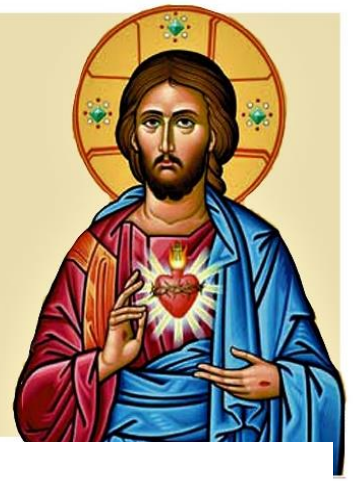


# SACRED HEART HEARTBEAT

ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



**PALM SUNDAY**  
**MARCH 31/APRIL 1, 2018**



## **COMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS**

March 24 – Lenten Reflection session following the morning Mass. All are welcome. About one hour.

RCIA Third Scrutiny at the 5 PM Mass

March 26 – Celebration of the Solemnity of the Annunciation

March 31 – Final Lenten Reflection session following the morning Mass.

March 31/April 1 – Palm Sunday celebration – Usual Mass schedule

April 2-4 – Regular morning Mass at the Jesuit Center

### **HOLY WEEK –**

April 5 - Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord’s Supper, 5 PM – deLaSalle Church

Following Mass, procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Jesuit Center

April 6 – Good Friday – Celebration of the Lord’s Passion – Noon – deLaSalle Church

April 7 – Holy Saturday – Condensed Vigil Mass, 5 PM, Sweifieh

Holy Saturday – Full Vigil at 10 PM at deLaSalle Church

Those arriving after the ceremony has started will not be admitted into the Church until after the Paschal Candle has entered.

April 8 – Easter Sunday – 10 AM – Mass at the Jesuit Center

Easter Sunday – 6 PM – Mass at deLaSalle Church

April 16 – “Ask Father John” –*Hosted by Franke and Clare Magee*– 7PM

Youssef Abu Shahhout St No 6, Apt 8 – 3rd Building From Jounia Pharmacy

April 21/22 – Installation of Ministers – Lectors and Ministers of the Eucharist

April 28 – 4 PM at Sweifieh – First Confessions for First Communion candidates who missed the earlier Celebration

May 12 – FIRST HOLY COMMUNION with a parish reception following the Mass

### **HAVE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?**

Go to [www.jordanjesuits.org](http://www.jordanjesuits.org), go to the link for SACRED HEART PARISH and on the right side is a direct link so you can register on line.

Couldn’t be easier. Thank you.

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
<b>Mon - Sat</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Jesuit Center</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Sweifieh, St. Mary of Nazareth</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Jabal Hussein, St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle (Al Razi Street)</b>



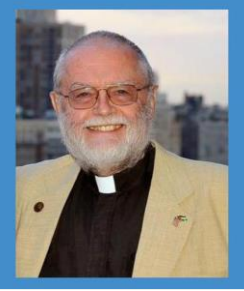
*Pope Francis'*

MONTHLY  
PRAYER  
INTENTIONS

### **FOR APRIL**

**Universal – For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters**

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.



# RAMBLINGS

## OF THE REVEREND REDACTOR

And so it begins. What seemed to far away when we had ashes placed on our foreheads is now about to happen. All the hopes and ambitions we had for what we would do during Lent have either been realized, or partially realized, or regretfully abandoned. The time of preparation is over. Now we have to enter into the greatest mysteries of our faith.

I encourage you – I urge you – to make time this week for the Passion of Jesus Christ. If it means taking time off from work, keeping a child out of school – this is the most important time in the calendar of the Church and therefore in our lives as Catholics. Each ceremony has a special meaning, and each has a deep emotional resonance. It doesn't matter how many times you may have attended, or even participated in, one of these service. Each year you are different, each year the world is different, and each year God will speak to you in a different way. You cannot do it at home, you cannot do it watching on a television or a livestream. You need to be physically present. If it is awkward or inconvenient or downright difficult – compare it with what we are remembering, what we are celebrating, and your “problems” seem small indeed. If it means you miss a dinner or a party or a concert or a sporting event – what, in the most real sense of the word, is the most important?

There are 6 services here in Amman. Holy Thursday – the Mass of the Lord's Supper and the Washing of Feet, at the end of which we strip the altar bare, and the Blessed Sacrament is carried in procession to a temporary Altar of Repose that will be created in the Francis Xavier Chapel at the Jesuit Center. On Good Friday, we read again the Passion, we receive Communion without a Mass – there are no Masses celebrated on Good Friday anywhere in the world – and we venerate the image of the Savior of the World on the Cross. We leave the Church in silence, as we contemplate that awful death and what it took to complete our salvation.

On Saturday there is a condensed version of the Easter Vigil at Sweifieh, for those with young children or those who for serious reasons cannot attend the full Easter Vigil at Freres Church at 10 PM. The Vigil is the centerpiece of Catholic worship and it is a time as a community that should not be missed. On Easter Sunday the celebration continues in a very different vein, with Mass at 10 AM at the Jesuit Center and in the evening at 6 PM at Freres Church. We have a sacred obligation to attend Mass every Sunday. How much more to participate in the celebration of Easter.

Wherever you are – in Amman or in another country far away – make every effort to participate in the mysteries of these holy days. If it takes place in another language, you still know what is going on. You might even find it easier to pray if you *don't* understand the words. But whatever happens, be present to God during Holy Week and especially during the Triduum.

And let us continue to pray for one another.

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Fr. John's Mobile: 079 013-8985 (If no answer, leave a message.)

**Website:** [Jordanjesuits.org](http://Jordanjesuits.org)

**Facebook:** If you are on Facebook, go to Parish Group and ask to be admitted to the group. You will be.

## **PRAYER TIMES DURING LENT**

The Chapel at the Jesuit Center will be open for private prayer during the following times. Follow the signs; If you need the elevator, call Fr. John (079 013-8985)

Friday, March 30 – 9 AM to 11 AM

April 5 – HOLY THURSDAY

No Morning Mass - Mass at Freres at 5 PM

Blessed Sacrament in repose at the Jesuit Chapel after Mass

Chapel will remain open for prayer until 11 or as people have signed up

Advance permission needed for all-night vigil

April 6 - GOOD FRIDAY

Service at Freres at Noon - Jesuit Chapel open for prayer from 3 PM until 8 PM

April 7 – HOLY SATURDAY - Chapel open for prayer from 10 AM until noon

*Confession will be available during all of these prayer times*

## **SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK**

### **Palm/Passion Sunday – March 31/April 1**

**Saturday** – Mass at 5 PM at St. Mary of Nazareth, Sweifieh

Procession and blessing of Olive branches

**Sunday** – Mass at 6 PM at Jean Baptiste de LaSalle, Jabal Hussein

Procession and blessing of Olive branches

**Monday to Wednesday** – 8:30 AM Mass at the Jesuit Center

### **Holy Thursday – April 5 – 5 pm**

Mass of the Lord's Supper at Jean Baptiste de LaSalle, Jabal Hussein

Washing of the Feet – Procession after Mass with the Blessed Sacrament

To Francis Xavier Chapel/Jesuit Center. Adoration until 11pm.

### **Good Friday – April 6**

Good Friday Service at Noon at Jean Baptiste de LaSalle, Jabal Hussein

Chapel open for prayer from 3 PM until 8 PM

### **Holy Saturday – April 7**

Chapel open for prayer from 10 AM until Noon

Condensed Vigil Service at St. Mary of Nazareth at 5 PM

Full Vigil Service at 10 PM Jean Baptiste de LaSalle, Jabal Hussein

### **Easter Sunday – April 8**

Mass of Easter morning – 10 AM – Jesuit Center, Jabal Hussein

Mass of Easter Day – 6 PM - Jean Baptiste de LaSalle, Jabal Hussein



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Nickolas Neibauer
- 18 Alejandra Susarrey
- 20 Dr. Jacqueline Casale Taylor Basker



### **Nina Brekelmans Camp and Race for Girls: Call for Volunteers**

The Nina Brekelmans Memorial Foundation was established to foster athletic opportunities for young women in the Middle East by supporting running programs in Jordan to encourage healthy living, expand participation in the sport, and promote women's empowerment. Our programs welcome girls ages eight to fourteen from a cross-section of Jordanian society to participate in an annual spring running camp and capstone race at Sport City in Amman. We are excited to announce the dates for the third annual Nina Brekelmans Running Camp for Girls and Nina Brekelmans Race for Girls in Amman, Jordan!

The camp will be held on four consecutive Saturdays - April 7, April 14, April 21 and April 28, from 10AM-1PM - at Sports City, Amman. The culminating event - a 3k race - will be held the following weekend, May 5, at Sports City.

We are looking for volunteers for both the camp and race day. Persons interested in volunteering for the camp or race can email Nicole Khamis at [nlkhamis@umich.edu](mailto:nlkhamis@umich.edu) and Kelly Connors [kec3r@virginia.edu](mailto:kec3r@virginia.edu).



### **JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE**

JRS is looking for a home placement for a volunteer who will be coming from France to work with the agency for approximately 6 to 7 months, starting in September. Until the specific volunteer is identified we won't know if a man or a woman, but it will be an established professional, speaks English and Arabic (and probably French), who will receive a small stipend and support from the agency. The ideal would be for this person to live with a family. If anyone is interested in learning more about this possibility, please contact Fr. John. The organization in France that coordinates the volunteers needs to know if there is a housing option before they start to interview candidates, and they need that information by April 2.

# WASHING OUR FEET

Supper was special that night.  
There was both a heaviness and a holiness  
hanging in the air.  
We couldn't explain the mood.  
It was sacred, yet sorrowful.  
Gathered around that table  
eating that solemn, holy meal  
seemed to us the most important meal  
we had ever sat down to eat.

We were dwelling in the heart of MYSTERY.  
Though dark the night,  
Hope felt right---  
as if something evil  
was about to be conquered.

And then suddenly  
the One-Who-Loved startled us all.  
He got up from the table  
and put on an apron.  
Can you imagine how we felt?

**G O D I N A N A P R O N !**

Tenderness encircled us  
as He bowed before us.  
He knelt and said,  
"I choose to wash your feet  
because I love you."

God in an apron, kneeling.



Then He handed me the towel  
and said,  
"As I have done,  
so you must do."  
Learn to bow.  
Learn to kneel.

Let your tenderness encircle  
everyone you meet.  
Wash their feet--  
not because you have to--  
but because you want to.

It seems I've stood two thousand years  
holding that towel in my hands.  
"As I have done, so must you do,"  
keeps echoing in my heart.

"There are so many feet to wash,"  
I keep saying.

"No."  
I hear God's voice  
resounding through the years.  
"There are only My feet.  
What you do for them,  
you do for Me."



*The Donkey*  
By G. K. Chesterton

When fishes flew and forests walked  
And figs grew upon thorn,  
Some moment when the moon was blood  
Then surely I was born.

With monstrous head and sickening cry  
And ears like errant wings,  
The devil's walking parody  
On all four-footed things.

The tattered outlaw of the earth,  
Of ancient crooked will;  
Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb,  
I keep my secret still.

Fools! For I also had my hour;  
One far fierce hour and sweet:  
There was a shout about my ears,  
And palms before my feet.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
**FOR HOLY WEEK**

**HOLY THURSDAY – 1) To help strip the altar; 2) to carry the buckets and utensils back to the Jesuit Center; 3) before Mass to pass out and at the end to collect the Mass programs so we don't leave a mess behind us.; 4) to take up the collection; 5) Lectors for 1<sup>st</sup> reading, 2<sup>nd</sup> reading, Prayer of the Faithful.**

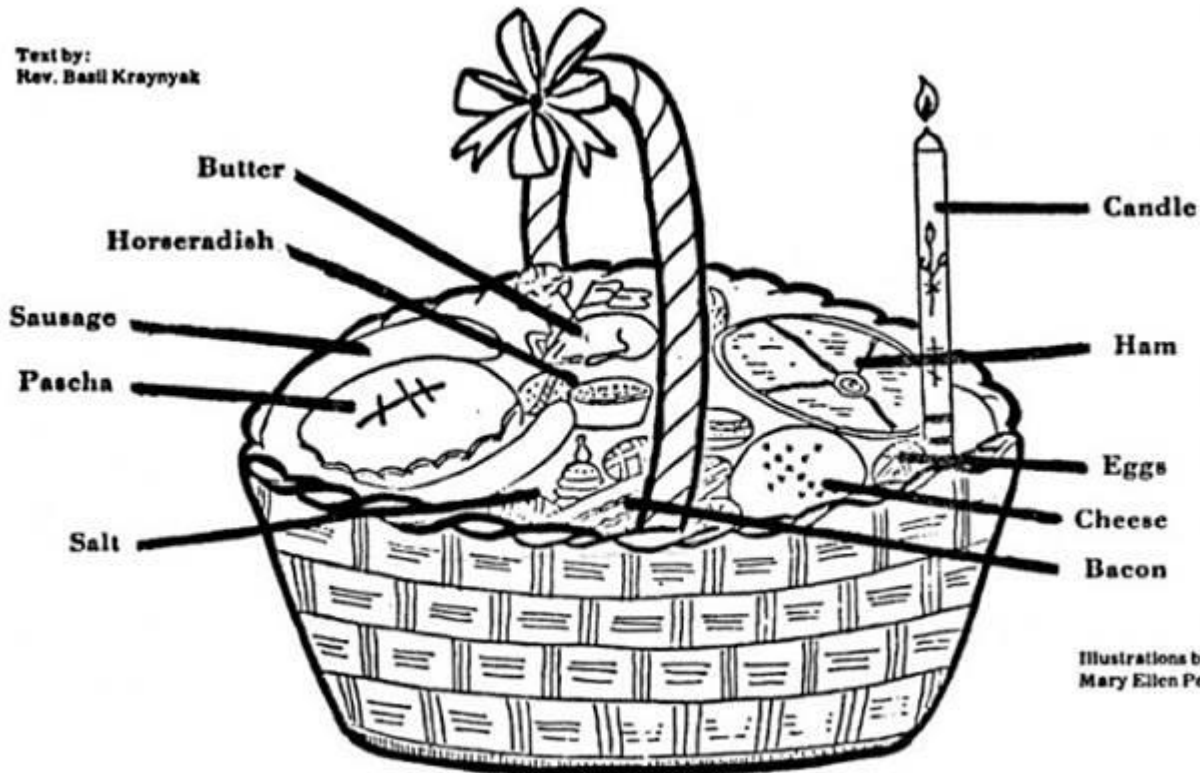
**GOOD FRIDAY – 1) To help pass out and collect programs before and after the service; 2) to take up the collection; 3) Lectors for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, Prayer of the Faithful**

**HOLY SATURDAY – 1) to help pass out candles and Mass programs as people arrive; 2) to help share the light when the candles are re-lit for the renewal of Baptismal vows; 3) We need 4 (Four) Lectors for readings and another for the Prayer of the Faithful**

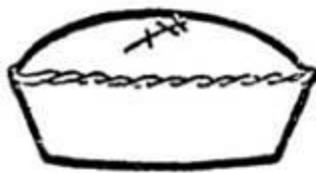
**If you are going to be present and would like to assist in these service, please contact Fr. John.**

# How to Put Together a Traditional Easter Basket

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Mary Ellen Petro

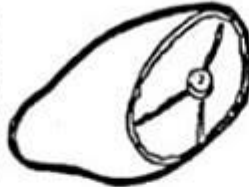


**PASCHA** - The Easter Bread (pron. pá-aka.) A sweet, yeast bread rich in eggs, butter, etc. Symbolic of Christ Himself who is our True Bread. Usually a round loaf baked with a golden crust decorated with a symbol indicative of Christ. Sometimes a cross (+) of dough is placed on top encircled by a plait giving it a crowned effect or Greek abbreviation for the name of Christ. The letters XB indicate the Slavonic for Christ is Risen.

**CHEESE** (Slav. Hrudka or Sirets pron. hrood-ka or sí-rets) A custard-type cheese shaped into a ball having a rather bland but sweet taste indicative of the moderation that Christians should have in all things. Also, creamed cheese is placed in a small dish and both are decorated with symbols (see Pascha) out of cloves or pepper balls.

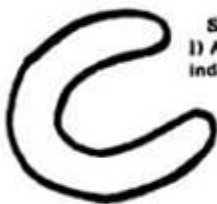


**HAM** (Slav. Šunka - pron. shoon-ka.) The flesh meat popular with the Slavs as the main dish because of its richness and symbolic of the great joy and abundance of Easter. Some may prefer Lamb or Veal. This is usually well roasted or cooked as well as other meats so that the festivity of the day will not be burdened with preparation and all may enjoy the Feast.



**BUTTER** (Slav. Maslo pron. ma-slo) This favorite dairy product is shaped into a figure of a Lamb or small cross and decorated as the cheese. This reminds us of the goodness of Christ that we should have toward all things.

**BACON** (Slav. Štanina pron. sha-ni-na) A piece of uncooked bacon cured with spices. Symbolic of the overabundance of God's mercy to us.



**SAUSAGE** (SLAV. Kolbasi - pron. kol-bu-ši) A spicy, garlicky sausage of pork products. Indicative of God's favor and generosity.

**EGGS** (Slav. Pisanki pron. pi-sún-ki) Hard-boiled eggs brightly decorated with symbols and markings made with beeswax. Indicative of new life and resurrection.



**SALT** (Slav. Sol' pron. sol') A condiment necessary for flavor reminding the Christian of his duty to others.



**HORSERADISH** (Slav. Chrin pron. khrin) Horseradish mixed with grated red beets. Symbolic of the Passion of Christ still in our minds but sweetened with some sugar because of the Resurrection. A bitter-sweet red colored mixture reminds us of the sufferings of Christ.

These articles are placed in a wicker basket and a ribbon or bow is tied to the handle. A decorated candle is placed in the basket and is lit at the time of blessing. A linen cover usually embroidered with a picture of the Risen Christ or symbol with the words "Christ is Risen" is placed over the food when brought to the Church.

In some places a large Easter Bread (Pascha) is made and brought separately in a large linen cloth. If the origin of the people was from a wine growing area, a sweet wine may be brought.

