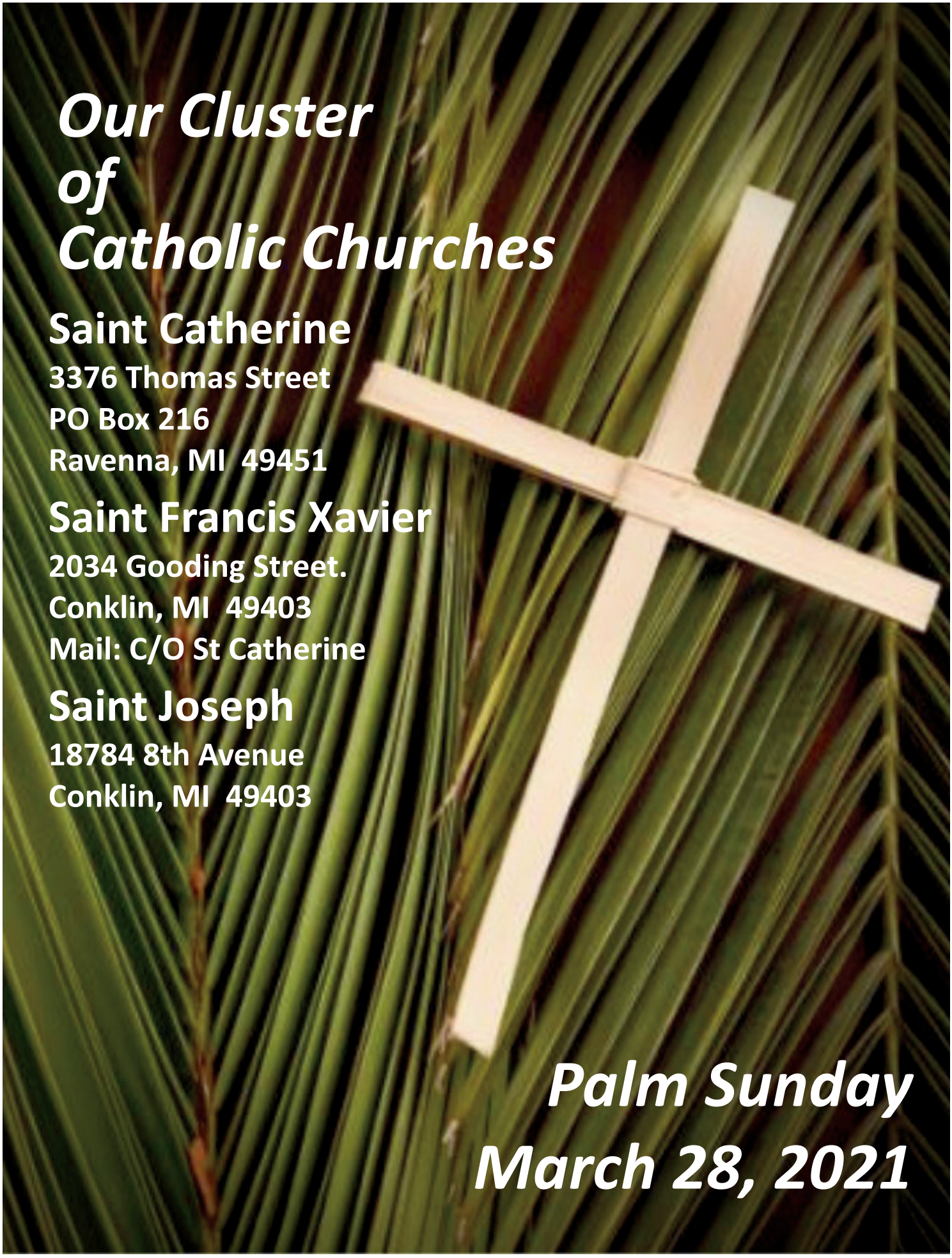

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Liturgical Calendar

Saturday, March 27
Ez 37: 21-28/ Jer 31: 10. 11-12abcd. 13/ Jn 11: 45-56
3:00 PM Confessions..... SFX
4:00 PM †Mary Jane Pearcy..... SFX
5:30 PM †Marvin Alt by M/M Tim Brouwer ..... SJ

Sunday, March 28 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Is 50: 4-7/ Ps 22: 8-9. 17-18. 19-20. 23-24/ Phil 2: 6-11/ Mk 14:1-15: 1-39
9:00 AM †Dennis Zack by Kathy Jawor ..... SC
11:00 AM †Floyd & Doris Courtade by Children ..... SJ

Monday, March 29
Is 42: 1-7/ Ps 27: 1. 2. 3. 13-14/ Jn 12: 1-11.
9:00 AM †Father Bernott by Estate..... SFX
5:15 PM Confession/Adoration (Until 6:15 PM)..... SFX

Tuesday, March 30
Is 49: 1-6/ Ps 71: 1-2. 3-4a. 5ab-6ab. 15 and 17/ Jn 13: 21-33. 36-38
8:00 AM †Jim Brown by Gerrie Brown..... SJ
8:30 AM Adoration (Until 9:30AM) ..... SJ

Wednesday, March 31
Is 50: 4-9a/ Ps 69: 8-10. 21-22. 31 and 33-34/ Mt 26: 14-25
No Masses in the Cluster

Holy Thursday, April 1 - Mass of the Lord's Supper
Ex 12:1-8,11-14/ Ps 116:12-13,15-16.17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
7:00 PM †Steve Dietrich by K of C #4404 ..... SJ
Adoration after Mass
Fr. Andrew will be available after Mass for confession.

Good Friday, April 2
Is 52:13-53:12/ Ps 31: 2,6,12-13,15-16,17,25/ Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/ Jn 18: 1-19:42
1:30 PM †Tom Heeremans by K of C #4404 ..... SC
4:00 PM Stations of the Cross w/ Fr Andrew..... SFX
7:00 PM Bilingual Service..... SJ

Holy Saturday, April 3 - Easter Vigil
Gn 1: 1-2: 2 / Ps 104: 1-2. 5-6. 10. 12. 13-14. 24. 35/ Ex 14:15 -15:1/ Ps 30: 2. 4. 5-6. 11-12. 13/ Is 55: 1-11/ Ps 19: 8. 9. 10. 11/ Rom 6: 3-11/ Ps 118: 1-2. 16-17. 22-23/ Mk 16: 1-7
3:00 PM Confessions (Until 4:00 PM) ..... SFX
9:00 PM (Vigil Mass) -Special Intention for Father Fred ..... Brucker by Altar Society ..... SC

Easter Sunday, April 4
Acts 10:34a,37-43/Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23/ Col 3:1-4/ Jn 20: 1-9
7:00 AM †Theresa Courtade by M/M Tim Beechnau ..... SFX
9:00 AM †Grateful Family Blessing for the Weaver Family By Arlene Weaver..... SC
11:00 AM †Ed & June Armock by Family ..... SJ

SC St. Catherine • SJ St. Joseph • SFX St. Francis Xavier

March 28, 2021 • Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Dear friends,

Welcome to the most dramatic week of the year! For children, it often seems like Christmas is the holiest day. There's a good cheer had by all and the presents make Christ's birth especially exciting. But for those who attend all of the Holy Week Masses and services, the spectacle deeply touches the soul and proves itself the holiest week on the calendar.

We have begun with Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, wherein we waive our palms and proclaim our hosannas. but, Palm Sunday Mass ends with an ominous note, for we leave the church in silence, knowing that by the end of the week, they will crucify Jesus.

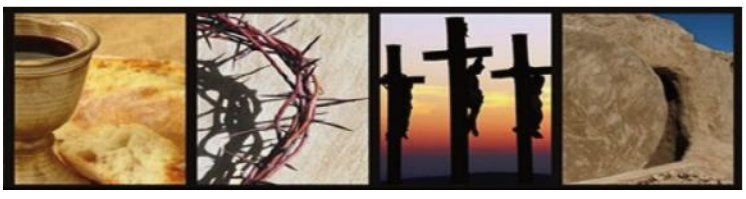
The evening of Holy Thursday we have the Mass of the Lord's Supper, an intimate re-presentation of Jesus's last night before his death. We too are made his closest friends as we participate in the same supper where Jesus gives his body to us in the Eucharist. Then, after we process the Eucharist to the altar of repose in the back of church, we are exhorted, like the disciples, to watch and pray. One tradition is to visit nine churches on holy Thursday night to pray at their altars of repose.

On Good Friday we see the sacrifice of the Son of God who rescues us from our sins and their consequences. We weep, mourn, and love Jesus who loves us to the point of death.

Then comes the "night when the Pillar of Fire dispels the darkness of sin." Forty days in the desert with fasting, praying, and giving alms lead to this night when Jesus rises from the dead. Easter vigil is the greatest, most profound liturgy of the year. If it all possible, prioritize this Mass. It is the most effective proclamation and celebration of the Resurrection.

The more liturgies you attend this week, the more you will appreciate the excitement and drama of holy week. I look forward to seeing all of you at every liturgy, or at least as many as you can make.

God bless you all,
Father Andrew



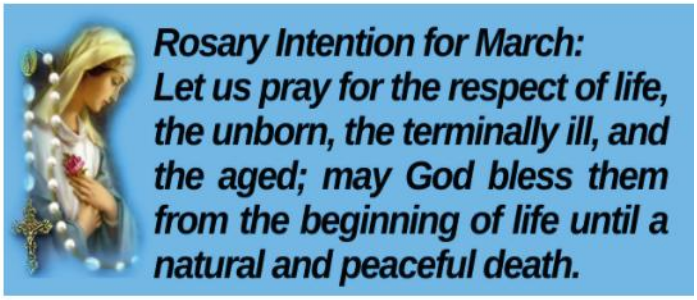
Stations of the Cross
A Journey to Conversion

Stations of the Cross
at St. Francis Xavier
Wednesday, March 31st at 7:00PM
Good Friday, April 2nd at 4:00 PM

We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You.
Because, by Your holy cross, You have redeemed the world.

BISHOP WALKOWIAK ASKS US TO PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Heavenly Father, We give you thanks and praise for your son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit to inspire holy, faithful men to minister as priests. Lord, we pray for our seminarians, especially Logan. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
A Family Perspective
by Bud Ozar

The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable but no one should suffer alone. That is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering.

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Holy Week

Ministry Schedule

Holy Thursday● April 01

7:00 PM - St. Joseph -

Sacristan ..... Marty Brown
Lector ..... Michele Allers
Ushers ..... Anyone available
Music ..... Eileen Hoogterp

Good Friday ● April 2

1:30 PM - St. Catherine

Sacristan ..... Brenda Goodno
Lectors ... George Herman & Sharon Denhof
Server ..... Luke Meyers
Ushers ..... Randy Helsen & John Helsen
Music ..... Eileen Hoogterp

Easter Vigil ● April 3

9:00 PM - St. Catherine

Sacristan ..... Nancy Adams
Lectors ..... Kevin Murphy & Michelle May
Server ..... Luke Meyers
Usher ..... Brandon Hackenberg
Music ..... Eileen Hoogterp

Easter Sunday● April 4

7:00 AM - Saint Francis Xavier

Sacristan ..... Sharon Denhof
Lector ..... Bill May
Ushers ..... Ted & Don Crowley
Music ..... Eileen Hoogterp

9:00 AM - Saint Catherine

Sacristan ..... Brenda Goodno
Lector ..... Rich Grover
Server ..... Luke Meyers
Ushers ..... Randy Helsen,
..... Kenny Holubek Jr, Greg Grover
Music ..... Eileen Hoogterp

11:00 AM - St. Joseph

Sacristan ..... Chuck Rasch
Lector ..... Michele Allers
Server ..... George & Lou Armock
Usher ..... Ryan Umlor
Music ..... Eileen Hoogterp

Easter Sunday Hope of salvation

Reading I: Acts 10:34, 37–43 (Peter's discourse)
Reading II: Colossians 3:1–4 (mystical death and resurrection)
Or 1 Corinthians 5:6–8 (unleavened bread of sincerity and truth)
Gospel: John 20:1–9 (Peter and the disciple at the tomb)
Key Passage: When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. (Colossians 3:4)

Question of the Week

Adult: Why do you believe that you will live with Christ for all eternity?
Child: Who has helped you believe that you will live with Jesus forever?

Youth Group: No youth group meeting this Sunday the 28th because of the day trip on Saturday or April 4th for spring break. Meetings will resume on April 11th at St Francis Xavier from 6:30 until 8:00 PM. Conversation, small-groups, games, and lessons will be part of the nights events. Come join us! Food will be served at the end of the evening.

LIFE TEEN

RETROUVAILLE Grand Rapids

Have you thought about separation or divorce? Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Does talking only make it worse?

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St. Catherine's Men's Club News

The next Men's Club meeting will be
Wednesday, March 31st at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.
All men of the parish are invited to attend.

Are you ready to strengthen your relationship with God and become a holy and fearless leader of your family? **That Man is You** is a Catholic faith formation program for men who seek to be challenged in their faith. In honor of the year of St. Joseph, protector of the Church and terror of demons, we are looking for men who would like to join a core team of leaders for this important work. If you feel called, contact Ken Sokolowski: kjsokolowski@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus #4404 annual Tootsie Roll drive for the mentally impaired is Palm Sunday March 28th after Mass for our Cluster of Churches.

HOLY WEEK

Holy Thursday • April 1st
Saint Joseph - 7:00 PM
Adoration after Mass
Confessions available after Mass

Good Friday • April 2nd
Saint Catherine - 1:30 PM
Saint Francis Xavier ..4:00 PM *(Stations of the* Cross)
Saint Joseph - 7:00 PM (Bilingual)

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil • April 3rd
Saint Catherine - 9:00 PM

Easter Sunday • April 4th
Saint Francis Xavier - 7:00 AM
Saint Catherine - 9:00 AM
Saint Joseph - 11:00 AM

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