

Reflection

Palm Sunday raises at least two important spiritual questions for Christians: What does it mean to be like Jesus? And what does it mean to take up our crosses, just like He did? First, you don't need to go looking for your cross. Life gives them to you. Whether it's an illness or a tough family relationship or trouble in school or problems on the job. The real cross is the one that you don't want. Because it's hardly a cross if you want it. Just like it was for Jesus. Second, we are asked by Jesus to accept our crosses.

Now, what does that mean? Well, first it means accepting that suffering is a reality in your life, and being honest about it. Perhaps more importantly, it means not passing along the bitterness that you feel. That doesn't mean that when you're with friends or family members or counselors, you can't talk about it or complain about it or even cry about it. That's both healthy and natural.

But it does mean that if you're angry about your boss or about school or about your family, you don't pass along that anger or bitterness or meanness to others. Your cross is your cross. It shouldn't become someone else's. - Father James Martin, SJ

> Mass Today—46 Offertory Helpers— Last Name's A—H Weekend Masses—Saturday—5pm & Sunday—9am & 10:45am Sunday Youth Mass—NO Youth Mass March 25 or April 1 Weekday Masses— Monday through Wednesday Only—8:15AM

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Gathering: Hosanna to the Son of David–137

Psalm: 22Bread of<br/>My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?Preparation:Sending H<br/>O Sacred Head Surrounded-147Were You

Communion: Now We Remain—507 You Alone—664 Bread of Life—370 adoned me? Sending Forth: Were You There—151

## PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

My Dear Friends,

Our first Holy Week in the new church. Yes, I'm nervous – we have never done the ceremonies here before. And they are the most complicated of the entire liturgical year. This weekend, on Palm Sunday, it is appropriate that we gather on the piazza outside and then process into church with our Palms. On the piazza we hear a reading from the Gospel and bless the palms.

On Holy Thursday at 7 pm we will celebrate the Eucharist, with the washing of feet, as Jesus did for the Apostles at the Last Supper. As of midweek, I am still in need of 5 more volunteer Apostles. At the end of Mass we carry the Blessed Sacrament to the Chapel in procession. Deacon Joe will have Stations of the Cross at noon on Good Friday. The Good Friday service is at 3 pm. We hear the Passion, have veneration of the Cross, and then receive Communion from the hosts consecrated the day before.

Holy Saturday begins near 8 pm with the Blessing of the fire in the piazza, followed by the procession with the Easter candle into the darkened church. There are readings from the Bible and the reception into the church of the RCIA folks either by Baptism or Confirmation. Our Holy Saturday service usually lasts a little over 1.5 hours.

Easter Sunday is our regular Sunday schedule. There will be no daily Mass Monday or Tuesday April 2 and 3. The entire StMM campus will be closed.

There will be Confessions at 10:30 on Saturday March 24. No Confessions on Holy Saturday or on April 7. There will be Confessions on April 14. Father Donald Staib

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## **PARISH DATES**

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## March

- 25—Easter Egg Hunt—12:15pm—Playground & Soccer Field 25—No Youth Mass
- 29—Holy Thursday Mass—7pm—Church
- 30-Stations of the Cross-12pm-Church
- 30—Good Friday Service—3pm—Church
- 31—Easter Vigil—Gathering at 8pm—Piazza (Note NO 5pm Mass)

## <u>April</u>

- 1—Easter Sunday Masses—9am & 10:45am—Church
- 1—NO Youth Mass
- 6—Adoration—8:30am—7pm—Chapel
- 8—Divine Mercy Sunday—3pm—Chapel
- 8—NO Youth Mass—6pm—Church
- 9—Safe Environment Training—6:30pm
- 9—RCIA—7:30pm—Church Meeting Room #4
- 15—Youth Mass—6pm—Church
- 16—RCIA—7:30pm—Church Meeting Room #4
- 20—Spring Festival—3pm—7pm—Athletic Fields
- 21—First Communion Liturgy—5pm
- 22—First Communion Liturgy—9am & 10:45am
- 23—RCIA—7:30pm—Church Meeting Room #4
- 24—EDGE Parent Meeting—7:30pm—Youth Room
- 24—Parent Confirmation Workshop—7:30pm—Media Ctr.

Deadline for Bulletin submission is the Wednesday Morning prior to the weekend of publication (Send bulletin requests to <u>lynch@stmm.net</u>)

## Mass Intentions

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March 24—5pm—Harry Cochrane—Aurelia Cochrane March 25—9am—Gearoid Lynch—Lenny Lynch & Family March 25—10:45am—Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene March 26—8:15am—Parishioners of St. Mary Magdalene March 27—8:15am—Monti & Janelle's Anniversary—Molly Hernandez March 28—8:15am—Mary Lee—Joan Ang

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### SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISMS** – See the Guidelines on the Website – then email the Pastor. First time parents must attend a baptism class [a good time is during the 9 months prior to birth.] Baptisms are usually, not always, at 10am on Saturdays or at weekend Masses.

**CONFESSIONS** – Always check the Pastor's Paragraph in the weekly Bulletin or our E-News mailed on Fridays. Confessions are usually at 10:30 on Saturdays, sometimes following the Saturday morning Baptisms.

### FINANCIAL MATTERS

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL** – Thank you to all who have participated. We have now reached 115% of our goal. We have 44% of parish participation. Any funds over goal come back to help our own parish.

**OUR NEW CHURCH** – We have the obligation to make large monthly payments for 15 years for the construction of the church. In addition we are challenged to respond to new parish endeavors in all our parish programs. We are grateful to those who help us in the weekly Offertory for regular expenses and in the monthly white envelope for debt payments for the church.



## Catechetical Corner

**Many thanks** to all our grade 4 program families for their toilet paper contributions for Catholic Parish Outreach.

**Grade 5 Program Families** – April 15th/17th/18th is your week for CPO contributions.

**Many thanks** to all program families for your rice bowl Lenten almsgivings to Catholic Relief Services.

**All Program Families** – Our Traditional Elementary Program & Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program is closed this week for Holy Week. Families come to our Holy Week parish services to experience the living classroom with your participation.

**Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program** is a Montessori based catechetical program offered in levels of mixed grade groups. Each session is capped at 10 students/class. Students must be age appropriate by Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>. Level I for 3's/ PK/K is offered on Sun. from 8:45-10am OR 10:30-11:45am. Level II for grades 1/2/3 is offered on Sun. from 12-1:15pm as well as Tues. from 5-6:15pm. Level III for grades 4/5 is offered on Wed. from 5-6:15pm. Level II for grades 4/5 is offered on Wed. from 5-6:15pm. Level II is required for Level III. Sessions take place in the Atrium (old chapel) in the Activities Building. Program runs from late Sept. through late April/early May depending on the Feast of Pentecost each liturgical year. Registration opens in June & runs through Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> each year. For more info about this second religious education program please visit <u>www.stmm.church</u>. Select Religious Education.

**Parish First Communion Dates for 2018** are April 21st/22<sup>nd</sup> & April 28th/29th at all weekend liturgies.

**Parish Families with 1st Graders in 2018-2019!!** – First Reconciliation & First Eucharist are typically received in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. It is a two-year preparation. Kindergarten is optional & does not meet sacrament requirements. Grade 1 is required for Grade 2. If your child is starting 1<sup>st</sup> Grade in 2018-2019 then you need to register for class instruction with the parish in our Traditional Religious Education Elementary Program. A Catholic baptism is required. Updated information will be posted in May, 2018 for the new year. You can still access <u>www.stmm.church</u>. Select Religious Education. Select Elementary, Click on informational links to get a feel for the days & times class sessions are offered. You pick only one session & attend the same session each week.

Direct all questions to Celeste Usischon at Usischon@stmm.net



# Youth Ministry

All STMM YM Programs are off for March 25th(Palm Sunday) & April 1st(Easter Sunday)

STMM YM Calendar for 2017-2018 can be found at this link:<u>http://</u> www.stmm.church/2017-2018 Youth Ministry Calendar(1) 2.pdf

#### STMM CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

If you have a teen in year 2 of preparation/receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on April 25th, 2018 and have not created the online account for the electronic confirmation paperwork, please email Vicki at <u>stmm.confirmation@kristoffs.com</u>

St. Mary Magdalene's 2018 Confirmation liturgy will be held on Wednesday, April 25th in the church at 6:30pm.

**Confirmation Information**—If you have a teen who is currently in 8th/9th/10th/11th grade who will be entering either year 1 or year 2 of Confirmation preparation at STMM in the 2018-2019 school year, please be aware that it is required by our parish that you attend a Parent Confirmation Workshop. We offer 3 of them every year and it is required that 1 parent attend 1 of the 3 sessions offered. To see the complete list of Diocesan Guidelines for receiving the sacrament of Confirmation, please go to this link: <a href="http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/way.cfm">http://www.stmm.church/religious-ed/way.cfm</a> The remaining dates for the 2018 Parent Confirmation Workshops are: **April 24th, & May 9th at 7:30pm in the Media Center.** 

**2nd Semester Youth Masses—No Youth Masses—**March 25th & April 1st due to Palm Sunday & Easter and April 8th. **Youth Masses** will held: April 15 & 22 (Senior Recognition Mass)

Appalachian Service Project(ASP) Night of Worship—Come and celebrate a night of worship music on Sat, April 14th! Start with a picnic dinner on the piazza from 6—7pm provided by STMM's ASP 2018 teams. Live music in the church will then be provided from 7pm-9pm courtesy of STMM's Youth Music Band, ROOTED. Tickets for dinner will cost \$7/person or \$20/family. You can purchase your tickets after Mass on March 10 & 11, March 24 & 25, and April 7 & 8. The concert will be offered to you for FREE! All proceeds and donations will go directly to STMM's ASP 2018 Youth Ministry Mission Trip. You can learn more about this event and about STMM's ASP group by emailing Taylor Wray at stmmasp@gmail.com or talking to the band, ROOTED, after any Youth Mass

**Miracle League Buddies Needed!!** - We're looking for teens ages 12 and up to volunteer to be a 'buddy' for a young person with special needs to enjoy a game of baseball! Miracle League of the Triangle provides a special opportunity for people with special needs to play baseball. You can visit their site <u>http://miracleleagueofthetriangle.com/</u> for more info about their organization. We are providing 15 buddies on Sat,, April 21st for a game from 10:45am—12:45pm at Adams Drive Elem. in Cary. If your teen is interested in volunteering to be a buddy please have them print the buddy form from here:<u>http://miracleleagueofthetriangle.com/pdf/Single-Day-Buddy-Registration-Form.pdf</u> & turn it in at STMM on Sunday to either Janine or Liz's inbox on their tables in the lobby.



# RCIA

Our next session is March 26th and our topic is 'Looking at **Jesus'** If you are interested in RCIA, please contact Celeste at usischon@stmm.net with your questions.





Annual StMM Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, March 25th at 12:15pm. Ages 2-4 will be meeting at the front of the playground by the Rose Garden: ages 5-7 will be at the back of the play-

ground; and ages 8-10 will meet on the soccer fields. Inclement weather: join us outside of the cafeteria at 12:15pm. Questions: contact Grace at GDanuck@gmail.com.



The Sunday after Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday! - Come to the Chapel at 3pm to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday with prayers, Adoration and Benediction. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend and to bring friends and family. Plan to

arrive a few minutes early, we will begin promptly at 3pm.



Safe Environment Training - Adults who wish to volunteer with youth at StMM are required to fill out a volunteer application and attend Safe Environment Training. Our next sessions are Mon April 9th at

6:30pm. The session will last approx. 2 hours and is for adults only as the presentation is not appropriate for children. Must register to attend. Email Bertha Smith bsmith@stmm.net to register and for the meeting room.



StMM is exploring the interest in starting a Singles/ Singles Again meeting group which will work in conjunction with the Diocese group. The StMM group is for singles who are 35 years and older.

The group will conduct activities like dinners, plays, concerts, sporting events, day trips, attend church etc. You can attend any event that you would like and are encouraged to bring fellow parishioners or friends if you would like. The inaugural StMM meeting will be at Ruckus in Cary, 8111-208 Tryon Woods Drive, Cary. (919-835-2002) at 5:30pm on Sat, April 14<sup>th</sup>. RSVP to Mike Burger, S/SA Ministry by calling him at 919 -349-2500. Look forward to seeing you.



Attention Parents! - A small group of parents gather during Sunday Religious Education classes from 12-1:15pm in the school's Media Center. When the kids are there, so are we! Join us! During lent we will

watch and discuss Bishop Barron's renowned CATHOLICISM series. Journey with us around the world and deep into the Catholic faith. (http://catholicism.wordonfire.org) Questions contact Nicole at nicolesebik@yahoo.com or Joe at jsebik@icloud.com.



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The CSO (Catholic Senior Organization for men and women 60+) meets every third Monday of the month, September through May. Additionally, the CSO knitting

on the Gol and crocheting group will be meeting on Mon, March 26th from 1—3pm in meeting room #1. For more information, please contact Miriam Moore, miriamdel79@yahoo.com, 919-387-8676 or Fran Hughes, gmomfran@gmail.com.

SPRING FESTIVAL Felds! Bring family, friends, & chairs for an even-Eiz -ÊR ing of fun! Activities include inflatables for all ages, rock wall, cake walk, & more! Bring cash for concessions. Wristbands can be purchased in advance for \$10/child by emailing anneburge143@gmail.com or for \$12 at the door. Wristbands provide unlimited rides & games - adults and children 2 & under are FREE! The Spring Festival will take place rain or shine, and no refunds will be honored. Adult and teen volunteers needed! Contact Anne (above) to volunteer. See you there!

**GE** EDGE Parent ONLY Info Session! - Will you have a middle schooler next year? Interested in having them participate in an active thriving youth group? Were you not able to attend the Edge open house this year? Then come and join us to learn more about the EDGE. We will be hosting an information night on Tues, April 24th from 7:30 -8:30pm in the Youth Room of the Activity Building. This is for PAR-ENTS ONLY. You will learn all about what's available to, not only your teens but also you as parents. Contact Janine McGann at Janine.mcgann@gmail.com with guestions.

Prayer Line-miriambeck24@gmail.com, 919-924-1413



**Parish Athletics** 

Parish Athletics—Spring T-Ball & Machine Pitch Baseball -Grades: Coed, PreK (4 year olds) thru 4th Dates: April to June; Practice Locations: Apex & Cary; Game Locations: Apex only; Cost: \$65;; Note: PreK has a combined practice/game on Sat; K-8th grade have one weekday practice and a game on Sat. Register at http://www.parishathleticsnc.org.



**2017 Tax Statements** were emailed to registered parishioners who have a valid email address with the parish. If you receive the E—News you should have received your tax statement. If you did not receive a statement, contact <u>lynch@stmm.net</u>, 919-657-4800 ext. 7281 and one will be sent to you. Be sure to check your junk mail if you receive the E-News



Pray the **Rosary for Life** at 10:10am on the 2nd Sunday of the month in the Chapel. Our next Rosary for Life is Sunday, April 8th. It is a beautiful way to start the day whether you come before Mass or stay after. Prayer sheets are provided and families with children are welcome.



**Fetal Development of Abigail**—The Miracle of Life. At conception the gender of the child is determined by the father's sperm. We are going to name this tiny new human being "Abigail." Abigail has not yet implanted into the

wall of the uterus so no one but God knows of her existence. God has known us and loved us from all eternity. "Then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into her nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature." (Genesis 2:7)

**Pro-Life—Pro Civil Society**— It's time to ban the dismemberment procedure in NC. Please contact your Senators to support Senate Bill 425, <u>The Unborn Child Protection From Dis-</u> <u>memberment Abortion Act</u>. Go to <u>www.trianglerightolife.org</u> then click on tab "Take Action", then click on "NC Legislation— SB425." In 2016—3,746 NC babies (13 to 24 weeks gestation) suffered this procedure. More questions, contact <u>Kathleen-</u> <u>siemer@embargmail.com</u>.

**COURAGE** is a prayer and fellowship group that assists individuals with same-sex attractions (or SSA) to live chaste lives in accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church. Meetings are for men and women and strict confidentiality is maintained. For more information email: <u>courage.sacred.heart@gmail.com</u>. Or call: (919) 289-9489.

**EnCourage** is the affiliate support group for parents, friends and family members of loved ones with SSA. EnCourage helps members to focus on their own spiritual development and offers a supportive environment to share information and guidance for maintaining healthy relationships with our loved ones. For more information, email <u>encourage.sacred.heart@gmail.com</u>. Or call: (984) 221-0730. Strict confidentiality is maintained.



## Diocesan News



The Pontifical Good Friday Collection—Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious

education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENER-OUS! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit <u>www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.</u>

**Ignatian Retreat for Men- Discerning God's Plan for Me**—The St. Luke's and St. Raphael's Knights of Columbus and St. Raphael's' Office of Life Long Formation jointly sponsor this silent men's weekend for Catholic men of the Diocese at Avila Retreat Center, 711 Mason Rd., Durham. It starts Fri, May 18th about 5pm and closes Sun, May 20th around noon. For information contact Jim Haag at 919-841-5817 (H) 919-995-1057 (M) jjmthaag@bellsouth.net. Or simply make your reservation by sending a \$95 deposit to KofC Council #12455: note Men's Retreat to: Ignatian Men's Retreat, C/O Jim Haag, 500 Emerywood Dr., Raleigh, NC 27515.



Join Catholic Charities for their Inaugural "Drive Out Hunger" Golf Outing at North Ridge Country Club in Raleigh on Mon, June 11th. Proceeds will benefit Catholic Charities food pantries across the diocese and provide groceries to the 16.5% of North

Carolina families who lack reliable access to healthy meals. For more information and to register, please visit www.CatholicCharitiesRaleigh.org/golf-2018, 919-821-8142.



The 15th annual Ignited By Truth Catholic Conference will be held on April 28th at Reynolds Coliseum on the NC State Campus, Raleigh. The Saturday program includes 5 renowned speakers: Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Robert Spitzer, Fr. Donald Calloway, Mark Hart, and Deacon Har-

old Burke-Sivers. Unique tracks are offered for middle and high school students. Vigil Mass with Bishop Zarama. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. Free Young Adult (18+) evening social, followed by a concert with Dana Catherine and Mathias Michael for all. New this year is an evening in Spanish with Fr. Rafael Capó and concert with Darwin Lechler. Purchase your tickets while they last; visit IgnitedByTruth.org or call 919-789-1428.



## News From Other Organizations



**CPO Food Pantry's 5th Annual Pig Pickin & Open House**—Let's pig out to help feed more families! Sat, April 21st from 4–7:30pm (or until the pig runs out) 2013 Raleigh Blvd, Raleigh. Home-cooked Pork BBQ

cooked on-site with beef hot dogs and a variety of side dishes & cold drinks, \$10/plate. Our chefs are the Cathedral KofC. There will be live Bluegrass music, Indoor seating, Bake Sale and so much family fun! Cash, credit & checks accepted. Sponsorship opportunities are available \$250—\$2,500. For more information visit <u>CPOraleigh.org</u> or contact Terry Foley at 919-873-0245 ext. 230, <u>foleyt@raldioc.org</u>.

Cardinal Gibbons Drama Department will present (*Pippin*' on March 25th at 2:30pm in the Mainstage Theater. Visit <u>CGHSNC.org/Gibbonsdrama</u> for ticket information. Admission is \$5



**Family Honor's "Changes & Challenges" Program -** This program for parents and their 6th grade child helps families navigate the "changes and challenges" of approaching adolescence with

a special emphasis on God's gift of sexuality, plus resources and tips for raising happy, healthy and holy children. It will take place at **St. Mary Magdalene Session 1 PARENTS ONLY:** Wed, May 2nd, 7-9:15 pm and **Session 2 Parents with their child:** Sat, May 5th, 9:30am – 12noon. Register online at: <u>https://familyhonor.org/ programs/find-a-family-honor-program-near-you/</u>. Cost to attend is \$25 per family to be collected at program check-in (checks payable to St. Mary Magdalene). For more information, contact <u>fhraleigh@gmail.com</u>. Registration deadline is **APRIL 25TH.** 



Save the Date for KofC 13th Annual Children's Charity Golf Classic on Sat, May 12th at Lochmere Golf Club in Cary. For more information on the golf classic or sponsorship opportunities, contact Tourna-

ment Director, Rick Nelson at 919-614-2532. Any gift or gift certificate is never too small. Hole Sponsor—\$100, Golf Car Sponsor—\$250, Corporate Sponsor—\$500, Tournament Sponsor—\$1,000



Single/Single Again Ministry – If you are a single, separated, divorced or widowed person, you are invited to join us at our monthly Mass held at Cardinal Gibbon HS chapel at 5:30 pm. A pot-luck social follow Mass.

2018 Masses are: April 22, May 20, and June 17. For more information contact Celia at <u>ckeator@nc.rr.com</u> or visit <u>www.singlesingleagain.com</u> or on facebook <u>www.facebook.com/</u> singleagainraleigh



"Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear;" As we celebrate Palm Sunday, let us keep our ears open to the love from our spouses and God by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. The

next weekends are: Aug 3-5, 2018 in Chapel Hill and Nov 9-11, 2018 in Atlantic Beach, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <u>https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org</u> or contact us at <u>applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org</u> or 704-315-2144

The **2018 North Carolina Bread for the World Convention**, scheduled for Sat, April 7th, is rapidly approaching. This year's theme is *"Spiritual Politics: Resisting the Impending Hunger Crisis."* Again this year, the convention will be held at St. Philip's Episcopal Church in downtown Durham. Registration is now open at <u>https://</u> <u>spiritualpolitics.eventbrite.com</u>. Individual pre-registration is just \$25/ pp. A discounted rate of \$15 is available for students. Scholarships also are available upon request. Simultaneous translation into Spanish will be available throughout the day. This year's keynote speaker will be Michael Becketts, former director of the Durham County Department of Social Services and now Assistant Secretary for Human Services at the NC Dept. of Health and Human Services.

The Four Levels of Happiness Lecture by Father Robert J. Spitzer S.J., Phd on April 28th, 6:30pm at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral. Happiness, as Aristotle noted, is the one thing you can choose for itself – everything else is chosen for the sake of happiness. Father Spitzer has created a system called "The Four Levels of Happiness" to teach high school and college students (as well as adults) the different kinds of happiness – from their sources to their effects.

Handicapped Encounter Christ (HEC) is seeking volunteers for its Retreat Program on May 4th and 5th at the Agape Retreat Center in Fuquay Varina. HEC enriches the spiritual and social lives of adults with physical disabilities as well as the volunteers. For more information, please contact Marty and Charlie Coe at 919-832-7237 or ccoe@nc.rr.com

**Divorced? Remarried?** Planning to marry someone who is divorced? Do you have questions about freedom to marry in the Catholic Church? Did you know that the Tribunal is available to answer these and any other questions you may have about remarriage in the Church? Contact Mrs. Vikki Newell 919-821-9759 with your questions, or visit <u>http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org/offices/tribunal</u> for further information. We welcome the opportunity to help you.



"Besides doing more push-ups, Matt, you'll have to stop collapsing and yelling 'It's my cross to bear!' "



# WORSHIP & WITNESS Saturday, April 14, 6pm-9pm

Picnic on the Piazza 6pm-7pm. \$7/person or \$20/family. Buy your dinner tickets after Mass on March 10&11, March 24&25, April 7&8.

Worship Event is 7pm-9pm & FREE. Love Donations are greatly appreciated. All donations go to STMM ASP 2018!

Questions: Email stmmasp@gmail.com

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