

Dear Friends,

Our schedule for Holy Week this year is a little different than in recent years. We are attempting to capture the essential unity of the observances of the week and, in the process, focus many of our musical resources toward Easter.

On Palm Sunday we will make the Liturgy of the Palms something of an entrance rite concluding with a procession to "All Glory, Laud and Honor". That service will end with the *Pange Lingua* and "Sing My Tongue the Glorious Battle," lights low, no dismissal and a silent procession out, not including the cross, in a sense leaving us to begin the "contemplation of those mighty acts" right then and there.

We will continue with early morning services in the chancel at 7:30 a.m. each day. On Maundy Thursday a family service at 6 p.m. will include foot washing for those who desire to participate. Dinner for the entire parish community follows at 6:45 p.m. Our later services, one in English and one in Spanish, both at 7:30 p.m., will focus more on the institution of the Eucharist and will end with the stripping of the altar while the choir sings the 22nd psalm and a procession to the Bishop's Garden where both congregations will have concluding prayers together.

The Proper Liturgy for Good Friday will be offered early that morning with a Three Hour observance from noon to three. This will be constructed as six thirty-minute services so that those who wish can come and go. The Passion Gospel will be read over that time with music, meditations and silence in each section. The Proper Liturgy will also be offered in Spanish at 7:30 p.m.

The very brief service of prayer appointed for Holy Saturday will take place at 10 a.m. in the columbarium as we stand watching at the tomb. There will be no service that evening.

Easter Morning will begin with new fire in the darkness at 6:00 a.m., the *exsultet*, the Easter Vigil and then, around the time the sun rises, the Easter Acclamation and first Festal Eucharist of the day. Additional services follow at 9:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. in English and at 11 a.m. in Spanish on the first of the fifty days of the season. I hope you will join in worship as often as you are able.

Geoffrey

2017 HOLY WEEK AND EASTER



AT ST. ALBAN'S

Palm Sunday - April 9

- Holy Eucharist with the Liturgy of the Palms: 7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (in Spanish), 11:30 a.m.
- Café St. Alban's from 8:45 to 11:30 a.m.
- Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.

Holy Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday – April 10, 11, & 12

• Holy Eucharist, 7:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday – April 13

- Holy Eucharist, 7:30 a.m.
- Maundy Thursday Liturgy for families, 6:00 p.m.
- Maundy Thursday Dinner, 6:45 p.m.
- Maundy Thursday Liturgy, 7:30 p.m.
- Maundy Thursday Liturgy, 7:30 p.m., in Spanish

Good Friday - April 14

- Good Friday Liturgy, 7:30 a.m.
- The Three Hours, 12:00 p.m.
- Good Friday Liturgy, 7:30 p.m., in Spanish

Holy Saturday- April 15

• Holy Saturday Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday – April 16

- Easter Vigil and 1st Eucharist of Easter, 6:00 a.m.
- Festival Worship: 9:15 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (in Spanish), and 11:30 a.m.
- Easter Egg Hunt, 10:30 a.m. (No Sunday School)