

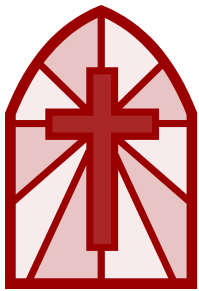
# Proclaim

April 2004

The Newsletter for Lectors of Holy Name of Mary Parish

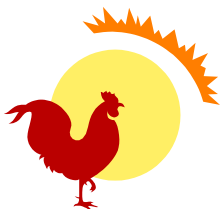
## All Passion Readers:

Because the Passion readings of Palm Sunday and Good Friday are different this year than recent previous years, practice for these is mandatory. For the 5:00 pm Saturday (Apr 3), 8:00 & 9:30 am Sunday (Apr 4) masses, practice is on **Thursday, March 25, at 6:30 pm**. For the 11:00 am & 5:00 pm Sunday (Apr 4) and 3:00 pm Good Friday (Apr 9) masses, practice is on **Thursday, Apr 1, at 6:30 pm**. Please make every effort to attend because it is important to the assembly you will be proclaiming to.



It is requested and encouraged that we all wear red or have some red on our attires when we come to church on Palm Sunday as a showing of community honoring the passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Our loaner Medallion from the Sacristy is MIA (missing in action). Someone probably borrowed it and just forgot to put it back after using it. Please return it as soon as possible so others may avail of it in case they forget to bring their own. If you've lost yours, please get in touch with me to make arrangements for a replacement.



## Daylight Savings Time:

Remember to move your clocks forward 1 hour on April 4, lest you be late for mass on Palm Sunday (or be too early for the next one).

To those of you who cared enough to answer last month's survey, Thank you! Your kind words of encouragement mean a lot in sustaining me. Being blessed with ministers like you make this calling worthwhile. Gratefully, Raul



If you have not yet seen the awe-inspiring movie, The Passion of the Christ, you owe it to yourself as a Lector and Minister of God's Word to experience it as soon as you can. Yes. That is how strongly I feel about this masterpiece of Mr. Mel Gibson. I genuinely believe that every Lector who desires to proclaim His

Word effectively must see this beautiful film of ultimate suffering and boundless love. If you've been to the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels and paid attention to the background of the artist who sculpted the corpus of the crucifix, this movie will bring that piece of art to life. Do you want to understand what it is we are truly bringing to the assembly every time we step up to the ambo? Do you want to comprehend the reason He has called you to be a Lector and chosen you as His messenger? Then go see it, watch it, and experience it to gratefully appreciate what our Lord has done for us in spite of ourselves. This movie made me ask a question: *If He can go through so much to save my sinful soul, how can I do less in preparing and proclaiming His word?*



## REMINDER



- ♦ When processing in, Lector 2 walks in front of Lector 1, and not beside.
- ♦ Lector 1 carries the Book of Gospels in (when there is no Deacon or the Deacon chooses not to carry it) up high facing the assembly (spine right, ribbon marker down), and brings it up directly to the altar (without stopping at the bottom) and places it on the altar, turning it around to keep it facing the assembly.

*If it's not God's work, it's not worth doing.*