



**SCHEDULES & MASS INTENTIONS**

**Week of March 25, 2018**

**Sat 4:00 PM** Georgiana Delphia by Donna Young  
**Sun 10:00 AM** Rose & Reginald Festa by Angela & Dean  
**Mon 9:00 AM** No Mass  
**Wed 9:00 AM** Larrivee Family by W. & M. Larrivee  
**Thurs 7:00 PM** Locke Family by W. & M. Larrivee  
**Fri 7:00 PM** The Passion of the Lord  
**Sat 8:00 PM** Crowley Family by W. & M. Larrivee  
**Sun 10:00 AM** Larrivee Family by W. & M. Larrivee

**Parish Support**

**Offering for the weekend of March 18 2018**  
**(Our Goal is \$1,800.00 each week)**

**Sunday Collection**

<b>Loose</b>	<b>\$324.00</b>
<b>Envelopes</b>	<b>\$639.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$963.00</b>
<b>Utility Fund</b>	<b>\$428.80</b>

*The Parish of St. Mary /St Agnes depends mainly on each parishioner's contribution of his or her fair share. A suggested minimum contribution for each working adult is one hour's wage per week. Many thanks to those who have contributed to the collection this past week. Your gifts are really essential to our parish. Please, let us continue supporting our parish!*

**GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER. - 2 Corinthians 9:7**

**Readings for the Week of March 25, 2018**

**Sunday:** Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16

**Monday:** Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

**Friday:** Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

**Saturday:** Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/

**Next Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9



*Pray for .....*

*The safety of our service men and women working as peacekeepers in today's trying times and for all who are ill, especially Lindsey Layn, Linda Bunn, Richard Barra, Mary McManus, Virginia Wolf, Francine Leary, Carlita La Porte, Joel Rivera, Ginger Stearns, Betty Ferraro, Joseph Duprey, Charlotte Swain, Marilyn Morris, Mary Doherty, Ann-Marie Ford, David Philipsen, Katherine Bryant, Gloria Peduto, Rene Hendricks, Brendan Holbritter, Rosa Santos and Jean Pfenning.*

**Ministry Schedule**



**Eucharistic Ministers**

03/24 D. Swingleton	D. Benware & P. Mitchell
03/25 Guy Beck	Wanda & Katie Murray
03/31 D. Benware	Joe Flynn
04/01 C. Frankiewicz	Guy Beck

**Lectors**

**Gift Bearers**

03/24 Karen Decker	David Bertrand
03/25 T. Depatie Family	B. Thornton & B. Stanley
03/31 E. Parmelee/S. Munger	Jordan Bertrand
04/01 G. & B. Gearwar	A. Hayes & M. Harding

**Altar Servers**

**Collection Counters**



03/25 Glenda Gearwar & Tina Wiles
04/01 Mike Frankiewicz & Carol Bertrand
04/08 Donna Swingleton & Paula Bizon



**St. Mary's Cemetery**

Location: RT 73 E. Forest Dale Rd, Brandon Contact Information - Please call St. Mary's Rectory.

**PARISH WEBSITE**

Please visit our parish website: [www.saintmaryagnes.org](http://www.saintmaryagnes.org) for updates, news, activities, schedules of liturgical ministries and various resources to help you. For suggestions on our website, send your ideas to: [gale@ottercreekmedia.com](mailto:gale@ottercreekmedia.com).

**Reminders !**

St. Mary's Church is officially named Our Lady of Good Help. If you are writing out a check, please write Our Lady of Good Help or O.L.G.H. Thank you!

**Office is open on Wednesday**

**10:00 am—3:00 pm**

**Thursday 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**2nd Collection for weekends in March:**

**03/29 Holy Thursday**

**03/30 Good Friday**

**04/08 Restoration Fund**

**Stations of the Cross** on Wednesday the 28th of March @ the Chapel

**Easter Church Flowers:** Anyone interested in purchasing flowers to decorate the Church for Easter, in memory of their loved ones, should contact Bernie at 247-3744 and order them through him. The last date to order will be March 28th.

**The Chrism Mass:** will be celebrated by Bishop J. Coyne on Tuesday, March 27 @ 11: 00 AM at St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral in Burlington.

**PALM SUNDAY, March 25th.** After Mass on that day, your help is needed to get OUR Church clean for our Holy Week and Easter Liturgies. Bring your buckets, vacuum cleaners and muscles and with many folks the work gets done in a short amount of time.

**Saturday, March 31st** at 9:00 a.m. ---- Could you find some time to come and help decorate the Church for our Easter Vigil Service as well as Easter Sunday? More hands make light work. Please feel free to call me. Thank you, Jeannine Griffin (247-3432)

**Holy Week Schedule—Easter Triduum**

**Holy Thursday:** 7 PM—Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper  
**Good Friday:** 12 Noon—"The Walk" From "The Ayrshire Building" to the Church, followed by soup at St. Mary's Church Hall. All are welcome.

**Good Friday:** - 7 PM—Passion of the Lord

**Holy Saturday:** 8 PM—Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday:** 10 AM—The Resurrection of the Lord

**Remember—Fasten and Abstinence on Good Friday!**

**Bishop Coyne's Holy Week & Easter**

**Schedule:** CHRISM MASS Tuesday, March 27 • 11 am

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Thursday, March 29 • 7 pm

GOOD FRIDAY, March 30 • 3 pm

EASTER VIGIL Saturday, March 31 • 8 pm

EASTER Sunday, April 1 • 10 am

**Reflections for the week**

Liturgically, Palm Sunday ushers in the dramatic events of Holy Week. As Jesus triumphantly enters Jerusalem, we are struck with the oddity of this "triumph." It is so different from the decidedly down-to-earth life and service of the man who ministered to the needs of his countrymen, the Galileans. The gospel that accompanies today's entrance rite has Jesus poised just outside of Jerusalem. The journey to this point has been long and arduous. St. Mark's gospel is based on this journey as it traces the Lord's movement from the ministry of Jesus around his home-area, Galilee, to Jerusalem where he will be tried, die a cruel death and be raised to new life by his Father-God. Jesus (and his disciples) journey to Jerusalem. The journey is far from a jaunty travelogue of places and events that capture the times and places of the surrounding area. Their journey itself is a kind of a theological account of Jesus' life and particularly its deeper purposes. In this respect Jerusalem is more than a geographical place, but a symbol of Jesus' whole aim from God's perspective. Jerusalem is the end of his journey, but, also and more importantly, the place where the crucial events of Jesus' life unfold, his death and resurrection. Lent provides us the possibility of a spiritual preparation to live into Jesus' death and resurrection, the paschal mystery. We have been invited to journey with Jesus in his journeying for us. These past few weeks may have provided us the opportunity to discover anew the tremendous love of God in Christ. Our own call begins with the discovery of the roots of our brand of selfishness. Jesus' faithfulness to his call and journey becomes for us the way of moving away from the things that block God's love in Christ Jesus. Palm Sunday opens Holy Week on a note that is foreign to much of the gospel: Jesus being revered as a King. We, who know the rest of the story, realize that this is but a fleeting moment. It acts as a precursor for an entirely new interpretation of what it means to be "king." For Jesus, to be a king does not mean that he lords it over people the way that temporal kings usually act. Jesus' kingship is one of serving the needs of those poor in spirit who need the ministry of the ultimate king, Jesus the Christ. His service ends with his brutal death. The service Jesus provides comes at a tremendous cost. Jesus enters Jerusalem on a colt (a kingly practice) and the people respond with great joy. Far too quickly that joy response turns to the bitter hatred shown in the trial and cruel death of Jesus. From the "hosannas" of Palm Sunday to the jeering, "Give us Barabbas" of Good Friday seems such a long leap in a very short time. What a fickle lot we are! [onlineministries.creighton.edu](http://onlineministries.creighton.edu)

**Diocesan News: A new diocesan website has launched.**

The decision to revamp the website at [vermontcatholic.org](http://vermontcatholic.org) was made because the original website was designed 10 years ago and really hadn't been updated since. After three years as bishop of Burlington, Bishop Christopher Coyne was ready to share his vision — one Church, one community — and create a web presence that not only reflects this vision but is inviting and easy to navigate for the Catholic community and those interested in Catholicism. Burlington Bytes, a Vermont based website design firm, began working with the diocesan communication staff to redesign the website last fall. One of the top reasons people visit the diocesan website is to find a Mass time. The new parish/Mass search option integrates a Google map into the search and allows Catholics to find a Mass based on location up to a 200-mile radius. People can also search for Catholic schools and cemeteries. The Vermont Catholic Online News and the diocesan events calendar also are integrated throughout the website, so news stories and events related to certain ministries and programs will display on that ministry page. For example, the June 23 annual Family Day in Troy and the August 25 Year of the Family Conference in Montpelier will be featured on the Marriage and Family webpage. Vermont Catholic eNews also received a major makeover. Catholics now have the option to select what news categories they'd like included in their eNews report: all, Vermont, schools, nation, world or Vatican. They also will receive a list of events happening throughout the state and feature articles. The new, mobile-friendly format allows users to visit [vermontcatholic.org](http://vermontcatholic.org) from their tablet or phone as well, to stay in touch with the Catholic community of Vermont from anywhere.