

All Saints Church



Holy Cross Church



St. Anthony Church



April 9, 2017

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

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Sacramental Life

Baptism

Baptismal preparation is offered and required for parents of children to be baptized in our churches. Please contact the parish office for an initial interview and baptismal preparation.

Marriage

Couples must contact the parish office at least six months prior to the celebration. Marriage preparation prerequisites must be fulfilled before the celebration of marriage.

Reconciliation (Confession)

1st Saturday at 10:30am at Holy Cross Church; 3rd Saturday at 3:00-3:45pm at St. Anthony Church; or by appointment at All Saints Church, Holy Cross or St. Anthony.

Sacramental Preparation

Please contact the Faith Formation office regarding preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Pastoral Care / Hospital Visitation

Please contact the parish office if you know of a parishioner who is sick, homebound, or hospitalized and who would appreciate Communion or a pastoral visit.

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Rel. Ed. for St. Anthony & Holy Cross takes place at Holy Cross Sundays 9:45am; Rel. Ed. at All Saints after Sunday Masses (11:30am). The All Saints Teen Group meets the 1st & 3rd Sunday at 7:00pm. The Holy Cross High School Youth Group meets at various times at Holy Cross.

Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions

Saturday • April 8 (Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56)

4:30 pm Mass at **St. Anthony** for Victorina Heffron (9th Anniv. Mass) by Julie Martin & Family

Sunday • April 9 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14-27:66)

8:30 am Mass at **Holy Cross** for Roberta & Robert Dingman by the Lewis Family

10:30 am Mass at **All Saints** for the Deceased Members of the Mullenbach & Hass Families

Monday • April 10 Holy Week (Is 42:1-7 Jn 12:1-11)

Tuesday • April 11 Holy Week (Is 49:1-6 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38)

9:00 am Mass at **St. Anthony** for John F. Kelly (Anniv. & B-day Remembrance) by Teresa Kelly & Family

9:30 am Liturgical Service at **All Saints**

Wednesday • April 12 Holy Week (Is 50:4-9a Mt 26:14-25)

9:00 am Mass at **Holy Cross** for Irene Siverstrim by Marge Whipple

Thursday • April 13 Holy Thursday (Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15)

7:00 pm Mass at **St. Anthony** for Elizabeth Doppel by Julie Martin

Friday, April 14 Good Friday (Is 52:13-53:12 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42)

3:00 pm Service at **St. Anthony**

Saturday • April 15 Holy Saturday (Gn 1:1-2:2 Gn 22:1-18 Ex 14:15-15:1 Is 54:5-14

Is 55:1-11 Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28 Rom 6:3-11 Mt 28:1-10)

7:30 pm Mass at **St. Anthony** for The Parishioners of the Cluster

Sunday • April 16 Easter (Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10)

8:30 am Mass at **St. Anthony** for Those Being Remembered in Easter Memorial Flowers

8:30 am Mass at **Holy Cross** for Francis Streeter from the Streeter Family and for Those Being Remembered in Easter Memorial Flowers

10:30 am Mass at **All Saints** for Those Being Remembered in Easter Memorial Flowers



A NOTE FROM DCN. GEORGE . . .

This weekend we begin Holy Week. On Tuesday at the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral in Rochester, the Bishop will bless the new oils to be used during the coming year: the Oil of Catechumens, which is used during Baptism and for the RCIA; the Oil of the Infirm, which is used in the Anointing of the Sick; and the Oil of Chrism, which is used for Baptism and Confirmation. On Thursday, we will begin the celebration of the Triduum, which is three days that are one continuous remembrance of Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection. This year, all of the cluster Triduum celebrations will be at St. Anthony's.



On Holy Thursday, we have Morning Prayer at all three Churches (9AM at Holy Cross and St. Anthony's and 9:30AM at All Saints). Then at 7PM at St. Anthony's, we remember Jesus' Last Supper when he instituted the priesthood and gave us the Eucharist (His Body and Blood in the form of Bread and Wine). Also, on this day, the priest washes the feet of twelve people to remember Jesus' act of humility at the Last Supper. In washing the feet of his disciples, Jesus took on the actions of a slave and told his disciples to do what he did, which is to serve one another. Finally, just as Jesus went to the Garden after Supper to pray and asked his disciples to stay and pray with him, we spend the hours from 9PM to Midnight in prayer with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration in all three Churches.

On Good Friday, we have Morning Prayer at all three Churches (9AM at Holy Cross and St. Anthony's and 9:30AM at All Saints). Then at 2:30PM, we will trace Jesus' path to his Crucifixion with Stations of the Cross at St. Anthony's, and at 3PM, the hour that Jesus died, we will remember his Passion and death. Good Friday is the only day of the year when no Mass is said and no sacraments are celebrated. We will honor Jesus's sacrifice by venerating a piece of the True Cross on which he bled and died.

On Holy Saturday, we have Morning Prayer at all three Churches (9AM at Holy Cross and St. Anthony's and 9:30AM at All Saints). We will celebrate the Easter Vigil at 7:30PM. Lighting the Holy Fire, we will light the Paschal candle and bring the light of Christ into the world. At this celebration, we will celebrate the Easter sacraments of Baptism, Communion and Confirmation with our RCIA elect.

Finally, on Easter morning, we will go to the tomb with Mary Magdalene and the other women to find the tomb empty and Jesus risen. We are an Easter people, who have hope in the Resurrection. Easter is a sign to us that every Good Friday leads to a Resurrection and New Life. Come and join us in our journey through Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

God Bless,

Deacon George

GOOD NEWS

Noble, Yet Humble

Palm (or Passion) Sunday prepares us to leave behind Jesus' public ministry and to enter into his suffering and death. From miracles, crowds, and praise we move to pain, silence, and humility. Only the strong and true lovers of Jesus will make it to the foot of the cross. This small panel painting is dedicated to Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Jesus sits nobly in the center. The prophecy of Zechariah 9:9 makes up the background: "Exult greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem! Behold: your king is coming to you, a just savior is he, humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey." By riding into Jerusalem on a donkey, Jesus embraces the path of the Messiah that God had mapped out through the prophets. He comes as a king, yet in peace and obedience. Jesus wins with meekness and love. Returning to the painting, we see little children laying down their coats before Jesus. These simple souls recognize his divine humility and honor him with their gestures while the crowd acclaim his kingship. The reign of Jesus incites praise, fidelity, and allegiance. They wave olive branches and throw them on the ground before him. Counting the followers in the painting, eleven process with golden halos around their heads. These symbols of holiness highlight the fact that to love Jesus is to follow him to the end. One follower, however, is surrounded in shadow. Unlike the others, he looks away. His heart is set on another plan.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

ask Padre

"Why don't Catholics study and prepare for the end times or rapture?"

Quite simply, we don't prepare for the rapture because as Catholics we don't believe in the rapture. We do believe that there is a time when the world will end, but we have no idea when that day will come. Fundamentalist Christians believe that the world will end with a rapture where the good will be taken and the evil left. It is based on a misreading of Revelation 20 that speaks of an angel in the pit who will ravage the earth for 1,000 years. This is called amillennialism, and the Church has condemned this belief (CCC 676). The whole "left behind" series comes from this misreading. Rather than being afraid of the end of the world, the Catholic Church teaches that the best way to prepare for the coming of Christ is by living the sacramental life of the Church: being baptized, celebrating the Eucharist and reconciliation consistently, being married or professing holy orders in the Church, and partaking in the anointing of the sick. By doing these things we are participating in the fullness of the Church and life with Christ. This is the best way to prepare for Christ's return. While we as Catholics do believe there will be a day when we will be gathered to Christ, we look forward to this day with anticipation and joy, not fear and anguish.

Patrick Keyes, CSsR sundaybulletin@liguori.org

CALENDAR

Sun., Apr. 9 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Donut Day 9:30am @ **H.C.**
Rel. Ed. **St.A./H.C.** 9:45am @ **H.C.** **A.S.** 11:30am
Tenebrae 7:30pm @ **H.C.**

Mon., Apr. 10 BINGO 7:00pm @ **A.S.**

Tues., Apr. 11 Mass 9:00am @ **St.A.**
Liturgical Service 9:30am @ **A.S.**
Chrism Mass 7:00pm @ **Sacred Heart, Rochester**
Combined Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm @ **St.A.**
Adoration 7:00pm @ **H.C.**

Wed., Apr. 12 Mass 9:00am @ **H.C.**
Bible Study 10:00am @ **H.C.**
Stations of the Cross 6:00pm @ **A.S.**
Lenten Book Study "Resisting Happiness" 6:30pm @ **A.S.**

Thurs., Apr. 13 Morning Prayer 9:00am @ **H.C. & St.A.** 9:30am @ **A.S.**
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm @ **St.A.**
Adoration in all 3 Chapels 9:00pm-midnight

Fri., Apr. 14 Morning Prayer 9:00am @ **H.C. & St.A.** 9:30am @ **A.S.**
Stations of the Cross 2:30pm @ **St.A.**
Good Friday Service 3:00pm @ **St.A.**

Sat., Apr. 15 Morning Prayer 9:00am @ **H.C. & St.A.** 9:30am @ **A.S.**
Bake Sale 9:00am @ **Groton Bank**
Easter Vigil Rehearsal 10:00am @ **St.A.**
Easter Vigil 7:30pm @ **St.A.** (followed by Reception)

Sun., Apr. 16 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Mass 8:30am @ **H.C.**
Mass 8:30am @ **St.A.**
Easter Breakfast 9:30am @ **St.A. McNamara Hall**
Mass 10:30am @ **A.S.**

A LOOK AHEAD:

Apr. 23 Divine Mercy Service 3:00pm @ **H.C.**
Apr. 26 Financial Wellness Workshop 7:00pm @ **A.S.**

FR. ELOO'S OFFICE HOURS

(it is best to schedule appts. **St.A Office 898-5135**)

Tuesdays at St. Anthony 9:30am—12:00pm
Wednesdays at Holy Cross 9:30am—1:00pm
Thursdays at All Saints 10:00am—1:00pm
E-mail: fnwosu@dor.org

ALL SAINTS PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Sun./Tues./Thurs. 9am-1pm Mon. 1-4pm

HOLY CROSS PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon. & Wed. 8am—12noon; Fri. 1-5pm

ST. ANTHONY PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon.—Thurs. 8:00am—2:00pm

ST.A/H.C. PASTORAL ASSOC./FAITH FORM. HRS.

Mon. & Wed., Holy Cross 9:30am—2:30pm
Tues. & Thurs., St. Anthony 9:30am—2:30pm
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DEACON OFFICE HOURS

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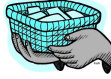


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LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR EASTER: April 15 & 16, 2017

Mass Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers	Greeters / Ushers	Gift Bearers	Sacristans
7:30 pm Saturday ST. ANTHONY	Rich Morse Ed Neuhauser	Rich Morse Ed Neuhauser	Logan Roberts 2 volunteers	Pat Vrooman Phylis Vrooman	Volunteers	Dcn. George
8:30 am Sunday ST. ANTHONY	Cathy Bishop Bill Rohde	Cathy Bishop Mary Westlake Nursing Home Mary Ann Beno	Maddie Perkins Leanna Jackson	Irene Gutches Mary Westlake	Fran Sovocool Connie Wilcox Coffee Hour Breakfast	Evelyn Rohde Bill Rohde
8:30 am Sunday HOLY CROSS	Bill Schickel Rosemary Collins	(C) Patrick Brennan (C) Doug Collins (H) Kathy Muller	Ben Maza Andrew McDaniels	Tom Harkenrider Bryan Iannello		Oak Hill Marshall
10:30 am Sunday ALL SAINTS	John Callister Ann Mares	(C) Linda Carlton (C) Pat Wheeler (C) Choir: Deacon George (C) Choir: Julie Berens	Cross: Lansing Miller Altar: Jacob Ouellette	Morgan Boerman Miya Kuramoto Pat Miller Cheryl Casey	Nursery Need volunteers	Anne Drake

STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

April 2, 2017 (Week 40)		
All Saints Church Attendance (Adults): 113 (Children): 61	\$ 4,508.00	
Holy Cross Church Attendance (Adults): 118 (Children): 24	\$ 1,751.0	
St. Anthony Church Attendance (Adults): 84 (Children): 5	\$ 1,359.00	



PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-INS

Angelo Alaimo, Elaine Apgar, Jane Baldwin, Pamela Barnes, Cathy Bishop, Ginny Bradshaw, Ron Bradshaw, Chrissy Bravo-Cullen, Karen Brown, Phyllis Campbell, Ian Charles, Donna Cocca, Richard Compton, Paul Conklin, Robert Deely, Jerica Duso, Lois Fahey, Pat Fairbank, Mary Falise, Gordon Gladden, Amy Grosser, Charlene Haskell, Kirsten Hess, Nimr Ibrahim, Autum Kenyon, T.J. Keegan, Diane Kimmich, Steve Kletjian, Dorothy Kubinski, Tate MacDowell, Marcus Martinez Leah Mayor, Emma Mazingo, Joe McCarey, Betty McCarey, Chris Montreuil, Sara Morse, Barb O'Sullivan, Jim Oswald, Don Palmer, Karen Randolph, Geraldine Rankin, Hank Roberts, Sunhee Schickel, Beth Schwab, Emilie Searle, Diane Senecal-Shields, Eleanor Sorbello, Lucy Steger, Ethel Thomas, Melanie Toolan, Vicky Toro, Maria Unterreiner, Sharon Vincent, Gary Vrabel, Richard Weiss, Jocelyn Woods, & several Special Intentions.

Please keep our area servicemen and women in your prayers.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE in ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

burns for the week in loving memory of
RONALD AUSTIN
 (requested by Irene Gutches)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of Gerald Carey (StA) — father of Eileen Rankin and husband of Madeline Carey.

ALL SAINTS BOOK OF INTENTIONS

Our prayers from our Book of Intentions during the Mass on **April 2** were: For the Rizzo Family / Healing prayers my son & husband / Help for all refugees, especially women and children / For a special intention for my husband / For the safety of all travelers / For healing prayers for Deborah McKane / For my brother-in-law, recovering from serious heart surgery and for my sister and children / For the continued healing of Deb Reukauf / For my daughters / For my cousin John, who passed away this week / For a special intention.

PARISH LIFE

WE ARE GRATEFUL!

All Saints is grateful for our Buildings and Grounds Committee and their group of *Helping Hands*, who spent a few hours last Saturday re-organizing/cleaning the basement, filling pot holes, repairing heat baseboards and washing windows. Also...a very big thank you to Steve Kuramoto, Chris Miller, and Randy McDonald for mopping up our flooded utility room over the weekend!
 As they say . . . *Many hands make light work.* **WE ARE ALL SAINTS!**

EASTER BREAKFAST AT ST. ANTHONY'S



Join us Easter morning after our 8:30am Mass for a wonderful breakfast in McNamara Hall. Are you expecting extra family members or company? Bring them along!!! Free will offering.

DIocese OF ROCHESTER — FINANCIAL FRAUD HOTLINE

Any concerns related to financial fraud can be reported anonymously to the **Financial Fraud Hotline: 1-800-388-7177 x1266.**

Reports may also be made in writing to: Internal Audit Dept., Diocese of Rochester, 1150 Buffalo Rd., Rochester, NY 14624

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

We are at the doorsteps of Holy Week where we remember Christ's passion. Jesus humbled himself and let go of everything, emptying himself for us. During this time of Lent, how have we joined the Lord? Has our prayer, penitential practices and almsgiving moved us to humble ourselves before the Lord? Have we let go of things that keep us from being authentic stewards for Christ Jesus? How have we "emptied" ourselves so that when we do approach the table of the Lord, we can be nourished by His body and blood? As disciples of Christ and stewards of His gift of faith, it is time to evaluate our lives under the cross.

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Annual Pontifical Good Friday Collection (on April 14), you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace in a troubled land.

In these challenging times in the Middle East, your support means that our church will conduct parish ministry, provide Catholic education, feed the hungry, build housing for Christians, maintain shrines and operate refugee centers in the Holy Land. Christians, along with all of the clergy and religious who serve in the Holy Land, will deeply appreciate your prayers and financial help! The political, religious and military challenges in the Holy Land are more complex than ever.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. Our parish will support Christians in the Holy Land through the Good Friday Collection, as requested by Pope Francis. Like Simon of Cyrene, you can help carry the cross under very difficult circumstances in the Holy Land. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

HOLY WEEK and the TRIDUUM

TENEBRAE BY THE HOLY CROSS YOUTH GROUP

You are invited to a creative interpretation of the Lord's Passion with candlelight and music by the Holy Cross Youth Group TONIGHT—Palm Sunday evening, April 9, at 7:30 pm at Holy Cross.

LENTEN BOOK STUDY



Diane Schafer will lead a Lenten Book Study for six consecutive Wednesdays beginning March 8th from 6:30-7:00pm following the 6:00pm Stations of the Cross at All Saints Church. The book is called "Resisting Happiness" by Matthew Kelly. Bring your thoughts with you to discuss. Any questions . . . please contact Diane Schafer at diane3@twcny.rr.com.

CATHOLICISM DVD SERIES will continue next Advent.

DIOCESAN CHRISM MASS

The annual Chrism Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart on Tuesday, April 11, at 7:00pm. All the faithful are warmly invited to attend.

THE TRIDUUM

The Triduum is the culmination of the entire liturgical year and the three most sacred days in the lives of Catholic Christians. It is actually one liturgy over three days, which begins on Holy Thursday evening and concludes with Vespers (Evening Prayer) on Easter Sunday. The single celebration that comprises the Triduum commemorates the fullness of the paschal mystery—the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We may go home and come back again, but we do not actually "begin" and "end" our daily celebrations. SILENCE IS APPRECIATED DURING THE TRIDUUM.

FUNDRAISERS

ST. ANTHONY'S EASTER BAKE SALE



The St. Anthony Parish Life Committee will be holding a Bake Sale on Holy Saturday, April 15, from 9:00am-1:00pm at the First National Bank of Groton. Please plan to bring down your baked goodies at 8:45am.

BINGO MONDAY NIGHTS AT ALL SAINTS!!!



Every Monday through October (except Monday holidays)
Kitchen opens at 6:00pm; games begin promptly at 7:00pm.
Come Join the Fun!!

HOLY THURSDAY

When he had washed their feet and taken his garments and resumed his place, he said to them,

"Do you know what I have done to you?" Jn 13:12

The evening Mass on Holy Thursday begins the sacred Triduum. On this night, we remember the Last Supper and celebrate the institution of the Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Holy Orders. At the end of the liturgy, the sanctuary is stripped clean in preparation for the most somber of feasts, Good Friday.

ADORATION in all three Chapels 9:00pm-12:00 midnight

⇒ Please add your name to the sign-up sheet at your church to come and sit with our Lord.

GOOD FRIDAY (a day of Fasting and Abstinence)

Jesus said, **"It is finished"** and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit. Jn. 19:30

Good Friday is a somber remembrance of Jesus' crucifixion and death on the cross. It is a day of fasting and penance and a time to examine all of the places in our lives where we fail to follow Christ and fall into sin. Good Friday is not only a commemoration of a historical event; rather, Christ's sacrificial death on the cross, along with his glorious resurrection, comprise the heart of the Christian faith.

The church is bare on Good Friday, the altar stripped of ornamentation and the tabernacle left open and empty. Good Friday is a day of mourning. Traditionally, there is no music (other than chanting) on this day, and the prayer of consecration is also omitted from the service as a sign of what Christ's sacrifice on the cross truly means. Good Friday is not a Mass; the holy Communion that is given out has been consecrated on Holy Thursday and kept in the tabernacle for adoration.

The service is divided into reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross, and reception of the Eucharist. Christ's passion is read from the Gospel of John and concludes with the prayers of the faithful, offered for the unity of the universal Church. The Veneration of the Cross is a time for the faithful to individually revere the Cross and ponder the enormity of Christ's salvific act. Holy Communion is then distributed, and **the priest, along with the entire congregation departs in silence.**

SACRED TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday

- Morning Prayer 9:00am @ **H.C. & St.A.** 9:30am @ **A.S.**
- Celebration of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm @ **St.A.**
- Adoration in all 3 chapels 9:00pm—midnight

Good Friday

- Morning Prayer 9:00am @ **H.C. & St.A.** 9:30am @ **A.S.**
- Commemoration of the Lord's Passion 3:00pm @ **St.A.**
- * (Stations of the Cross 2:30pm @ **St.A.**)

Holy Saturday

- Morning Prayer 9:00am @ **H.C. & St.A.** 9:30am @ **A.S.**
- 7:30pm Vigil Mass @ **St. Anthony**

Easter Sunday

- 8:30am Mass at **St. Anthony**
- 8:30am Mass at **Holy Cross**
- 10:30am Mass at **All Saints**



NOTICES

FREE FINANCIAL WELLNESS WORKSHOP

On Wednesday, April 26th 7:00pm at All Saints Church, Stephen Logsdon will present a workshop called "How Money Works."

This workshop looks at some of the following:

- Do you know the rule of 72?
- What are mutual funds?
- Are you paying off your debt in the best possible way?
- Do you know how your life insurance really works?

All are encouraged to attend this complimentary, comprehensive and confidential workshop.

NOTRE DAME RETREATS

There is a group from Holy Cross going to the **Women's Retreat** on the weekend of **May 5**. The weekend fills up quickly, so please book early. You may call the retreat house directly; or Kathy Muller (H.C.) at 607-242-3587 to book your room. You may direct any questions to Kathy at mullerk2000@aol.com

REGIONAL NEWS

GROTON COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, April 22, from 8:00am-1:00pm at Groton Community Health Center (120 Sykes St.). Call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org to make your life-saving appointment today!

DRYDEN COMMUNITY DINNERS

The Holy Cross Community puts on the Dryden Community Dinner on the first Wednesday of every month at the Dryden Methodist Church at 5:30pm. This is a tangible chance to help "feed the hungry" as Jesus asks us to. If you can help, contact Lisa Schug at [<lisa.schug1222@gmail.com>](mailto:lisa.schug1222@gmail.com)



FROM THE MOUTHS OF BABES...

While preparing to participate in the Stations of the Cross in kindergarten we went through each station while looking at some picture cards and talked about what was happening to Jesus. The students were very sad and voiced repeatedly about how mean people were being to Jesus. When we got to the end and talked about how happy everyone was about Him rising on Easter, one student said "That is a great story!" At this time, during Lent it is important for us all to remember how great the story really is!



PRE-K3, PRE-K4 & ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

REGISTRATION Immaculate Conception School is now accepting registrations for all of our academic programs: Pre-K through sixth grade, for the 2017-2018 school year.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & MINISTRY



FOOD DRIVE

The Ithaca Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Food Drive help feed the hungry at your Parish Food Pantry or the Southern Tier Food Bank. Please bring in canned or boxed food items to donate during Holy Week, which the Knights will pick up and deliver after Easter Sunday. A box will be located in the back of your church for the food items. Help us make the Easter Season a time for everyone to have a plentiful meal.



BIRTHRIGHT BLANKETS & BABY ITEMS AT ALL SAINTS

Calling all crafty people! This is a great time to begin making blankets and collecting infant layettes/children's clothing up to 4T for the Birthright Collection held in May. Keep yourself busy and warm this winter while helping children in need!!!

SAMARITAN CENTER COLLECTION — ST. ANTHONY



April is St. Anthony's month to collect personal hygiene products for Catholic Charities Samaritan Center. Please help our local community. Donated items can be dropped off in the basket in the vestibule. Items in need: **baby diapers & wipes, conditioner, lotion, bars of soap, men's deodorant, denture cream, hand sanitizer.**

(WEB) Weekend Backpack Program

Holy Cross Church is collecting **Pudding Cups** during the month of April. Please look for the collection basket in the back of church.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Life in a Refugee Camp: Tuesday, April 25, at Cinemapolis

Please join Catholic Charities and the Peace Pins Project on Tuesday, April 25 for a screening of the recent documentary *After Spring*. With the Syrian conflict now in its sixth year, millions of people continue to be displaced. *After Spring* is the story of what happens next. By following two refugee families in transition and aid workers fighting to keep the camp running, viewers will experience what it is like to live in Zaatari, the largest camp for Syrian refugees. With no end in sight for the conflict or this refugee crisis, everyone must decide if they can rebuild their lives in a place that was never meant to be permanent. Tickets are \$10 and must be **pre-ordered** for the screening. Contact Catholic Charities at 272-5062 ext 12 or LKonwinski@dor.org Please join us Tuesday, April 25, at 7:00pm at Cinemapolis movie theater, 120 E Green St, in downtown Ithaca.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE — Lenten prayer and fasting campaign to

humbly and diligently restore legal protection for the unborn. Please consider joining us for an hour or two, 7 AM to 7 PM during the 7 remaining days at the vigil site across from Planned Parenthood, 620 W. Seneca St. Visit our local webpage: www.40daysforlife.com/Ithaca to sign up for your time of prayer and to view the daily devotionals.