

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHAPEL † PASSION SUNDAY  
REQUIESCAT IN PACE, FATHER PAUL WICKENS  
MARCH 9TH, 2008 – MARCH 16TH, 2008

**HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS**

**Sunday, March 9** *Passion Sunday*

**7:30** Fr. Wickens, Priests, & Faithful of St. Anthony's

**9:00** ✠ William Clark

**11:00** ✠ Concepcion Biong

Monday, March 10 Feria of Passiontide  
9:00 am ✠ Brian O'Connor (Four Holy Martyrs)

Tuesday, March 11 Feria of Passiontide  
7:00 pm Mary Bellarosa

Wednesday, March 12 Feria of Passiontide  
9:00 am ✠ Connie Yanuzzio (St. Gregory the Great)

Thursday, March 13 Feria of Passiontide  
9:00 am ✠ Eileen Henry

Friday, March 14 Our Lady of the Seven Dolors  
9:00am ✠ Poor Souls in Purgatory  
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Saturday, March 15 Saturday of Passion Week  
9:00 am ✠ John Capitani

**Sunday, March 16** *Palm Sunday*

**7:30** Mary & John Forrester, and Marie Forrester

**10:00** ✠ Thomas Buontempo



**GOOD FRIDAY ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN**

All are invited to come join Catholics from around the local area in praying the Holy Rosary on Good Friday, March 21, between 8:45am -10:00am in front of the Social Security Office building (396 Bloomfield Ave.) in Montclair. This site is across the street from the Pilgrim Medical Center, a high-volume abortion clinic. Whatever time you can give to pray in reparation for sins of abortion and for a speedy end to this heinous crime would be most appreciated. For more information, please call 973-736-5684.

May God reward you for speaking up for those whose voice is silenced tens of thousands of times every year in this state alone.

**FROM THE DESK OF THE RECTOR**

Dear faithful of Saint Anthony's,

*"It is good to go the feet of your Mother and lay before her all your troubles, wants, needs, sufferings...surrender into her merciful hands all you have, all you are and she will care for you as she did her Son."* Let us spend this holy time of Passiontide in the company of our dear Mother of Sorrows.

**Lenten retreat with Msgr. Schmitz:**

Monsignor Schmitz will preach a Lenten retreat next weekend:

**Friday, March 14**

**6:30 pm High Mass followed by Stations of the Cross**

**8:00pm Spiritual Conference:**  
*The Holy Mass: Sacrifice of Redemption*

**Saturday, March 15**

**8:30 Confessions, 9:00am Low Mass**  
*9:45am Breakfast*

**10:30am Spiritual conference:**  
*The Holy Mass: Source of Divine Presence*

**11:30am Holy hour of Adoration with Rosary, Benediction**  
*Light luncheon to follow*

**Sunday, March 16, Palm Sunday**

**7:30 am Low Mass**

**10:00 am Solemn High Mass**  
*with blessing distribution, & Procession*

**Holy Thursday & Easter flower donations:**

Flower donations made in honor of the living and the deceased for the Holy Thursday Altar of Reposition and for Easter Sunday would be most welcome and very much appreciated. You may write the names of those for whom the flower donations have been made on the sheets provided in the vestibule. These names will be listed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

With prayerful best regards for a spiritually fruitful Passiontide, I remain,

In Christ the King,

Reverend Father Matthew Talarico

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## THE PENITENTIAL OBSERVANCE OF PASSIONTIDE

The two weeks of Passiontide begin today, the first week being known as "Passion Week," and the second week being known as "Holy Week." From today until Maundy Thursday, the psalm "*Judica Me*," which is recited during the prayers at the foot of the altar, and the *Glória Patri* at the Introit and Lavabo are omitted.

Today, statues and sacred images (except for the Stations of the Cross) are veiled with purple cloth beginning at the Vespers of Passion Sunday, and they remain covered until the Gloria of Holy Saturday. **This ceremony of veiling the crucifix during Passiontide expresses the humiliation to which our Savior subjected Himself, of hiding Himself when the Jews threatened to stone Him, as is related in the Gospel of Passion Sunday.**

## SUGGESTED LENTEN PRACTICES & DEVOTIONS

### Make frequent Spiritual Communions

*My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love Thee above all things, and I desire to receive Thee into my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace Thee as if Thou wert already there, and unite myself wholly to Thee; never permit me to be separated from Thee.*  
--St. Alphonsus Liguori

Pray more often for the Souls in Purgatory : In praying, offering Masses, making the Stations of the Cross for the members of the Church suffering - we in fact do all the corporal and spiritual works of mercy at once. We visit those in prison, give water and food to the thirsty and hungry, etc. Who could be more needy and poor than they?

## DEVOTION TO OUR LADY OF SEVEN SORROWS

*O Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us who have recourse to thee.*

**Devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows dates back to apostolic times.** St. John the Evangelist, whom we can consider as one of the first devotees of the Mother of Sorrows, witnessed first-hand and then recorded in his Gospel that Mary stood by the Cross of her Son (*Jn 19:25*). At the Presentation of the Infant Jesus at the Temple, Simeon prophesied that Mary's soul would be pierced by a sword (*Lk 2:35*).

**By commemorating Our Lady of Sorrows, we call to mind the sufferings that Mary endured as part of her vocation as the Mother of the Redeemer. No one is closer to Christ than Mary, consequently no one has participated more intimately in the redemptive suffering of Christ than His Mother Mary.**

Mary suffered because of her intimate union with Christ, on account of our sins, and in behalf of her spiritual children. Devotion to the Mother of Sorrows and the Seven Sorrows of Mary encourages us to flee from sin and inflames our desire to do penance and make reparation so as to console the Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

The well-known medieval hymn *Stabat Mater* beautifully expresses the devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows which flowered during the Middle Ages.

Our Lady of Sorrows is traditionally depicted in art dressed in black with seven swords piercing her heart. Since the 14th century these seven have come to be regarded as the seven dolors (sorrows) of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

1. The Prophecy of Simeon.
2. The Flight into Egypt.
3. The Loss of the Child Jesus for Three Days.
4. Meeting Jesus on the Way to Calvary.
5. The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus.
6. Jesus Taken Down from the Cross.
7. Jesus Laid in the Tomb.

Traditionally, many Catholics have the pious custom of praying daily seven Hail Marys in honor of the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady.