

#### **HOLY MASSES**

Sundays:

(Saturday evening) Vigil 6.30pm, 7.00, 10.30am & 6 pm

Tuesday – Friday: 6.30 am Saturdays & Holidays: 7am

Confessions: before and after Masses if possible and by appointment

Bantisms:

Call to make an appointment

# **Online Masses**

**St Dominic Barbados** 





# Office hours

Monday: 7.30 – 12 Tuesday: 7.30 – 2 pm Wednesday: 7.30 – 12 Thursday: 7.30 – 12, 3-5

Friday: 7.30 - 12

Priests are available during office hours or by appointment

#### Office is closed:

on bank holidays & weekends, and sometimes we may be out of the office. (Please call before coming)

Parish Priest - Fr. Andy Nyga SAC & Deacon Rev. Stephen Foster



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# St. Dominic's Roman Catholic Church National Shrine of Divine Mercy



Barbados

PALM SUNDAY April 2, 2023 # 725 Year A



Metanoía

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 Psalm: 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24 2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

**Matthew** Matthew 26:14-27:66

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names.



## Gospel

The Passion of Christ.

"What scripture says about me is even now reaching its fulfilment," Jesus says in today's Gospel. Indeed, we have reached the climax of the liturgical year, the highest peak of salvation history, when all that has been anticipated and promised, is to be fulfilled. By the close of the Gospel, the work of our redemption will have been accomplished, the new covenant will be written in the blood of His broken body hanging on the cross at the place called the Skull.

In His Passion, Jesus is "counted among the wicked," as Isaiah had foretold. He is revealed definitively as the Suffering Servant the prophet announced, the long-awaited Messiah whose words of obedience and faith ring out in the First Reading and Psalm. The taunts and torments we hear in these two readings punctuate the Gospel as Jesus is beaten and mocked, as His hands and feet are pierced, as enemies gamble for His clothes, and as three times they dare Him to prove His divinity by saving Himself from suffering.

He remains faithful to God's will to the end, does not turn back in His trial. He gives Himself freely to His torturers, confident that, as He speaks in the First Reading: "The Lord comes to my help I know I shall not be shamed."

Destined to sin and death as children of Adam's disobedience, we have been set free for holiness and life by Christ's perfect obedience to the Father's will. This is why God greatly exalted Him. This is why we have salvation in His Name.

Following His example of humble obedience in the trials and crosses of our lives, we know we will never be forsaken, that one day we too will be with Him in Paradise; seeing and believing.

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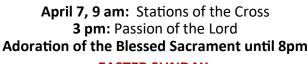
### **HOLY WEEK CALENDAR 2023**

**HOLY WEEK: APRIL 2-8** 

MAUNDY (HOLY) THURSDAY: April 6, 7 pm:

Eucharistic Ministers commissioning, Mass of the Last Supper Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9pm

#### **GOOD FRIDAY:**





#### **EASTER SUNDAY:**

Vigil: April 8, 7.00 pm Sunday masses April 9, 7.00 am, 10.30 am, 6.00 pm Breakfast after 7.00 am Mass

We are a Catholic community committed to welcoming our brothers and sisters, celebrating the Eucharist, receiving the Sacraments, spreading the Good News, passing on our Catholic faith and Traditions, promoting devotion to Divine Mercy and assisting the poor and less privileged in our community. As the National Shrine of Divine Mercy we encourage fuller participation in the Divine Mercy devotions in order to strengthen our Catholic faith, to experience the healing grace and mercy of God and to be merciful to others as Jesus.



## Our prayers:

# ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PRAYER

"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust



into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen."

#### PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

"O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life." Amen.

#### **Prayer for vocations**

Heavenly Father raise up holy vocations to the priesthood, to keep the faith alive and guard the memory of your Son Jesus, through the preaching of His word and the celebration of His Sacraments.

May Your Church sustain seminarians and priests in their vocations so that they may faithfully fulfil their mission at the service of the Gospel.

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#### Apr 2 - 8 HOLY WEEK

Sunday: PALM SUNDAY

Vigil: Sat 6.30 pm: Richard Gordon—RIP Sun 7.00 am: Richard Gordon—RIP 9.00 am: Children's Mass 10.30 am: Robert Bourque—RIP 6.00 pm: for parishioners & visitors

Tue 6.30 am: Richard Gordon—RIP Wed 6.30 am: Barbara Ford—96th Birthday

Holy Thursday (No morning Mass) 6.30 pm: Richard Gordon—RIP

Good Friday 9.00am: Stations of the Cross—St. Dominic's to Will's School via Dover

3.00pm The Passion of Our Lord

HOLY SATURDAY 7.00 am: —NO MORNING MASS

#### **Holy Thursday**

Holy Thursday is the day on which we commemorate the institution of three pillars of the Catholic Faith: the Sacrament of Holy Communion, the Priesthood, and the Mass. On the night before He died, Jesus, at the Last Supper with His apostles, taking the unleavened bread of the Passover into His hands, blessed the bread, broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way He also took the cup after supper, saying: "this cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." He thus instituted the Mass and set apart the Twelve as priests of the New Testament. From that Last Supper until the last moment of the world's existence, Christ committed Himself to be present to His people whenever one of His priests obeys His command: "Do this in memory of me." Through the sacred rite of the Eucharist, bread ceases to be bread, becoming Christ's body, crucified for our sins and raised from the dead. The Passover wine ceases to be wine, becoming Christ's blood, poured out on the cross to ransom us from sin, Satan, and death. Whenever believers eat the Lord's body, and drink His blood, they become one with Him, and through Him, with the Father and the Holy Spirit. In the Catholic tradition, the celebration of the Lord's Supper ends with a procession with the Body of Christ to an altar of repose. We are invited to journey along with Jesus as He leaves the Upper Room and goes out to the place called Gethsemane. Here Jesus asks His followers to stay awake and pray with Him. He goes forward and asks His Father if there is any way that He need not go through what is about to happen and that He be spared. Yet Jesus submits to the will of His Father, and undergo whatever is necessary for our salvation. He returns to find His disciples sleeping. The question asked of the disciples can be asked of us: "Can we not spend at least a little time in prayer with our Master-Teacher-Lord?"

Mass intentions

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#### **The Easter Triduum**

The Paschal Triduum is one celebration. The word Triduum comes from the Latin word meaning "three days". It begins the evening of Holy Thursday and ends at Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday. Thus, the Triduum consist of three full days which begin and end in the evening; that is, the evening of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.

The Easter Vigil is the high point of the Triduum. Hence, it is very important to attend the entire Triduum as it one celebration celebrated in three parts over three days. The Triduum celebrates the heart of our faith, salvation and redemption: the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Triduum commemorates the institution of Eucharist, the passion, crucifixion, death of the Lord, His descent to the dead and finally His glorious resurrection on Easter Sunday morning.

FAMILY FUN DAY -SATURDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> APRIL 2023



Diocese of Bridgetown:
Marian Pilgrimage Returns
May 13, 2023 - Contribution \$40.00
Save the date !!

# **50th Anniversary Book**

Do you have any photos of Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation, Weddings or any special events over the last 50 years? If you do and they are good quality resolution, we are looking for memorabilia for our 50th Anniversary book of St. Dominic's Church. We ask that you send them to the email below. We do not guarantee that all will be printed, but will try our best to include as many as we can. Or maybe you have a special memory that you would like to share, you can send a short paragraph. Send to: stdomsis50@gmail.com

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