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Passion Sunday

Psalter Wk 2 Yr. 3/C

28 March 2010



Chrismal Mass

The annual Chrismal Mass will be celebrated on Monday of Holy Week, **March 29th**, 2010 at the Cathedral at **5.00 p.m.**

All priests are invited to renew their priestly commitment and the **OILS** for the **SACRAMENTS** of the Church will be blessed and consecrated by the Archbishop.

Francis and Mary Paponette of Our Lady of the Rosary, Cumaca, will represent our parish... All parishioners are welcome to attend this special Mass and pray for your priests.

Confession

The Sacrament will be available on Wednesday 31st March from 4.00 p.m. in the Church and on Good Friday after the Way of the Cross at Holy Cross Chapel.

Holy Week is a privileged time to celebrate this sacrament.. One on one Confession is the best medicine for our spiritual life.

Request for Water

This is an appeal to persons for donations of bottled water for the Way of the Cross on Good Friday. Donations can be brought in to the Parish Office by Wednesday 31st March.

ADORATION CHAPEL

will be closed from Wednesday **31st March, 2010 from 6.00 p.m.** and will reopen on Easter Sunday morning.

Please note that the chapel is not for the use of mobile phones, eating, drinking or 'liming conversation' Let us keep it as a sacred place for prayer and adoration.

Finance Council

The Parish Priest invites parishioners to volunteer themselves or suggest such persons to serve on our Parish Finance Council. Interested parishioners must have a knowledge of, or experience in financial matters and will be willing to serve in this capacity.

Please contact Msgr. Christian by April 5th 2010.

I would like to form our Parish Finance Council early in the second quarter of this year.

PARISH CLERGY
Msgr. Christian Pereira
Fr. Rudy Mohammed
Deacon Kester De Verteuil

OFFICE HOURS

FR. RUDY MOHAMMED:
AVAILABLE ON
TUESDAYS AND
FRIDAYS
10.00AM - 12NOON

MSGR. CHRISTIAN
TUESDAYS AND
THURSDAYS
2.00 PM—5.00 PM
SATURDAYS
9.00 AM—11.30 AM

THE PSRS
MONDAYS & SATURDAYS
9.00AM - 12NOON AND
TUESDAYS - THURSDAYS
9.00AM - 5.30PM
FRIDAYS
9.00AM - 4.00PM

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AT WEEKEND MASSES
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SATURDAYS 10.00AM—
12NOON

Welcome to Holy Week 2010 The greatest week of the year



In Holy Week, the Church celebrates the mysteries of our salvation accomplished by Christ during the last days of his earthly life from His messianic entry into Jerusalem until His blessed Passion and Glorious Resurrection. Holy Week is also the final stages for the Christian Initiation of Adults. It also prepares the Catholic Faithful to recall their baptism and prepare for renewal of their baptismal promises at Easter.

At all the Masses today, Palm Sunday, we bless and distribute Palms as well as read the Passion of Jesus according to the Gospel of Luke. At the 5.00 p.m., 7.00 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Masses, the Palms will be blessed at the entrance to the Girls' R.C. School followed by a procession around the Park. The Altar Servers will lead the procession as the choir sings appropriate hymns.



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Easter Pilgrimage Siparia

The Holy Name Men have organized a Pilgrimage to Siparia for Sunday 25th April 2010. Buses leave Santa Rosa at 6.00 a.m. and leave Siparia at 3.45 p.m. Interested persons can contact any member of the Holy Name Sodality .. Cost of the ticket is \$60.00

Can Beauty save the world? (Part 2)

Some thoughts on beauty from "Catholic Education Resource Center"

St. Thomas Aquinas did not bequeath to the world extensive treatises on the topic of beauty.

However, he did provide posterity with a simple definition of beauty consisting of four words that, according to the great Thomistic scholar Jacques Maritain, "says all that is necessary." For Aquinas, beauty is *id quod visum placet*, "that which pleases upon being seen."

In order to be faithful to the meaning of Aquinas' words, we must understand the specific meanings of the words *visum* and *placet*. The former connotes more than meets the eye. Its meaning is closer to our understanding of the word "vision" (as opposed to "eyesight") and refers to an intuitive knowledge that includes the senses. The two senses that are involved in the apprehension of beauty are what St. Thomas calls "the senses of knowledge," that is, sight and hearing.

The word *placet* means more than a mere sensual pleasure. It is better rendered as "a delight for the soul." This delight is conferred when a person beholds a beautiful object by means of an intuitive knowledge that incorporates either sight or hearing.

Intelligence, therefore, which is our capacity to know, plays an indispensable role in the apprehension of beauty. This is a most important factor because it means that beauty is not merely subjective (or "in the eyes of the beholder," as many claim), but is objective inasmuch as it is an object of knowledge. Beauty has its roots in reality.



The People of Praise will host a "Life in the Spirit Seminar" from 16th April 2010. More details will be available in a subsequent Dateline

HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Monday 29th March	Mass at 6.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon Chrismal Mass at the Cathedral at 5.00 p.m.
Tuesday 30th March	Mass at 6.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon R.C.I.A. Time of Reflection - 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon Final Choir Practice at 3.00 p.m.
Wednesday 31st March	Mass at 6.00 a.m. and 12 noon Confession from 4.00 p.m.
Holy Thursday 1st April	NO MORNING MASS The Easter Triduum starts at 7.30 p.m. (Mass of the Last Supper)
Good Friday	Way of the Cross to Holy Cross Chapel at 9.00 a.m. followed by the Reflection of the "Last Seven Words" of Jesus during which Confession will be available Good Friday Liturgy at 5.30 p.m.
Gloria Saturday	The Easter Vigil 7.30 p.m.
Easter Sunday	Mass at 7.00 a.m. and 9.00 a.m. (Santa Rosa) Mass at 8.00 a.m. at St. Therese, Valencia

Santa Rosa Parish and Evangelization Commission are planning to host a Crusade at the end of APRIL for three nights. Please stay tuned for more details and ensure that many persons hear about this event.. This is a follow up to our Lenten Mission...