

Grace Notes

Newsletter of Grace Episcopal Church, Alexandria, Virginia

Rector's Reflections

Three Days

Three days changed my life forever. Early on February 10th, I fell and seriously injured my neck. I had surgery later that day. The next day, as I recovered, the doctors considered several options for further treatment. On the third day, I had another operation to put my head in a secure brace (a "halo") to assist in the healing process.

Three days seem to go by quickly, but those were three very long days for me, my family and those who shared the experience with us. I hope in years to come to observe this anniversary with prayers of thanksgiving, always remembering the grace I received from so many who cared for me.

Each year the Church gives us three very special days to remember, give thanks and celebrate Our Lord's Passion and Glory. The "Sacred Three Days" (in Latin, *Triduum Sacrum*) are the three holiest days of the year for Christians. They conclude Lent and Holy Week: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Eve / Holy Saturday.

The liturgies on these three days are rich and dramatic, climaxing with the Great Vigil of Easter on Saturday night, when Bishop Gulick will preside, preach and lead the Renewal of Baptismal Vows, including Confirmation.

In 25 years, I have only been away from Grace Church once during these sacred days. I took a six month sabbatical in 1995 and spent Holy Week through the Great Vigil at the Monastery of the Society of St. John the Evangelist in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

I'm not certain how I will observe the *Triduum Sacrum* this year. Obviously I won't be preaching or presiding at the liturgies. I would expect to be in the church participating and worshipping, but I can't be sure as I write.

But I can be sure that our parish will celebrate the holiest days of the year with the "beauty of holiness" we expect at Grace Church. Our clergy, our music director, our choirs, our lay eucharistic ministers, our altar guild and acolytes, our ushers, our lectors, and all involved in leading our worship will help us share Christ's Passion and Glory with all who attend the liturgies.

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Worship Schedule

Sunday Schedule

Holy Eucharist Rite I..... 7:30 am
Child Care..... 8:45 am–12:45 pm
Children’s Chapel..... 8:50 am-9:30 am
La Santa Eucaristía..... 9:00 am
Choral Eucharist Rite II..... 9:00 am
Christian Ed classes 10:15 am
Choral Eucharist Rite I..... 11:15 am
Holy Eucharist Rite II 5:00 pm

Lenten Weekday Schedule thru April 11

Mondays, Rite II..... 6:30 pm
Tuesdays
Confessions..... 5:45–6:15 pm
Rite II with healing 6:30 pm
Wednesdays, Rite I..... 7:00 am
Thursdays Rite II 12:15 pm
Fridays
Confessions..... 11:30 am to noon
Stations of the Cross
with Rite I 12:15 pm

See the Easter schedule (page 11) for
April 14-19.

Weekday Schedule starting April 21

Tuesdays
Rite II with healing..... 6:30 pm
Wednesdays, Rite I..... 7:00 am
Thursdays Rite II *..... 12:15 pm
*Alternating Rite I and Rite II weekly

About Grace Notes

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From the Assistant to the Rector

Christ is risen! The tomb is empty! This is the joy that we carry into the world as an Easter People. However, each year we have a season in which we remind ourselves of the sacrifice Jesus Christ made on our behalf, his victory over sin and death. One of the greatest observances in our Anglican Tradition is the celebration of Holy Week. We begin with the joyous procession of Palm Sunday, welcoming our king, Jesus, to Jerusalem. In his *Commentary on the American Prayer Book*, Marion Hatchett recounts that there is historical evidence of “a special observance of Palm Sunday in Jerusalem about 381-384” where they waved palms and sang, “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” (pp.223-4) In the earliest lectionaries, the Palm Sunday service, which begins with such happiness, ends with the reading of the Passion Narrative. We continue the same tradition. We join in the crowds condemning Jesus to death. It is meant to shock us and to remind us of our responsibility for our sins.

We carry the burden of our sins and our part in Jesus’ crucifixion from Palm Sunday through to Holy Saturday. For me, it informs each service through Holy Week. I especially am touched by Jesus’ loving kindness and the attitude of a servant he takes for his disciples as he knelt to wash their feet at the Last Supper, which we mark on Maundy Thursday. Washing another’s feet is problematic in our culture. It is not unusual to hear someone speak of their squeamishness for the Maundy Thursday liturgy. The word *Maundy* comes from *mandatum*, Latin for “commandment.” After washing the disciples’ feet Jesus said, “I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” (John 13:34-35.) We reenact this scene in our liturgy because Jesus said, “If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.” (vv. 14-15.) We must do it precisely because it is disturbing and humbling!

Good Friday is a day of reflection and meditation on the cross and what it means to the world and to each one of us personally that Christ *suffered* death for us. It actually begins after the Maundy Thursday service, as people take turns staying awake and praying through the hours of the night and into the next morning with Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane. Jesus asked Simon Peter, “Could you not keep awake one hour?” (Mark 14:37b) Each year we answer as a community, “Yes!” On Friday at midday we pause to hear reflections from the parish on each of the fourteen *Stations of the Cross*. We hear the Passion Narrative again, as we did on Palm Sunday. We do not celebrate Eucharist. Life slows down and we experience the agony of Jesus, his mother Mary and his friends, as he dies.

These celebrations are all tied to ancient traditions of Christianity. Each step of Holy Week ties us to the Church throughout the world as we recommit to our faith and as we remember Jesus’ sacrifice. But it isn’t the end of the story. That is what we celebrate at the Easter Vigil.

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Please plan to be with us April 17-19. If it is your practice to attend on Sundays only, put these days into your schedule now. These three days should go by slowly. Even if you can't get to church, find some time for your own reading, reflection and prayer. The liturgies are all in the *Book of Common Prayer*.

These holy days also give us a wonderful opportunity for mission, outreach and evangelism. Invite someone you know who doesn't have an active faith community to come with you to Grace.

The Sacred Three Days can change lives. They changed the world forever.

Grace, Peace, Love
The Rev. Robert H. Malm

"Now the green blade riseth"



As I sit and write on the first day of spring, I am hopeful that by the time this issue of Grace Notes comes out it may, truly, feel like spring has begun. And so I am beginning to think about spring, and growing things, and one of my favorite Easter hymns. Hymn 204—"Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain"—has been one of my all-time favorite hymns since I learned it in youth choir.

In this time of year, when we see the world turning green again, our eyes are constantly reminded of resurrection. Plants and trees that have seemed dead for so long are returning to glorious, abundant life. And so as we draw near to Easter we have the whole world helping to turn our minds toward the joy and abundance of the new life that Jesus returned with and offers to us.

And as we prepare to celebrate that at Easter, I have been thinking about how the natural world offers us a metaphor for our own preparation. The Christian tradition, from Jesus to Teresa of Avila and many others is full of descriptions of our souls as gardens. Christ offers us the Parable of the Sower to help us reflect on what the soil of our own hearts and souls is like. Is it deep, or shallow? Crowded with weeds? Dried up like a path? Or soft and rich and ready for seeds to be planted and fruit to grow?

In this season where, perhaps, we are actually preparing soil around our homes to nurture and provide a home for plants, we can take some time as well to think about what might soften and nourish our own hearts to bear fruit for Christ and for His world. Perhaps we might turn back to a Lenten discipline with renewed energy as we hit the half-way point of Lent. Perhaps we might take moments to re-center our thoughts on God and on His love as we go about our daily tasks. Perhaps we might set aside moments of prayer, or wordless moments of enjoying the natural world God is bringing back to life (that is prayer, too).

Seeds of faith, and hope, and love have, in fact, already been planted in us. In baptism, in the words of Jesus that we have been taught, in our very natures, fashioned in the image of God, which prepare us to recognize God's presence and love in us and the people around us. Take a moment to delight in that, and be refreshed. As Hymn 204 says, God's constant presence and touch can call our hearts "back to life again."

In Christ,
The Rev. Elizabeth Locher

Music at Grace

Drama is the essence of Holy Week. It's not a superficial drama but rather a deep, truthful reliving of events that happened many, many years ago in Palestine. While our chronological time doesn't easily accommodate this "re-presenting" of events over 2,000 years later, liturgically speaking we are indeed participating in the very events of Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection—the events of our salvation. In *kairos* time, or God's time, the year 33 AD in Palestine or thereabouts is the same as 2014 in Alexandria, Virginia. Therefore, at the Great Vigil of Easter—as in the ancient Passover liturgy—the words of the beautiful Exsultet sum it up: "*This is the night . . .*"

During Holy Week, I'm always reminded of how much music can enhance the drama of the liturgies, especially the Triduum Sacrum of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Some of the best musical repertoire has been composed for Holy Week, and the choir will be singing some of this in a few weeks. You will have noted that the organ is used rather sparingly during Lent. Likewise, on Maundy Thursday, after the final congregational hymn, the organ is silenced. One choir member, who sits near the organ, loves the sound of the click when the organ is turned off, only to be fired up again at the First Eucharist of Easter on Holy Saturday, with another less somber and more anticipatory click. There is a reason for doing this: drama. The starkness of Good Friday without any organ accompaniment is extremely effective, and it lives into an ancient Church tradition of not having instrumental music on Good Friday. Moreover, this year, Fr. Malm and I have discussed having more choral music on Good Friday. As one of the three most important days of the liturgical year, I feel that more musical emphasis should be placed on this day. Therefore, members of the choir will sing an anthem, as well as the ancient Reproaches during Veneration of the Cross. When Easter Day arrives, we will celebrate the full glory of the Resurrection with brass, choir, organ, and timpani.

I never cease to become ecstatic during the drama of Holy Week. The sense of time that is required to understand it helps elucidate other aspects of my faith. The Eucharist as a re-presenting of Jesus' Body and Blood for us make sense in *kairos* time. In closing, I draw your attention to one of the most moving of the African-American spirituals: *Were you there?* Years ago, I heard a professor say that he didn't like that spiritual because of the words; in his estimation, "No; I wasn't there." I couldn't disagree more. On Good Friday, when we relive Jesus' passion and death on the cross, we are indeed there. That's the beauty of Holy Week.

*Kyle Babin
Director of Music*

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We begin that Saturday evening in darkness, but the light will grow until we break out in trumpets and loud voices singing "alleluia!". As C.S. Lewis wrote in his children's novel, *The Last Battle*, "And for us this is the end of all the stories, and we can most truly say that they all lived happily ever after. But for them it was only the beginning of the real story." The tomb that is empty is the end of the story, which is also the beginning of the story. The resurrected Christ is the beginning of eternal life, the "real story."

I look forward to Holy Week and Easter with each of you!

*In Christ,
The Rev. Leslie Nuñez Steffensen*

Financial Aid Fundraiser for Grace Episcopal School

Spring is here and that means that it is time for the School's annual fundraising drive for the Financial Aid program. Last year, parishioners were very, very generous with their donations. Please remember to support Grace School's important outreach efforts by contributing to this program, which benefits students and families under financial constraints. Your donations were so helpful to our financial aid program last year and made it possible for 12 children to receive aid and attend the school. Interest in financial assistance is ever-growing, but the funds are never sufficient.

Thank you to all who have so generously donated in the past and to those who continue to participate in this effort. Information about donating will arrive to you by mail soon. If we miss you, however, you can simply send donations to the school office, payable to Grace Episcopal School, with the notation in the memo line, "Spring Program/Financial Aid." You may also use the online method of donating by visiting the Grace Episcopal School website (www.graceschoolalex.org), click on the tab "Giving," and follow the prompts for giving to the Spring Performance to Benefit Financial Aid.

In addition to an outright donation, you can take out an "ad" in our Spring Program brochure that is available to the audience on the day of the performance. Please call the office for "ad" prices or pick up a flyer on the desk outside the school office with the information.

I extend a special invitation to all parishioners to join us for chapel and the Grandparents and Special Friends Tea on May 16, starting with chapel at 9:00 am. The Tea follows the service in the new narthex. The students perform for the Grandparents, special friends and parents after the tea in the auditorium.



You've heard of "Tom the Turkey" being constructed at Thanksgiving. For an Easter activity, on April 17, the School families are asked to donate items to create "Bountiful Bunny." All items of cereal and canned goods benefit the Grace Church food pantry. If you'd like to watch the "Bountiful Bunny" being can-structed, stop by Merrow Auditorium that morning. Look for a photo of the "Bountiful Bunny" in next month's newsletter.

*Chris Stegmaier Byrnes
Head of School*

From the Parish Register

Confirmed communicant

✚ Jeremy Whelpley, per evidence of confirmation

Deaths

✚ Surinder Khanna, husband of Vylma Khanna

✚ Mildred Lewis, wife of Ralph Lewis

Lent, Holy Week, and Easter for Children and Families

Mite Boxes

Mite boxes to collect alms for Episcopal Relief and Development were given to children during Sunday School and will be collected on the **Sunday after Easter**.

Lent Devotionals

Daily devotional booklets for all ages may be found throughout the church.

For children and families:

“Creation to Salvation: A Family Walk through Lent.”

For youth and adults:

“Renew a Right Spirit Within Me,” from the Living Compass Ministry.

“A Clean Heart Create in Me,” daily readings from C.S. Lewis.

Monday Night Lenten Series – Mondays, March 10 - April 7, 6:30-8:30 pm

After supper, children are invited to a movie series and parents and youth are invited to a speaker series reflecting on the Mission of the Church.

6:30 pm: Holy Eucharist – Nave

7:15 pm: Simple Supper – Merrow Hall Auditorium, 3rd floor

7:45-8:30 pm: Speaker – Merrow Hall Auditorium, 3rd floor

Children’s Program – St. John Room, 3rd floor

please note that there is no nursery care scheduled for these evenings

Palm Sunday Craft Day – April 13, 10:15 am - no Sunday School

Enjoy an intergenerational day of Christian formation with crafts including palm crosses, donkey puppets, coloring, cross decorating, and more!

Children and families are welcome at all Holy Week services.

Good Friday Children’s Service – April 18, 5 pm

This is a special Holy Week service designed specifically for children. It will walk through the events of Holy Week, from a Palm Sunday procession, through foot washing and Stations of the Cross.

Easter Egg Hunt – Sunday, April 20, 10:15 am – no Sunday School

Celebrate Easter with an Easter Egg hunt sponsored by Grace Church youth!

A Lenten Quiet Day with Bishop Gulick: April 12

Come prepare for Holy Week as Bishop Ted Gulick leads us through a day of retreat, prayer, and contemplation of the cross of Jesus Christ. The quiet day will take place here at Grace Church from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm and is free to all Grace parishioners and friends. A light breakfast and a simple lunch will be provided.

Please help us prepare by signing up at <http://bit.ly/graceretreat> or calling the church office. If you're interested in child care during the retreat, please contact Mother Elizabeth at family.ministries@gracealex.org about possible arrangements.

—Teresa Preston



Carpenter Shelter Seeking Community Involvement

What if we all gave on one day? Spring2ACTion is a 24-hour online event that encourages everyone to contribute to Alexandria's nonprofit organizations on April 9. You can also make your donation now and it will automatically process on April 9. Please consider making Carpenter's Shelter your charity of choice by donating to our fundraising page, <http://spring2action.razoo.com/story/Carpentersshelter>.

People who support Carpenter's Shelter and our mission are invited to join us for Free Cone Day on Tuesday, April 8, at two Ben and Jerry's locations. We will be at the Old Town and National Harbor locations. Come say hello and enjoy a free ice cream cone.

For more information, please visit www.carpentersshelter.org.

Carpenter's Cook-Off Event is the Shelter's biggest event of the year. Join us on Sunday, April 27, at The Birchmere for tasty food, music, auctions and community socializing. Tickets and other information are available now at www.carpenterscookoff.com

Grace Church is:

A center for worship and fellowship

A school for discipleship and stewardship

A community for healing and outreach

The Donkey

By [G. K. Chesterton](#) 1874–1936

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.

June Huber
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8th Grade Diocesan Shrine Mont Retreat— May 16–18

The Diocese of Virginia is hosting its annual 8th grade retreat weekend at Shrine Mont this May from **Friday, May 16 to Sunday, May 18**. Registration is now open. Registration is \$150 per student and scholarships are available. Anyone looking for a scholarship may contact Mother Elizabeth at family.ministries@gracealex.org. We are also looking for adult chaperones to join the group. Please contact Mother Elizabeth if you are interested.

Registration forms can be found on the Diocese of Virginia's Parish Youth Ministries blog: <http://diovayouth.wordpress.com/forms-and-brochures/>. Registration forms should be passed along to Mother Elizabeth.

From the Library

Pontius Pilate was a member of the equestrian order—the Roman middle class. His goal in life was to be remembered by Rome for his distinguished service as a civil administrator. Surprisingly, although merely the former prefect of a relatively insignificant foreign province, his name would eventually become the most familiar name in all of Roman history. *Pontius Pilate* by Paul Maier [FIC MAI] places the biblical events of two millennia ago into the context of the turbulent politics of both Rome and Judea. This book is a fascinating retelling of Jesus' ministry and the birth of Christianity from the perspective of the Romans.

We have biographies of over ninety people—including many biblical and/or historical persons. Check out the listings in the *Looking For Something to Read?* binder in the library.

Ex Libris

Have you ever considered becoming a volunteer hospital chaplain?



Rev. Patricia Dickson, the Director of the Department of Pastoral Care at Inova Alexandria Hospital, is looking for a few special people who would like to become hospital chaplains. Our outstanding team of volunteers provides multi-faith spiritual care and support to patients, families, and staff members, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The work we do is challenging, deeply rewarding, and very meaningful to those whom we serve.

Have you had life experience and/or courses you've taken that you feel may qualify you for this volunteer position? Do you have training and/or experience in Pastoral Care, such as Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE), Stephen Ministry, or training as a lay pastoral visitor (e.g. a LEM taking communion to others)? Are you a clergy person? Do you come from a helping profession such as nursing or social work? We are looking for mature, spiritually grounded people who:

- have a genuine desire to help others;
- are excellent listeners;
- can remain calm and function well in stressful situations;
- have a gentle demeanor;
- are able to work with death and dying;
- can embrace an “interfaith” approach without proselytizing;
- love to work as a team, enjoy a spiritual community, have a good sense of humor; and
- are dedicated and reliable.

The commitment is to one day or evening shift of no less than 4 hours per week and one overnight per month. We provide orientation, training, ongoing education, and personal support.

Interested? Please call Rev. Patricia Dickson at: [703-504-3809](tel:703-504-3809) or via email: patricia.dickson@inova.org.

Vacation Bible School – Registration Opens April 2!

Online registration for Vacation Bible School (VBS) will begin on Wednesday, April 2 on the Grace Church website: www.gracealex.org. Grace Church will be hosting VBS with Christ Church in Old Town Alexandria. VBS will run June 23-27, 2014 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon at Christ Church for 3 year-olds through 5th graders. The theme this year is *Wilderness Escape: Where God Guides & Provides*. Youth currently in 6-12th grade can register to be volunteer counselors. Join the fun and volunteer! Adult volunteers can also sign up by using the same registration link. Cost is \$50 for church and Grace School members, \$60 for non-members, and \$10 for youth counselors. Contact Mary Beth Abplanalp at mabplanalp@ccalex.org if make-up snow days conflict with VBS. Questions? Contact Mother Elizabeth at family.ministries@gracealex.org.

April Birthdays

4/1	Joseph Madigan	4/17	Mary Wallace
4/1	John Metz Jr.	4/18	Emma Causey
4/1	Bernie Schroeder	4/18	Brian Foucart
4/2	Page Tazewell	4/19	Alexandra Barr
4/3	Sean Kelly	4/19	Maggie Corlett
4/3	Nancy Lorentz	4/19	Caroline Horwitz
4/5	Jennifer Chriss	4/19	Lindsey Malm
4/5	David Glazier	4/20	Sasha Karamyshev
4/5	Lynette Kamakura	4/21	Nora Henderson
4/5	Christopher Koelbl Jr.	4/21	Barbara Morris
4/6	Rachel Crabtree	4/21	Kathryn Smith
4/6	Cammie Griffin	4/21	Michelle Thissell
4/6	Mary Ann Ryan	4/21	June Ward
4/6	Conway Zeigler	4/21	Davis West
4/7	Phil Hickok	4/22	Bibi Hatim
4/7	Kendall Metz	4/22	Miguel Ortiz
4/7	Eric Waskowicz	4/22	Amelia Pattarini
4/8	Barbara Ebersole	4/22	Ashton Summers
4/8	Brittany Murchison	4/23	Adam Doelp
4/9	Savannah Hall	4/24	Peter Iovino
4/9	Fred Saalfeld	4/24	Keller Smith
4/10	Jenny Cline	4/25	Evan Dobbs
4/10	Franklin Reuther	4/26	Gabriella Falcon
4/10	Mary Stewart	4/26	Jonathan Lewallen
4/11	William Gillette	4/26	Ellen Rugaber
4/11	Bailey Griffin	4/26	Beth Wiggers
4/11	Ana Sosa	4/27	David Ebersole
4/13	Key Butcher	4/27	Reagan Spitzer
4/14	Whitney Bruch	4/28	William Martin
4/14	Alex Cline	4/28	Avery Meeks
4/14	April Everett	4/28	Donna Plunkett
4/15	Yasmin Hernandez	4/28	Richard Smith
4/15	Gary Warner	4/29	Mary Barnes
4/16	Lisa Bellantoni	4/29	Suzi Pease
4/16	Khacki Berry	4/30	Victoria Howard
4/17	Duncan Carlson-	4/30	Dick Rogers
	Bancroft	4/30	Henry Steffensen
4/17	Molly Sim		



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 - Mai-Lan SmithEvangelism
 - Kemp Williams Register
- Class of 2015
- Eric Bonetti Jr. Warden
 - Lisa Medley..... Youth
 - Barbara Read..... Pastoral Care
 - Mary Ann Ryan..... Outreach
 - Eric Waskowicz Education

- Class of 2016
- Jeffrey Chiow Fellowship
 - Lina Dobbs..... Communications, La Gracia
 - Bill Eckel..... Treasurer
 - Bill Malone Stewardship
 - Easter Thompson..... Worship

- Alternate
- Leo Ribeiro School Board, TNT

- Non-Vestry Coordinators
- Eugene Alford Stewardship
 - Gary Carter..... Fellowship
 - Mickey Craven Education
 - Chad Eckles..... Worship
 - Kristine Hesse Communications
 - Rich Kelly Youth
 - Cindy MacIntyre Evangelism
 - Andrea Santos TNT
 - Mike Smith..... Pastoral Care
 - Tania Wilkes Outreach

Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter 2014

Palm Sunday, April 13

All Palm Sunday liturgies include the blessing and distribution of palms.

- 7:30 AM..... Holy Eucharist and dramatic reading of the Passion according to St. Luke
- 9:00 AM..... Choral Eucharist with procession and dramatic reading of the Passion
- 9:00 AM..... Liturgia de las Palmas (la Misa empezará afuera)
- 10:15 AM..... Intergenerational Event (make palm crosses, butterflies and other symbols)
- 11:15 AM..... Choral Eucharist with procession and dramatic reading of the Passion
- 5:00 PM..... Holy Eucharist and dramatic reading of the Passion



Monday, April 14

- 6:30 PM..... Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, April 15

- 6:30 PM..... Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, April 16

- 7:00 AM..... Holy Eucharist
- 7:30 PM..... Choral Tenebrae



Maundy Thursday, April 17

- 12:15 PM..... Holy Eucharist
- 7:00 PM..... Misa con lavamiento de pies
- 7:30 PM..... Liturgy of the Day, foot washing, procession to the Altar of Repose, stripping of the altar, Prayer Watch (continues all night).

Good Friday, April 18

- 6:30 AM..... Liturgy of the Day with dramatic reading of the Passion according to St. John and Communion from the Reserved Sacrament
- 12:00 NOON..... The Stations of the Cross
Child care will be available in the nursery from 11:50 AM to 3:15 PM.
- 1:00 PM..... Silence
- 1:30 PM..... Liturgy of the Day with dramatic reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Communion from the Reserved Sacrament
- 3:00 PM..... Concluding Prayers
- 5:00 PM..... Children's Service
- 6:00 PM..... Misa y Vía Crucis
- 7:30 PM..... Tenebrae



Holy Saturday, April 19

- 9:00 AM..... Morning Prayer
- 8:00 PM..... The Great Vigil of Easter
with service of light, lessons and collects, Holy Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist,
The Rt. Rev. Edwin F. (Ted) Gulick, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, Celebrant and Preacher.
The service will be followed by a parish Agapé celebration in the Auditorium.
Child care will not be available this evening.

Easter Day, April 20

- Festive Coffee Hour after each morning liturgy
- 7:30 AM..... Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 AM..... Festival Eucharist with brass, choir, organ and timpani
- 9:00 AM..... Misa y celebración
- 10:15 AM..... Easter Egg Hunt
- 11:15 AM..... Festival Eucharist with brass, choir, organ and timpani
- 5:00 PM..... Holy Eucharist



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