

GOOD FRIDAY - 30 MARCH 2018

Stations of the Cross at 10am

(in the grounds for children and in the church for adults)

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm.

There will be a special collection for the upkeep of the Holy Places.

Good Friday is a day of Fasting and Abstinence.

HOLY SATURDAY 31 MARCH 2018

Day of silent watching and waiting.

EASTER VIGIL - 31 MARCH 2018

Vigil Mass at 7.30pm - please bring a candle and container

EASTER SUNDAY - 1 APRIL 2018

Masses at 7am, 9am and 11am. There will be no evening Mass.

There will be only one collection at all Masses over the Easter weekend in thanksgiving to the Redemptorist Community.

EASTER WEEK

Monday 2 April to Friday 6 April - Only one Mass at 8.30am

Thursday 5 April - Novena as usual at 7.30pm

Saturday 7 April - Mass 8.30am and

Vigil Mass of Divine Mercy Sunday at 6pm

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EASTER LETTER 2018

My dearly beloved parishioners,

Over the past weeks we have truly entered into the Sacred Season of Lent in many different ways. I have been particularly happy at the very large numbers of people who have attended our Lenten Novena services, where we have reflected on the five sorrowful mysteries of the Holy Rosary. This has allowed us to have a deeper spiritual insight into the drama of the journey of Our Most Holy Redeemer to the Cross, and to recognise that we too are called to participate in the sufferings of Jesus, through our own personal experiences of sorrow and anguish. We have also, twice each week, celebrated the Stations of the Cross, which again allows us to be drawn more deeply into the saving love of Jesus, who gave His life that we may ourselves come to the fullness of life.

Once again, we are approaching the great saving events of our faith, as we focus on the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, Our Most Holy Redeemer. It is a time when we are called to enter more deeply into the significance of these events, both for ourselves and for the world. It is an opportunity to reflect on why are privileged to be called the children of God, and to commit ourselves to trying to live our lives in such a manner that we can demonstrate to one another that the love of God continues to shape our hearts and to make the world a better place.

With this special bulletin, you will find the details of all our services at Holy Redeemer Church for Holy Week and for Easter I would urge all of us to truly make it a Holy Week for all of us, as individuals, as families, and as a whole parish community. In this way we will find our lives changed as we draw ever closer to the love of God, and be filled with a great spirit of Easter joy and peace.

The real joy of Easter is that, through the endless love of Jesus, each one of our lives is important, and can make a difference to others. We can be transformed through the death and Resurrection in such a way that we become signs of Easter joy and hope to a world that forever stands in need of good news. Let us willingly accept this gift and become living witnesses to the fact that Love always overcomes hatred and death.

As we celebrate this great feast of Easter, on behalf of our Redemptorist community, I wish each and every one of you, and all your loved ones, the joy and the peace that only comes through the love of God. We also would like to thank you for your Easter offering which goes to our Redemptorist Community, and will help to sustain us as we strive to serve our parish community in every possible way.

Christ Our Lord Is Risen. Let each of us rejoice.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Fr Gerard, CSsR
Parish Priest.

EASTER OFFERING

Enclosed is an envelope for your Easter offering – your gift to the Redemptorist Community at the service of the parish.

Kindly return the envelope at any of the Easter Masses.

If you prefer to make an EFT then be advised that the parish banks with:

Standard Bank, Constantia

Branch Code: 025309

Account No: 071805427

Account Name: Holy Redeemer Parish

Please use ref: Your Surname + EOF (e.g.: Smitheof)

Thank you for your generosity.