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April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday
1970 Calendar

Palm Sunday
1962 Calendar

St. Birgitta Catholic Church



Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
8:30am - 12:00noon, 1:00pm - 5:00pm
Closed Tuesdays
11820 NW St. Helens Rd, Portland, OR 97231
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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am

Sunday: 9:30am
(Traditional Latin Mass)

Daily Mass Schedule
(in Our Lady of Sinj Chapel)

Monday - Friday (except
Thursdays): 8:30am
Thursdays: 4:00pm

Saturdays: 8:30am
(Traditional Latin Mass)
First Fridays: 7:00pm
(Traditional Latin Mass)

Confessions

One half hour before each
weekend Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

After Thursday Mass
and Friday morning Mass

Mass Intentions: Apr 4 - Apr 12

- 4 Sat: 8:30am +Annette Wycker
- 4 Sat: 5:00pm Joseph Ivezic
- 5 Sun: 8:00am +Bertha Cochran
- 5 Sun: 9:30am St. Birgitta Parishioners
- 6 Mon: 8:30am +Maritza Villezan
- 7 Tue: 8:30am +Lois Meck
- 8 Wed: 8:30pm +Lois Meck
- 9 Thu: 4:00pm Monica Akin
- 10 Fri: 8:30am Good Friday
- 11 Sat: 5:00pm Easter Vigil
- 12 Sun: 8:00am St. Birgitta Parihioners
- 12 Sun: 9:30am Emily Kosel

Collections	
Collection for Mar 29	\$2,355.00
Goal	\$2,283.00
Over	\$72.00
Maintenance	\$450.00
Thank you for your generosity!	

Mass Readings for the Week - Novus Ordo
<http://www.usccb.org/bible/>

- 6 Mon: Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11
- 7 Tue: Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- 8 Wed: Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25
- 9 Thu: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
- 10 Fri: Good Friday
- 11 Sat: Holy Saturday
- 12 Sun: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

Prayer in times of pestilence

Stella caeli extirpavit
 Quae lactavit Dominum
 Mortis pestem quam plantavit
 Primus parens hominum.
 Ipsa Stella nunc dignetur
 Sidera compescere,
 Quorum bella plebem caedunt
 Dirae mortis ulcere.
 O gloriosa Stella Maris
 A peste succurre nobis;
 Audi nos, nam te Filius
 Nihil negans honorat.
 Salva nos Jesu pro quibus
 Virgo mater te orat!

The Star of Heaven that nourished the Lord drove away the plague of death which the first parents of man brought into the world. May this bright Star now vouchsafe to extinguish that foul constellation whose battles have slain the people with the wound of death.

O most pious Star of the Sea, preserve us from pestilence; hear us, O Lady, for Thy Son honors Thee by denying Thee nothing. Save us, O Jesus, for whom Thy Virgin Mother supplicates Thee.

<i>Mass Readings for the Week - Traditional Latin Mass</i>	
http://www.extraordinaryform.org/	
6 Mon:	Isaiah 50:5-10; John 12:1-9
7 Tue:	Jeremiah 11:18-20; Mark 14:32-72; 15:1-46
8 Wed:	Isaiah 63:1-7; Isaiah 53:1-12; Luke 22: 39-71; 23: 1-5
9 Thu:	1 Corinthians 11:20-32; John 13:1-15
10 Fri:	Osee 6:1-6; John 18:1-40; 19:1-42
11 Sat:	Holy Saturday
12 Sun:	1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Mark 16:1- 7

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I hope that everyone has had a good week. This week I wanted to write to you all about some good ways we can deepen our relationship with God during this pandemic. Before that, though, I wanted to let you all know what is going on this weekend at the church.

This Sunday we are going to have a similar schedule as last week, but with a few minor changes. We will still have Adoration from 9:00am to 11:00am, but I'm adding another half hour for confessions. Confessions will take place from 9:30am to 11:00am. As usual, if you want to go to confession the volunteers will direct you when to enter the church. We will then have the procession as usual at 11:00am (weather permitting). We will also be distributing palms for those who come between 9:00am and 11:00am. Please be patient since we may start Adoration a few minutes late since we will be preparing the palms for distribution. We will give them to everyone who is present when Adoration begins, and we will give them to people who pull in after. Just roll down your window a crack when the volunteers approach and let them know how many you would like.

I know that it has been difficult not being able to come to the Holy Mass. Of course, I have been celebrating Mass everyday privately, for the stated intention of the Mass but also remembering all of you and your intentions. I have little doubt that what is happening is of prophetic significance. Nothing like this has ever happened on this scale in the history of the Church. Up to the fourth century many Catholics had to celebrate the Mass in secret, but they were often able to come, even if it was risky. At times certain countries were placed under interdict, which meant that the certain sacraments were not permitted. This happened, for example, in England between 1208 and 1213 because King John would not accept the pope's appointee for Archbishop of Canterbury. There were also times when churches closed during a plague. For example, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher was closed in 1349 due to the Black Plague. But the cessation of public Masses throughout Christendom has never happened on this scale. So what are we to do in a time such as this?

Prayer should play a central role in our lives, whether we find ourselves in a pandemic or not. Being stuck at home you may find that the hours and days all run together and that it is easy to forget to utilize the time that you have. I would recommend setting aside a set time – in the morning is probably best – that is dedicated to prayer. I recommend starting with a half an hour, and then when that becomes habitual begin working up to an hour or beyond. We should be praying the Rosary every day, ideally as a family. Offer your prayers up in particular in atonement for sins and for the conversion of sinners. While the numbers of dead from the coronavirus are rising at an alarming rate, don't forget that each day there are around 153,000 abortions in the world, including over 2,000 in the U.S. alone. So far this year (since January 1st) there have been over ten million abortions in the world. These and so many other sins cry out for justice from heaven and so we, the Church, must pray fervently to obtain God's mercy. Pray that during this time – when people have been cut off from so many forms of worldly distraction – they may turn their minds and hearts to things that are eternal. This could be a time of great conversion, but we must petition our Heavenly Father and offer up prayers and sacrifices.

We can also read the readings for each day's Mass. These are printed in the bulletin, which is available online, but there are other good sources online as well. We can even pray certain parts of the Mass – the psalms and tracts, for example. We can prayerfully watch a livestreamed Mass online. I've put some links to these on our parish website.

Now is also a good time for spiritual reading. Of course, there is the Holy Bible, with which we would always do well to become more acquainted. If you are interested in the recordings of my Bible Study talks, let me know and I can send them to you. There are also any number of good classic spiritual works – or even other great works of literature – that we can console ourselves with in this difficult time. In addition to reading there are a great many spiritual conferences and podcasts available online. Next week if you like I can even put some specific recommendations here in the bulletin.

While this lockdown is unprecedented in history, it has come at a time when we have access to many useful resources available right in our own homes. In this midst of affliction, God has extended to us opportunities for consolation and growth.

I pray that everyone is doing well. As always, feel free to contact me. May God bless you all during this Holy Week as we accompany Our Lord through His Passion and Death offered up in mercy for the sins of mankind.

Yours in Christ,
 Fr. Clifton