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LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION 26th March, 2023

2nd Cathedral Saturday \$1,550.54 \$ 890.02

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Parishioners are kindly asked to take note of the Triduum Liturgy at Holy Family Cathedral Parish.

Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper 7:00 pm Good Friday: Stations of the Cross: 8:00 am: From Our Lady of Perpetual Tyrells to Mount Tabor Passion and Death of Our Lord: 3:00

Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil: 10:00 pm Easter Sunday Mass at the Cathedral will be at 9:00 am Villa: 11:00 am, Potters 11:00 am . Parham : 9:00 am.

Our Annual Easter Family Beach Gathering takes place on Easter Monday at Small Fryes from 10:00 am until. Each one bring one to participate in Communion for Mission.

Parishioners are kindly asked to bring to Mass the Holy Week Booklet that was purchased last year. It will be used during the Palm Sunday Mass during Holy Week (Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday).

Parishioners are advised that this year the Divine Mercy Novena will be done in community. Persons who wish to pray this Novena are invited:

Day 1. - After the Good Friday Service (:3:00pm) in the Blessed Sacrament.

Day 2. - 8:00 am (Holy Saturday) in the Blessed Sacrament

Day 3-9 - will be before the daily Masses.

On Sunday 16th April - Feast of the Divine Mercy will be prayed at 3:00pm.

CATECHETICAL NOTICES

Youth Notice

St. Lwanga Youth Centre is now offering assistance to CSEC and CAPE Students doing their SBAs in Social Studies, Geography, History, Biology and Integrated Science. Please call the Youth Centre to register and receive more information.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Adults and young adults who have not been baptized, or Confirmed or received their First Holy Communion and persons wishing to become a member of the Catholic Church are invited to register for this programme. Please call the Pastoral Centre at 560-2693.

ENCOURAGING our CATHOLIC BUSINESSES or individuals, to give young people that initial "experience" so many companies are requesting. We thank the businesses and individuals who heard the plea, saw our vision, and have given some of our youth an opportunity. We invite you to call our St. Lwanga Youth Center and help us help our youth.

UNEMPLOYED **YOUTH** YOUNG ADULTS: If you are unemployed or know of other persons seeking employment, you are invited to register at the St. Lwanga Youth Center. Call 780-9688 or send an email to stlwangayouth22@gmail.com.

The Parish Office will he closed from Thursday 6th April and will re-open on Tuesday 11th April, 2023. Please be guided accordingly.



The Prayer of the Synod:

Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts: Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our

so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Parishioners are advised that the following Synodality synthesis comes into effect in parish management for a five year period at the first instance. All are encouraged to be part of this new parish experience.

Theme for five Years Pastoral plan "Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes" (Is 54:2). Sub- theme: January 2023 to January 2024

A call to Missionary Discipleship Exhortation 2020 .(Pastoral (Bishop Robert Llanos pastoral letter.)

Agenda

1. Formation and training on the concept of "A Call to Missionary Discipleship" Pastoral Exhortation 2020 by Bishop Robert Llanos. 2 Continued interactions among groups in the parish with reference to gender ideology theory and 3. A review of all existing groups in the parish with consideration to consensus adoption guided by Synodality synthesis

4. Liturgical Review (preparation of Sunday Masses and other devotions).

5. Catechetical program and its effects on faith development among the children and youth. Youth Program (contents and applicability to current needs).

7. Hospitality (welcoming atmosphere the parish – existing improvement).

8. Home Visitation (visiting the sick, ministering spiritual needs). 9 Focus on the spiritual needs of men (special efforts to reach out to lapsed Catholic men).

Networking in the form of evangelization (reaching out to those the who are on periphery). 11. Formation of women network at the parish level (to include single women, a non-judgmental approach towards inclusion). 12. Implementation team formation fundraising towards activities.

13. Additional support for the ongoing feeding program and assistance in support resources for the newly refurbished St. Francis Home for the

14. Bible and faith formation studies

***** Holy Family Cathedral Parish presents:

PAN AND THE PASSION OF CHRIST. Spirit-filled Α outdoor event on the lawn (the parking lot)....PALM **SUNDAY**

Sunday 2nd April, 2023 at 5:30 pm

Tickets are \$10.00 for adults \$ 5.00 for children

Tickets can be purchased from: Roti King on St. Mary's Street Bella Espirit @Villa Mr. Gilbert Laudat @HFC Nicola Brown @ HFC Jennifer Warrington @ **HFC** Saturday night Pastoral Centre

Come and be enlightened. Come and be blessed.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS:

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

Shawn Phillip, Gillian Howie, Nelister Sebastian, Catherine Durand, Dion Thomas. Georgina-Glave-Toussaint, Catherine DeTouche, Edward Lewis, David Morris, Gweneth Bryan, Shanla Carr, John Willock, Arnold Gomes, Patrick Skerritt, Marion Warren, Auchland Jarvis, Jean James, Conrad Looby, Cecelia John, Natalie Massicott, Justin Joseph, Carmen Ambrose, Tyler Lockhart., Joan Underwood, Cosmas Rowe, Andrea Brown, Latoya Edmun-Joseph, Rose Margetson, Niethia Dyier

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT RETREAT:

The Confirmation candidates in the Diocese who will be confirmed this year will be traveling to Trinidad from July 2nd to 9th for their Retreat. Please pray for our young people and support the upcoming fundraising activities to assist with their travel expenses.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT RETREAT & WORLD YOUTH DAY IN **PORTUGAL**: Please support the fundraising efforts to assist Confirmation Candidates who will be confirmed this year. They will join their peers in Trinidad from July 2 to 9. Also in July, seven persons along with their peers from the other islands i will be representing the Diocese at the World Youth Day in Portugal. Please pray for our young people and offer your support. Thank you.

This Sunday's Readings 2nd April, 2023

First Reading: Isaiah 50: 4 - 7
Responsorial Psalm: My God, my God,
why have you abandoned me.
Second Reading: Philippians 2: 6 -11
Gospel: Matthew 26: 14 — 27: 66

Readings for Monday to Saturday Monday 3rd Isaiah 42: 1-7 Psalm 27: 1-3, 13,14 John 12: 1-11 Tuesday 4th Isaiah 49: 1-6 Psalm 71: 1-6, 15,17 John 13: 21-33, 36-38 Wednesday 5th Isaiah 50: 4-9 Psalm 69: 8-10, 21,22,31,33,34 Matthew 26: 14-25 Thursday 6th Exodus 12: 1-8, 11-14 Psalm 116: 12,13,15-18 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26 John 13: 1-15 Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper Friday 7th Isaiah 52: 13— 53: 12 Psalm 31: 2,6,12,13,15,16,17,25 Hebrews 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9 John 18: 1—19: 42 Good Friday of the Lord's Passion Saturday 8th Genesis 1: 1—2:2 Genesis 22: 1-18 Exodus 14: 15—15:1 Isaiah 54: 5-14 Isaiah 55: 1-11 Baruch 3: 9-15, 32-4:4 Ezekiel 36: 16-17, 18-28 Epistle: Romans 6: 3-11 Psalm 118: 1,2,16,17,22,23 Matthew 28: 1-10 Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil

"Blessed are you who have come to us so rich in love and mercy."



DEATH & LIFE

people were often controversial figures during their lifetime. It is history, which can look on from a distance and see things in proper perspective, that the rectifies often limited judgment of contemporaries. Something like this has happened to the Lord Jesus. contemporaries, even his closest coworkers, did not understand him, especially not his strange ideas on suffering and death as a necessary passage to a better life. Only later did all of this become clear to them. Today Christians celebrate Palm Sunday. "Christ entered in triumph into his own city, to complete his work as our Messiah: to suffer, to die and to rise again". The triumphal entry, celebrated at the beginning of the passion-week, emphasizes that the three elements suffering, death and resurrection, belong together. Jesus' death was not a defeat. It was a victory. It is the genuine insight of Christianity that the events of Jesus' earthly life were the execution of God's saving purpose. This genuine insight should be ours also concerning our own lives when suffering strikes us.

On this day the Church celebrates Christ's entrance into Jerusalem to accomplish his paschal mystery. Accordingly, the memorial of this event is included in every Mass, with the procession or the solemn entrance before the principal Mass, with the simple entrance before the other Masses. The entrance solemn mav repeated before other Masses that are usually well attended.

KNOW YOUR CHURCH

March 24th, 2023

San Diego Cardinal Robert McElroy sharply criticized the Eternal Word Television Network, the conservative Catholic U.S. media conglomerate, in an interview with Spanish magazine Vida Nueva published on March 24.

Vida Nueva <u>asked</u> McElroy about the decision of newly installed Bishop Fernando Prado of San Sebastián, Spain, to ban diocesan television from carrying content produced by EWTN. Prado <u>wrote</u> that he made the decision "trying to support the communion of the diocese with the Successor of Peter."

"I would not have EWTN on diocesan EWTN worries me because it represents a giant of economic and cultural power connected to a religious viewpoint that is fundamentally critical of the pope," the cardinal said.

"The main anchors of the channel constantly minimize the abilities and theological knowledge of Francis, cite Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò's slander of the pope and try to move the world away from the reforms the pope is signaling," said McElroy.

Viganò, a former Vatican ambassador to the U.S., has called on Francis to resign the papacy.edia either," McElroy responded. McElroy said that Francis has encountered so much opposition because of his "intention of completing the work of the Second Vatican Council," as well as his "constant inclusion of the experiences and spiritual points of view of the Global South at the center of the life of the church."

In the U.S., McElroy said that this opposition is exacerbated by Catholics' worries that "the pope is open to exploring paths of pastoral action in the church that are not prohibited by existing doctrinal formulations."

"Francis' attention is centered on the life of the believer in its complexity and on how the Gospel and the tradition of the church can apply in an effective and compassionate way to the lives of those who struggle ardently to draw close to God and follow his path in the midst of so many challenges," said McElroy.



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