Parish of the Good Shepherd 1671 Beacon Street Waban, Massachusetts 02468

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Holy Week at Good Shepherd

Sunday of the Passion/Palm Sunday – April 1

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
by of the Palms Procession and Sung Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Palms, Procession and Sung Eucharist

Maundy Thursday – April 5

7:30 p.m. Sung Eucharist of the Lord's Supper Solemn Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Stripping of the Altar

9:00 p.m.–12 a.m. Watch Before the Blessed Sacrament

Good Friday - April 6

10:00 a.m. Good Friday Observance for Children in K-5th grade

12 noon Stations of the Cross
7:30 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy and communion from the Reserved Sacrament

Easter Eve – April 7

7:30 p.m. Lighting of the Pascal Candle: Great Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter

Easter Day – April 8

8:00. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Solemn High Eucharist

Everyone is invited...

to a gala Easter party in the Common Room following the 10:00 a.m. service Easter Day.

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for children and lots of good things to eat for both children and adults.

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Weekday eucharist: Wednesday, 7:15 a.m.

Palm Sunday: The Dramatic Reading of the Passion for Palm Sunday is always very moving, especially with the inclusion of our high school youth. Youth are reminded to be in church at 8:45 AM this Sunday for a rehearsal with Fr. Welch. The Liturgy of the Palms begins promptly at 10:00 AM in the Common Room with clergy, choir, and congregation. Children in the Level I Atrium will first go to the Atrium at 8:45 AM (as usual) and will be escorted to join the congregation in the Common Room at 9:55 AM. Children in the Level II Atrium will meet in the Common Room at 9:55 AM. Children in both levels will process into church with the congregation and then continue into their respective atrium, to rejoin the congregation at the Peace.

On Maundy Thursday we hold a watch before the Blessed Sacrament from 9 p.m. until midnight recalling Jesus' words to his disciples "could you not watch with me one hour?" There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church where people may commit to keep watch for 30 minute intervals.

Easter Festival Reception on April 8

On Easter Day we joyously celebrate the Lord's resurrection and greet each other at a Gala Coffee Hour following the ten o'clock service on Sunday, April 8. Please volunteer to bring table decorations, a tasty sweet or savory dish, special treats for the Children's Table, or volunteer to help set up before or clean up afterward. The signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Common Room, or contact Ann Honeycutt (annhoneycutt@verizon.net or 781-891-1207). Thank you.

Bible study

The Tuesday evening Bible study group meets each week at 7:00 in the Loring room (the reception room down the hall from the church office). **Newcomers are always welcome!** Study guides are on the tract table in the Common room.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: APRIL

1 - Sunday of the Passion

8:45 AM: Nursery Open

8:45 AM: High School youth in church to rehearse Passion Reading

8:45 AM: Level I Atrium 9:45 AM: Level II Atrium

10:00 AM: $3^{rd} - 8^{th}$ grade in church for Passion Reading

5 - Maundy Thursday

7:30 PM Liturgy & Nightwatch

6 - Good Friday

10:00 AM Good Friday Observance (for children K-5th grade)

12:00 PM Stations of the Cross 7:30 PM Good Friday Liturgy

7 - Holy Saturday

7:30 PM The Great Vigil of Easter

8 - Easter Day

8:45 AM: Nursery Open 8:45 AM: Level I Atrium 9:45 AM: Level II Atrium

10:00 AM: No classes for $3^{rd} - 8^{th}$ grade

Easter Egg Hunt on Parish lawn follows the service at 10:00 AM

15 - Second Sunday of Easter

8:45 AM: Nursery Open 8:45 AM: Level I Atrium 9:45 AM: Level II Atrium

10:00 AM: 3^{rd} -5th grade to Loring Room; 6th through 8th grade in Youth Room

22 - Third Sunday of Easter

No Level I Atrium today - children to Nursery

No Level II Atrium today - children in church or downstairs with childcare staff

8:45 AM: Nursery Open

10:00 AM: $3^{rd} - 8^{th}$ grade in church for Passion Reading

Palm Sunday (see article in first column)

Good Friday Observance for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade on Friday, April 6 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Mary Ann will offer an interactive presentation from the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Kindly RSVP for your child/children: goodshepherdwaban ce@comcast.net

Easter Day: Children in the Level I & Level II atria may attend at the usual time and will join the congregation at the Peace. No classes for older children in grades 3 through 8 children may attend church with their families or be supervised by parish childcare staff downstairs next to the Nursery.

We need a teacher for the 3rd through 5th grade

class. Final Teaching Block begins April 15 and ends on Sunday May 27. The curriculum is terrific - - and so are the kids! Please speak with Patty Morgan or Mary Ann Stewart.

Blessings as we enter Holy Week, Mary Ann.