



WEEKLY SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

SUNDAYS:

10:00 AM EUCHARIST
10:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
SEE HEREIN FOR HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

A MESSAGE FROM FR. MATHEW

Dear People of God,

I greet you in the Blessed and Holy name of Jesus Christ. I look forward in preparation for our Holy Week Services beginning on Palm Sunday. During Holy week, we are called to the experience of living the gospel – to experience the passion, the death, and the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

This year, Holy Week at St. Barnabas is going to be special, and I really look forward to it. We have added a spiritual exercise known as Labyrinth Walk. Labyrinth Walk is a time of personal meditation while walking a path in the labyrinth at St. Joseph's of Arimathea Episcopal Church, our neighboring parish. This is planned as a joint program between the two churches starting at 6 PM on Monday April 3. Additionally, I look forward to celebrating the joy of Easter in a combined church service at St. Barnabas along with the parishioners of St. Joseph's of Arimathea.

Please see the list of Holy Week services in this issue of the Beacon and plan to attend these special services. If you need further information about any of the services and arrangements, please feel free to contact me, the wardens or any of the vestry members at St. Barnabas.

May the spiritual journey of Holy Week help us to find the joy of Christ's resurrection.

In Christ's Love,
Varghese+

The Rev. Dr. Varghese E. Mathew



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 2, Palm Sunday 10:00 AM

Holy Eucharist commemorating Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem and the start of Lent
Live and via Zoom

April 3, Holy Monday 6:00 PM

Labyrinth Walk

A meditative prayer and spiritual exercise of walking a path in the labyrinth at St. Joseph's of Arimathea
Live Only

April 5, Holy Wednesday 7:30 PM

Stations of the Cross

A devotion that commemorates Christ's last day on Earth as a man
Live Only

April 6, Maundy Thursday 7:30 PM

Maundy Thursday Liturgy

with Choir and special music: Peter Seidenberg, cello
Live and via Zoom

April 7, Good Friday 7:30 PM

Good Friday Liturgy

with special music: April Johnson, violin
Live and via Zoom

April 8, Holy Saturday 10:00 AM

A quiet, contemplative service
In Person Only

April 9, Easter Sunday 10:00 AM

Holy Eucharist with Choir and Guest Singers

Live and via Zoom
Followed by Gala Coffee Hour and Easter Egg Hunt

SHARE THE JOY OF EASTER

The Good News of Easter is something we all need to spread beyond the confines of our parish! Easter is a day of triumph and a time for celebration. Please consider sharing this great event with friends or families who do not have a church home. Our coffee hour following the service will be a special celebratory spread. Just tell your friends we have a beautiful service on Easter Sunday with great music followed by a holiday coffee hour and that they are most welcome to join in the festivities. Sometimes people are just waiting to be asked!

APRIL 2 OUTREACH SUNDAY: MIDNIGHT RUN

The Midnight Run is the focus of so much that we do at St. Barnabas. We donate food and clothing. We go on the runs where the human exchange is as important as the donation of food, clothing and toiletries

While these are things we can do as volunteers, money is also needed to buy supplies like clean underwear and socks for the homeless and to help keep the Midnight Run store in Dobbs Ferry operating. We are fortunate to be able to give to this important cause, so please consider making a generous donation to help carry on the great work of the Midnight Run for our April Outreach.

MAY 7 MARK YOUR CALENDARS: VISIT FROM FATHER GODLEY AND INTERMENT OF DOREEN KOLDITZ'S ASHES IN SANCTUARY MEMORIAL NICHE

This is going to be a big day, so we hope that many of our zoom regulars will be able to be present at St. Barnabas to help observe these two special events. As many of you know we have been working on the creation of a memorial niche in the sanctuary of St. Barnabas in remembrance of all deceased parishioners and for the purpose of interring the ashes of our benefactor Doreen Kolditz. In addition we will be presenting a plaque to Fr. Godley appointing him Rector Emeritus of St. Barnabas.

Your vestry has been hard at work making this all come together. Rick Weaver, who we discovered is a talented craftsman, is making an oak vault to hold Doreen's ashes, a bench for anyone wishing to be seated in the niche, and an attractive cover for the currently very unattractive radiator cover in the area.

There will be a special coffee hour following the dedication ceremony. We are giving early notice of this event so you can put it on your calendars now and avoid scheduling any conflicting events. Fr. Godley and Doreen have both made enormous contributions, each in their own way, to our parish for which we are expressing our gratitude by these tributes.

CONGRATULATIONS FR. MATHEW

Prompted by the challenges of our times, Fr. Mathew took an online course for working adults at Cornell University and received a credential from the university for completing its certificate program in Conflict Resolution. Congratulations and well done!



THE LORD IS RISEN, HE IS RISEN INDEED, ALLELUIA!

GRACE MISSION CHURCH AND ST. BARNABAS

April 6 will be the start of the eighth year of sharing our church facilities with members of Grace Mission Church. The mission which is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church, uses our sanctuary for their service starting at 1 PM on Sundays. The Reverend Kim and his wife are a cherished part of our St Barnabas family, and we are blessed to have such a wonderful sharing relationship with them and with Grace Mission Church.

MORE SHROVE TUESDAY PHOTOS

Thanks to Arleen D'Apice we had an abundance of photos to share from our Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper and no room for them in the March Beacon so here are a few more memories of the occasion:

