



FROM THE VINEYARD

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Holy Thursday

THIS EARLY AND SLIGHTLY SHORTER VERSION of From the Vineyard is coming out on Holy Thursday, just ahead of the celebrations of the sacred Easter Triduum. Let us pray for many graces over the coming days, the pinnacle of the Church's liturgical year.

I PUBLISHED MY EASTER MESSAGE earlier this week which you can either read or watch on video.

THE OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS will be held tomorrow, Good Friday, beginning with a prayer service at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains at 10:00 a.m. and concluding at the steps of Immaculate Conception Church in east city. If you have never participated in this local Good Friday tradition before or if you have attended many times, we look forward to welcoming you. Dress for the weather, since it looks like it will be sunny but cool.

WE HAD A BEAUTIFUL CELEBRATION OF THE CHRISM MASS on Monday of this week. It was the first year we attempted an afternoon timing for Mass, and we were very gratified by the turnout of people which filled the Cathedral. My sincere thanks to all those who worked hard to prepare the celebration of the Chrism Mass, and the reception and dinner for the clergy afterwards.

WE WERE SADDENED BY THE PASSING OF MAUREEN MULHALL yesterday, a longtime member of the Cathedral Parish and the mother of Archbishop Michael Mulhall of Kingston. Funeral arrangements are still being finalized with more information to come. We certainly extend our prayers and sympathies to the Mulhall family at this time of their loss.

THE EASTER EDITION OF THE CATHOLIC HERALD was published online this week, with hard copies to appear in parishes very soon. Many thanks to our editor, Father Ray Rick, and to the many writers and columnists who have contributed to an interesting issue!

Fraternally, + Daniel