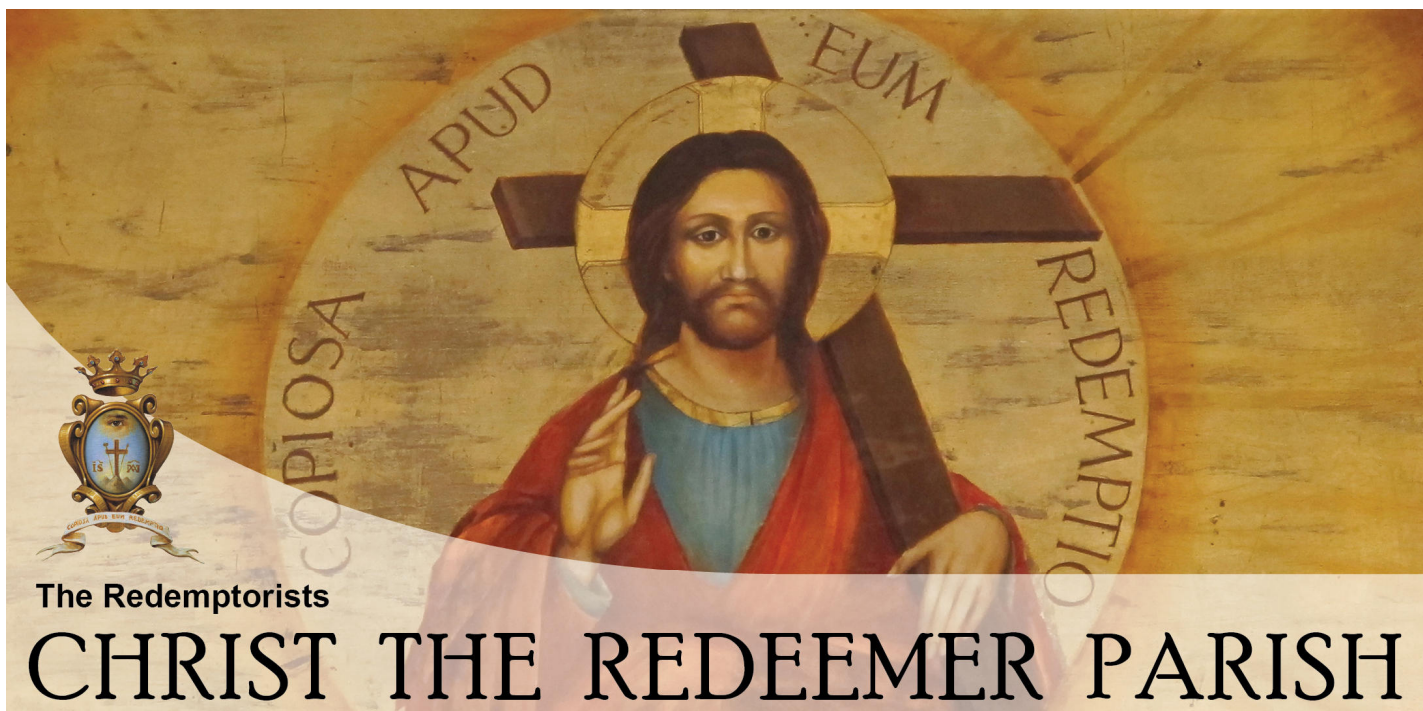


March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday



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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sacred Heart Worship Site

SATURDAY 8:30 - 9:00 AM

(Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel)

SATURDAY 4:00 - 4:45 PM

CONFESSION

(English & Polish)

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

6:30 - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

4:00 - 4:50 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 10:00AM to 3:00PM.

Office closed on Fridays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 25 (Poniedziałek)

8:00AM †Dominik Dziadosz r/o mother
11:00AM †Sophie Pilla r/o daughter

Tuesday, March 26 (Wtorek)

8:00AM †Veronica Heaning r/o Laura Riccardi
11:00AM †Rich Gruszewski r/o wife & daughters
11:30AM OLPH Novena in English

Wednesday, March 27 (Środa)

11:00AM †Kathy Ravaoli r/o husband, Lee
11:30AM Exposition and Rosary
7:00PM OLPH Novena & Mass in Polish

Holy Thursday, March 28 (Czwartek)

8:00AM Solemn Morning Prayer
7:00PM Solemn Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, March 29 (Piątek)

8:00AM Solemn Morning Prayer
10:00AM Stations of the Cross in English
12:00PM Stations of the Cross in Polish
3:00PM Commemoration of the Passion and Death of the Lord in English
6:00PM Commemoration of the Passion and Death of the Lord in Polish followed by Gorzkie Zale

Holy Saturday, March 30 (Sobota)

8:00AM Solemn Morning Prayer
8:00PM For the People of the Parish

Easter Sunday, March 31 (Niedziela)

6:30AM Easter Sunrise Procession
7:00AM For an increase in Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
9:00AM †Living and Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary Society & Knights of Columbus
11:30AM †Living and Deceased Members of the Blessed Virgin Mary Society

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the repose of the souls of **Charles & Mary Sue Schlenker** at the request of their family.



Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come! Hosanna in the highest!"
- Mk 11:9-10

Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord

A few months before they married, my twenty-three-year-old sister and her fiancé planned a cross-country road trip to visit his family. My parents told them that they could only go if they slept in separate hotel rooms, offering to foot the bill. It might sound prudish, but my parents wanted the young couple to understand that their approaching unity was close, but not yet. Patience solidifies love.

What could this possibly have to do with Palm Sunday? It's usually overlooked, but the Gospels tell us that, after entering Jerusalem, Jesus **"looked around ... and since it was late, went out to Bethany with the twelve"** (Mk 11:11) for the night. Who cares? Why include this detail? Jews in those days believed that the new Davidic King would one day re-enter and "marry" the city. A new future marked by fidelity would begin for God's people. Israel's God would be in union with His people forever. Without over-sexualizing the metaphor, perhaps Jesus refused to sleep in Jerusalem to remind us of his *marital* purpose. He was entering Jerusalem as the bridegroom-king. It was almost time, but not yet. Soon he will sleep in Jerusalem in the tomb and then something new will begin: his one body, his Church.

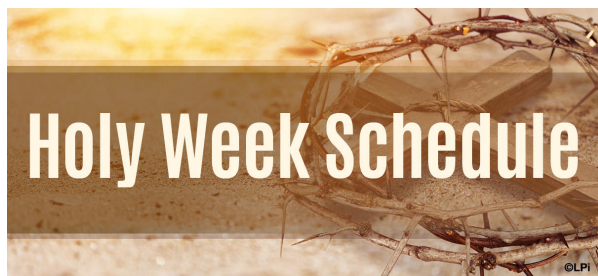
Lenten challenge: This Holy Week, I challenge you to keep this image in your mind all the way until Easter Sunday: Jesus is the faithful bridegroom who patiently prepares his bride for their new life together. Go to the Good Friday liturgy and kiss the cross. When you do, let that gesture be the long-awaited "I do" to our faithful God, who always waits for us.

— Father John Muir



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

To be a community of love, a family that joyfully proclaims and bears witness to the Gospel, and which serves the poor and one another.



TUESDAY, MARCH 26

CHRISM MASS OF HOLY WEEK – St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral, Metuchen – 4:00PM. Bishop Checchio will celebrate this Mass with all his priests. On this evening the Bishop also blesses and consecrates the oils to be used in the sacraments throughout the churches of the Diocese. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this ancient, grace-filled and beautiful Liturgy. To watch the Chrism Mass livestream, visit <https://diometuchen.org/cathedral-livestream>.

THERE ARE NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES THIS WEEK. CLASSES WILL RESUME APRIL 9.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

CHILDREN'S STATIONS PRACTICE – 5PM.

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TODAY. In case of an emergency please call 725-0072.

The evening Mass of the Lord's Supper commemorates the institution of the sacraments of the Eucharist and Holy Orders.

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER with solemn procession to the Altar of Reposition – 7PM.

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Christ suffered and died for our salvation on Friday. On the Friday we call "Good" the Church gathers to commemorate Jesus' Passion and death. Good Friday is the day of fasting and abstinence. The Good Friday fast is the Paschal fast – a fast of anticipation and longing for the Passover of the Lord, which should continue, when possible, through Holy Saturday.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TODAY. In case of an emergency please call 725-0072.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR CHILDREN in English—10AM.
SOLEMN LITURGICAL SERVICE COMMEMORATING THE PASSION AND DEATH OF THE LORD at 3PM in English. In Polish the service will take place at 6PM. Holy Communion will be distributed at these services only!

Each year on Good Friday, the Pope invites Catholics throughout the world to financially support the Franciscans who receive pilgrims and maintain the sacred shrines in the Holy Land. Some of our parishioners have been to these sacred shrines and know the importance of being in the places where Jesus walked and prayed. The Pope is requesting your generosity for this collection that will be taken on Good Friday.

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30

BLESSING OF FOOD – According to traditional custom, Easter food will be blessed in the church at 9, 10 & 11AM, and 1, 2 & 3PM.

BLESSING OF FOOD AT 12 NOON WILL TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH (IF WEATHER PERMITS).

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY led by the Knights of Columbus – 10:30AM in Sacred Heart Church.

SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL – 8PM in Sacred Heart Church.

Ogłoszenia Parafialne

PONIEDZIAŁEK, 26 MARZEC

MSZA KRZYŻMA w kościele katedralnym o godz. 4.00 PM. To watch the Chrism Mass livestream, visit <https://diometuchen.org/cathedral-livestream>.

WTOREK, 27 MARZEC

W TYM TYGODNIU LEKCJI RELIGII NIE BĘDZIE. KATECHEZA ZOSTANIE WZNOWIONA WE WTOREK 9 KWIETNIA.

WIELKI CZWARTEK, 28 MARZEC

Biuro parafialne będzie nieczynne. W nagłych wypadkach prosimy o kontakt pod numerem tel.: 908-725-0072.
Liturgia Wielkiego Czwartku o godz. 7 PM. .

WIELKI PIĄTEK, 29 MARZEC

Biuro parafialne będzie nieczynne. W nagłych wypadkach prosimy o kontakt pod numerem tel.: 908-725-0072.
Droga Krzyżowa dla dzieci o godz. 10:00
Droga Krzyżowa w j. polskim o godz. 12:00.
Liturgia Wielkiego Piątku o godz. 6 PM.

WIELKA SOBOTA, 30 MARZEC

Błogosławieństwo pokarmów świątecznych od godz. 9 AM do 3 PM (co godzinę). O godz. 12:00 (jeśli pogoda pozwoli) błogosławieństwo pokarmów odbędzie się na zewnątrz z myślą o tych parafianach, którzy mają problem z dostaniem się do audytorium.
Liturgia Wielkiej Soboty o godz. 8 PM.

WIELKANOC, 31 MARZEC

Rezurekcja o godz. 6:30 AM.



Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday: Barbara Porter; Dora Perna
Monday: Rachel Petroe
Tuesday: John Tardy; 3rd Grade CCD Class
Wednesday: Julia & Natalia Droszczak; Maryanne Zarbetski
Thursday: Natalie Day
Friday: Roberta Caswell
Saturday: Neil Christie; Deacon Bill & Barbara Stefany

CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2024-2025 TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than **March 31, 2024**. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

SAINT OF THE WEEK EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH

In 2024, we will be highlighting holy men and women from the Americas who are canonized or in the process of canonization. We hope their stories inspire your faith!

St. Toribio Romo

Short Bio

St. Toribio Romo González was a Mexican priest and martyr from Jalisco in the early 1900's. He's known for his strong devotion to the Eucharist and catechesis to the poor. During a time of religious persecution in Mexico, government troops shot and killed him.

For Sale

Pierogi and kielbasi are on sale in the parish office during regular business hours.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

March 24, 2024

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: *Chrism Mass:* Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21 *Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:* Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday: *Easter Vigil:* Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

The daily Scripture references are printed here. If you find it helpful and have internet access, you can find the complete Daily Scripture Readings at <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>.

2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal STAY WITH US, LORD: Renew our Hearts and Send Us on Mission

Your gift supports the mission of the *Office of Human Life and Dignity*, remaining steadfast in its efforts to promote the sanctity of human life in all stages and in all conditions. Your support also brings the grace of the sacraments and compassionate care to those in hospitals and prisons through our *clergy chaplains*, and has a tremendous impact on the lives of so many in need through our *Catholic Charities*.

Please visit our parish website:

www.ctrmanville.com

up-to-date information, schedules, church bulletins, pictures from parish events and much more...

Be sure to check out our video reflections on the Sunday Readings each week. This week Ted Petrock will be presenting the reflections and next week Fr. Stan & Fr. Peter will be the presenters.

Have parish newsletter delivered to your email. Sign up for our newsletter on the website.



We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Toni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Cheryl Argento, John Bartley, Thelma Bartus, Andrew Bartushak, Elizabeth Bednarczyk, Claire Biagini, Pat Bohar, Harold Bok, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Jerry, Marylou & Jason Cebula, Sofia Chantel, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, John Clougher, Allison Collins, Bill Corson, Kaiden Crothwer, Bill and Denise Davidson, Marge Demski, Mary Evancho, Malcolm Ferraira, Maureen Femiano, Lou Fischer, Kathryn, Debbie, Madison & Michael Fisne, Valerie Frank, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Helen, Joe & Mirella Gazo, Fred Genovese, Helen Gilmore, Savannah Hemenway, Frank Honkisz, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Maria Ingot, Raul Jaime, Lucy Jankowski-McClure, Waclaw & Stanley Jasinski, Kim Jenkins, Dennis Koslowski, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Ken Lake, Janice Lalley, Donna Lawler, Judy Lentzsch, Cheyenne Liccardi, Rachel Lukacs, Dottie Mesaris, Veronika Mleczko, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Joyce Nipps, Hunter Norz, Robert Oliver, James O'Reilly Jr., Brian, Robert & John Parlier, Irene Pastula, Dora Perna, Barbara Perone, Rosemary Phillips, Frank Piccano, Steven Pirello, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Ava & Steve Quintana, Lee Ravaioli, Marcelle Reed, Peg Reilly, Laura Rodaman, Marie Rogusky, Cindi Shandor, Michael Sheehan, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slight, Charlotte Snow, Jim Spinola, Stephen Stadler, Albert Stanski, Deacon Bill Stefany, Steve Szabo, Gertrude Szczecina, Michelle Tranter, Helen Turiano, David & Robert Urban, Carol Vinchur, Barry Viola, Irena Walczak, Ramona Walsh, Mark Waugh, Cindy Weigel, Cathy Wildgust, Raymond Wisniewski, Veronica Wolenski, Brett Wood, Michael Zamorsky, Maryanne Zarbetski, Mark Zujkowski, Maria Zurawiecki and Regina Zydalis.

God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.



Our Men and Women in the Service

Please pray for all of our men and women serving in the Armed forces, especially

Airman Thomas Caswell

SPC Christopher Elsen

Lieutenant Colonel James A. Jablonski Jr.

Master Sergeant Kimberly Kaminski USAF

Airman Michael Edward Kassick III

Master Sergeant Michael John Lamonica USAF

Captain John Limyansky USAF

Specialist Allison Okurowski, Combat Medic

Airman Jason Pikula USAF

SR Jerry Lee Rogalski

PFC Steven Ubry

Technical Sergeant Lindsay Zaccardi USAF

Let us know if you have a family member who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly bulletin. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

The Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council # 6573



Council Meeting: Council Meetings are held monthly on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm; Saint John Neumann Center

Recruiting: Catholic men 18+ are invited to reach out to Chester Makowski

(chester.makowski@gmail.com) or approach any of the brother knights.

Bible Study: All are welcome to join us in the Little Red Schoolhouse, (the Saint John Neumann Center) next to the Rectory on Thursday evenings at 7pm.

Clothing Drive - April 13th - 9AM - 12 noon - St. John Neumann Center.



The next **ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MASS** will be said on **April 21st at 9:00AM. Please join us for the PARISH ROSARY OF THE MONTH AT 8:30AM.**

The next **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS** to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on **April 6th at 11:30AM.**



Caritas
MANVILLE

God's Love in Action

The Christ The Redeemer Caritas Food Panty depends on both monetary and grocery donations to keep its shelves stocked. At this time of year, when we reflect on our many blessings, we remember those less fortunate than us within our own community. When going shopping please consider picking up something extra. Food items can be dropped off in the red containers in the church vestibule or at the parish office. Monetary donations can be made through on-line giving.

The Food Pantry is currently most in need of the following items:

- Breakfast items: Toaster Pastry, Instant Oatmeal.
- Toothpaste, Body Wash, Shampoo, Bars of Soap.
- Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent.
- Juice(64 oz.), Coffee (Instant & Ground), Boxed Milk(32 oz.)
- Canned Tuna, Canned Chicken.

The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of March 17, 2024

Offertory	\$	6,248.00
Mail-Ins	\$	2,418.00
Children's Donations	\$	46.00
Easter Flowers	\$	2,673.00
On-line Giving	\$	2,264.00
Total	\$	18,109.00

Thank you for your generosity and support. May God bless you. Fr. Stan

"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'" – MARK 15:12-13

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone's prayer.

OUR CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP GIFTS

My Good Deed was when I:

- helped my dad with the medications. **Stella**
- cleaned my room. **Alexander & Zofia**
- helped my dad cut old branches in the back yard. **Jacob**
- walked the dog all week. **Jacob**
- helped my dad clean the yard. **Brooke-Lynn**
- cleaned. **Isabella**
- did my chores. **Francis**
- helped set up soccer fields for my club. **Blaize**
- cleaned the house for guests. **Gabriel**

Don't forget to put your first & last name and grade on your envelope.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Communion Wafer

Question:

Do Catholics always need to receive communion in wafer form, or can it be different kinds of bread?

Answer:

In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the most common form for the eucharistic bread is the small white communion "wafer" that is a ubiquitous part of the Catholic Mass. The instructions of the Church have been very specific regarding the make-up of the bread used in the Mass: "The bread used in the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharistic Sacrifice must be unleavened, purely of wheat, and recently made ... it follows therefore that bread made from another substance, even if it is grain, or if it is mixed with another substance different from wheat to such an extent that it would not commonly be considered wheat bread, does not constitute valid matter for confecting the Sacrifice and the Eucharistic Sacrament" (see Redemptionis Sacramentum by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, no. 48).

The Church's tradition of using a wheat-based bread is based on the bread that Jesus would have used at the Last Supper and is considered to be an essential part of the "matter" of the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

As we consider the question of whether a "wafer" — which is properly called a "host" — should be used, we also must keep in mind that in the Eastern Rites of the Catholic Church, leavened (i.e. "raised") bread is more often used. And so, while the thin, white "wafer" is most commonly used in the Roman Rite of the Church, the full expression of the Catholic tradition does allow for a more substantial form of bread to be used, but the tradition of using a simple wheat bread with no other additions or additives is considered essential.



**Summer Camp
July 8 - 12**



**Summer Festival
July 24 - July 27**

**LIVE THE LITURGY
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

The crowds of Jerusalem beautified the path of Jesus as he came into the city, offering their own cloaks in homage. Let us make way in our hearts for the King as we enter into Holy Week.

Recent national polls show that only 31% of Catholics believe that Jesus is present – body, soul & divinity in Holy Communion. The pastoral council led by Fr. Stan is addressing this issue with a 7-part program that will begin shortly after Easter.

